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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, 2018 (H.R. 1625, P.L. 115–141).

This Act consists of 12 divisions related to Appropriations matters (divisions A through L). The Act also includes 10 additional divisions unrelated to appropriations matters (divisions M through V). 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.

Divisions A through L are the products of negotiations between the House and Senate Appropriations Committees on final fiscal year 2018 appropriations for all 12 annual appropriations bills.

The legislative text resulting from these negotiations was submitted by Chairman Rodney Frelinghuysen of the House Committee on Appropriations as a House amendment to the Senate amendment to an unrelated bill pending in the House, H.R. 1625. The House agreed to the measure on March 22, 2018, and the Senate agreed to the measure on March 23, 2018.[1] The President signed the legislation on March 23, 2018, and it became Public Law 115–141.

Because an "amendments-between-the-Houses" process was used instead of a conference committee, there is no conference report and no "joint Explanatory Statement of the managers" for H.R. 1625. An Explanatory Statement relating to the House amendment of H.R. 1625 was filed by Chairman Frelinghuysen in the Congressional Record of March 22, 2018.[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, the legislative text of each appropriations division is paired with the applicable section of the Explanatory Statement.

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[1] The House agreed to the amendment by a vote of 256–167 (Roll Call No. 127). The Senate agreed to the amendment by a vote of 65-32 (Record Vote No. 63).

[2] The Explanatory Statement appears on pages H2045–H2901 in Books II and III of the March 22, 2018, Congressional Record.

[House Appropriations Committee Print]

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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)), $1,183,043,000, 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.

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 2018, so as to result in a final appropriation estimated at not more than $1,183,043,000, 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, $24,916,000, 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; $106,985,000, 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. 2605).

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, $1,279,002,000, to remain available until September 30, 2019: *Provided*, That not to exceed $18,818,000 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)).

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; $66,540,000, 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, $63,839,000, 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 $33,857,000 is to be derived from the Cooperative Endangered Species Conservation Fund; and of which $19,638,000 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.), $40,000,000, 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 Con-

servation 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, $63,571,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That of the amount provided herein, $4,209,000 is for a competitive grant program for Indian tribes not subject to the remaining provisions of this appropriation: *Provided further*, That $6,362,000 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 $10,571,000 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 2018 to any State, territory, or other jurisdiction that remains unobligated as of September 30, 2019, shall be reapportioned, together with funds appropriated in 2020, 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, $2,477,969,000, of which $10,032,000 for planning and interagency coordination in support of Everglades restoration and $134,461,000 for maintenance, repair, or rehabilitation projects for constructed assets shall remain available until September 30, 2019: *Provided*, That funds appropriated under this heading in this Act are available for the purposes of section 5 of Public Law 95–348.

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, $63,638,000.

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), $96,910,000, to be derived from the Historic Preservation Fund and to remain available until September 30, 2019, of which

$13,000,000 shall be for Save America's Treasures grants for preservation of national significant sites, structures and artifacts as authorized by section 7303 of the Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009 (54 U.S.C. 3089): *Provided*, That an individual Save America's Treasures grant shall be matched by non-Federal funds: *Provided further*, That individual projects shall only be eligible for one grant: *Provided further*, That all projects to be funded shall be approved by the Secretary of the Interior in consultation with the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations: *Provided further*, That of the funds provided for the Historic Preservation Fund, $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 under-represented, as determined by the Secretary, $13,000,000 is for competitive grants to preserve the sites and stories of the Civil Rights movement, $5,000,000 is for grants to Historically Black Colleges and Universities, and $5,000,000 is for competitive grants for the restoration of historic properties of national, State and local significance listed on or eligible for inclusion on the National Register of Historic Places, to be made without imposing the usage or direct grant restrictions of section 101(e)(3) (54 U.S.C. 302904) of the National Historical Preservation Act: *Provided further*, 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 non-profit organizations.

CONSTRUCTION

For construction, improvements, repair, or replacement of physical facilities, and compliance and planning for programs and areas administered by the National Park Service, $359,704,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, for any project initially funded in fiscal year 2018 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 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,

$180,941,000, to be derived from the Land and Water Conservation Fund and to remain available until expended, of which $124,006,000 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, $23,000,000, 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.

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 su-

pervision 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; $1,148,457,000, to remain available until September 30, 2019; of which $78,537,000 shall remain available until expended for satellite operations; and of which $15,164,000 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, observation wells, and seismic equipment; 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 chapters 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 en-

vironmental 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, $171,000,000, of which $114,166,000 is to remain available until September 30, 2019, and of which $56,834,000 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 2018 appropriation estimated at not more than $114,166,000: *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, $136,411,000, of which $108,540,000 is to remain available until September 30, 2019, and of which $27,871,000 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 2018 appropriation estimated at not more than $108,540,000.

For an additional amount, $50,000,000, 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 2018, as provided in this Act: *Provided*, That to the extent that amounts realized from such inspection fees exceed $50,000,000, the amounts realized in excess of $50,000,000 shall be credited to this appropriation and remain available until expended: *Provided further*, That for fiscal year 2018, 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 capac-

ity 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, $115,804,000, to remain available until September 30, 2019: *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 2018 appropriation estimated at not more than $115,804,000.

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, $24,672,000, 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, $115,000,000, to remain available until expended, for grants to States and federally recognized Indian Tribes 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 of such additional amount, $75,000,000 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, $30,000,000 shall be distributed in equal amounts to the 3 Appalachian States with the subsequent greatest amount of unfunded needs to meet such priorities, and $10,000,000 shall be for grants to federally recognized Indian Tribes without regard to their status as certified or uncertified under the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 (30 U.S.C. 1233(a)), 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) and 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: *Provided further*, That such additional amount shall be allocated to States and Indian Tribes 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. 5301 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.), $2,411,200,000, to remain available until September 30, 2019, 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 $76,000,000 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 $673,425,000 for school operations costs of Bureau-funded schools and other education programs shall become available on July 1, 2018, and shall remain available until September 30, 2019: *Provided further*, That not to exceed $53,991,000 shall remain available until expended for housing im-

provement, 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. 5301 et seq.) and section 1128 of the Education Amendments of 1978 (25 U.S.C. 2008), not to exceed $81,036,000 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, 2018: *Provided further*, That any forestry funds allocated to a federally recognized tribe which remain unobligated as of September 30, 2019, may be transferred during fiscal year 2020 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, 2020: *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: *Provided further*, That the Bureau of Indian Affairs may accept transfers of funds from U.S. Customs and Border Protection to supplement any other funding available for reconstruction or repair of roads owned by the Bureau of Indian Affairs as identified on the National Tribal Transportation Facility Inventory, 23 U.S.C. 202(b)(1).

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 2018, such sums as may be necessary, which shall be available for obligation through September 30, 2019: *Provided*, 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; $354,113,000, 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 the Act of November 2, 1921 (25 U.S.C. 13), shall be made available on a nonreimbursable basis:

Provided further, That for fiscal year 2018, 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 part 12 of title 43, Code of Federal Regulations, as the regulatory requirements: *Provided further*, That such grants shall not be subject to section 12.61 of title 43, Code of Federal Regulations; 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 section 1125(b) of title XI of Public Law 95–561 (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 section 5206(f) of Public Law 100–297 (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 section 5208(e) of Public Law 107–110 (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, 111–291, and 114–322, and for implementation of other land and water rights settlements, $55,457,000, to remain available until expended.

INDIAN GUARANTEED LOAN PROGRAM ACCOUNT

For the cost of guaranteed loans and insured loans, $9,272,000, of which $1,252,000 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 $123,565,389.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

(INCLUDING RESCISSION OF FUNDS)

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 Public Law 87–279 (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, or more than one grade to expand the elementary grade structure for Bureau-funded schools with a K-2 grade structure on October 1, 1996. 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.

Of the prior year unobligated balances available for the "Operation of Indian Programs" account, $8,000,000 are permanently rescinded.

DEPARTMENTAL OFFICES

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS

For necessary expenses for management of the Department of the Interior and for grants and cooperative agreements, as authorized by law, $124,182,000, to remain available until September 30, 2019; 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 $10,242,000 for the Office of Valuation Services is to be derived from the Land and Water Conservation Fund and shall remain available until expended.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

For fiscal year 2018, up to $400,000 of the payments authorized by chapter 69 of title 31, United States Code, may be retained for administrative expenses of the Payments in Lieu of Taxes Program: *Provided*, That the amounts provided under this Act specifically for the Payments in Lieu of Taxes program are the only amounts available for payments authorized under chapter 69 of title 31, United States Code: *Provided further*, That in the event the sums appropriated for any fiscal year for payments pursuant to this chapter are insufficient to make the full payments authorized by that chapter to all units of local government, then the payment to each local government shall be made proportionally: *Provided further*, That the Secretary may make adjustments to payment to individual units of local government to correct for prior overpayments or underpayments: *Provided further*, That no payment shall be made pursuant to that chapter to otherwise eligible units of local government if the computed amount of the payment is less than $100.

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, $96,870,000, of which: (1) $87,422,000 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, 2019, 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 infrastructure 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, $3,363,000, 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, $66,675,000.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector General, $51,023,000.

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, $119,400,000, to remain available until expended, of which not to exceed $18,990,000 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 2018, as authorized by the Indian Self-Determination Act of 1975 (25 U.S.C. 5301 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: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding section 102 of the American Indian Trust Fund Management Reform Act of 1994 (Public Law 103–412) or any other provision of law, the Secretary may aggregate the trust accounts of individuals whose whereabouts are unknown for a continuous period of at least five years and shall not be required to generate periodic statements of performance for the individual accounts: *Provided further*, That with respect to the eighth proviso, the Secretary shall continue to maintain sufficient records to determine the balance of the individual accounts, including any accrued interest and income, and such funds shall remain available to the individual account holders.

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, fuels management activities, and rural fire assistance by the Department of the Interior, $948,087,000, to remain available until expended, of which not to exceed $18,427,000 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 $184,000,000 is for fuels management activities: *Provided further*, That of the funds provided $20,470,000 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 fuels management activities, and for training and monitoring associated with such fuels management 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 fuels management 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.

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 54 U.S.C. 100721 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, cybersecurity, and the consolidation of facilities and operations throughout the Department, $62,370,000, 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 Appropria-

tions 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.

OFFICE OF NATURAL RESOURCES REVENUE

For necessary expenses for management of the collection and disbursement of royalties, fees, and other mineral revenue proceeds, and for grants and cooperative agreements, as authorized by law, $137,757,000, to remain available until September 30, 2019; of which $41,727,000 shall remain available until expended for the purpose of mineral revenue management activities: *Provided*, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, $15,000 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.

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 un-

avoidable 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, with 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 suppression" 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 historical 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 2018. 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 2018, 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 2018 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 2018. Fees for fiscal year 2018 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 2020," in the first sentence and inserting "through 2022,".

CONTRACTS AND AGREEMENTS WITH INDIAN AFFAIRS

SEC. 112. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, during fiscal year 2018, 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.

HUMANE TRANSFER OF EXCESS ANIMALS

SEC. 113. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary of the Interior may transfer excess wild horses or burros that have been removed from the public lands to other Federal, State, and local government agencies for use as work animals: *Provided*, That the Secretary may make any such transfer immediately upon request of such Federal, State, or local government agency: *Provided further*, That any excess animal transferred under this provision shall lose its status as a wild free-roaming horse or burro as defined in the Wild Free-Roaming Horses and Burros Act: *Provided further*, That any Federal, State, or local government agency receiving excess wild horses or burros as authorized in this section shall not: destroy the horses or burros in a way that results in their destruction into commercial products; sell or otherwise transfer the horses or burros in a way that results in their destruction for processing into commercial products; or euthanize the horses or burros except upon the recommendation of a licensed veterinarian, in cases of severe injury, illness, or advanced age.

REPUBLIC OF PALAU

SEC. 114. There is appropriated $123,824,000 for an additional amount for "Compact of Free Association", which shall remain available until expended for use in meeting the financial obligations of the Government of the United States under the Agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Palau Following the Compact of Free Association Section 432 Review, signed on September 3, 2010, with the funding schedule therein modified by the Parties as necessary and appropriate ("Compact Review Agreement"): *Provided*, That funds may not be made available under this section prior to the Compact Review Agreement and its appendices entering into force.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR EXPERIENCED SERVICES PROGRAM

SEC. 115. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law relating to Federal grants and cooperative agreements, the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to make grants to, or enter into cooperative

agreements with, private nonprofit organizations designated by the Secretary of Labor under title V of the Older Americans Act of 1965 to utilize the talents of older Americans in programs authorized by other provisions of law administered by the Secretary and consistent with such provisions of law.

(b) Prior to awarding any grant or agreement under subsection (a), the Secretary shall ensure that the agreement would not—

(1) result in the displacement of individuals currently employed by the Department, including partial displacement through reduction of non-overtime hours, wages, or employment benefits;

(2) result in the use of an individual under the Department of the Interior Experienced Services Program for a job or function in a case in which a Federal employee is in a layoff status from the same or substantially equivalent job within the Department; or

(3) affect existing contracts for services.

JAY S. HAMMOND WILDERNESS

SEC. 116. (a) DESIGNATION.—The approximately 2,600,000 acres of National Wilderness Preservation System land located within the Lake Clark National Park and Preserve designated by section 701(6) of the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act (16 U.S.C. 1132 note; Public Law 96–487) shall be known and designated as the "Jay S. Hammond Wilderness".

(b) REFERENCES.—Any reference in a law, map, regulation, document, paper, or other record of the United States to the wilderness area referred to in subsection (a) shall be deemed to be a reference to the "Jay S. Hammond Wilderness".

EXTENSION OF AUTHORITIES

SEC. 117. (a) Division II of Public Law 104–333 (54 U.S.C. 320101 note), as amended by section 116(b)(2) of Public Law 114–113, is amended in each of sections 203, 310, and 607, by striking "2017" and inserting "2019".

(b) Section 140(j) of the Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2004 (54 U.S.C. 320101 note; Public Law 108–108; 117 Stat. 1280) is amended by striking "15 years" and inserting "17 years".

PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES (PILT)

SEC. 118. Section 6906 of title 31, United States Code, is amended by striking "each of fiscal years 2008 through 2014" and inserting "fiscal year 2018".

MORRISTOWN NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK

SEC. 119. The first section of the Act entitled "An Act to authorize the addition of lands to Morristown National Historical Park in the State of New Jersey, and for other purposes", approved September 18, 1964 (16 U.S.C. 409g), is amended—

(1) by inserting ", from a willing owner only," after "the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to procure"; and

(2) by striking "615" each place it appears and inserting "715".

SAGE-GROUSE

SEC. 120. 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.

INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE

SEC. 121. (a) The following provisions of S. 1460 (Energy and Natural Resources Act of 2017) of the 115th Congress, as placed on the calendar of the Senate on June 29, 2017, are hereby enacted into law:

(1) Section 7130 (Modification of the Second Division Memorial).

(2) Section 7134 (Ste. Genevieve National Historical Park).

(b) H.R. 1281 as introduced in the 115th Congress (A bill to extend the authorization of the Highlands Conservation Act) and H.R. 4134 as introduced in the 115th Congress (Cecil D. Andrus-White Clouds Wilderness Redesignation Act) are hereby enacted into law.

(c) In publishing this Act in slip form and in the United States Statutes at large pursuant to section 112 of title 1, United States Code, the Archivist of the United States shall include after the date of approval at the end an appendix setting forth the text of the sections of the bill and the bills referred to in subsections (a) and (b), respectively.

MINERAL WITHDRAWAL SUBJECT TO VALID EXISTING RIGHTS

SEC. 122. (a) The mineral estate identified in Bureau of Land Management contracts number CA 20139 and CA 22901 is hereby withdrawn from all forms of mineral entry authority of the Secretary, subject to valid existing rights.

TITLE II

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

(INCLUDING RESCISSION OF FUNDS)

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 equipment and supplies; and other operating expenses in support of research and development, $713,823,000, to remain available until

September 30, 2019: *Provided*, That of the funds included under this heading, $4,100,000 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): *Provided further*, That of unobligated balances from appropriations made available under this heading, $7,350,000 are permanently rescinded: *Provided further*, That no amounts may be rescinded pursuant to the preceding proviso from amounts made available in the first proviso for Research: National Priorities.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS AND MANAGEMENT

(INCLUDING RESCISSION OF FUNDS)

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; implementation of a coal combustion residual permit program under section 2301 of the Water and Waste Act of 2016; and not to exceed $19,000 for official reception and representation expenses, $2,643,299,000, to remain available until September 30, 2019: *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, $447,857,000 shall be for Geographic Programs specified in the explanatory statement described in section 4 (in the matter preceding division A of this consolidated Act): *Provided further*, That of the unobligated balances from appropriations made available under this heading, $45,300,000 are permanently rescinded: *Provided further*, That no amounts may be rescinded pursuant to the preceding proviso from amounts made available in the first proviso for Environmental Protection: National Priorities, from amounts made available in the second proviso for Geographic Programs, or from the National Estuary Program (33 U.S.C. 1330).

In addition, $10,000,000 to remain available until expended, for necessary expenses of activities described in section 26(b)(1) of the Toxic Substances Control Act (15 U.S.C. 2625(b)(1)): *Provided*, That fees collected pursuant to that section of that Act and deposited in the "TSCA Service Fee Fund" as discretionary offsetting receipts in fiscal year 2018 shall be retained and used for necessary salaries and expenses in this appropriation and shall remain available until expended: *Provided further*, That the sum herein appropriated in this paragraph from the general fund for fiscal year 2018 shall be reduced by the amount of discretionary offsetting receipts received during fiscal year 2018, so as to result in a final fiscal year 2018 appropriation from the general fund estimated at not more than $0: *Provided further*, That to the extent that amounts realized from such receipts exceed $10,000,000, those amount in excess of

$10,000,000 shall be deposited in the "TSCA Service Fee Fund" as discretionary offsetting receipts in fiscal year 2018, shall be retained and used for necessary salaries and expenses in this account, and shall remain available until expended: *Provided further*, That of the funds included in the first paragraph under this heading, the Chemical Risk Review and Reduction program project shall be allocated for this fiscal year, excluding the amount of any fees appropriated, not less than the amount of appropriations for that program project for fiscal year 2014.

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 expended: *Provided*, That the sum herein appropriated from the general fund shall be reduced as offsetting collections under such section 3024 are received during fiscal year 2018, which shall remain available until expended and be used for necessary expenses in this appropriation, so as to result in a final fiscal year 2018 appropriation from the general fund estimated at not more than $0: *Provided further*, That to the extent such offsetting collections received in fiscal year 2018 exceed $3,674,000, those excess amounts shall remain available until expended and be used for necessary expenses in this appropriation.

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, 2019.

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, $34,467,000, 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) $1,091,947,000, to remain available until expended, consisting of such sums as are available in the Trust Fund on September 30, 2017, as authorized by section 517(a) of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA) and up to $1,091,947,000 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, $8,778,000 shall be paid to the

"Office of Inspector General" appropriation to remain available until September 30, 2019, and $15,496,000 shall be paid to the "Science and Technology" appropriation to remain available until September 30, 2019.

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, $3,562,161,000, 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 2018, 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 efficiency improvements, or other environmentally innovative activities: *Provided further*, That for fiscal year 2018, 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 2018 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 2018, notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (g)(1), (h), and (l) of section 201 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, grants made under title II of such Act for American Samoa, Guam, the commonwealth of the Northern Marianas, the United States Virgin Islands, and the District of Columbia may also be made for the purpose of providing assistance: (1) solely for facility plans, design activities, or plans, specifications, and estimates for any proposed project for the construction of treatment works; and (2) for the construction, repair, or replacement of privately owned treatment works serving one or more principal residences or small commercial establishments: *Provided further*, That for fiscal year 2018, notwithstanding the provisions of such subsections (g)(1), (h), and (l) of section 201 and section 518(c) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, funds reserved by the Administrator for grants under section 518(c) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act may also be used to provide assistance: (1) solely for facility plans, design activities, or plans, specifications, and estimates for any proposed project for the construction of treatment works; and (2) for the construction, repair, or replacement of privately owned treatment works serving one or more principal residences or small commercial establishments: *Provided further*, That for fiscal year 2018, notwithstanding any provision of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act and regulations issued pursuant thereof, up to a total of $2,000,000 of the funds reserved by the Administrator for grants under section 518(c) of such Act may also be used for grants for training, technical assistance, and educational programs relating to the operation and management of the treatment works specified in section 518(c) of such Act: *Provided further*, That for fiscal year 2018, funds reserved under section 518(c) of such Act shall be available for grants only to Indian tribes, as defined in section 518(h) of such Act and former Indian reservations in Oklahoma (as determined by the Secretary of the Interior) and Native Villages as defined in Public Law 92–203: *Provided further*, That for fiscal year 2018, 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 2018, 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 2018, 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, or where such debt was incurred prior to the date of enactment of this Act if the State, with concurrence from the Administrator, determines that such funds could be used to help address a threat to public health from heightened exposure to lead in drinking water or if a Federal or State emergency declaration has been issued due to a threat to public health from heightened exposure to lead in a municipal drinking water supply before the date of enactment of this Act: *Provided further*, That in a State in which such an emergency declaration has been issued, the State may use more than 20 percent of the funds made available under this title to the State for Drinking Water State Revolving Fund capitalization grants to provide additional subsidy to eligible recipients;

(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: *Provided further*, That at least 10 percent shall be allocated for assistance in persistent poverty counties: *Provided further*, That for purposes of this section, the term "persistent poverty counties" means any county that has had 20 percent or more of its population living in poverty over the past 30 years, as measured by the 1990 and 2000 decennial censuses and the most recent Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates;

(5) $75,000,000 shall be for grants under title VII, subtitle G of the Energy Policy Act of 2005;

(6) $40,000,000 shall be for targeted airshed grants 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);

(7) $4,000,000 shall be to carry out the water quality program authorized in section 5004(d) of the Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation Act (Public Law 114–322); and

(8) $1,076,041,000 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 specified 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; $10,000,000 shall be for multipurpose grants, including interagency agreements: *Provided*, That hereafter, 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.

WATER INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCE AND INNOVATION PROGRAM ACCOUNT

For the cost of direct loans and for the cost of guaranteed loans, as authorized by the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act of 2014, $5,000,000, to 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 these funds are available to subsidize gross obligations for the principal amount of direct loans, including capitalized interest, and total loan principal, including capitalized interest, any part of which is to be guaranteed, not to exceed $610,000,000.

In addition, fees authorized to be collected pursuant to sections 5029 and 5030 of the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act of 2014 shall be deposited in this account, to remain available until expended.

In addition, for administrative expenses to carry out the direct and guaranteed loan programs, notwithstanding section 5033 of the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act of 2014, $5,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2019.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

(INCLUDING TRANSFERS AND RESCISSION OF FUNDS)

For fiscal year 2018, 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 2018.

The Administrator is authorized to transfer up to $300,000,000 of the funds appropriated for the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative 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 2018, 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 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 2018 to provide grants to implement the Southeastern New England Watershed Restoration Program.

Of the unobligated balances available for the "State and Tribal Assistance Grants" account, $96,198,000 are hereby 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 or from amounts that were made available by subsection (a) of section 196 of the Continuing Appropriations Act, 2017 (division C of Public Law 114–223), as amended by the Further Continuing and Security Assistance Appropriations Act, 2017 (Public Law 114–254).

Notwithstanding the limitations on amounts in section 320(i)(2)(B) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, not less than $1,000,000 of the funds made available under this title for the National Estuary Program shall be for making competitive awards described in section 320(g)(4).

TITLE III

RELATED AGENCIES

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

FOREST SERVICE

OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENT

For necessary expenses of the Office of the Under Secretary for Natural Resources and Environment, $875,000: *Provided*, That funds made available by this Act to any agency in the Natural Resources and Environment mission area for salaries and expenses are available to fund up to one administrative support staff for the office.

FOREST AND RANGELAND RESEARCH

For necessary expenses of forest and rangeland research as authorized by law, $297,000,000, to remain available through September 30, 2021: *Provided*, That of the funds provided, $77,000,000 is for the forest inventory and analysis program.

STATE AND PRIVATE FORESTRY

(INCLUDING RESCISSION OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses of cooperating with and providing technical and financial assistance to States, territories, possessions, and others, and for forest health management, and conducting an international program as authorized, $335,525,000, to remain available through September 30, 2021, as authorized by law; of which $67,025,000 is to be derived from the Land and Water Conservation Fund to be used for the Forest Legacy Program, to remain available until expended.

Of the unobligated balances from amounts made available for the Forest Legacy Program and derived from the Land and Water Conservation Fund, $5,938,000 is hereby permanently rescinded from projects with cost savings or failed or partially failed projects that had funds returned: *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.

NATIONAL FOREST SYSTEM

For necessary expenses of the Forest Service, not otherwise provided for, for management, protection, improvement, and utilization of the National Forest System, and for hazardous fuels management on or adjacent to such lands, $1,923,750,000, to remain available through September 30, 2021: *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, $366,000,000 shall be for forest products: *Provided further*, That of the funds provided, $430,000,000 shall be for hazardous fuels management activities, of which 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 $15,000,000 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 Forestry 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" appropriations: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding section 33 of the Bankhead Jones Farm Tenant Act (7 U.S.C. 1012), the Secretary of Agriculture, in calculating a fee for grazing on a National Grassland, may provide a credit of up to 50 percent of the calculated fee to a Grazing Association or direct permittee for a conservation practice approved by the Secretary in advance of the fiscal year in which the cost of the conservation practice is incurred. And, that the amount credited shall remain available to the Grazing Association or the direct permittee, as appropriate, in the fiscal year in which the credit is made and each fiscal year thereafter for use on the project for conservation practices approved by the Secretary.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND MAINTENANCE

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses of the Forest Service, not otherwise provided for, $449,000,000, to remain available through September 30, 2021, 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 funds becoming available in fiscal year 2018 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.

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, $64,337,000, 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; and the Ozark-St. Francis and Ouachita National Forests, Arkansas; as authorized by law, $850,000, 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 through September 30, 2021, (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 through September 30, 2021, 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 through September 30, 2021, 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 (16 U.S.C. 3111 et seq.), $2,500,000, to remain available through September 30, 2021.

WILDLAND FIRE MANAGEMENT

(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses for forest fire presuppression activities on National Forest System lands, for emergency wildland fire suppression on or adjacent to such lands or other lands under fire protection agreement, and for emergency rehabilitation of burned-over National Forest System lands and water, $2,880,338,000, to remain available through September 30, 2021: *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 any unobligated funds appropriated in a previous fiscal year for hazardous fuels management may be transferred to the "National Forest System" account: *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 funds provided shall be available for support to Federal emergency response: *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 funds designated for wildfire suppression, shall be assessed for cost pools on the same basis as such assessments are calculated against other agency programs: *Provided further*, That the $65,000,000 made available under this heading in the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015 (Public Law 113–235) for the purpose of acquiring aircraft for the next-generation airtanker fleet shall instead be available until expended for the purpose of enhancing firefighting mobility, effectiveness, efficiency, and safety.

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 heading "Wildland Fire Management" 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.

Not more than $50,000,000 of funds appropriated to the Forest Service shall be available for expenditure or transfer to the Department of the Interior for wildland fire management, hazardous fuels management, and State fire assistance when such transfers would facilitate and expedite wildland fire management programs and projects.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, the Forest Service may transfer unobligated balances of discretionary funds appropriated to the Forest Service by this Act to or within the National Forest System Account, or reprogram funds to be used for the purposes of hazardous fuels management and urgent rehabilitation of burned-over National Forest System lands and water, such transferred funds shall remain available through September 30, 2021: *Provided*, That none of the funds transferred pursuant to this section shall be available for obligation without written notification to and the prior approval of the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress: *Provided further*, That this section does not apply to funds appropriated to the FLAME Wildfire Suppression Reserve Fund or funds derived from the Land and Water Conservation Fund.

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 107–171 (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 (16 U.S.C. 1721 et seq.).

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 funds made available by the Forest Service on at least a one-for-one basis: *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)).

The Forest Service shall not assess funds for the purpose of performing fire, administrative, and other facilities maintenance and decommissioning.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, of 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 matters unrelated to civil litigation. Future budget justifications for both the Forest Service and the Department of Agriculture should clearly display the sums previously transferred and the sums requested for transfer.

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.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, through the Office of Budget and Program Analysis, the Forest Service shall report no later than 30 business days following the close of each fiscal quarter all current and prior year unobligated balances, by fiscal year, budget line item and account, to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations.

The Forest Service shall submit, through the Office of Budget and Program Analysis, to the Office of Management and Budget a proposed system of administrative control of funds for its accounts, as described in 31 U.S.C. 1514, not later than June 21, 2018.

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, $3,952,290,000, together with payments received during the fiscal year pursuant to sections 231(b) and 233 of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 238(b), 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: *Pro-*

vided further, That $2,000,000 shall be available for grants or contracts with public or private institutions to provide alcohol or drug treatment services to Indians, including alcohol detoxification services: *Provided further*, That $962,695,000 for Purchased/Referred Care, including $53,000,000 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, $11,000,000 shall remain available until expended 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 $58,000,000 shall be for costs related to or resulting from accreditation emergencies, of which up to $4,000,000 may be used to supplement amounts otherwise available for Purchased/Referred Care: *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 that Act (25 U.S.C. 1616a–1) and shall remain available until expended and, notwithstanding section 108A(c) of that 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 that Act (25 U.S.C. 1613a and 1616a): *Provided further*, That the amounts made available within this account for the Substance Abuse and Suicide Prevention Program, for the Domestic Violence Prevention Program, for the Zero Suicide Initiative, for the housing subsidy authority for civilian employees, for aftercare pilot programs at Youth Regional Treatment Centers, 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 for which the performance period falls 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 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: *Pro-*

vided further, That the Bureau of Indian Affairs may collect from the Indian Health Service, and from 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 of the funds provided, $72,280,000 is for the Indian Health Care Improvement Fund and may be used, as needed, to carry out activities typically funded under the Indian Health Facilities account: *Provided further*, That the accreditation emergency funds 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 2018, such sums as may be necessary: *Provided*, 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, $867,504,000, 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 of Health and Human Services; 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. 5321 et seq. (title I), 5381 et seq. (title V)), 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 re-

quest 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 costs associated with the provision of goods, services, or technical assistance: *Provided further*, That the Indian Health Service may provide to civilian medical personnel serving in hospitals operated by the Indian Health Service housing allowances equivalent to those that would be provided to members of the Commissioned Corps of the United States Public Health Service serving in similar positions at such hospitals: *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.

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: *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 toxi-

cological profiles pursuant to section 104(i) of CERCLA during fiscal year 2018, 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

For necessary expenses of the Office of Navajo and Hopi Indian Relocation as authorized by Public Law 93–531, $15,431,000, 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 con-

tained 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 section 11 of Public Law 93–531 (88 Stat. 1716).

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 part A of title XV of Public Law 99–498 (20 U.S.C. 4411 et seq.), $9,835,000, which shall become available on July 1, 2018, and shall remain available until September 30, 2019.

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, $731,444,000, to remain available until September 30, 2019, except as otherwise provided herein; of which not to exceed $6,908,000 for the instrumentation program, collections acquisition, exhibition reinstallation, 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 contract or otherwise, as authorized by section 2 of the Act of August 22, 1949 (63 Stat. 623), and for construction, including necessary personnel, $311,903,000, 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, $141,790,000, to remain available until September 30, 2019, of which not to exceed $3,620,000 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, $24,203,000, 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, $23,740,000.

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, $16,775,000, 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, $12,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2019.

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, $152,849,000 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, $152,848,000 to remain available until expended, of which $141,548,000 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 $11,300,000 shall be available to carry out the matching grants program pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Act, including $9,100,000 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, $2,762,000: *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: *Provided further*, That one-tenth of one percent of the funds provided under this heading may be used for official reception and representation expenses.

NATIONAL CAPITAL ARTS AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

For necessary expenses as authorized by Public Law 99–190 (20 U.S.C. 956a), $2,750,000.

ADVISORY COUNCIL ON HISTORIC PRESERVATION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (Public Law 89–665), $6,400,000.

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, $8,099,000: *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), $59,000,000, of which $1,715,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2020, for the Museum's equipment replacement program; and of which

$4,000,000 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 of the Dwight D. Eisenhower Memorial Commission, $1,800,000, to remain available until expended.

CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION

For necessary expenses of the Dwight D. Eisenhower Memorial Commission for design and construction of a memorial in honor of Dwight D. Eisenhower, as authorized by Public Law 106–79, $45,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That the contract with respect to the procurement shall contain the "availability of funds" clause described in section 52.232.18 of title 48, Code of Federal Regulations: *Provided further*, That the funds appropriated herein shall be deemed to satisfy the criteria for issuing a permit contained in 40 U.S.C. 8906(a)(4) and (b).

WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE CENTENNIAL COMMISSION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses for the Women's Suffrage Centennial Commission, as authorized by the Women's Suffrage Centennial Commission Act (section 431(a)(3) of division G of Public Law 115–31), $1,000,000, to remain available until expended.

WORLD WAR I CENTENNIAL COMMISSION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

Notwithstanding section 9 of the World War I Centennial Commission Act, as authorized by the World War I Centennial Commission Act (Public Law 112–272) and the Carl Levin and Howard P. "Buck" McKeon National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2015 (Public Law 113–291), for necessary expenses of the World War I Centennial Commission, $7,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That in addition to the authority provided by section 6(g) of such Act, the World War I Commission may accept money, in-kind personnel services, contractual support, or any appropriate support from any executive branch agency for activities of the Commission.

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, 2019, 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 2018.

CONTRACT SUPPORT COSTS, FISCAL YEAR 2018 LIMITATION

SEC. 406. Amounts provided by this Act for fiscal year 2018 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 2018 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 section 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 com-

plaints 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.

PROHIBITION ON USE OF FUNDS

SEC. 416. 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. 417. 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.

FUNDING PROHIBITION

SEC. 418. 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. 419. Section 412 of Division E of Public Law 112–74 is amended by striking "fiscal year 2017" and inserting "fiscal year 2019".

CHESAPEAKE BAY INITIATIVE

SEC. 420. 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 "2017" and inserting "2019".

EXTENSION OF GRAZING PERMITS

SEC. 421. 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 2018.

FUNDING PROHIBITION

SEC. 422. (a) None of the funds made available in this Act may be used to maintain or establish a computer network unless such network is designed to block access to pornography websites.

(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.

FOREST SERVICE FACILITY REALIGNMENT AND ENHANCEMENT ACT

SEC. 423. Section 503(f) of the Forest Service Facility Realignment and Enhancement Act of 2005 (16 U.S.C. 580d note; Public Law 109–54) is amended by striking "2016" and inserting "2018".

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.

MIDWAY ISLAND

SEC. 425. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to destroy any buildings or structures on Midway Island that have been recommended by the United States Navy for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places (54 U.S.C. 302101).

JOHN F. KENNEDY CENTER REAUTHORIZATION

SEC. 426. 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), $23,740,000 for fiscal year 2018.

"(b) CAPITAL PROJECTS.—There is authorized to be appropriated to the Board to carry out subparagraphs (F) and (G) of section 4(a)(1), $16,775,000 for fiscal year 2018.".

LOCAL COOPERATOR TRAINING AGREEMENTS AND TRANSFERS OF EXCESS EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES FOR WILDFIRES

SEC. 427. The Secretary of the Interior is authorized to enter into grants and cooperative agreements with volunteer fire departments, rural fire departments, rangeland fire protection associations, and similar organizations to provide for wildland fire training and equipment, including supplies and communication devices. Notwithstanding 121(c) of title 40, United States Code, or section 521 of title 40, United States Code, the Secretary is further authorized to transfer title to excess Department of the Interior firefighting equipment no longer needed to carry out the functions of the Department's wildland fire management program to such organizations.

ALASKA NATIVE REGIONAL HEALTH ENTITIES

SEC. 428. Section 424 of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2014 (Public Law 113–76) is amended by striking "2018" and inserting "2019".

TREATMENT OF CERTAIN HOSPITALS

SEC. 429. Section 1886(d)(12)(C) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395ww(d)(12)(C)) is amended by adding at the end the following new clause:

"(iii) TREATMENT OF INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE AND NON-INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE FACILITIES.—For purposes of determining whether—

"(I) a subsection (d) hospital of the Indian Health Service (whether operated by such Service or by an Indian tribe or tribal organization (as those terms are

defined in section 4 of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act)), or

"(II) a subsection (d) hospital other than a hospital of the Indian Health Service meets the mileage criterion under clause (i) with respect to fiscal year 2011 or a succeeding fiscal year, the Secretary shall apply the policy described in the regulation at part 412.101(e) of title 42, Code of Federal Regulations (as in effect on the date of enactment of this clause).".

INFRASTRUCTURE

SEC. 430. (a) For an additional amount for "Environmental Protection Agency—Hazardous Substance Superfund", $63,000,000, of which $54,389,000 shall be for the Superfund Remedial program and $8,611,000 shall be for the Superfund Emergency Response and Removal program, to remain available until expended, consisting of such sums as are available in the Trust Fund on September 30, 2017, as authorized by section 517(a) of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA) and up to $63,000,000 as a payment from general revenues to the Hazardous Substance Superfund for purposes as authorized by section 517(b) of SARA.

(b) For an additional amount for "Environmental Protection Agency—State and Tribal Assistance Grants," for environmental programs and infrastructure assistance, including capitalization grants for State revolving funds and performance partnership grants, $650,000,000 to remain available until expended, of which—

(1) $300,000,000 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 $300,000,000 shall be for making capitalization grants for the Drinking Water State Revolving Funds under section 1452 of the Safe Drinking Water Act;

(2) $20,000,000 shall be for grants for small and disadvantaged communities authorized in section 2104 of the Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation Act (Public Law 114–322);

(3) $20,000,000 shall be for grants for lead testing in school and child care program drinking water authorized in section 2107 of the Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation Act (Public Law 114–322);

(4) $10,000,000 shall be for grants for reducing lead in drinking water authorized in section 2105 of the Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation Act (Public Law 114–322).

(c) For an additional amount for "Environmental Protection Agency—Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Program Account", $53,000,000, to remain available until expended, for the cost of direct loans, for the cost of guaranteed loans, and for administrative expenses to carry out the direct and guaranteed loan programs, of which $3,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2019, may be used for such administrative expenses: *Provided*, That these additional funds are available to subsidize gross obligations for the principal amount of direct loans, including capitalized

interest, and total loan principal, including capitalized interest, any part of which is to be guaranteed, not to exceed $6,100,000,000.

POLICIES RELATING TO BIOMASS ENERGY

SEC. 431. To support the key role that forests in the United States can play in addressing the energy needs of the United States, the Secretary of Energy, the Secretary of Agriculture, and the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency shall, consistent with their missions, jointly—

(1) ensure that Federal policy relating to forest bioenergy—

(A) is consistent across all Federal departments and agencies; and

(B) recognizes the full benefits of the use of forest biomass for energy, conservation, and responsible forest management; and

(2) establish clear and simple policies for the use of forest biomass as an energy solution, including policies that—

(A) reflect the carbon-neutrality of forest bioenergy and recognize biomass as a renewable energy source, provided the use of forest biomass for energy production does not cause conversion of forests to non-forest use.

(B) encourage private investment throughout the forest biomass supply chain, including in—

(i) working forests;

(ii) harvesting operations;

(iii) forest improvement operations;

(iv) forest bioenergy production;

(v) wood products manufacturing; or

(vi) paper manufacturing;

(C) encourage forest management to improve forest health; and

(D) recognize State initiatives to produce and use forest biomass.

CLARIFICATION OF EXEMPTIONS

SEC. 432. None of the funds made available in this Act may be used to require a permit for the discharge of dredged or fill material under the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.) for the activities identified in subparagraphs (A) and (C) of section 404(f)(1) of the Act (33 U.S.C. 1344(f)(1)(A), (C)).

SMALL REMOTE INCINERATORS

SEC. 433. None of the funds made available in this Act may be used to implement or enforce the regulation issued on March 21, 2011 at 40 CFR part 60 subparts CCCC and DDDD with respect to units in the State of Alaska that are defined as "small, remote incinerator" units in those regulations and, until a subsequent regulation is issued, the Administrator shall implement the law and regulations in effect prior to such date.

This division may be cited as the "Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2018".

[CLERK'S NOTE: Reproduced below is the material relating to division G contained in the Explanatory Statement regarding H.R. 1625, the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2018.[1]]

DIVISION G—DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, ENVIRONMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2018

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 2018.

The joint explanatory statement accompanying this division is approved and indicates congressional intent. Unless otherwise noted, the language set forth in House Report 115–238 carries the same weight as language included in this joint explanatory statement and should be complied with unless specifically addressed to the contrary in this joint explanatory statement. While some language is repeated for emphasis, it is not intended to negate the language referred to above unless expressly provided herein.

In instances where the House report speaks more broadly to policy issues or offers views that are subject to interpretation, such views remain those of the House and are not affirmed by this explanatory statement unless repeated herein. In cases where the House 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 referenced 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 2017 enacted level and the fiscal year 2018 budget request, can be found in the table at the end of this division.

[1] The Explanatory Statement was submitted for printing in the Congressional Record on March 22, 2018 by Mr. Frelinghuysen of New Jersey, Chairman of the House Committee on Appropriations. The Statement appears on page H2609 of Book II.

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.

Committee Directives.—The Department of the Interior and Forest Service are directed to continue the directions included in the Explanatory Statement accompanying the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2017 (P.L. 115–31) relating to Vacant Grazing Allotments; State Wildlife Data; Bighorn Sheep; Land Grants, Acequias, and Community Ditches; and Public Access.

Recreation Fee Authority.—The one-year extension of recreation fee authority for the Department of the Interior and U.S. Forest Service contained in the budget request and included in both fiscal year 2018 House and Senate Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations bills was included in the Continuing Appropriations Act, 2018 and Supplemental Appropriations for Disaster Relief Requirements Act, 2017 (Public Law 115–56).

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 explanatory statement accompanying Division G of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2017 (Public Law 115–31).

White-Nose Syndrome.—The four Federal land management agencies and the U.S. Geological Survey are expected to continue to prioritize research on, and efforts to address, white-nose syndrome in bats and to work with other Federal, State, and non-governmental partners to implement the North American Bat Monitoring Program.

Multi-Agency Transparency.—The Committees support increasing transparency within all agencies of the Department of the Interior, the Forest Service and the Environmental Protection Agency. These agencies are encouraged to disclose costs associated with analyses required by the National Environmental Policy Act.

Paper Reduction Efforts.—The Committees urge the Department of the Interior, EPA, Forest Service, and Indian Health Service to work with the Office of Management and Budget to reduce printing and reproduction costs and direct each agency to report to the Committees within 90 days of enactment of this Act on steps being undertaken to achieve this goal and how much each agency expects to save by implementing these measures.

Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act (ANILCA) Training.—The Department of the Interior and the Forest Service shall follow the directive in Senate Report 114–281 regarding ANILCA training for agency employees.

Transparency of Information.—The Committees expect that Federal agencies funded under this Act shall, to the extent practicable, clearly state within materials used for advertising or educational purposes that the communication is funded by taxpayer dollars.

Fleet Management Practices.—Agencies shall provide supporting documentation on their methods for determining their optimal fleet inventories and justification for any deviation from the General Services Administration's Federal Property Management Regulations upon request of the Committees. Agency inspectors general

shall provide results from audits of fleet management practices and make them publicly available.

Invasive Species.—The Department of the Interior is directed to provide a written report to the Committees within 180 days of enactment of this Act, detailing the funds appropriated and expended, actions taken, and outputs achieved for the early detection of and rapid response to invasive species, as prescribed in the National Invasive Species Council Management Plan, 2016–2018.

Delivery of Reports and Correspondence.—All reports, correspondence, and reprogramming requests from the agencies to the Committees shall be provided in both physical and electronic formats.

Youth Partnership Programs.—The Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture are encouraged to utilize, where practicable, youth partnership programs like the Public Lands Corps, Youth Conservation Corps, Student Conservation Association, Job Corps and other related partnerships with Federal, State, local, tribal or non-profit groups that serve young adults.

Land and Water Conservation Fund.—The agreement includes $425,000,000 derived from the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) for programs consistent with chapter 2003 of title 54 of the United States Code, as identified in the table below.

	FY 2017 Enacted	Budget Request	This Bill
Land and Water Conservation Fund	$400,000,000	$64,040,000	$425,000,000
State, Local and Forest Legacy Programs	211,151,000	11,524,000	224,731,000
National Park Service State Assistance	110,006,000	3,043,000	124,006,000
Coop. Endangered Species Conservation Fund	30,800,000	0	19,638,000
American Battlefield Protection Act	10,000,000	8,481,000	10,000,000
Highlands Conservation Act	10,000,000	0	10,000,000
Forest Legacy Program	62,347,000	0	67,025,000
Rescission	−12,002,000	0	−5,938,000
Federal Land Acquisition	188,849,000	52,516,000	200,269,000
Bureau of Land Management	31,416,000	3,609,000	24,916,000
Fish and Wildlife Service	49,995,000	17,051,000	53,839,000
National Park Service	42,023,000	14,856,000	46,935,000
Forest Service	54,415,000	7,000,000	64,337,000
Department of the Interior Valuation Services	11,000,000	10,000,000	10,242,000

There is bipartisan support for the Land and Water Conservation Fund and this agreement includes funding for State assistance and new land acquisition projects. The Committees expect the agencies to move forward with all projects specifically identified and funded through this agreement and those funded in previous fiscal years; to utilize funding in a timely manner; and to seek Congressional approval for reprogramming unobligated balances if applicable. Agencies are directed to continue their longstanding process of identifying and prioritizing potential Federal land acquisition projects in anticipation of program appropriations as consistent with previous years. Within 30 days of enactment of this Act, each agency is directed to submit to the Committees a prioritized list of projects for fiscal year 2019 consideration. In future years, the agencies are directed to submit their lists within 30 days of the President's budget submission to Congress.

The Committees believe increasing access to our public lands for hunting, fishing, and other recreational activities is important and again include funding for these projects. The Committees expect

recreational access projects to be selected based on their role in meeting key recreation needs and the agencies should work with their respective regions, State offices, and/or management units to identify potential projects. The Committees are to be informed about the selection process and how the agencies are meeting the outlined objectives prior to proceeding with projects. Further, the agencies are again directed to include in future budget justifications an explanation of the process used for allocating funds for recreational access in the previous year.

National Ocean Policy.—The Committees direct the Department of the Interior to identify by agency and account, and submit no later than 60 days after enactment of this Act, all funding and associated actions in the President's budget submission for fiscal year 2019, 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.

The Committees are aware that agencies funded by this Act are currently working to implement Executive Order 13781, a Comprehensive Plan for Reorganizing the Executive Branch, and have included in the fiscal year 2019 budget request a number of significant reorganization proposals for the Committees' consideration. The Committees are also aware of reports that agencies funded by this Act may be weighing additional organizational changes during the remainder of this fiscal year. Agencies are reminded that this agreement continues longstanding General Guidelines for Reprogramming that require agencies funded by this Act to submit reorganization proposals for Committee review prior to their implementation. It is noted that such reprogramming guidelines apply to

proposed reorganizations, workforce restructure, reshaping or transfer of functions presented in the budget justifications, or bureau-wide downsizing, especially those of significant national or regional importance, and include closures, consolidations, and relocations of offices, facilities, and laboratories presented in the budget justifications. In addition, no agency shall implement any part of a reorganization that modifies regional or State boundaries for agencies or bureaus that were in effect as of the date of enactment of this Act unless approved consistent with the General Guidelines for Reprogramming procedures specified herein. Any such reprogramming request submitted to the Committees on Appropriations shall include a description of anticipated benefits, including anticipated efficiencies and cost-savings, as well as a description of anticipated personnel impacts and funding changes anticipated to implement the proposal.

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 (BIA) and Bureau of Indian Education (BIE), 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 ac-

tivity 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.

Fiscal Year 2019 Process.—Historically, the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act has not included reprogramming direction in bill language. However, this historical practice is not consistent with the majority of other Appropriations

subcommittees' bills. Therefore, the Committees plan to consider including bill language in fiscal year 2019. The agencies are therefore strongly encouraged to work collaboratively with the Committees to develop language in order to avoid any barriers to implementation.

TITLE I—DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

MANAGEMENT OF LANDS AND RESOURCES

Bureau of Land Management Directives.—The Bureau is reminded of the importance of the directives included in House Report 115–238 not addressed herein, as well as the new directives in this explanatory statement, including the front matter.

The agreement provides $1,166,043,000 for Management of Lands and Resources. Within this amount, the agreement includes an additional $50,000,000 for deferred maintenance. The Committees direct that the Bureau provide a report no later than October 1, 2018, on the projects to be funded with this funding. The Committees also note that there is $5,465,000 in unobligated balances in the Construction appropriation, which was discontinued in fiscal year 2014. To augment the new funds for deferred maintenance, the Bureau is directed to utilize these Construction funds for deferred maintenance projects and to submit a reprogramming request to the Committees, as necessary, to fully obligate the prior year balances in fiscal year 2018.

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 Committees are extremely disappointed that the Department has failed to provide a comprehensive plan, as directed by the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2017 (P.L. 115–31) to address the fast-rising costs of the Wild Horse and Burro program and overpopulation of wild horses and burros on the range. The failure to address these problems is irresponsible and will result in irreparable damage to the landscape and the welfare of the animals protected by the Wild Free-Roaming Horse and Burro Act. The Committees reiterate their belief that there is no one solution to the problems with this program, and that Congress and the Administration must work together to correct them. Until the Department provides a comprehensive plan and any corresponding legislative proposals to the appropriate authorizing committees, the Committees will maintain the existing prohibitions and reduce the resources available for the program. Reprogramming requests will only be considered for urgent needs. At a minimum, the Committees expect a science-based, detailed plan that 1) reduces the complexity and cost of contracting policies and procedures; 2) eliminates unnecessary environmental reviews; 3) simplifies and expands the use of partnerships and cooperative agreements; 4) identifies statutory and regulatory barriers to implementing the plan; and 5) has the goal of reducing costs while improving the health and welfare of wild horses and burros, and the

range. The Committees direct the Department to provide the report within 30 days of enactment of this Act.

Greater Sage-grouse.—The agreement provides $60,000,000 for greater sage-grouse and related sage-steppe conservation activities. This is equal to the amount of base funding provided in fiscal year 2017. The Bureau is encouraged to continue working with States and other interested entities on the existing sage-grouse conservation plans and to improve the condition of the sage-steppe ecosystem.

Energy and Minerals.—The agreement provides sufficient funding, within the total made available, to complete the next cluster of legacy well remediation. Congress is closely following the litigation regarding the Waste Prevention, Production Subject to Royalties, and Resource Conservation regulation and directs the Bureau to provide a report on the costs and staffing needs associated with it, within 30 days of enactment of this Act, to help the Committees prepare for the fiscal year 2019 appropriations process.

Onshore Orders #3 and #4.—The Committees are aware that the Bureau is working with affected industries and other interested stakeholders regarding these Orders and expect that the Bureau will expeditiously resolve any remaining issues consistent with current law.

Required Reports.—The Bureau is reminded that the reports to Congress required by 42 U.S.C. 15924(e) are due on February 1 annually, and therefore is directed to submit the reports for 2016 and 2017 no later than 30 days after the date of enactment of this Act.

Realty and Ownership Management.—The agreement provides $1,000,000 for surveys along the Red River in Oklahoma and Texas.

Chaco Canyon Regional Management Plan.—The Bureau is directed to continue its collaborative work with the Bureau of Indian Affairs in the Greater Chaco Canyon area and to maintain current management practices surrounding Chaco Culture National Historical Park while a new resource management planning process to protect cultural and historical resources is completed.

Rio Puerco Watershed.—The Bureau is encouraged to continue supporting the Rio Puerco Watershed Committee's work to identify and implement projects to restore the watershed.

Resource Management Planning.—The agreement provides $60,125,000 for resource management planning, which is $8,000,000 above the fiscal year 2017 level. The Bureau is directed to focus these additional resources on greater sage-grouse, sage-steppe, and other high priority conservation areas.

Committee Directives.—The Bureau is directed to continue to follow the directions included in the explanatory statement accompanying the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2017 (P.L. 115–31) related to Cooperative Efforts in Alaska, Tribal Coordination, and Red River Land Ownership. The Bureau also is directed to comply with the timelines required in the Alaska National Interest Land Conservation Act (ANILCA) and complete environmental reviews, after local consultation and subsistence impact reviews, as it relates to the consideration of the application for the road from Dalton Highway to the Ambler Mining District, as well as continue the directions included in the explanatory statement accompanying the

Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2016 (P.L. 114–113) related to placer mining.

Soda Ash.—The Committees are concerned about maintaining the United States' global competitiveness in the production of natural soda ash. The United States contains approximately 90 percent of the world's natural soda ash deposits, while many international competitors are producing synthetic soda ash using more energy and generating higher emissions than natural soda ash production. Therefore, the Committees expect the Bureau to consider using its authority to reduce the Federal royalty rate for soda ash to 2 percent.

LAND ACQUISITION

The bill provides $24,916,000 for Land Acquisition. The amounts provided 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 project list received for fiscal year 2018. Further instructions are contained under the Land and Water Conservation Fund heading in the front of this explanatory statement.

The Committees note that almost none of the fiscal year 2017 land acquisition funding for the Bureau has been spent through the first quarter of fiscal year 2018, and are concerned about delays in project completions. The Committees expect all projects, particularly those in project areas identified by Congress in this report and in previous fiscal years, to be completed as expeditiously as possible.

State	Project		This Bill
ID	Upper Snake/South Fork Snake ACEC/SRMA		$1,800,000
OR	North Umpqua Wild and Scenic River		1,500,000
CA	Mojave Trails National Monument		1,400,000
WY	North Platte River SRMA		4,000,000
NM	Rio Grande del Norte National Monument		900,000
ID	Salmon River SRMA		700,000
UT	Red Cliffs National Conservation Area		3,000,000
	Subtotal, Line Item Projects		13,300,000
		Budget Request	This Bill
	Recreational Access	0	8,000,000
	Emergencies, Hardships, and Inholdings	1,613,000	1,616,000
	Acquisition Management	1,996,000	2,000,000
	Total, BLM Land Acquisition	3,609,000	24,916,000

OREGON AND CALIFORNIA GRANT LANDS

The agreement provides $106,985,000 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 $24,595,000 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 $1,279,002,000 for Resource Management. All programs and activities, including youth programs and cooperative recovery grants, are funded at the amounts proposed in the budget request to the Congress unless otherwise specified below or in the table at the end of this division. The Service is expected to comply with the instructions and requirements at the beginning of this division, in addition to the following:

Endangered Species Act (ESA).—The Committees support and reiterate the guidance and directives beginning on page 12 of House Report 115–238, aimed at improving and increasing collaboration with States and other partners in all stages of ESA implementation. Such collaboration ensures lasting conservation success and upholds the integrity of the ESA, which is premised upon the Federal Government working with the States and other partners to recover species and subsequently remove Federal protections.

As the Service indicated in its fiscal year 2017 budget request, "Given the growing number of listed species—limited resources force the Recovery Program to make difficult tradeoffs among these activities including 5-year reviews, developing recovery plans, implementing recovery actions, delisting and downlisting, all of which are necessary to achieve recovery." Such tradeoffs have led to backlogs of 837 species (53 percent) without a current 5-year review, and 49 species awaiting downlisting or delisting, and have contributed to a common sentiment that, once a species is put on the list, it doesn't come off. Such sentiment has made for reluctant State and local partners, adding further strain to the Service's budget and making recovery more difficult. Though the Service is to be commended for having made progress on these backlogs in recent years, it cannot eliminate these backlogs without additional help.

Flexibilities already inherent in the ESA allow the Service to collaborate and benefit from partner expertise and on-the-ground conservation, and the Service, to its credit, already does a considerable amount of that in some regions. But the Committees also recognize that several States and non-governmental partners have indicated a willingness to increase their involvement when the Federal Government is a willing and equal partner. The aim of this fiscal year 2018 appropriation is twofold: 1) to foster a more open, transparent, and collaborative ESA process; and 2) to begin to shift the workload by incentivizing increased involvement by States and other partners in activities such as species status assessments, and recovery planning and implementation, so the Service can prioritize the ESA responsibilities that are inherently Federal.

Ecological Services.—The agreement provides $247,825,000 for programs and activities within Ecological Services, as discussed below.

Listing.—The agreement provides $18,818,000 for status assessments, listings, critical habitat determinations, and related activities. Bill language funding limitations are consolidated under one cap.

The Committees urge the Service to avoid entering into any multi-species settlement agreement unless the State and local governments where the species are located are a party to that agreement.

The Service is urged to continue to follow the guidance contained in House Report 114–170 regarding the yellow-billed cuckoo.

The Service is directed to develop a plan to improve transparency of the underlying data it uses to make determinations for species listings and de-listing activities before the end of fiscal year 2018, including details on how the Service will publish data and materials used in listing determinations on the Internet and improve what is currently available on www.regulations.gov and the Service website.

The Committees expect the Service to work with the States to develop a more reasonable policy whereby the Service's regulatory assurance criteria include responsible land management commitments by private landowners, as described in further detail in House Report 115–238.

The Committees are concerned that the Service has not fully incorporated traditional Tribal knowledge in its implementation of the ESA. When appropriate, the Committees expect the Service to make every effort to incorporate traditional knowledge in ESA decisions. The Committees also expect the Service to engage in additional outreach to Tribal governments in circumstances where traditional knowledge may provide valuable information, including for species like the northern sea otter. The Service should brief the Committees on its efforts regarding traditional knowledge within 60 days of enactment of this Act.

Planning and Consultation.—The agreement provides $105,579,000 for project permitting and consultation activities. A program increase of $2,500,000 is included to avoid permitting delays and to achieve compliance with other statutes, and should be apportioned in accordance with workload needs nationwide rather than by region. Funding for all other program elements within this subactivity are restored to the fiscal year 2017 enacted levels, including $4,000,000 for Gulf Coast restoration. Because the Committees have provided substantial resources for Gulf Coast restoration, the Service is expected to move forward with project reviews in a timely manner. The Service is also encouraged to evaluate establishing a reimbursement policy to recover costs for work required by statute for projects funded by future disaster settlements.

The Committees support the continuation of collaborative efforts in the Pacific Northwest with the National Marine Fisheries Service, the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife, and affected Tribes that will result in the completion of all Puget Sound hatchery program consultations by the Fall, 2018.

The Service is encouraged to place a priority on providing technical assistance to partners making good faith efforts to develop and implement responsible habitat conservation plans as authorized by the ESA.

The Service is urged to address consultations and permitting of public and private projects related to the Preble's meadow jumping mouse as one of the highest priorities.

Conservation and Restoration.—The agreement provides $32,396,000 for conservation and restoration activities. Funding for all program elements within this subactivity are restored to the fiscal year 2017 enacted levels.

The Service is expected to focus Candidate Conservation funding on the annual Candidate Notice of Review as required by the ESA, providing technical assistance to States and others, and developing agreements that provide regulatory certainty to landowners. The Service should look to its other programs and its partners to fund and implement conservation activities on the ground. The Service is commended for its efforts in the Southeast to work with States and others to preclude the need to list many of the hundreds of species recently petitioned for listing, and is expected to expand this model nationwide.

Recovery.—The agreement provides $91,032,000 for activities in support of the recovery and delisting of threatened and endangered species, with continued funding for the following program elements at or above the fiscal year 2017 enacted levels: Bay Delta, $1,659,000; white nose syndrome, $2,000,000; State of the Birds, $3,000,000; and the wolf-livestock loss demonstration program, $1,000,000. States with de-listed wolf populations shall continue to be eligible for funding, provided that those States continue to meet the eligibility criteria contained in Public Law 111–11.

General program activities are funded at $74,000,000. The Service is expected to focus the funds on inherently Federal activities such as recovery plan approvals, the backlog of five-year reviews, status changes, and associated collaboration with States and other partners. An additional $4,373,000 is provided to propose and finalize rules for the backlog of species with completed 5-year reviews that recommend delisting and downlisting.

In developing and implementing recovery plans, the Service is directed to make full use of its authority under section 4(f)(2) of the ESA to "procure the services of appropriate public and private agencies and institutions, and other qualified persons." While recovery plan approval and delisting decisions ultimately rest with the Service and make collaboration essential to success, plan development and implementation are not inherently Federal. Species recovery is a shared responsibility that does not default to the Fish and Wildlife Service. Where able partners are willing to increase or lead these efforts, the Service is expected to shift to supportive roles through technical assistance and cost-shared grants.

To expand partnerships through cost-shared grants, the agreement includes program increases within the Cooperative Endangered Species Conservation Fund and State and Tribal Wildlife Grants. In addition, $5,000,000 is provided in Resource Management for Recovery Challenge matching grants to enhance and increase partnerships with agencies and organizations implementing

highest priority recovery actions as prescribed in recovery plans, and in particular for genetically-sound breeding, rearing, and reintroduction programs. Longstanding partnerships, including for the northern aplomado falcon, California condor, and Steller's eider, should be funded at not less than $2,000,000 and partner contributions should be not less than their current amounts. The remaining funds should be dedicated to new partnerships and should require a 50:50 match, which may include in-kind services. Unless an affected State is a partner on the project, none of the funds may be awarded to a project until the project partners have consulted with such State. The Service is strongly encouraged to transfer similar recovery plan implementation partnerships to Recovery Challenge grants in future budget requests, so that all other Recovery funds in the Resource Management account are prioritized to ensure accomplishment of inherently Federal functions.

The Service is urged to work with the State of Utah on a mutually agreeable plan to recover the Utah prairie dog, as discussed in House Report 115–238.

The Committees are aware that the Service is currently undertaking a required status review of the American Burying Beetle to determine whether listing as an endangered species is still warranted. Within funds provided, the Service is directed to propose a rule by the end of the fiscal year to delist or downlist the American Burying Beetle should the status review make a finding that delisting or downlisting is warranted.

The Committees acknowledge the important roles that science and Federal wildlife biologists have in the Service's decisions to recover species. The Service's Science program is directed to initiate a study not later than 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act, through a qualified independent entity such as the Smithsonian Institution, to determine whether or not animals currently classified as red wolves and Mexican gray wolves are taxonomically valid species and subspecies designations, respectively. The study shall include publication of a scientific literature review, including genetic research, not later than one year after the date of enactment of this Act and, if the literature is inconclusive, shall include any additional necessary research and publication not later than three years after the date of enactment of this Act. In the meantime, the Service's Recovery program is reminded of its legal mandate to cooperate to the maximum extent practicable with the States, especially when there has been conflict between species and private property owners. As such, the Service is directed to continue working closely with the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission on management of red wolves in fiscal year 2018.

The Service should seek the most current science as it works to implement the agreement between the United States and the Russian Federation on management of the Alaska-Chukotka Polar Bear Population. The Service is expected to consult with and incorporate traditional knowledge from Alaska Native Organizations on matters related to subsistence hunting, and to work with Alaska Native Organizations and other wildlife management organizations with expertise in subsistence hunting to implement a civil-based, co-management regime.

Habitat Conservation.—The agreement provides $65,008,000 for habitat conservation programs, of which $51,633,000 is for the Partners for Fish and Wildlife program and $13,375,000 is for the Coastal Program. All program elements within these two subactivities are restored to fiscal year 2017 enacted levels, except as discussed in the opening paragraph, including $1,285,000 for fisheries enhancement. The Chesapeake Bay Nutria Eradication Project is funded at $1,725,000.

National Wildlife Refuge System.—The agreement provides $486,757,000 for the National Wildlife Refuge System and maintains subactivities and program elements at fiscal year 2017 enacted levels, except where identified in the opening paragraph or described below.

Wildlife and Habitat Management.—The agreement includes: $2,835,000 to manage subsistence fishing and hunting; $10,000,000 for invasive species, including $75,000 for the Chesapeake Bay Nutria Eradication Project; $1,500,000 for the Pacific Remote Islands Marine National Monument; and $196,089,000 for general program activities which includes the absorption of the former Healthy Habitats and Populations initiative.

The agreement supports the directive in House Report 114–632 instituting signage on any individual refuge where trapping occurs and establishing guidance to be included in the refuge manual. Until the Committees are notified in writing that all directives are complied with, $2,000,000 of the funding provided for Wildlife and Habitat Management is not available for obligation.

The Service is reminded of the directive contained in House Report 115–238 regarding the Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan.

The Service is expected to follow the directive from previous fiscal years that prohibits a caribou hunt on Kagalaska Island and efforts to remove cattle on Chirikof and Wosnesenski Islands in the State of Alaska.

Visitor Services.—The agreement includes $2,000,000 for the youth program. Funding has been provided to continue the Urban Wildlife Refuge Partnership program at the fiscal year 2017 enacted level and to support efforts to promote conservation in urban areas. The Committees encourage the Service to consider prioritizing funding for a new visitor center at the Canaan Valley National Wildlife Refuge. The Service is directed to brief the Committees on options for preserving historic aircraft located within the World War II Valor in the Pacific National Monument on Atka Island in Alaska within 90 days of enactment of this Act. The Committees encourage the Service to work with local stakeholders and consider prioritizing enhancements at the Wheeler National Wildlife Refuge in its internal budget processes—including new trails, visitor center exhibits, and other infrastructure priorities—to improve the visitor experience for the increasing number of visitors at the refuge.

Conservation Planning.—The Service is encouraged to work with affected landowners to address concerns about the acquisition boundary for Bitter Creek National Wildlife Refuge, as discussed in House Report 115–238.

The agreement directs the Service to approve the establishment of the Green River National Wildlife Refuge in the Green River Bottoms area near the confluence of the Green River and Ohio River in Henderson County, Kentucky. The refuge should consist of approximately 24,000 acres—to be acquired from willing landowners. The Service should partner with other stakeholders on establishment of the refuge and look for opportunities related to environmental mitigation for interstate bridge construction projects in the area. The Service is directed to wait to establish final boundaries of the refuge until the new I–69 interstate bridge corridor is selected. Within 120 days of the date of enactment of this Act, the Service is directed to report to the Committees on its progress toward establishment of the refuge.

Refuge Maintenance.—The agreement includes $42,901,000 to reduce the backlog of deferred maintenance and $649,000 to continue the Youth Conservation Corps. The Service is encouraged to consider prioritizing repairs of water control structures at the Don Edwards San Francisco Bay National Wildlife Refuge.

Conservation and Enforcement.—The agreement provides $141,290,000 for other conservation and enforcement programs as described below.

Migratory Bird Management.—The agreement provides $48,421,000 to continue all Migratory Bird Management programs at or above fiscal year 2017 enacted levels, including: $2,000,000 for aviation safety; $350,000 to manage bird-livestock conflicts; and $3,424,000 to expedite permits. The Service is commended for its efforts to work with landowners to reduce black vulture predation on livestock.

Law Enforcement.—The agreement provides $77,053,000 to continue all law enforcement programs at fiscal year 2017 enacted levels and includes a $2,000,000 increase for wildlife inspectors at ports currently without personnel, in order to deter illegal activities and to ensure that legal trade is not significantly slowed because of a lack of Service personnel. Wildlife trafficking enforcement activities continue to be funded at $7,500,000, which may also be used as needed to supplement inspections. The Service is directed to enforce illegal logging violations pursuant to the Lacey Act. From within general program activities, funding is provided to continue the Service's work with the Indian Arts and Crafts Board to combat international trafficking of counterfeit arts and crafts and to conduct criminal investigations of alleged violations of the Indian Arts and Crafts Act.

The Committees support efforts outlined in House Report 115–238 for the Service to collaborate with U.S. Customs and Border Protection on the Automated Commercial Environment (ACE).

International Affairs.—The agreement provides $15,816,000 and continues all program elements at the fiscal year 2017 enacted levels, including $550,000 to support the Arctic Council.

As outlined in House Report 115–238, the Committees encourage the Service to continue to work with stakeholders to address their concerns related to international trade in wood and wood products and advance efforts to develop a domestic electronic permitting system and an electronic form for data collection to expedite processing of licit imports and exports of these products.

The Committees recognize the Service's work with Mexico and Central American nations and urge the continuation of these international partnerships.

Within 150 days of enactment of this Act, the Committees expect the report directed in House Report 115–238 on the CITES permitting process for live plants and the analysis of actions that could create efficiencies.

Fish and Aquatic Conservation.—The agreement provides $164,627,000 for fish and aquatic conservation programs and maintains subactivities and program elements at fiscal year 2017 enacted levels, except where identified in the opening paragraph or described below. The Service is expected to continue its tradition of improving freshwater subsistence, commercial, and recreational fishing since 1871.

National Fish Hatchery System Operations.—The agreement provides $55,822,000 and includes: $550,000 to implement the Great Lakes Consent Decree; $1,430,000 for the national wild fish health survey program; $1,475,000 to continue mass marking salmonids in the Pacific Northwest; and $1,200,000 for the Aquatic Animal Drug Approval Partnership. 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 Tribes.

The Service is expected to continue funding mitigation hatchery programs via reimbursable agreements with Federal partners. Future agreements should include reimbursement for production, facilities, and administrative costs. The Service is expected to ensure that its costs are fully reimbursed before proposing to reduce or redirect base funding.

Maintenance and Equipment.—The agreement provides $22,920,000 which includes $13,249,000 to reduce the deferred maintenance backlog, and, in addition to amounts provided in the Construction account, funding should continue to be allocated to facilities with the most severe health and safety deficiencies across the System as a whole, rather than by region. All other funds should continue to be allocated as in prior years and should include mitigation hatcheries as needed to supplement reimbursable funds.

Habitat Assessment and Restoration.—The agreement provides $33,987,000, which includes $13,998,000 for the National Fish Passage Program, $3,000,000 to implement the Klamath Basin Restoration Agreement, and $5,000,000 to implement the Delaware River Basin Conservation Act (DRBCA). Within 90 days of enactment of this Act, the Service is directed to brief the Committees on its efforts related to the DRBCA. The Service is directed to be transparent with its partners regarding Federal costs for program coordination and administration of the National Fish Habitat Action Plan.

Population Assessment and Cooperative Management.—The agreement provides $30,150,000 which includes $9,554,000 for subsistence fisheries management and $15,635,000 for general program activities, of which $489,000 is for the Lake Champlain sea lamprey program.

Aquatic Invasive Species.—The agreement includes $21,748,000 for aquatic invasive species programs, of which: $1,000,000 is to help States implement plans required by the National Invasive Species Act (NISA); $1,566,000 is for NISA coordination; $3,088,000 is to implement subsection 5(d)(2) of the Lake Tahoe Restoration Act; $10,400,000 is for controlling Asian carp in the Mississippi and Ohio River Basins and preventing them from entering and establishing in the Great Lakes, including $2,000,000 to expand and perfect the combined use of contract fishing and deterrents to extirpate Asian carp, including grass carp, where already established; and $2,000,000 is to prevent the spread of quagga and zebra mussels.

The Committees support efforts to address threats to aquatic invasive species and direct the Service to continue to make available competitive grant funding for projects to eliminate invasive species, including Asian carp, quagga and zebra mussels, and variable-leaf watermilfoil. The Service should continue to support research, monitoring, and mitigation efforts, as well as efforts to disseminate such work, in all regions.

Cooperative Landscape Conservation.—The agreement provides $12,988,000 for cooperative landscape conservation, of which $1,000,000 is for the Gulf Coast ecosystem. The Committees recognize the disparate levels of partner support across the States and expect the Service to focus funding where partnerships are strong.

Science Support.—The agreement provides $17,267,000 for the Science Support program and includes $931,000 to restore the Gulf Coast ecosystem, and $3,500,000 for white-nose syndrome in bats. The Service should continue to co-lead and implement the North American Bat Monitoring Program with other Federal, State, and non-governmental partners. The Service is expected to partner with Cooperative Research Units whenever possible.

General Operations.—The agreement provides $143,240,000 for general operations and includes funding for central office operations, regional office operations, and Service-wide bill paying at the requested levels. The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation is funded at the fiscal year 2017 enacted level. A one-time program increase of $4,300,000 is provided for annual maintenance needs of the National Conservation Training Center (NCTC). The Committees understand this funding will fully address backlog maintenance at NCTC.

CONSTRUCTION

The bill provides $66,540,000 for Construction and includes a one-time increase of $50,000,000 for the backlog of deferred maintenance principally at national fish hatcheries and national wildlife refuges. The Service is directed to provide a spend plan to the Committees within 120 days of enactment of this Act for the additional deferred maintenance funding. The detailed allocation of funding by activity is included in the table at the end of this explanatory statement. For line-item construction, the Service is expected to follow the project priority list in the table below. When a construction project is completed or terminated and appropriated funds remain, the Service may use those balances to respond to unforeseen reconstruction, replacement, or repair of facilities or equipment damaged

or destroyed by storms, floods, fires and similar unanticipated events.

State	Refuge, Hatchery, or Other Unit	Budget Request	This Bill
	National Wildlife Refuge System		
OK	Wichita Mountains National Wildlife Refuge (NWR)	$3,800,000	$3,800,000
AK	Alaska Maritime NWR	2,235,000	2,235,000
IL	Crab Orchard NWR	300,000	300,000
MO	Mingo NWR	800,000	800,000
GA	Okefenokee NWR	80,000	80,000
ID	Bear Lake NWR	50,000	50,000
WA	Inland Northwest NWR Complex	70,000	70,000
	National Fish Hatchery System		
MI	Pendills Creek National Fish Hatchery	1,043,000	1,043,000
	Other		
N/A	Branch of Dam Safety (seismic investigations)	215,000	215,000
N/A	Branch of Dam Safety (inspections)	250,000	250,000
N/A	Information Resources & Technology Management	250,000	250,000
	Total, Line Item Construction	9,093,000	9,093,000

LAND ACQUISITION

The bill provides $63,839,000 for Land Acquisition. The amounts provided 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 project list received for fiscal year 2018. Further instructions are contained under the Land and Water Conservation Fund heading in the front of this explanatory statement.

In a time when budgetary constraints allow for only a limited number of new land acquisition projects, the Committees are encouraged by programs that leverage public/private partnerships for land conservation like the Highlands Conservation Act, which has a record of more than a 2 to 1 ratio in non-Federal matching funds. Therefore, the Committees include $10,000,000 for the Highlands Conservation Act Grants and direct the Fish and Wildlife Service to work with the Highlands States regarding priority projects for fiscal year 2018.

The Committees recognize there are concerns regarding the acquisition and management of easements in some States. Any uncertainty about the scope of management responsibilities among stakeholders and agencies should be addressed by engaging in a constructive dialogue and reaching a unified solution that honors the rights of individual landowners while implementing sound conservation practices. Therefore, in lieu of the House directive, the Service is strongly encouraged to begin this dialogue and brief the Committees within 60 days of enactment of this Act on the challenges of the Service harmonizing current easement laws and regulations with landowners and State governments with options to resolve these challenges.

State	Project	Budget Request	This Bill
HI	Hakalau Forest NWR		$7,000,000
ND/SD	Dakota Grassland Conservation Area		5,000,000
MD	Blackwater NWR		1,000,000
FL	Everglades Headwaters NWR and CA		2,500,000
PA	Cherry Valley NWR		2,500,000
ND/SD	Dakota Tallgrass Prairie Wildlife Management Area		2,000,000

State	Project	Budget Request	This Bill
MT	Montana Conservation Areas		2,000,000
FL	St. Marks NWR		2,000,000
IA/MN	Northern Tallgrass Prairie NWR		1,000,000
CT/MA/NH/VT	Silvio O. Conte NF&WR		1,750,000
TX	Lower Rio Grande NWR		2,500,000
AR	Cache River NWR		2,000,000
	Subtotal, Line Item Projects		31,250,000
	Recreational Access	0	2,500,000
	Emergencies, Hardships, and Inholdings	2,641,000	5,351,000
	Exchanges	1,197,000	1,500,000
	Acquisition Management	12,749,000	12,773,000
	Land Protection Planning	464,000	465,000
	Highlands Conservation Act Grants	0	10,000,000
	Total, FWS Land Acquisition	17,051,000	63,839,000

COOPERATIVE ENDANGERED SPECIES CONSERVATION FUND

The bill provides $53,495,000 to carry out section 6 of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, of which $33,857,000 is to be derived from the Cooperative Endangered Species Conservation Fund and $19,638,000 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 explanatory statement. The Service is directed to lift the artificial caps and apportion funds to Habitat Conservation Plans (HCPs) based on need in order to increase on-the-ground conservation and eliminate unobligated balances. The agreement includes a program increase of $2,000,000 in traditional conservation grants in order to foster increased partner involvement in recovery plan development and implementation, which is offset by a decrease in HCP planning assistance grants due to a lack of demand.

NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE FUND

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

NORTH AMERICAN WETLANDS CONSERVATION FUND

The bill provides $40,000,000 for the North American Wetlands Conservation Fund. The Service is directed to follow the guidance in House Report 115–238.

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 explanatory statement.

STATE AND TRIBAL WILDLIFE GRANTS

The bill provides $63,571,000 for State and Tribal Wildlife Grants. The detailed allocation of funding by activity is included in

the table at the end of this explanatory statement. All three grant programs shall place the highest priority on species included in the most recent Candidate Notice of Review so as to preclude the need to list such species under the ESA.

States and Tribes receiving funds through this program are encouraged to work with private landowners and organizations representing agriculture, conservation science, and waterfowl habitat enhancement to provide wetland habitat for at-risk shorebirds, waterfowl, raptors and other species.

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

OPERATION OF THE NATIONAL PARK SYSTEM

The agreement provides $2,477,969,000 for the Operation of the National Park System and includes requested fixed costs. 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 bill does not support reductions proposed in the budget request that would diminish visitor services and reduce park and program operations systemwide.

Within Resource Stewardship, the Committees have restored all proposed reductions to Everglades restoration efforts and to complete restoration projects at newly established park units. The recommendation also includes $3,000,000 to continue zebra and quagga mussel containment, prevention, and enforcement in western water bodies, and $500,000 for cave and karst ecosystem research. The agreement continues the directive provided within the Visitor Services line item contained in House Report 115–238. The reduction from fiscal year 2017 within Park Protection is for nonrecurring expenses related to the Presidential Inauguration. The agreement includes $5,000,000 to support timely aviation fleet replacement by the Washington, DC area U.S. Park Police aviation unit which supports law enforcement and public safety in the national capital region. Within Facility Operations and Maintenance, the Committees have accepted the Service's proposal to eliminate the Flex Park program in order to focus resources on critical park operations and programs. The agreement retains funding increases provided within the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2017 to address deferred maintenance needs and provides an additional $15,000,000 to address cyclic maintenance needs, an additional $10,000,000 for repair and rehabilitation projects, and an additional $10,000,000 for project planning. These funds are supplemented by $23,000,000 provided within the Centennial Challenge matching grant program account dedicated to funding joint public-private investments in parks. Increases within Park Support are to address new responsibilities and critical needs at park units including but not limited to Freedom Riders, Castle Mountains, and Birmingham Civil Rights units. The recommendation also restores proposed reductions to park units including the Manhattan Project National Historical Park and Honouliuli units, and the Partnership Wild and Scenic River program. Each are funded at the fiscal year 2017 enacted level. Funding for the Roosevelt-Campobello Inter-

national Park is also maintained at the fiscal year 2017 enacted level.

Quagga and Zebra Mussel Control.—The Committees remain concerned about the spread of quagga and zebra mussels in the West and have provided $3,000,000 for continued containment, prevention, and enforcement efforts.

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 four years overdue. The Committees direct the Service to complete the study expeditiously.

Mississippi National River and Recreation Area.—The agreement maintains the directive related to the Mississippi National River and Recreation Area contained in House Report 115–238.

Elwha Water Facilities.—The agreement includes the directive related to the Elwha Water Facilities contained in House Report 115–238.

Natchez Visitor Reception Center.—The Committees understand that the Service is engaged in discussions with Natchez, MS over accepting a donation of the Natchez Visitor Reception Center and encourage the Service to reach agreement on such donation in a timely fashion.

National Park Service Local Hire Implementation.—Within 90 days of enactment of this Act, the Committees direct the Service in cooperation with other relevant agencies to provide a report on numbers of employees hired in Alaska with the authorities under the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act (ANILCA).

Blackstone River Valley National Historical Park.—The agreement includes requested funding for the Blackstone River Valley National Historical Park 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.

Cape Lookout National Seashore.—As the Service reviews the Cape Lookout National Seashore's Off-Road Vehicle Management Plan, the Committees expect the Service to adopt the least restrictive land use option that allows adequate access to the Seashore while maintaining sufficient protections for wildlife and natural resources.

National Trails System.—In preparation for the National Trails System's 50-year anniversary in 2018, the Committees urge the Service to make funding the construction and maintenance of national trails a priority.

Biscayne National Park.—The agreement maintains the directive related to Biscayne National Park contained in House Report 115–238.

Everglades Restoration.—The Committees note the progress made toward restoration of the Everglades ecosystem and continue to support this multi-year effort to preserve one of the great ecological treasures of the United States.

Vicksburg National Military Park.—The agreement maintains the directive related to Vicksburg National Military Park contained in House Report 115–238.

Arlington Memorial Bridge.—The Committees commend the Department for its efforts, working with bipartisan Federal, State, and local leaders, to secure $227,000,000 to rehabilitate the Arlington Memorial Bridge, a historic and critical transportation link in the nation's capital. As awarded, the design-build contract will save $35,000,000 and accelerate the project's completion by 18 months. Major construction is scheduled to begin later in 2018.

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.

St. Anthony Falls Lock.—The agreement includes the directive related to St. Anthony Falls Lock contained in House Report 115–238.

Yosemite Medical Clinic.—The agreement maintains the directive related to the Yosemite Medical Clinic contained in House Report 115–238.

Director's Order 21.—Within 90 days of enactment of this Act, the Service shall report to the Committees on steps it has taken or plans to take in fiscal year 2018 to implement Public Law 113–291.

Oklahoma City National Memorial & Museum.—The Committees direct the Service to provide a report within 30 days of enactment of this Act indicating what funds have been allocated to the Memorial and options to provide the remaining authorized amount.

Alaska Hunting and Trapping.—The Committees are aware that the National Park Service intends to initiate a rulemaking process that will consider changes to the final rule published October 23, 2015, related to hunting and trapping in National Preserves in Alaska. This will include identifying ways to address recreational hunting and fishing cooperation, consultation, and communication with State of Alaska wildlife managers. The Committees expect the Service to complete the review in a timely manner.

NATIONAL RECREATION AND PRESERVATION

The agreement provides $63,638,000 for National Recreation and Preservation with the following specific directives:

Natural Programs.—The Committees maintain funding for Natural Programs, including the Chesapeake Gateways and Trails program and Rivers, Trails and Conservation, at the fiscal year 2017 enacted level.

Cultural Programs.—The Committees provide $25,062,000 for Cultural Programs, an increase of $500,000 above the enacted level. The increase is provided for grants to nonprofit organizations or institutions pursuant to 20 U.S.C. 4451(b). The Committees direct the Department to consider funding the Northwest Coast arts program as outlined by the memorandum of agreement between the Institute of American Indian Arts and the Sealaska Heritage Institute. Funding for the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Grant Program and the Japanese American Confinement Site Grant Program is maintained at the fiscal year 2017 enacted level.

Heritage Partnership Program.—The agreement provides $20,321,000 for the Heritage Partnership Program. The Committees continue to encourage individual heritage areas to develop plans for long-term sufficiency. The Committees commend the Alliance of National Heritage Areas, in response to Congressional direction, for developing an allocation model that maintains core services of more established areas while proposing additional resources to newer areas. The Committees note this progress and direct the Service to work with heritage areas to further develop consensus toward a sustainable funding distribution. As this effort continues, the Committees expect the Service to distribute funds in the same manner as fiscal year 2017 with the increase above the enacted level to be equally distributed to Tier I areas or Tier 2 areas currently receiving the minimum funding levels of $150,000 and $300,000 respectively.

Muscle Shoals National Heritage Area.—The Committees encourage the continued partnership between the Muscle Shoals Regional Center and the University of North Alabama.

National Heritage Area Feasibility Study.—The Committees understand that the Service has no intent to initiate or conduct a feasibility study to establish a national heritage area in Baca, Bent, Crowley, Huerfano, Kiowa, Las Animas, Otero, Prowers, and Pueblo counties, Colorado. In the event the Service alters its intentions, the Committees direct the Service to notify the Committees 120 days in advance of initiating such a study.

American Battlefield Protection Program Assistance Grants.—Funding is provided at the fiscal year 2017 enacted level. The Committees recognize the importance of public-private partnerships to maintain the preservation of America's battlefields and urge the Service to give priority to projects with broad partner support. The Committees continue to encourage the timely review and processing of grants.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION FUND

The agreement provides $96,910,000 for the Historic Preservation Fund. Within this amount, $48,925,000 is provided for grants to States and $11,485,000 is provided for grants to Tribes. The recommendation also includes $13,500,000 for competitive grants of which $500,000 is for grants to underserved communities and $13,000,000 is for competitive grants to document, interpret, and preserve historical sites associated with the Civil Rights Movement. The agreement also includes $5,000,000 for competitive grants to Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) and $13,000,000 for the Save America's Treasures competitive grant program for preservation of nationally significant sites, structures, and artifacts. The agreement also provides $5,000,000 for preservation grants to revitalize historic properties of national, State, and local significance. Grants shall be made available to States, local governments, Tribes, or community non-profit organizations for making sub-grants to eligible projects. Priority shall be given to applicants with a demonstrated capacity for allocating similar awards for preservation of such sites. 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 $359,704,000 for Construction with the following specific directive:

Line Item Construction.—The agreement provides $137,011,000 for line item construction and maintenance including $129,011,000 for line item construction projects in the fiscal year 2018 budget request as revised by the Service and provided to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations on July 25, 2017, and shown in the table below. A general program increase of $138,000,000 above the request is provided to address only longstanding deferred maintenance and major construction related requirements of the Service. General management planning has been provided an additional $1,860,000 above the request in order to facilitate the completion of recently authorized special resource studies. The Committees direct the Service to provide no later than 60 days after enactment of this Act an operating plan for allocation of funds. Requests for reprogramming will be considered pursuant to the guidelines in the front of this explanatory statement.

State	Park Unit	Budget Request	This Bill
DC	George Washington Memorial Parkway	$18,200,000	$18,200,000
DC	National Mall and Memorial Parks	21,371,000	21,371,000
MA	Lowell National Historical Park	4,177,000	4,177,000
MA	Cape Cod National Seashore	5,442,000	5,442,000
WY	Yellowstone National Park	21,264,000	21,264,000
CA	Fort Point National Historic Site	5,996,000	5,996,000
CA	Channel Islands National Park	3,922,000	3,922,000
SD	Mount Rushmore National Memorial	8,937,000	8,937,000
MS	Vicksburg National Military Park	5,909,000	5,909,000
AK	Glacier Bay National Park & Preserve	7,545,000	7,545,000
TN	Great Smoky Mountain National Park	2,594,000	2,594,000
PA	Valley Forge National Historical Park	10,030,000	10,030,000
NM	Old Santa Fe Trail Building	2,822,000	2,822,000
AZ	Lake Mead National Recreation Area	1,976,000	1,976,000
CA	Death Valley National Park	5,394,000	5,394,000
NM	Carlsbad Caverns National Park	3,432,000	3,432,000
	Total, Line Item Construction	129,011,000	129,011,000

LAND ACQUISITION AND STATE ASSISTANCE

The bill provides $180,941,000 for Land Acquisition and State Assistance. The amounts provided 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 project list received for fiscal year 2018. The Committees understand that donation projects, such as the Vicksburg National Military Park listed on the NPS project list for fiscal year 2018, are eligible to be funded from the amounts included for donation projects. Funds provided for recreational access are available to close gaps in national trails, including the Ice Age, North Country, and New England National Scenic Trails. The Committees urge the Service to consider geographic distribution to ensure that investments for the trail system are reflected in project prioritization. Further instructions are contained under the Land and Water Conservation Fund heading in the front of this explanatory statement.

The Committees continue to support the American Battlefield Protection Program (ABPP) and are aware of the increased workload and associated delays in grant processing due to the program's expanded mission to include Revolutionary War and War of 1812 sites and additional historic preservation reviews. Therefore, the bill provides $10,000,000 for ABPP grants and $252,000 is provided from within acquisition management to ensure the timely awarding of grants.

State	Project	This Bill
NY	Appalachian National Scenic Trail	$2,000,000
GA	Chattahoochee River National Recreation Area	1,218,000
AZ	Saguaro National Park	600,000
OH	Dayton Aviation Heritage National Historical Park	450,000
WA	Lake Chelan National Recreation Area	1,000,000
CA	Redwood National Park	6,000,000
TN	Big South Fork National River & Recreation Area	217,000
NM	Valles Caldera National Preserve	531,000
MI	North Country National Scenic Trail	3,472,000
HI	Haleakala National Park	6,000,000
AK	Katmai National Park and Preserve	2,545,000
TN	Overmountain Victory National Historic Trail	387,000
TN	Obed Wild and Scenic River	810,000
MI	Keweenaw National Historical Park	155,000
WV	Gauley River National Recreation Area	1,015,000
	Subtotal, Line Item Projects	26,400,000

	Budget Request	This Bill
American Battlefield Protection Program	$8,481,000	$10,000,000
Emergencies, Hardships, Relocations, and Deficiencies	3,071,000	3,928,000
Acquisition Management	8,716,000	9,679,000
Inholdings, Donations, and Exchanges	3,069,000	4,928,000
Recreational Access	0	2,000,000
Total, NPS Land Acquisition	23,337,000	56,935,000
Assistance to States:		
State conservation grants (formula)	0	100,000,000
State conservation grants (competitive)	0	20,000,000
Administrative expenses	3,043,000	4,006,000
Total, Assistance to States	3,043,000	124,006,000
Total, NPS Land Acquisition and State Assistance	26,380,000	180,941,000

CENTENNIAL CHALLENGE

The agreement provides $23,000,000 for the Centennial Challenge matching grant program. The program provides dedicated Federal funding to leverage partnerships for signature projects and programs for the national park system. The Committees expect these funds to be used by the Service to address projects which have a deferred maintenance component in order to alleviate the sizeable deferred maintenance backlog within the national park system. 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. From amounts in the Centennial Challenge account, the

Committees encourage the Department to make $3,000,000 available for critical programs and projects, pursuant to 54 U.S.C. 1011 Subchapter II, subject to terms and conditions outlined in Title VI of Public Law 114–289.

UNITED STATES GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

SURVEYS, INVESTIGATIONS, AND RESEARCH

The bill provides $1,148,457,000 for Surveys, Investigations, and Research of the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS, or the Survey). This includes additional, one-time funding for the purchase of equipment, infrastructure related projects, and deferred maintenance that should not be considered programmatic increases and for which the Committees expect a detailed spend plan within 180 days of enactment of this Act. The detailed allocation of funding by program area and activity is included in the table at the end of this explanatory statement.

Congressional Budget Justification.—The Committees direct the Survey to include in future justifications base funding and program descriptions for any subactivity, program, project, or study proposed for increases or reductions.

Ecosystems.—The agreement provides $157,732,000, and does not include reductions for program terminations proposed in the budget request for Status and Trends and the Wildlife Program. The Survey is directed to formulate a transition plan with the Smithsonian Institution regarding the curation of the Institution's collection for which the Survey is currently responsible.

The agreement also includes an increase of $500,000 from within available funds to address white-nose syndrome in bats. The Committees are aware of the work the Survey is performing in critical landscapes such as the Arctic, Puget Sound, California Bay Delta, Everglades, Great Lakes, Columbia River, and the Chesapeake Bay, and expect this work to continue. The Terrestrial, Freshwater, and Marine Environments program is funded as reported in House Report 115–238, and species-specific fisheries and Asian carp funding are maintained at fiscal year 2017 enacted levels. The Committees understand certain programs are nearing completion; therefore, the Survey is directed to report back to the Committees within 180 days of enactment of this Act on anticipated balances of such programs.

Land Resources.—The agreement provides $152,499,000, which includes $93,094,000 for the National Land Imaging activity. Within these funds, Landsat 9 is fully funded at a program level of $26,200,000; satellite operations receive $52,337,000; National Civil Applications Center receives $4,847,000; and the AmericaView State grant program receives $1,215,000.

The Committees accept the proposed budget structure changes with the understanding that the work previously funded in the fiscal year 2017 structure will continue at fiscal year 2017 enacted levels and that the Survey will continue to track and provide information on funding within the Land Change sub-lines. The Committees provide funding for the eight regional science centers and grant awards should be made at the negotiated annual agreement levels. The Survey is directed to provide notification to the Commit-

tees as the grants are awarded in full. As a result of the budget restructure, $5,025,000 is provided so that work previously funded under the old budget structure will continue within the Land Change Science subactivity.

Energy, Minerals, and Environmental Health.—The agreement provides $102,838,000 for Energy, Minerals, and Environmental Health, including $1,000,000 toward the domestic mineral base survey and $4,700,000 for the implementation of Secretarial Order 3352. As a result of the budget restructure, $1,477,000 is provided for work previously funded at this level in fiscal year 2017 and now funded under the Mineral and Energy Resources subactivity. The Committees accept the $2,457,000 reduction proposed in the budget due to the completion of reports as required by the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 (P.L. 110–140). The Committees expect geologic and biologic research to continue under the new budget restructure.

The Committees continue geophysical and remote sensing activities at the enacted funding levels and direct the Survey to continue this work following the requirements outlined in the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2017 (P.L. 115–31). The Committees also expect low permeability reservoir assessments to continue at the 2017 enacted level and that the Survey will continue to abide by the directive outlined in Public Law 115–31 concerning consultation with State geological surveys.

The agreement provides $12,398,000 for toxic substances hydrology. The Committees support the Survey's comprehensive research on cyanobacterial harmful algal blooms and provide an increase of $1,350,000 over the fiscal year 2017 enacted level for this effort.

Natural Hazards.—The agreement provides $178,613,000 for the Natural Hazards Program, including $83,403,000 for earthquake hazards. Within this funding, $12,900,000 is provided for continued development of an earthquake early warning (EEW) system and for the first limited public rollout of ShakeAlert, and an additional $10,000,000 is provided for capital costs associated with the buildout of the EEW. Within 60 days of enactment of this Act, the Survey is directed to provide to the Committees an updated Technical Implementation Plan for the ShakeAlert Production System, including revised cost estimates and timelines. Additionally, $5,000,000 is provided for necessary upgrades and replacement equipment at the USGS National Earthquake Center and seismic stations that make up the Advanced National Seismic System (ANSS).

The agreement includes $800,000 for the Central and Eastern U.S. Seismic Network (CEUSN). The Committees continue $1,000,000 for regional seismic networks and expect the Survey to allocate funds according to the same methodology used in fiscal year 2017. The agreement includes $1,400,000 for the adoption of seismic stations currently deployed as part of the Earthscope USArray project. The Committees direct the Survey to consult with the National Science Foundation (NSF) on acquiring these seismic stations beginning in fiscal year 2019 and to brief the Committees within 60 days of enactment of this Act on the progress of these discussions and the plan to acquire the stations. The Committees understand the adoption of the seismic and geodetic stations cur-

rently deployed as part of the USArray project, along with the ANSS investments in seismic monitoring, could contribute to a monitoring network similar to the earthquake early warning system currently under development for the west coast and encourage the Survey to consider this effort once the west coast system is close to completion.

The agreement provides $42,621,000 for volcano hazards, which includes $1,000,000 for next-generation lahar detection systems and $13,000,000 for the repair and upgrade of analog systems on high-threat volcanos, including $12,500,000 to update the instrumentation that is currently not in compliance with the National Telecommunication and Information Administration (NTIA) radio spectrum guidelines.

The agreement provides an additional $1,500,000 for new lahar detection instrumentation and telecommunications equipment to address significant lahar threats and meet National Volcano Early Warning System (NVEWS) standards.

The Committees are concerned about the potential landslide risk to communities and direct the Survey to report back within 180 days of enactment of this Act identifying specific areas of the country that are at the highest risk.

Water Resources.—The agreement provides $217,554,000 for Water Resources, with $59,927,000 directed to activities associated with the Cooperative Matching Funds. Increases include an additional $1,000,000 for groundwater resource studies in the Mississippi River Alluvial Plain; $1,500,000 for streamgages; and $300,000 to begin research on shallow and fractured bedrock terrain.

The National Groundwater Monitoring Network is funded at the fiscal year 2017 enacted level of $3,600,000. The agreement includes funding for the streamgage on transboundary rivers at $120,000. The Committees direct the Survey to partner with local Tribes and other Federal agencies as necessary in the area to develop a water quality strategy for the transboundary rivers impacted by mining activities. Within 180 days of enactment of this Act, the Survey is directed to report back to the Committees on the necessary work needed to collect, analyze, and assess the hydrologic, water-quality, and ecological data needed to document baseline conditions and assess potential mining-related impacts.

Core Science Systems.—The agreement provides $116,302,000, which includes $23,000,000 for 3D Elevation Program (3DEP) National Enhancement and $7,722,000 for Alaska Mapping and Map Modernization.

Facilities.—The agreement includes $120,091,000 for facilities, deferred maintenance and capital improvement. Within these amounts, $11,772,000 is included for the Menlo Park facility transition. The Committees have almost doubled the funding for deferred maintenance with the expectation the Survey will be able to make much needed facility improvements. The Committees understand that a report on the National Wildlife Health Center's infrastructure needs is nearing completion and expect the report to be provided to the Committees within 60 days of enactment of this Act.

BUREAU OF OCEAN ENERGY MANAGEMENT

OCEAN ENERGY MANAGEMENT

The bill provides $171,000,000 for Ocean Energy Management to be partially offset with the collection of rental receipts and cost recovery fees totaling $56,834,000, for a net discretionary appropriation of $114,166,000. The bill does not include a rescission of funds to cover the anticipated shortfall from the loss of revenue, but the Committees are monitoring the continued decline in rental receipts. The Bureau is reminded to review the directives contained in the front matter of this explanatory statement. The agreement includes the following additional guidance:

Five-year lease plan.—The request for the Bureau's efforts to initiate a new five year offshore leasing program is fully funded and the Committees encourage an expeditious and thorough review.

Offshore Revenues.—The Committees do not approve of the proposal in the budget request to divert outer continental shelf oil and gas revenues from Gulf of Mexico coastal communities. The Committees direct the Department to distribute revenues from Gulf of Mexico operations in a manner consistent with the Gulf of Mexico Energy Security Act of 2006 (P.L. 109–432).

Offshore Wind Energy Development.—The Committees understand that the Bureau is continuing to work in North Carolina with local stakeholders, industry, and State task forces and that there will be no lease sales for offshore areas in North Carolina during fiscal year 2018.

Renewable Energy.—The Bureau should continue to follow the direction under this heading in Senate Report 114–281 concerning offshore wind energy and working cooperatively with the Department of Energy and coastal States.

BUREAU OF SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENTAL ENFORCEMENT

OFFSHORE SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENTAL ENFORCEMENT

The bill provides $186,411,000 for Offshore Safety and Environmental Enforcement to be partially offset with the collection of rental receipts, cost recovery fees and inspection fees totaling $77,871,000 for a net discretionary appropriation of $108,540,000. The bill does not include a rescission of funds to cover the anticipated shortfall from the loss of revenue, but the Committees are monitoring the continued decline in rental receipts.

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 $115,804,000 for the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSMRE) Regulation and Technology account. Within this amount, the bill funds regulatory grants at $68,590,000, equal to the fiscal year 2017 enacted level.

Approximate Original Contours.—When appropriate, the Committees encourage OSMRE to discontinue cases related to Approxi-

mate Original Contour policies and regulations when OSMRE has lost the initial administrative court case on the merits of the case.

ABANDONED MINE RECLAMATION FUND

The bill provides $139,672,000 for the Abandoned Mine Reclamation Fund. Of the funds provided, $24,672,000 shall be derived from the Abandoned Mine Reclamation Fund and $115,000,000 shall be derived from the General Fund.

The agreement provides $115,000,000 for grants to States and Indian Tribes for the reclamation of abandoned mine lands in conjunction with economic and community development and reuse goals. Consistent with fiscal year 2017, $75,000,000 shall be distributed in equal amounts to the three Appalachian States with the greatest amount of unfunded needs and $30,000,000 shall be distributed in equal amounts to the three Appalachian States with the subsequent greatest amount of unfunded needs. Grants shall be distributed to States with the same goals, intent and direction as in fiscal year 2017.

The Committees believe that Tribes can also contribute to the success of the pilot and provide $10,000,000 for grants to federally recognized Indian Tribes to be distributed for the same goals, intent and purpose as the grants to States. Eligible grant recipients for the $10,000,000 are limited to Tribal governmental entities who may subcontract project-related activities as appropriate.

Coal Act.—The Committees believe OSMRE should avoid taking any action that would place in jeopardy the mandatory benefits for eligible United Mine Workers of America (UMWA) health beneficiaries, including those who receive benefits because of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2017 (P.L. 115–31), as well as mandatory funds provided to States and Indian Tribes. It has also been brought to the attention of the Committees that certain businesses in rural areas may face job losses because of affiliate liability for healthcare that is unrelated to the benefits enacted in the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2017 (P.L. 115–31). Given the disproportionate impact of job losses in rural areas, the Committees are concerned about those job losses. The Committees urge stakeholders to find a solution that would both avoid job losses in rural areas and is consistent with other potential needs for the mandatory funds overseen by OSMRE.

BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS AND BUREAU OF INDIAN EDUCATION

OPERATION OF INDIAN PROGRAMS

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

The bill provides $2,411,200,000 for Operation of Indian Programs. The Bureaus are expected to execute their budgets in accordance with the justification submitted to the Congress, except as otherwise directed below or in the funding allocation table at the end of this report. The table has been expanded to include additional lines for the Bureau of Indian Education and Public Safety and Justice. The Bureaus are reminded of the guidance and reporting requirements contained in House Report 115–238 that should be complied with unless specifically addressed to the contrary here-

in, as explained in the front matter of this explanatory statement. The Committees also expect the timely submission of reporting requirements as contained in House Report 115–238 and as outlined in this explanatory statement. The agreement includes requested fixed costs and transfers except where discussed below, and the following details and instructions.

The Committees are concerned about the addition of several programs to the Government Accountability Office's 2017 high risk list (GAO–17–317). The inclusion of these programs to this list indicate there are several challenges to overcome in order to improve the Federal management of programs that serve Tribes and their members. The Committees stand ready to work with the Bureaus to implement the necessary GAO recommendations.

Tribal Government.—The agreement provides $317,967,000 for Tribal government programs, of which $1,120,000 is for new Tribes including those recognized during fiscal year 2018 beyond those contemplated in the budget request. The Committees expect the Bureau to efficiently administer the Tribal recognition process and strongly encourage action on pending requests. The Small and Needy Tribes program is funded at $4,448,000, ensuring that all Tribes receive the maximum base level provided by the Bureau to run Tribal governments.

Road maintenance is funded at $34,653,000 and includes $1,000,000 to improve the condition of unpaved roads and bridges used by school buses transporting students, and $1,000,000 for road maintenance in support of implementing the NATIVE Act (P.L. 114–221). The Bureau is directed to report back to the Committees within 60 days of enactment of this Act on how the Bureau plans to allocate the funds provided in the bill and the progress being made to implement the GAO recommendations outlined in the report GAO–17–423.

The Committees are aware that in some areas along the border, including the areas of the Tohono O'odham Nation in Arizona, and the Blackfeet Nation in Montana, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and Tribes work together on border security. The Committees have included bill language to support the transfer of funds from CBP to BIA, in consultation with affected Tribes, for the reconstruction or repair of BIA owned roads needed as a result of cooperative security efforts on the U.S. border.

The Committees are concerned about the Consolidated Tribal Government Program internal transfer of $1,733,000 and have not agreed to any changes from the fiscal year 2017 enacted level of $75,429,000 for this program. The Bureau is directed to report back to the Committees within 30 days of enactment of this Act with a description of the number of Tribes that use this program and how increases for this program compare to others that offer similar services.

Human Services.—The agreement provides $161,063,000 for human services programs and includes funding to continue the Tiwahe initiative at the fiscal year 2017 enacted level. The Bureau is directed to report back to the Committees within 90 days of enactment of this Act on the performance measures being used to monitor and track the Tiwahe initiative's effectiveness in Indian Country. The Committees are aware of the pressing needs women

and children face in domestic violence situations; therefore, the Committees expect at least $200,000 from human services activities be used to support women and children's shelters that are serving the needs of multiple Tribes or Alaska Native Villages in the areas served by the Tiwahe pilot sites.

The Committees are concerned about the funding distribution for welfare assistance and direct the Bureau to report back to the Committees within 30 days of enactment of this Act on how this funding would be distributed.

Trust—Natural Resources Management.—The agreement provides $204,202,000 for natural resources management programs and includes $390,000 to continue the Seminole and Miccosukee water study as requested. The agreement includes $355,000 in the Tribal Management Development Program (TMDP) for fisheries activities previously funded within the Forestry program. Future funding requests should reflect the transfer of this activity to TMDP.

It is the Committees' understanding that the Bureau has entered into cooperative agreements with the Ahtna Intertribal Resource Commission and the Kuskokwim River Inter-Tribal Fisheries Commission, and with other organizations interested in establishing similar agreements; therefore, it is the Committees' expectation that within the funding provided for the Tribal Management Development Program (TMDP), pilot projects and programs for Alaska subsistence will continue.

Consistent with treaty and trust obligations, the Committees direct the Bureau to work with at-risk Tribes to identify and expedite the necessary resources to address the resiliency needs of Tribal communities.

Within the amounts provided for Fish, Wildlife, and Parks, the agreement continues $545,000 for substantially producing Tribal hatcheries in BIA's Northwest Region currently not receiving annual BIA hatchery operations funding. This funding should be allocated in the same manner as in fiscal year 2017 but should be considered base funding in fiscal year 2018 and thereafter.

The Department of the Interior is expected to promote and expand the use of agreements with Indian Tribes to protect Indian trust resources from catastrophic wildfire, insect and disease infestation, or other threats from adjacent Federal lands, as authorized by law. The Committees direct the Bureau to coordinate with the Office of Wildland Fire to submit a report describing how the Department determines the use of wildfire suppression and rehabilitation resources and prioritizes Indian forest land, the title to which is held by the United States in trust.

The Bureau is directed to enter into a formal partnership with local Tribes and the United States Geological Survey to help develop a water quality strategy for transboundary rivers.

The Committees expect that Tribes east of the Mississippi River who have resource challenges also receive appropriate funding.

Trust—Real Estate Services.—The agreement provides $129,841,000 for real estate services. All program elements within this subactivity are continued at fiscal year 2017 enacted levels plus fixed costs and transfers, except where discussed below.

The following line items each receive a $500,000 program increase: land title and records offices; land records improvement—regional; and regional oversight. The Bureau is expected to distribute the program increases to regional offices to address administrative backlogs for Trust Real Estate Services programs. As discussed in House Report 115–238, the Committees expect an update on the status of outstanding conveyances by September 2018, and an update on what the Bureau will be changing in its operations policy to ensure backlogs and documentation-related rejections do not occur in the future.

Alaska Native programs are funded at $1,470,000 to support a program level of $450,000 for the ANCSA Historical Places and Cemetery Sites Program.

A program increase of $3,000,000 is included for the plugging of abandoned wells not under Bureau of Land Management authority. The Committees direct the BIA to conduct an inventory of wells for which the BIA is responsible to reclaim, including cost estimates for submission to the Committees within 180 days of enactment of this Act.

The Committees direct the Secretary, or his designee, to work with the Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe to identify appropriate lands in Clallam County, Washington, to satisfy the requirements of section 7 of the Elwha River Ecosystem and Fisheries Restoration Act (P.L. 102–495).

The Secretary, in consultation with other interested agencies, is directed to provide a report to Congress, on or before August 1, 2018, on the estimated cost of responses that are necessary under applicable Federal and State laws to protect human health and the environment with respect to any hazardous substance or hazardous waste remaining on the property as authorized by section 13 of Public Law 102–497.

Public Safety and Justice.—The agreement provides $405,520,000 for public safety and justice programs. The detailed allocation table at the end of this explanatory statement has been expanded in order to more fully outline program levels. Included within Criminal Investigations and Police Services is $1,000,000 to implement the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act and $7,500,000 to help people affected by opioid addiction. Within Detention/Corrections is a $1,400,000 increase for recently constructed facilities that do not currently have existing program funding within the BIA budget; additional funding in future years will be considered as information becomes available. Within Law Enforcement Special Initiatives is $3,033,000 to reduce recidivism through the Tiwahe initiative. Within Tribal Justice Support is $2,000,000 to implement the Violence Against Women Act for both training and specific Tribal court needs, and $13,000,000 to address the needs of Tribes affected by Public Law 83–280. Within Law Enforcement Program Management is a $500,000 increase for the Office of Justice Services' District III Office to promote timely payments.

The Committees remain concerned about Tribal courts' needs as identified in the Indian Law and Order Commission's November 2013 report, which notes that Federal investment in Tribal justice in "P.L. 280" States has been more limited than elsewhere in In-

dian Country. The Committees expect the Bureau to continue to work with Tribes and Tribal organizations in these States to consider options that promote, design, or pilot Tribal court systems for Tribal communities subject to full or partial State jurisdiction under Public Law 83–280.

The Committees understand that several Tribes whose Federal recognition was terminated and then subsequently restored now face significant challenges in securing law enforcement funding through self-determination contracts. The Bureau is directed to work with affected Tribes to assess their law enforcement needs and submit a report within 120 days of enactment of this Act that details the amounts necessary to provide sufficient law enforcement capacity for them.

Community and Economic Development.—The agreement provides $46,447,000 for community and economic development programs, of which: $12,549,000 is for job placement and training and includes $1,550,000 for the Tiwahe initiative; $1,826,000 is for economic development; $26,416,000 is for minerals and mining and includes $1,000,000 for the modernization of oil and gas records including the National Indian Oil and Gas Management System (NIOGEMS); and $5,656,000 is for community development central oversight, of which $3,400,000 is to implement the Native American Tourism and Improving Visitor Experience Act, including via cooperative agreements with Tribes or Tribal organizations. The Committees understand that the NIOGEMS has been distributed to some Tribes and regional offices; the Bureau is instructed to report back within 120 days of enactment of this Act on the cost to further expand this system to more reservations and offices.

The recent high risk GAO report (GAO–17–317) found the Bureau does not properly manage Indian energy resources. The Committees request the Bureau to report back within 180 days of enactment of this Act outlining any barriers, statutory or regulatory, that impede development of these resources.

Executive Direction and Administrative Services.—The agreement provides $231,747,000 for executive direction and administrative services. All budget line items are funded at fiscal year 2017 enacted levels and adjusted for fixed costs and transfers, except for human capital management and intra-governmental payments, which are funded at the requested levels.

Within 60 days on enactment of this Act, the Bureau is directed to make funds provided within executive direction available to solicit proposals from independent non-profit or academic entities to prepare a report on the likely impacts of the closure of the Navajo Generating Station power plant on affected Tribes, State and local governments and other stakeholders within the Four Corners region. In consultation with impacted Tribes, an entity shall be selected to prepare a report within 12 months of the award that (1) details potential economic impacts related to the plant's closure; and (2) identifies specific policy recommendations that would mitigate the potential economic and societal consequences of the plant's closure on affected Tribes or other stakeholders.

The Committees note that the Bureau has not yet complied with the fiscal year 2017 directive to provide a report on funding requirements associated with operating and law enforcement needs

for congressionally authorized treaty fishing sites on the Columbia River. The Bureau is directed to transmit the report no later than 30 days following enactment of this Act. The Bureau is also urged to incorporate unfunded needs for these sites as part of future budget requests.

Indian Affairs is directed to complete annual health and safety inspections and background checks at all BIE system facilities, and to submit quarterly updates on the status of such efforts to the Committees.

Bureau of Indian Education.—The agreement includes $914,413,000 for the Bureau of Indian Education, the details of which are included in the expanded allocation table at the end of this explanatory statement. Tribal grant support costs continue to be fully funded. Additional details follow:

A one-time increase is provided to complete the transition to a school year funding cycle for all Tribal colleges and universities, including Haskell Indian Nations University and Southwestern Indian Polytechnic Institute. The Committees recognize that many Tribal colleges have significant unfunded needs, and direct the Bureau to work with Tribal leaders and other stakeholders to develop a consistent methodology for determining Tribal college operating needs to inform future budget requests. The Committees expect the methodology to address operating and infrastructure needs including classrooms and housing.

The agreement includes $18,810,000 for early child and family development, which should be used to expand the Family and Child Education (FACE) program. The agreement rescinds $8,000,000 from expiring prior year balances that the Bureau failed to obligate. This rescission does not impact the program's operating level for fiscal year 2018.

The Committees support efforts to revitalize and maintain Native languages and expand the use of language immersion programs. The ISEP program is expected to continue to enhance access to Native language and culture programs in Bureau-funded schools, and the Bureau shall report back within 60 days of enactment of this Act on how funding has been and can continue to be used to support these programs. In addition, $2,000,000 is provided within Education Program Enhancements for capacity building grants for Bureau and tribally operated schools to expand existing language immersion programs or to create new programs. Prior to distributing these funds, the Bureau shall coordinate with the Department of Education and Department of Health and Human Services to ensure that Bureau investments complement, but do not duplicate, existing language immersion programs. The Committees also direct the Bureau to submit a report to the Committees within 120 days of enactment of this Act regarding the status of fiscal year 2017 funds and the planned distribution of funds in this Act.

The Johnson O'Malley program is funded at $14,903,000. The Committees remain concerned that the distribution of funds is not an accurate reflection of the distribution of students. The Bureau is directed to report back to the Committees within 90 days of enactment of this Act on the status of updating the student counts.

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 next fiscal year 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. The Office of the Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs is directed to report back within 60 days of enactment of this Act on the progress made towards implementing all the GAO recommendations and the current status of the reform effort.

The Committees understand the importance of bringing broadband to reservations and villages, but remain concerned about the planning process used for this type of investment. The Committees direct the agency to report back within 90 days of enactment of this Act on a scalable plan to increase bandwidth in schools, procure computers and software, and to include in this report how the Bureau is working with other Federal agencies to coordinate and plan for the technology buildout.

The BIE is encouraged to coordinate with the Indian Health Service to integrate preventive dental care and mental health care at schools within the BIE system.

The bill includes modified language limiting the expansion of grades and schools in the BIE system which allows for the expansion of additional grades to schools that meet certain criteria.

The Committees continue to encourage efforts to improve interagency coordination for the wide range of programs that affect the wellbeing of Native children and expect the Bureau to work with relevant Federal, State, local and Tribal organizations to make these programs more effective.

The Committees are concerned by the recent Government Accountability Office report (GAO–17–423) on Tribal transportation, which identified potential negative impacts of road conditions on Native student school attendance. The Committees recommend BIE take steps to improve its data collection on the cause of student absences, including data on road and weather conditions, and to report back to the Committees within 120 days of enactment of this Act regarding its actions to improve student absence data tracking and analysis.

CONTRACT SUPPORT COSTS

The bill provides an indefinite appropriation for contract support costs, consistent with fiscal year 2017 and estimated to be $241,600,000.

CONSTRUCTION

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

The bill provides $354,113,000 for Construction. Details are contained in the justification submitted to the Congress and in the funding allocation table at the end of this explanatory statement, except as otherwise discussed below:

Account-wide.—Not later than 90 days after enactment of this Act, Indian Affairs shall submit an operating plan to the Committees detailing how fiscal year 2018 funding will be allocated and including specific projects where available and the methodology used in the prioritization. Where specific project allocations are not yet available, the plan shall provide the circumstances and Indian Affairs shall brief the Committees when project allocations are available.

Joint Ventures.—Indian Affairs is expected to comply with the directive in House Report 115–238 regarding the establishment of joint venture programs for schools and justice centers and modeled after the Indian Health Service's program.

Education Construction.—The agreement provides $238,245,000 for schools and related facilities within the Bureau of Indian Education system and includes the following: $105,504,000 for replacement school campus construction; $23,935,000 for replacement facility construction; $13,574,000 for employee housing repair; and $95,232,000 for facilities improvement and repair. The Committees expect the increase provided for facilities improvement and repair to be used to address deficiencies identified by annual school safety inspections.

The Committees continue to expect BIA and BIE to work together to ensure that annual safety inspections are completed for all BIE schools and remain concerned that the Bureaus have not developed concrete tracking and capacity-building systems to ensure that safety issues flagged by these inspections are addressed in a timely manner. The Committees are also concerned by reports from tribally operated schools that BIE is not providing necessary training or access to funding from the Facilities Improvement and Repair program to meet urgent safety and maintenance needs. The Committees direct BIE and BIA to provide an implementation plan to the Committees to address these concerns within 120 days of enactment of this Act.

The Bureau of Indian Education is directed to report back within 60 days of enactment of this Act on the progress the Bureau has made towards implementing a long-term facilities needs assessment modeled after the Department of Defense Education Activity, as directed by House Report 114–632.

The Committees continue to strongly support innovative financing options to supplement annual appropriations and accelerate repair and replacement of Bureau schools, including through the use of construction bonds, tax credits, and grant programs.

Public Safety and Justice Construction.—The agreement provides $35,309,000 for public safety and justice construction and includes the following: $18,000,000 to restart the facilities replacement and new construction program; $4,494,000 for employee housing; $9,372,000 for facilities improvement and repair; $169,000 for fire safety coordination; and $3,274,000 for fire protection.

The Committees include funding for the replacement construction program, which has not received funding from the Bureau since fiscal year 2010, as other agencies have sought to build these facilities. The Committees also understand the Bureau currently has compiled a list of replacement facilities based upon the facilities condition index, inmate populations, and available space. It is the expectation the funding made available for this activity will utilize this list. Further, the Committees encourage the Bureau to develop a master plan that details the location and condition of existing facilities relative to the user population, and incorporates the use of existing tribally constructed facilities and regional justice centers, such as the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes' Justice Center, as an efficient approach to filling gaps where additional facilities are needed. Reasonable driving distances for visitation should be taken into consideration.

Resources Management Construction.—The agreement provides $67,192,000 for resources management construction programs and includes the following: $24,692,000 for irrigation project construction; $2,596,000 for engineering and supervision; $1,016,000 for survey and design; $648,000 for Federal power compliance; and $38,240,000 for dam safety and maintenance.

The Committees are aware of the aging Indian irrigation systems and that most of these systems are in need of major capital improvement; therefore, additional funding has been included to address the infrastructure needs. Additionally, it is the Committees' understanding that these projects are consistent with those activities authorized as part of the Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation Act (P.L. 114–322).

The Committees are concerned that there are an unknown number of dams on reservations that have not received a hazard classification, and that the current review process is behind schedule. The Committees strongly encourage the Bureau to begin the work on these dams and report back to the Committees on the best way to effectively quantify the potential pool of dams on reservations in need of a review and/or classification.

Other Program Construction.—The agreement provides $13,367,000 for other programs and includes the following: $1,119,000 for telecommunications; $3,919,000 for facilities and quarters; and $8,329,000 for program management, including $2,400,000 to continue the project at Fort Peck.

INDIAN LAND AND WATER CLAIMS SETTLEMENTS AND MISCELLANEOUS PAYMENTS TO INDIANS

The bill provides $55,457,000 for Indian Land and Water Claims Settlements and Miscellaneous Payments to Indians, ensuring that Indian Affairs will meet the statutory deadlines of all authorized settlement agreements to date. The detailed allocation of funding

by settlement is included in the table at the end of this explanatory statement.

INDIAN GUARANTEED LOAN PROGRAM ACCOUNT

The bill provides $9,272,000 for the Indian Guaranteed Loan Program Account to facilitate business investments in Indian Country.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

(INCLUDING RESCISSION OF FUNDS)

The bill includes a rescission of $8,000,000 from prior year unobligated balances within the Operation of Indian Programs account. The Bureau is directed to take the rescission from within Early Child and Family Development as detailed above.

DEPARTMENTAL OFFICES

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS

The agreement provides $124,182,000 for Departmental Offices, Office of the Secretary, Departmental Operations. The Office of Valuation Services is funded at $10,242,000. The Committees accept the proposal in the budget request to transfer the Office of Natural Resources Revenue to Department-wide Programs. The agreement includes language as requested establishing the Department of the Interior Experienced Services Program. The detailed allocation of funding by program area and activity is included in the table at the end of the statement.

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.

American Discovery Trail.—The Committees encourage the Secretary to work with the National Park Service, the Bureau of Land Management, other appropriate agencies, and appropriate stakeholders, in conjunction with all relevant laws, regulations, and policies, to facilitate installing signage for the American Discovery Trail.

Tamarisk Eradication.—The Committees encourage the Secretary to coordinate with the Department of Agriculture, other Federal agencies, States, Tribes, private entities, and communities to establish a scientifically based and watershed-focused pilot program to eradicate tamarisk in the southwestern United States.

Departmental Documents.—The Committees remind the Department of the need in departmental documents that delineate Federal, State, and private land, such as acquisition boundary maps and resource management plans, to more clearly indicate that Federal land management documents apply only to Federal lands and do not apply to private land unless authorized by law and approved by the landowner.

Tribal Energy Development.—The Committees direct the Secretary to provide a report to the Committees within 90 days of enactment of this Act on efforts to improve the ability of Tribes to de-

velop energy resources on tribal lands. Such report should address any potential obstacles, including statutory or regulatory, to full resource utilization.

Conservation Partnerships.—The Committees continue to support the partnership between the Department and the 21st Century Conservation Service Corps and Public Lands Corps which engage youth and veterans in protecting, restoring, and enhancing America's great outdoors.

Payments in Lieu of Taxes (PILT).—The agreement includes funding for the Payments in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) program for fiscal year 2018 in Section 118 of Title I General Provisions.

National Park Fees.—The Secretary is directed to provide to the Committees within 60 days of enactment of this Act a report analyzing the Administration's October 24, 2017 proposal to raise national park entry fees. Such report must include a cost benefit analysis and evaluation of the impact on accessibility to the parks.

INSULAR AFFAIRS

ASSISTANCE TO TERRITORIES

The agreement provides $96,870,000 for Assistance to Territories. The detailed allocation of funding is included in the table at the end of this explanatory statement.

The agreement recognizes that the Office of Insular Affairs funds important efforts to improve education, health, infrastructure, judicial training, and economic sustainability in the Insular areas and expects funds to continue to be awarded accordingly. Additionally, the Office is directed to continue to award noncompetitive technical assistance funds to support investments in civic education programs for Insular Area students.

U.S. Virgin Islands Hurricane Impacts.—The Committees continue to be concerned about the catastrophic impacts of Hurricane Irma to the U.S. Virgin Islands. The Committees recognize that the Office will play an important role in long-term disaster recovery and direct the Office to continue to provide information to the Committees on recovery needs.

COMPACT OF FREE ASSOCIATION

The agreement provides $3,363,000 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 bill provides $66,675,000 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 bill provides $51,023,000 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 $119,400,000 for the Office of the Special Trustee for American Indians, as requested. 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 a total of $948,087,000 for Department of the Interior Wildland Fire Management. Of the funds provided, $389,406,000 is for suppression operations. The bill fully funds wildland fire suppression at the 10-year average.

Fuels Management.—The agreement provides $184,000,000 for fuels management activities.

Joint Fire Science.—The Committees support continued research on unique ecosystems, such as boreal forests and tundra ecosystems, through Joint Fire Science.

Unmanned Aerial Systems.—The Department, as the lead agency in piloting and demonstrating the potential for unmanned aerial systems (UAS) to assist in wildland fire suppression, is directed to work with the Forest Service and the Federal Aviation Administration's Center of Excellence for Unmanned Aircraft Systems to continue evaluating these systems' use and to develop an overall strategy for integrating this additional tool into the Federal firefighting mission. The Committees encourage the Department to expand the use of UAS in the field, as appropriate.

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 $62,370,000 for the Department of the Interior, Working Capital Fund.

OFFICE OF NATURAL RESOURCES REVENUE

The agreement provides $137,757,000 for the Office of Natural Resources Revenue. The Committees accept the proposal to create a separate account for the Office of Natural Resources Revenue.

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 expenditure or transfer of funds from the Bureau of Indian Affairs and Bureau of Indian Education, and the Office of the Special Trustee for American Indians, for Indian trust management and reform activities.

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

Section 113 addresses the humane transfer of excess wild horses and burros.

Section 114 provides remaining payments to the Republic of Palau pursuant to the Compact of Free Association requirements.

Section 115 provides for the establishment of a Department of the Interior Experienced Services Program.

Section 116 designates land located within the Lake Clark National Park and Preserve as the "Jay S. Hammond Wilderness."

Section 117 addresses National Heritage Areas.

Section 118 provides fiscal year 2018 funding for the Payments in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) program.

Section 119 addresses Morristown National Historical Park.

Section 120 addresses the issuance of rules for sage-grouse.

Section 121 incorporates by reference Section 7130 (Modification of the Second Division Memorial); and Section 7134 (Ste. Genevieve National Historical Park) of S. 1460 (Energy and Natural Resources Act of 2017) of the 115th Congress, as well as H.R. 1281 as introduced in the 115th Congress (A bill to extend the authorization of the Highlands Conservation Act) and H.R. 4134 as introduced in the 115th Congress (Cecil D. Andrus-White Clouds Wilderness Re-designation Act).

Section 122 provides for mineral withdrawal of certain lands subject to valid existing rights.

TITLE II—ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

The bill provides $8,058,488,000 for the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The bill does not support reductions proposed in the budget request unless explicitly noted in the explanatory statement.

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 and Workforce Reshaping.—The agreement does not include any of the requested funds for workforce reshaping. Further, the Committees do not expect the Agency to consolidate or close any regional offices in fiscal year 2018. The Agency is held to the reprogramming limitation of $1,000,000 and should continue to follow the reprogramming directives as provided in the front of this explanatory statement. It is noted that such reprogramming directives apply to proposed reorganizations, workforce restructure, reshaping, transfer of functions, or downsizing, especially those of significant national or regional importance, and include closures, consolidations, and relocations of offices, facilities, and laboratories.

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 2018, which shall detail how the Agency plans to allocate funds at the program project level.

Other.—It is noted that the current workforce is below the fiscal year 2017 level, therefore, the agreement includes rescissions in the Science and Technology and Environmental Programs and Management accounts that capture expected savings associated

with such changes. The Agency is directed to first apply the rescissions across program project areas to reflect routine attrition that will occur in those program project areas in fiscal year 2018 and then to reflect efficiency savings in a manner that seeks, to the extent practicable, to be proportional among program project areas. Amounts provided in this Act are sufficient to fully fund Agency payroll estimates. The Committees understand that the Agency routinely makes funding payroll requirements a top priority, and the Committees expect the Agency will continue to do so as it executes its fiscal year 2018 appropriation and applies the rescissions.

The Committees do not expect the Agency will undertake adverse personnel actions or incentive programs to comply with the rescissions nor do the Committees expect the Agency will undertake large-scale adverse personnel actions or incentive programs in fiscal year 2018. As specified in the bill language, the rescissions shall not apply to the Geographic Programs, the National Estuary Program, and the National Priorities funding in the Science and Technology and Environmental Programs and Management accounts. The Agency is directed to submit, as part of the operating plan, detail on the application of such rescissions at the program project level.

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

(INCLUDING RESCISSION OF FUNDS)

For Science and Technology programs, the bill provides $713,823,000 to be partially offset by a $7,350,000 rescission for a net discretionary appropriation of $706,473,000. The bill transfers $15,496,000 from the Hazardous Substance Superfund account to this account. The bill provides the following specific funding levels and direction:

Indoor Air and Radiation.—The bill provides $5,997,000 and funding for the radon program is maintained at not less than the fiscal year 2017 enacted level.

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.

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

Alternatives Testing.—The Agency is directed to follow the guidance contained under this heading in House Report 115–238 and to also include in its report to the Committees information and analysis related to potential barriers or limitations on the use of alternative test methods and to ensure that any future plans ad-

dress such barriers or limitations, particularly as they relate to susceptible populations.

Computational Toxicology.—The Committees support the Agency's computational toxicology research activities to advance the next generation of risk assessment methods, including for prioritization, screening and testing under the Lautenberg Chemical Safety Act (LCSA). Such research activities must be carried out following the requirements of the LCSA to ensure that alternative test methods "provide information of equivalent or better scientific quality and relevance" and to protect susceptible subpopulations from unreasonable risk. The Agency's National Center for Computational Toxicology (NCCT) is encouraged to expand its collaborations with scientific experts outside of the Agency to advance development and use of human biology-based experimental and computational approaches for chemical assessments.

The Committees direct the Agency to develop the strategic plan on alternative methods and testing strategies required by the LCSA utilizing the leadership of the Director of Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics (OPPT), the Director of NCCT, the Director of the National Toxicology Program (NTP), and the Director of the National Center for Environmental Assessment (NCEA). The process for developing this strategic plan shall include requests for information from the scientific community and the public and two or more public meetings or workshops. The Agency shall circulate the draft strategic plan for public review and comment, revise the plan to address comments and then issue the strategic plan, which shall include an appendix documenting response to, and disposition of, public comments. In addition, NCCT, OPPT, NTP, and NCEA shall each assign 1 FTE to collaborate on evaluating computational toxicology, in vitro methods and alternative test methods for specific scientifically-valid applications by OPPT for implementation in the LCSA. The Committees request the Agency to provide a status report on these activities no later than September 30, 2018.

Enhanced Aquifer Use.—The Agency is directed to continue following the guidance contained in Senate Report 114–281 in addition to the guidance contained in House Report 115–238 directing the Agency to coordinate with other Federal research efforts in this area.

Integrated Risk Information System.—The agreement continues to provide funding for the Integrated Risk Information System (IRIS) program at the fiscal year 2017 enacted level and direction that the program continues within the Office of Research and Development. The Committees remain concerned that the program has appeared on the Government Accountability Office's (GAO) High Risk List since 2008. The Committees are aware of progress made by the Agency to implement the 2011 National Academy of Sciences' (NAS) Chapter 7 and 2014 NAS report recommendations for the IRIS program, but remain concerned that the recommendations have not been fully implemented. The Committees note that the Agency and the NAS held a workshop in February 2018 to review advances made to the IRIS process, and that an NAS report on IRIS' progress is forthcoming. The Committees are encouraged that the program indicated its willingness to more closely align the development of risk assessments with stated regulatory priorities

of the Agency, and believes that these efforts will make the assessments more relevant. The Committees understand that the program intends to continue the development of new methodologies and technologies to enhance the development of future IRIS assessments and encourages the program to do so, while also encouraging the program to ensure that all IRIS methodologies attain the highest scientific rigor. Finally, the Committees urge the expedited completion of the IRIS handbook and direct that the public be afforded an opportunity to provide comment on the handbook before it is placed in use.

National Air Toxics Trends Station Network.—The agreement maintains funding for the National Air Toxic Trends Station Network, which tracks air pollution trends at 27 stations across the country, at the fiscal year 2017 enacted level to accommodate the network's ongoing activities to gather consistent, high-quality monitoring data on hazardous air pollutants across the country.

Nanomaterials Research.—The Agency should continue to follow the direction included in Senate Report 114–281 and seek to maximize collaborative research efforts with the Food and Drug Administration.

Partnership Research.—The Committees encourage the Agency to continue leveraged partnerships with not-for-profit institutions that often partner with the Agency, industry, and affected stakeholders to produce independent science and evaluate the effectiveness of environmental regulations relating to unconventional oil and gas development. The study should be used to provide credible science, of national scope, relating to unconventional oil and gas development. Within available funds, the Agency is directed to use not less than $1,000,000 to partner on such a study during fiscal year 2018.

STAR Grants.—The agreement provides funds to continue the Science to Achieve Results (STAR) program and the Committees direct the Agency to distribute grants consistent with fiscal year 2017. Within 90 days of enactment of this Act, the Committees direct the Agency to provide a briefing on its plans for the program in fiscal year 2018.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS AND MANAGEMENT

(INCLUDING RESCISSION OF FUNDS)

For Environmental Programs and Management, the bill provides $2,643,299,000 to be partially offset by a $45,300,000 rescission for a net discretionary appropriation of $2,597,999,000. The bill provides the following specific funding levels and direction:

Clean Air.—The agreement maintains funding for the EnergySTAR program at the fiscal year 2017 enacted level. In 2009, the Agency and the Department of Energy (DOE) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) related to the EnergySTAR Program, which shifted some functions related to home appliance products from the DOE to EPA. The Agency shall work with the DOE to review the 2009 MOU and report to the Committees within 90 days of enactment of this Act on whether the expected efficiencies for home appliance products have been achieved.

Further, the Committees do not support the proposed termination of voluntary programs, including Natural GasSTAR, AgSTAR, the Combined Heat and Power Partnership, and other partnership programs where EPA works collaboratively with nongovernmental entities to identify beneficial methods to reduce emissions, reduce pollution, or increase efficiency. The Committees also maintain both program areas related to stratospheric ozone at not less than the fiscal year 2017 enacted level.

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, adequate waste water to small systems or individual private well owners. The Agency shall provide $10,000,000 for the Grassroots Rural and Small Community Water Systems Assistance Act, for activities specified under section 1442(e) of the Safe Drinking Water Act (42 U.S.C. 300j-1(e)(8)). 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 is directed to provide on a national and multi-State regional basis, $1,000,000 for grants to qualified organizations, for the sole purpose of providing onsite training and technical assistance for wastewater systems. 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.

The Committees understand the Agency has made a decision to put out a multi-year Request for Applications for fiscal year 2017 and fiscal year 2018 without expressed approval from the Committees. The Committees expect the Agency to formally consult on similar decisions in the future.

Geographic Programs.—The bill provides $447,857,000, as distributed in the table at the end of this division, and includes the following direction:

Great Lakes Restoration Initiative.—The bill provides $300,000,000 and the Agency shall continue to follow the direction as provided in House Report 112–589 and in Senate Report 114–281 related to the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative. Additionally, the Committees encourage Agency funds for Great Lakes projects to be made available for projects in the historic Great Lakes Basin, which includes the Chicago River Watershed.

Chesapeake Bay.—The bill provides $73,000,000 and the Agency shall allocate funds consistent with the direction under this heading in Senate Report 114–281.

Gulf of Mexico.—The bill provides $12,542,000 for the Gulf of Mexico Geographic Program where hypoxia is a growing cause for concern. The Committees direct the Agency to coordinate with the U.S. Department of Agriculture, the Gulf States, and other State, local and private partners to leverage greater resources toward conservation projects on working-lands within the Gulf Region and Mississippi River Basin. The Agency is directed to distribute funds in the same manner as fiscal year 2017.

Lake Champlain.—The bill provides $8,399,000 for the Lake Champlain program. From within the amount provided, $4,399,000 shall be allocated in the same manner as fiscal year 2017 and $4,000,000 shall be for otherwise unmet needs necessary to implement the Agency's 2016 Phosphorus Total Maximum Daily Load Plan for Lake Champlain for projects and work identified in the State implementation plan.

Puget Sound.—The bill provides $28,000,000 and the Agency shall follow the direction under this heading in House Report 115–238.

Northwest Forest Program.—The Northwest Forest Program is funded at not less than the fiscal year 2017 enacted level.

South Florida Program.—The agreement maintains funding for the South Florida Program and directs the Agency to allocate funds in the same manner as fiscal year 2017.

Indoor Air and Radiation.—The agreement maintains funding for the radon program at the fiscal year 2017 enacted level and funds have been included for Radiation Protection and Reduce Risks from Indoor Air programs.

Information Exchange/Outreach.—The agreement includes funding for tribal capacity building equal to the fiscal year 2017 enacted level, and the Agency is directed to use environmental education funds for the smart skin care program, similar to prior years. The agreement also provides for the Small Minority Business Assistance program to be continued.

International Programs.—The bill provides $15,400,000 and includes funds to maintain the U.S.-Mexico Border program at the fiscal year 2017 enacted level.

Legal/Science/Regulatory/Economic Review.—The bill provides $111,414,000, equal to the fiscal year 2017 enacted level. Within that amount, Integrated Environmental Strategies is funded at the fiscal year 2017 level, so that the Agency can continue to provide locally-led, community-driven technical assistance to communities in partnership with localities, States, and other Federal agencies.

Official Reception and Representation Expenses.—The bill provides necessary funding for the Agency's Commission on Environmental Cooperation meeting in fiscal year 2018.

Resource Conservation and Recovery Act.—The bill provides $109,377,000. Of the funds provided under this section, $6,000,0000 should be allocated for the purpose of developing and implementing a Federal permit program for the regulation of coal combustion residuals in nonparticipating States, as authorized under section 4005(d)(2)(B) of the Solid Waste Disposal Act (42 U.S.C. 6945(d)(2)(B)). The Committees also reiterate the importance of additional language included in House Report 115–238 related to coal combustion residuals and recognize that additional State grants may be necessary as States work to implement permit programs as authorized under section 2301 of the WIIN Act (Public Law 114–322).

Additionally, the Committees continue to support the Waste Minimization and Recycling program, and the Agency is encouraged to use funds from within the program to help public entities demonstrate community anaerobic digester applications to munic-

ipal solid waste streams and farm needs such as capturing excess phosphorus.

Toxics Risk Review and Prevention.—The bill provides $92,521,000 and maintains funding for the Pollution Prevention program and the Lead Risk Reduction program.

Water: Ecosystems.—The bill provides $47,788,000. From within the amount provided, $26,723,000 has been provided for the National Estuary Program (NEP) grants as authorized by section 320 of the Clean Water Act. This amount is sufficient to provide each of the 28 national estuaries in the program with a grant of at least $600,000.

Further, in the Administrative Provisions section, the Committees direct that $1,000,000 in competitive grants be made available for additional projects, and encourages the Agency to work in consultation with the NEP directors to identify worthy projects and activities.

Water Quality Protection. —The bill provides $210,417,000 and maintains funding for the WaterSENSE program at the fiscal year 2017 enacted level.

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

Chesapeake Bay.—The Committees note the agreements signed by the Agency, States and other stakeholders to locate a Chesapeake Bay Liaison Office in Annapolis, Maryland to facilitate coordination among jurisdictions and from participating Federal agencies in support of the Chesapeake Bay Program. Currently, the Chesapeake Bay Program Office is located in Annapolis, per the agreement, and houses staff from the Chesapeake Bay Program, five Federal agencies and 35 non-Federal partners in order to facilitate program coordination. The Committees note and appreciate the commitment made by the Agency to locate the office in, or immediately adjacent to, Annapolis, in compliance with the signed agreements and to also ensure that the future office space will continue to accommodate all of the current Chesapeake Bay Program Office participants. The Committees direct the Agency to completely fulfill those commitments and to keep the Committees fully apprised of progress in each step of the lease process.

Coal Refuse-Fired Electrical Generating Units.—In its rulemaking on New Source Performance Standards (NSPS), the Agency provided a separate subcategory for SO2 emissions standards for owners and operators of affected coal refuse-fired facilities combusting 75 percent or more coal refuse on an annual basis. In the subsequent rulemaking, "National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants from Coal- and Oil-Fired Electric Utility Steam Generating Units," (the MATS rule) the Agency did not provide a separate subcategory for coal refuse-fired Electric Generating Units (EGUs). It is noted that some stakeholders believe that the NSPS standard appropriately recognizes the multimedia environmental benefits provided by coal refuse-fired EGUs and that the high sulfur content present in coal refuse presents economic and technical difficulties in achieving the same acid gas standards as for coal. The Agency should consider revising the MATS Rule as soon as practicable to provide a separate category for coal refuse-

fired EGUs for purposes of the acid gas requirement and its SO2 surrogate consistent with the NSPS.

Diesel Generators in Remote Alaska Villages.—Under 40 CFR 60.4216, diesel generators purchased after Model Year 2014 are required to have a diesel particulate filter if they are used as the primary power generator. The Committees understand that these filters have a high failure rate in harsh weather conditions and that repair of the filters can be difficult and expensive. The Committees direct the Agency to reexamine 40 CFR 60.4216 and consider exempting these Villages from the diesel particulate filter requirement.

Ecolabels for Federal Procurement.—Multiple forest certification systems have been recognized throughout the Federal government as supporting the use of sustainable products in building construction and other uses. The Committees are concerned that the Agency's efforts have not acknowledged many of these certification systems and are therefore limiting the procurement of some products that may be sustainable. The Committees understand that the Agency's Wood/Lumber product category recommendation is currently under review. The Committees direct the Agency to align its Wood/Lumber recommendation with the provisions of the USDA BioPreferred program.

Elk River.—The Committees encourage the Agency, in coordination with the Department of State and other Federal agencies, to work with State, local, and Tribal partners on efforts to reduce selenium, sulfates, nitrates and other harmful contaminants in the Kootenai Watershed, to which the Elk River is a tributary. The Agency is directed to brief the Committees on its efforts within 180 days of enactment of this Act.

Exempt Aquifers.—The Agency shall follow the guidance contained under this heading in House Report 115–238.

Fish Grinding.—Under a Clean Water Act general permit, onshore seafood processors in Alaska are allowed to grind and discharge seafood waste. The permit requires that all seafood waste be ground to a size of no more than one-half inch in any dimension. Unfortunately, in some instances, the best available technology is unable to achieve a half inch grind dimension on a consistent basis due to the malleable nature of fish waste. The Agency should develop a policy to ensure that fish processors using the best available technology and/or best conventional practice will be considered in compliance. Additionally, processing vessels operating in waters off-shore of Alaska are subject to the same one-half inch grinding requirement even though there are no documented water quality issues that require such grinding. The Agency should exempt offshore processing vessels from the requirement.

Glider Kits.—The Committees understand the Agency has announced plans to revisit portions of its Phase 2 Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Emissions and Fuel Efficiency Standards for Medium- and Heavy-Duty Engines. Upon completion of the review, the Agency is directed to update the Committees on the matter.

Integrated Planning.—The Agency is encouraged to continue using an integrated planning approach to enhance flexibility for communities struggling to meet compliance costs mandated under the Clean Water Act (CWA) as well as the Agency's efforts to con-

sider a community's ability to pay for compliance costs when determining permitting actions under the CWA. The Agency is directed to maintain technical assistance and outreach to communities seeking to develop and implement an integrated planning approach to meeting Clean Water Act requirements. Further, the Committees urge the Agency to implement integrated planning measures through a flexible permit process rather than enforcement actions and consent decrees.

Interagency Consultations.—The Agency is directed to continue following the requirements in Senate Report 114–281 regarding consultation with the Secretary of Agriculture related to the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act.

Pesticides Registration Improvement Act.—The agreement provides additional funding for compliance with the Pesticides Registration Improvement Act. The Committees direct the Agency to comply with the fiscal year 2017 quarterly reporting requirement related to previously collected maintenance fees that are currently unavailable for obligation. To ensure the Committees have the most accurate information regarding this issue, the Agency is directed to provide a briefing within 30 days of enactment of this Act.

Public Access to Research.—The Agency released its Plan to Increase Access to Results of EPA–Funded Scientific Research on November 29, 2016. The Committees urge the Agency to continue its efforts towards full implementation of the plan, and directs the Agency to provide an update on its efforts within 60 days of enactment of this Act.

Regulation of Groundwater.—Since enactment in 1972, the Clean Water Act (CWA) has regulated impacts to navigable waters, while regulation of groundwater has remained outside of the Act's jurisdiction. Instead, legislative history surrounding the CWA indicates that Congress intended for groundwater pollution to be regulated through CWA's nonpoint source programs and other Federal and State laws. For example, releases into groundwater from solid waste units are regulated at a Federal level by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA). Recently, some courts have imposed a broad view of CWA liability based on a theory of hydrological connection between groundwater and surface water. Other courts have taken a more narrow view and have focused on statutory distinctions between surface water and groundwater. The Committees are aware that the Agency has requested comment on its previous statements "regarding the Clean Water Act (CWA) and whether pollutant discharges from point sources that reach jurisdictional surface waters via groundwater or other subsurface flow that has a direct hydrologic connection to the jurisdictional surface water may be subject to CWA regulation." After completing the public comment process, the Committees encourage the Agency to consider whether it is appropriate to promulgate a rule to clarify that groundwater releases from solid waste units are regulated under RCRA and are not considered point sources, and, that releases of pollutants through groundwater are not subject to regulation as point sources under the CWA. The Agency is directed to brief the Committees about its findings and any plans for future rulemaking.

Small Refinery Relief.—The Committees continue the directive contained in Senate Report 114–281 related to small refinery relief. The Agency is reminded that, regardless of the Department of Energy's recommendation, additional relief may be granted if the Agency believes it is warranted.

Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) Risk Evaluations.—Under the agreement, the Agency is directed to implement the Frank R. Lautenberg Chemical Safety for the 21st Century Act in a manner that reflects the best available science as now required under TSCA section 26.

Agricultural Operations.—The Committees note that Congress never intended the Solid Waste Disposal Act to govern animal or crop waste, manure, or fertilizer, or constituents derived from such sources. The Agency's longstanding regulations accurately reflect Congress' intent not to regulate manure and crop residues under the Solid Waste Disposal Act, and the Committees support legislative efforts to clarify and codify the treatment of agricultural byproducts under the Solid Waste Disposal Act.

HAZARDOUS WASTE ELECTRONIC MANIFEST SYSTEM FUND

The bill provides $3,674,000 which is expected to be fully offset by fees for a net appropriation of $0. The Committees continue to support the expeditious development of a system that would allow for the electronic tracking of hazardous waste shipments pursuant to Public Law 112–195.

The Committees realize the Agency is transitioning from the developmental phase to the implementation phase for the E–Manifest System. Therefore, the Committees urge the Agency to use an adequate portion of funding to begin the implementation of the Application Program Interface System which will allow hazardous waste treatment, storage, transport and disposal facilities to interface their computer systems with those of EPA to upload and download manifest and other important information related to full scale implementation of the system.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

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

BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES

The bill provides $34,467,000 for Buildings and Facilities.

HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE SUPERFUND

(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

The bill provides $1,091,947,000 for the Hazardous Substance Superfund account and includes bill language to transfer $8,778,000 to the Office of Inspector General account and $15,496,000 to the Science and Technology account. When combined with an additional $54,389,000 for the Superfund Remedial program and an additional $8,611,000 for the Superfund Emergency Response and Removal program in a general provision in Title IV, the bill provides a total of $1,154,947,000 for the Hazardous Substance Superfund. The bill provides the following additional direction:

Enforcement.—The agreement provides $166,375,000 for Superfund enforcement, equal to the fiscal year 2017 enacted level. The Committees do not concur with the proposed elimination of financial support to the Department of Justice (DOJ). The Agency is directed to continue financial support of the DOJ in fiscal year 2018 at a level that will ensure the DOJ can continue to initiate and prosecute civil, judicial, and administrative site remediation cases and ensure that responsible parties perform cleanup actions at sites where they are liable.

Additional Guidance.—The Committees have provided the following additional guidance with respect to funding provided under this account:

Baseline Testing Study.—The Committees direct the Agency to work with the Municipality of Vieques to partner with a University-led coalition, which shall include a School of Public Health, to conduct research to facilitate the effective testing, evaluation, quantification and mitigation of the toxic substances in the soil, seas, plant, animal and human population of Vieques. This effort will fill an information void at this site, which functioned as a military training installation for decades, and serve as the baseline study for all potential future mitigation efforts.

Contaminants of Emerging Concern.—The bill provides $181,306,000 in base funds for Emergency Response and Removal activities. When combined with an additional $8,611,000 in a general provision in Title IV, the bill provides a total of $189,917,000 for Emergency Response and Removal activities. These activities should include collaborative work with State, Tribal, and local governments to help communities address contaminants of emerging concern. Furthermore, the Committees recommend that the Agency expeditiously remediate Superfund sites contaminated by these emerging contaminants, and provide technical assistance and support to States and Tribes during the remedial cleanup process.

Financial Assurance.—Since enactment of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) in 1980, Federal agencies like the Bureau of Land Management and Forest Service have created and updated financial assurance requirements for reclamation and closure of hardrock mining facilities on Federal lands. Similarly, several States have developed financial assurance programs for mining activities occurring on private and State lands. The Committees understand that, pursuant to a Federal Register notice signed on December 11, 2017, the EPA will not impose new Federal financial assurance requirements on hardrock mining facilities.

Sediment Guidance.—When implementing the recommendations of the Superfund Task Force, the Agency should consider additional improvements to the consistency of the application of sediment guidance among regions. At sites expected to exceed $50,000,000, the Committees encourage the Agency to include the Contaminated Sediment Technical Advisory Committee (CSTAG) and the National Remedy Review Board (NRRB) throughout the process and to ensure that their technical review and remedy recommendations are evaluated and considered for inclusion in the final remedy. Additionally, the Committees encourage the Agency to, consistent with National Oil and Hazardous Substances Contingency Plan, set

achievable cleanup goals, broaden the use of adaptive management and early actions, explore the utility of public-private partnerships similar, expand stakeholder participation, and promote cost-effectiveness, redevelopment, and sustainability in the Superfund process.

Tribal Guidance.—The Committees recognize the importance of government-to-government Tribal consultation as well as the necessity to honor Tribal treaty rights and resources protected by treaties. The Agency is directed to fully implement the Agency's Guidance for Discussing Tribal Treaty Rights to ensure Agency actions adequately consider treaty rights proactively throughout the consultation process.

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 $3,562,161,000 for the State and Tribal Assistance Grants program and includes the following specific funding levels and direction:

Infrastructure Assistance.—The bill provides $2,486,120,000 in base funds for infrastructure assistance. When combined with an additional $650,000,000 in a Title IV general provision, the bill provides a total of $3,136,120,000 for infrastructure assistance. The amount provided increases funding for the State Revolving Loan Funds $600,000,000 above the fiscal year 2017 enacted level. The agreement includes a total of $1,693,887,000 for the Clean Water State Revolving Loan Fund and $1,163,233,000 for the Drinking Water State Revolving Loan Fund.

Assistance to Small and Disadvantaged Communities.—Within a Title IV general provision, the bill provides $20,000,000 to begin a grant program to help small and disadvantaged communities develop and maintain adequate water infrastructure. The program was created in section 2104 of Public Law 114–322. The Agency is directed to brief the Committees prior to publishing its request for applications related to this new grant program.

Reducing Lead in Drinking Water.—Within a Title IV general provision, the bill provides $10,000,000 to begin a grant program, created in section 2105 of Public Law 114–322, to provide assistance to eligible entities for lead reduction projects. The Agency is directed to brief the Committees prior to publishing its request for applications related to this new grant program.

Lead Testing.—Within a Title IV general provision, the bill provides $20,000,000 to begin a grant program for voluntary testing of drinking water for lead contaminants at schools and child care facilities, as authorized in section 2107 of Public Law 114–322. The Agency is directed to brief the Committees prior to publishing its request for applications related to this new grant program.

Brownfields Program.—The bill provides $80,000,000 for brownfields grants and directs that at least 10 percent of such grants be provided to areas in which at least 20 percent of the population has lived under the poverty level over the past 30 years as determined by censuses and the most recent Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates.

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, and 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.

Diesel Emission Reductions Grants (DERA).—The bill provides $75,000,000 for DERA grants. For fiscal year 2018, the Committees direct the Agency to continue to make at least 70 percent of DERA grants available to improve air quality in non-attainment areas.

Targeted Airshed Grants.—The bill provides $40,000,000 for targeted airshed grants to reduce air pollution in non-attainment areas. The Agency is directed to distribute the grants on a competitive basis using the same criteria as specified under this heading in the explanatory statement accompanying Division G of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2017 (Public Law 115–31). Not later than the end of fiscal year 2018, the Agency should provide a report to the Committees on Appropriations that includes a table showing how fiscal year 2016 and 2017 funds were allocated. The table should also include grant recipients and metrics for anticipated or actual results.

Animas River Spill.—The Committees concur with the Agency's decision to reconsider its previous determination to deny claims for damages from the Animas River Spill by invoking the discretionary act exemption in the Federal Tort Claims Act, but are concerned that little progress has been made on processing or paying out claims. The Committees are also concerned that the Agency is applying or may apply an inconsistent standard that discriminates against certain claimants. The Committees expect the Agency and the Federal government to take a clear and consistent position on the question of whether they are responsible for damages caused to others by the Gold King Mine release. The Committees support paying out all legitimate claims from the Judgment Fund, consistent with the Federal Tort Claims Act, and communicating all relevant aspects of the claims process clearly to all affected communities, State, local and Tribal governments, along with the Committees. Within 30 days of enactment of this Act, the Agency shall provide to the Committees a written report detailing the status of the review of the legal basis for allowing or rejecting claims and the date by which such review will be complete, the current process underway for processing claims, the status of all claims, including reconsidered claims, the Agency's complete plan for processing all

claims, and any other future planned actions related to current or future claims. Finally, the bill provides $4,000,000 for a long-term water quality monitoring program, as authorized by Public Law 114–322. The Agency is directed to continue to work in consultation with affected States and Tribes on that effort.

Categorical Grants.—The bill provides $1,076,041,000 for Categorical Grants and funding levels are specified in the table at the end of this division. Within this amount, the Beaches Protection program and Radon program are both maintained at the fiscal year 2017 enacted levels. The Agency shall continue to allocate radon grants in fiscal year 2018 following the direction in House Report 114–632.

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 for this program using the same formula as fiscal year 2015. The Committees understand the Office of Air and Radiation was able to provide some additional funds to the States in fiscal year 2016 using balances. The Committees encourage the Agency to do the same in fiscal year 2018 and to provide those additional funds to the regions with the highest need.

Categorical Grant: Multipurpose Grants.—Because the States are expected to take a leading role in compliance with environmental cleanup, the agreement provides $10,000,000 for Multipurpose grants to States and Tribes. The Committees were disappointed with the Agency's funding formula in fiscal year 2016 because it did not provide the flexibility that Congress expected and instead gave preference to air programs. In fiscal year 2018, the Agency is directed to give maximum flexibility to States, so that States, not the Agency, may determine where funds from this grant program are of most value.

Categorical Grant: Nonpoint Source (Sec. 319).—The bill provides $170,915,000 and the Committees expect the Agency to examine the allocation formula to ensure that the resources are being spent in areas with the most pressing needs.

WATER INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCE AND INNOVATION PROGRAM ACCOUNT

The bill provides a total of $63,000,000 for the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA) program. Within base funding in Title II, the bill provides $10,000,000 for the WIFIA program, and a Title IV general provision provides an additional $53,000,000 for the program. By utilizing $5,000,000 in base funds and $3,000,000 in Title IV funds, the Agency may use up to a total of $8,000,000 to assist with the administrative expenses for the program. The remaining $55,000,000 in WIFIA funds is provided for direct loan subsidization which may translate into a potential loan capacity in excess of $6,000,000,000 to eligible entities for water infrastructure projects.

Greater investment in the replacement of aging infrastructure will help mitigate nationwide issues the Committees are tracking related to contaminants such as lead and arsenic, help address Combined Sewer Overflows and Sanitary Sewer Overflows, and allow systems to improve water delivery for residents. The Committees expect that the Agency will issue loans for the first time in fis-

cal year 2018 and the Committees intend to closely monitor implementation.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

(INCLUDING TRANSFERS AND RESCISSION OF FUNDS)

The bill continues several administrative provisions from previous years.

Rescission.—The bill rescinds $96,198,000 of unobligated balances from the State and Tribal Assistance Grants account. The Agency shall calculate the requisite percent reduction necessary to rescind such amounts from new obligational authority provided to this account, both from the direct appropriation and from amounts provided in a general provision in Title IV, and apply it across program project areas by formula. The Agency is directed to submit, as part of the operating plan, detail on the application of such rescissions by program project area.

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 115–238 not specifically addressed herein, as well as the new directives in this statement, including the front matter, and the Committees encourage the Service to share this statement with all staff. The Service also is reminded to include the research report, as required by the House report, in its fiscal year 2020 budget request.

Forest Service Accounting, Budgeting, and Management.—The Committees appreciate the Service's efforts to improve its accounting, budgeting, and management practices and look forward to working with the Service, Office of Budget and Program Analysis, Under Secretary for Natural Resources and Environment, and Secretary of Agriculture to continue these improvements. The agreement includes bill language and directives to further increase transparency and confidence in the Service's management of its programs and activities.

Government Accountability Office Report.—Over the past three fiscal years, the Committees have become increasingly concerned about the Service's lack of internal controls over budgetary resources, reimbursable agreements, and unliquidated obligations. The lack of controls indicates a weak financial system, which increases the possibility of inefficient and ineffective use, if not outright waste, fraud, and abuse, of taxpayer funds. After conducting an 18-month audit, the Government Accountability Office (GAO) recently made 11 recommendations in a report titled "Forest Service: Improvements Needed in Internal Control over Budget Execution Process" (GAO–18–56). While the Service is expected to implement the recommended changes as soon as practicable, Congress also recognizes the challenges of developing, updating, and implementing these important fiscal controls. As such, the Committees

request that the Service work with the Committees to remedy any hindrances to their implementation.

Standardized Budget Practices.—The Committees continue to support the Service's efforts in centralizing and standardizing budgeting and accounting practices among the Regions and program offices and look forward to reviewing the Service's plan for updating its budget process and presentation.

Integrated Resource Restoration Pilot Project.—The agreement ends the Integrated Resource Restoration pilot project. The Committees remind the Service of its previous direction to adopt the best practices and methods discovered through the pilot project and to require unit, forest, region, station, and Washington Office budgets to be collaboratively developed, while reflecting the priorities established by Congress.

Alignment of Funding and Program Goals.—This fiscal year, Congress takes an important step to increase transparency by aligning program dollars to the accounts that best meet program goals. For example, in the past, Fire Plan Research and Development has been funded from within the Wildland Fire Management Account, yet its funding was routinely transferred to the Forest and Rangeland Research Account. This agreement appropriates funds for Fire Plan Research and Development within the Forest and Rangeland Research account and Hazardous Fuels within the National Forest System account to minimize unnecessary transfers and increase transparency.

Cost Pools.—The Service has been utilizing Cost Pools to pay for certain costs associated with personnel, administrative activities, facilities, and other expenses rather than utilizing an administrative account. As part of continuing efforts to improve collaboration in budgeting, the Committees have determined that ending the practice of Cost Pools in favor of more direct accounting is in the best interest of the Service and the taxpayer. The Committees are committed to working with the Service as it reviews options for replacing Cost Pools. As such, the Service is directed to develop a plan to transition away from Cost Pools, with the exception of Cost-Pool 9, which occurs with this bill, and provide that plan to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations within 180 days of enactment of this Act.

Cost-Pool 9.—For 12 years, the Service has assessed program funds for facilities maintenance needs, causing the funds appropriated to programs to appear greater than they actually were. The Committees believe all facility projects should be accounted for in the facility line item, and that projects should be prioritized within that line item. As such, this agreement moves funds from programs to the dedicated facilities account. Where such changes have been made, it is noted within the account in this explanatory statement. If the Service identifies shortfalls for critical facilities maintenance needs, it is directed to submit a reprogramming request to the Committees. Additionally, the Service should reduce the size of its facilities footprint, where possible, particularly in areas where management functions can be combined while still providing comprehensive service to a geographic area.

National Fire Plan.—Despite more than $5,000,000,000 in investments in hazardous fuels mitigation since the development of the

National Fire Plan following the 2000 fire season, the Service has not been able to keep pace with the challenges caused by previous management decisions, a changing climate, ever-increasing costs, and an expanding wildland-urban interface, all of which exacerbate the risk of catastrophic wildfire. The Committees direct the Service to work with the Office of Management and Budget and the Department of the Interior, as well as other relevant agencies, to review and update the National Fire Plan, as needed.

Fire Hazard Potential Mapping Initiative.—The Committees believe the Service should more precisely and effectively target forest management activities to reduce the threat of catastrophic wildfires, improve the management of the national forests, and assist in protecting other Federal, State, and private lands. The Service is directed to develop a Fire Hazard Potential mapping tool to identify areas at a high risk for wildland fire and describe the resources that would be necessary to address the highest risk areas. The Service should cooperatively work with universities, such as the University of California and the University of Nevada, that have expertise in this area, as well as the Department of the Interior.

Printing Costs.—The Committees continue to be concerned about the Service's printing costs. The Service is directed to provide updated information as specified by Senate Reports 114–70 and 114–82 within 60 days of enactment of this Act. The Service should provide a justification for its costs, explain why they have not been reduced, and significantly reduce printing expenditures.

Reprogramming.—The Committees remind the Service to follow the letter and spirit of the reprogramming requirements in this explanatory statement and direct the Service to submit requests through the Office of Budget and Program Analysis.

Ceratocystis Disease.—The Service is directed to continue its collaborative efforts to respond to the emergence of Ceratocystis disease in Hawaii and Florida and to develop recommended actions.

Puerto Rico Hurricane Recovery.—The Committees recognize the devastating effects of Hurricane Maria on Puerto Rico's natural resources, especially El Yunque National Forest, the International Institute of Tropical Forestry, and private forests, and strongly encourage the Service to utilize its expertise, working with private partners and the Government of Puerto Rico, to restore and rehabilitate the island's unique forest ecosystems.

OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENT

The bill provides $875,000 for the Office of the Under Secretary for Natural Resources and Environment. In previous fiscal years, the Office was funded through the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act. This action aligns funding for the Office consistent with the 2017 reorganization of U.S. Department of Agriculture agencies and offices.

FOREST AND RANGELAND RESEARCH

The agreement provides $297,000,000 for Forest and Rangeland Research, including $77,000,000 for Forest Inventory and Analysis.

The Service is directed to continue important work previously funded through the Wildland Fire Management account for Fire Plan Research and Development that significantly contributes to the understanding of wildfire regimes.

Cost-Pool 9.—The Committees note that funding previously assessed for Cost-Pool 9 from Forest and Rangeland Research is now accounted for in Capital Improvement and Maintenance.

Forest Research Priorities.—The Committees are concerned that the research program is not well aligned with the needs of the National Forest System. When assessing the value of existing programs and new proposals, significant weight should be given to projects whose findings could be incorporated into forest management decisions. Within the funds provided, the agreement includes sufficient funding to support existing academic partners focused on research and technology development to create new and expanded markets and to advance high-value, high-volume wood markets; wood bridge and other infrastructure needs in rural areas; bottomland hardwood plantation management research; and forest monitoring cooperatives in the Northern Region.

Research Reports.—The Committees direct the Service to cease publishing, within 30 days of enactment of this Act, paper copies for public distribution of science and research accomplishment reports and to redirect these funds to priority research projects, consistent with reprogramming requirements.

STATE AND PRIVATE FORESTRY

(INCLUDING RESCISSION OF FUNDS)

The agreement provides $335,525,000 for State and Private Forestry.

Cooperative Forestry Activities.—The Committees direct the Service to continue to utilize existing partnerships with research institutions and States to fund research to establish methods, tools, and standard protocols that help quantify forest ecosystem services. Additionally, when funding decisions are made regarding tree mortality, strong consideration should be given to spruce beetle, Emerald Ash Borer, and bark beetle infestations, which affect forests throughout the Nation.

Forest Legacy.—The bill provides $67,025,000 for the Forest Legacy program. This includes $6,400,000 for program administration and $60,625,000 for projects. The Service should fund projects in priority order according to the updated, competitively selected national priority list submitted to the Committees and the directive contained in Division G of the explanatory statement accompanying Public Law 115–31, the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2017. The Committees include a rescission of $5,938,000 in Forest Legacy funds. This funding rescission is from cost savings of some projects and funds returned from failed or partially failed projects.

International Forestry Technical Assistance.—The Committees acknowledge that Timor-Leste and Australia have entered into a treaty to establish a permanent maritime boundary. The Committees recognize the increased development that will likely occur and encourage the Service to provide technical assistance, as appro-

priate, to Timor-Leste to protect the unique biodiversity of the region while facilitating robust economic development.

NATIONAL FOREST SYSTEM

The agreement provides $1,923,750,000 for the National Forest System.

Cost-Pool 9.—The Committees note that funding previously assessed for Cost-Pool 9 from the National Forest System is now accounted for in Capital Improvement and Maintenance.

Hazardous Fuels.—The agreement provides $430,000,000 for hazardous fuels management activities within the National Forest System account. With the accounting change for Cost-Pool 9, this is a $45,500,000 increase over the fiscal year 2017 level. Within the total provided, $15,000,000 is for biomass utilization grants, in accordance with the directions included in Senate Report 114–281. The Committees direct the Service to prioritize hazardous fuel removal projects that are critical to protecting public safety in high hazard areas in the national forests facing significant tree mortality and to increase cross-boundary collaboration with landowners near National Forest System lands and encourage the use of hazardous fuels funding for this purpose.

Uinta National Forest.—The Committees are concerned about the number of dead and dying trees in the Mirror Lake Scenic Byway region in the Uinta National Forest and urge the Service to evaluate the risk of wildfire to the area and target management practices accordingly.

Grazing Fee Rates.—The Service is directed to provide information to the Committees detailing the implications on grazing fee calculations if the Service adopted the definition of Western States as defined by Public Law 95–514.

Recreation, Heritage and Wilderness.— The Committees have been made aware that the majority of recreation special-use permitting activities take place in the Landownership and Access Management subaccount, previously known as Landownership Management. Given the importance of special-use permitting activities to users of our national forests and concerns about significant delays in processing requests, funding is included to increase the pace and scale of such activities. Within the funds provided for recreation, $750,000 shall be for the maintenance of rural airstrips and $500,000 is made available to support infrastructure and trails development and to build the capacity of local user groups and partnership organizations for all National Recreation Areas administered by the Service that were established after 1997.

Law Enforcement.—The agreement provides $2,500,000 for the Service's illegal marijuana eradication and remediation efforts.

Lake Tahoe.—The Committees are encouraged by the work conducted in the Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit and expect the Service to prioritize funding the implementation of P.L. 106–506, as amended, and to do so in consultation with affected States, local governments, and other stakeholders. Within 60 days of enactment of this Act, the Service shall report to the Committees on these activities and the funding that will be allocated in fiscal year 2018.

Tongass National Forest.—Without a comprehensive stand-level inventory, the transition plan described by the Tongass Land and

Resource Management Plan Amendment lacks the scientific basis needed for success, and no less than $1,000,000 is provided for the continuation of the inventory currently underway. The Committees expect the Service to meet the requirements of section 705(a) of the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act (16 U.S.C. 539d(a)) and to consider a plan revision or new plan amendment based on the results of the inventory. Any plan revision or amendment should include a timber management program sufficient to preserve a viable timber industry in the region. Until the Service has determined, based on a completed stand-level inventory, the timing and supply of economic young growth needed for a successful final transition and whether the 2016 Forest Plan should be amended or revised, the Service is directed not to implement a final transition away from its Tongass old growth timber program to a program based primarily on young growth.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND MAINTENANCE

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

The agreement provides $449,000,000 for Capital Improvement and Maintenance programs. This includes $49,986,000 made available by discontinuing the use of Cost-Pool 9 and $35,000,000 in one-time infrastructure funding to address deferred maintenance.

Legacy Roads and Trails.—The Committees recognize the need to remediate legacy roads and trails and direct the Service to address these projects as they rank in priority along with all other infrastructure needs from the appropriations provided for roads and trails through the Capital Improvement and Maintenance account and provide $40,000,000 within the Roads budget line item.

Smokejumper Bases.—The agreement provides funds for repairs, maintenance, and upgrades at smokejumper bases to ensure operational readiness.

Green Mountain and Finger Lakes National Forests.—The Committees urge the Service to address longstanding capital improvement needs in the Green Mountain and Finger Lakes National Forests, particularly those that will save the Service money while also improving the public's access and use of these forests.

Comprehensive Capital Improvement Plan.—The Service is directed to establish a long-term, multi-year plan to guide needed investments in buildings, facilities, transportation systems, and other infrastructure by December 30, 2018. The plan should: (1) establish a process for setting and ranking construction and maintenance priorities; (2) reflect the Service's mission, goals, and requirements; (3) identify facilities, roads, and other infrastructure that should be disposed of or decommissioned; (4) consider existing investments in planning, construction, and maintenance, as well as deferred maintenance needs; and (5) identify future needs for investment to improve the physical infrastructure and health of the national forests. The plan also should include estimated funding requirements. In future budget requests, the Service is directed to provide the Committees with a list of any proposed construction project with a cost greater than $1,000,000.

LAND ACQUISITION

The agreement provides $64,337,000 for Land Acquisition. The amounts provided 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 project list received for fiscal year 2018. 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. The Committees strongly encourage the Service to close projects once funds have been made available, an appraisal has been completed, and a purchase contract has been agreed to. Further instructions are contained under the Land and Water Conservation Fund heading in the front of this explanatory statement.

The Committees support the continuation of efforts to resolve the long-standing management challenges regarding school trust lands within the Boundary Waters Canoe Area in the Superior National Forest in Minnesota and encourage the Service to collaborate with nonprofit partners on the private forestland exchange alternative, which will provide the added benefit of preserving valuable forestlands outside of Superior National Forest.

State	Project	Forest Unit	This Bill
CA	Trinity Divide	Shasta-Trinity	$5,000,000
MT	Clearwater-Blackfoot Project	Lolo	5,000,000
MN	Minnesota School Trust Lands	Superior	4,000,000
MS	Mississippi Black Water Legacy	DeSoto	1,000,000
WA	WA Cascades/Yakima River Watershed	Okanogan-Wenatchee	5,000,000
AK	Admiralty Island NM Cube Cove	Tongass	4,235,000
CA	Red Hill	Sequoia	2,600,000
VA/WV	Chesapeake Bay Headwaters	George Washington and Jefferson	5,000,000
MT	Green Mountain National Trails	Helena	1,000,000
TN	Tennessee Mountain Trails and Waters	Cherokee	2,500,000
OH	Appalachian Foothills	Wayne	1,800,000
VT	Rolston Rest	Green Mountain	1,800,000
FL	Florida Longleaf Pine	Osceola	3,000,000
AZ	Doll Baby Ranch	Tonto	2,900,000
NM	Heart Bar Ranch	Gila	2,500,000
OR	Pacific Northwest Streams	Rogue River-Siskiyou	1,100,000
SC	South Carolina's Conservation Legacy	Sumter	1,600,000
	Subtotal, FS Land Acquisitions		50,035,000
		Budget Request	This Bill
	Acquisition Management	7,000,000	7,352,000
	Cash Equalization	0	250,000
	Recreational Access	0	4,700,000
	Critical Inholdings/Wilderness	0	2,000,000
Total, FS Land Acquisition.		7,000,000	64,337,000

ACQUISITION OF LANDS FOR NATIONAL FORESTS SPECIAL ACTS

The agreement provides $850,000 for the Acquisition of Lands for National Forests Special Acts.

ACQUISITION OF LANDS TO COMPLETE LAND EXCHANGES

The agreement provides $192,000 for the Acquisition of Lands to Complete Land Exchanges.

RANGE BETTERMENT FUND

The agreement provides $2,065,000 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 a total of $2,880,338,000 for Forest Service Wildland Fire Management. Of the funds provided, $1,556,818,000 is for suppression operations, which includes an additional $500,000,000 above the 10-year average.

Cost-Pool 9.—The Committees note that funding previously assessed for Cost-Pool 9 from Wildland Fire Management is now accounted for in Capital Improvement and Maintenance.

Regional Restoration.—The agreement provides an additional $200,000 for partnerships that enhance the Service's capacity to execute science-based forest restoration treatments to reduce the risk of wildfires and improve the health of dry forest ecosystems.

Unmanned Aerial Systems.—The Committees recognize Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS) can aid incident commanders as well as improve the safety of firefighters and the public. As such, the Service is expected to work with the Department of the Interior and the Federal Aviation Administration's Center of Excellence for Unmanned Aircraft Systems to continue evaluating these systems' use and to develop an overall strategy for integrating this additional tool into the Federal firefighting mission. The Committees also recognize that certain satellite-based ground surveillance systems could significantly improve the accuracy of information provided to fire-fighters, other first responders, and communities and encourage the Service to seek opportunities to utilize these satellite systems, as appropriate, as well as other systems that help detect and monitor fire activity.

Aviation Safety.—The bill repurposes $65,000,000 provided in fiscal year 2015 for the purchase of new aircraft in order to enhance firefighter mobility, effectiveness, efficiency, and the operational safety of the Service's aviation program. The funds shall be used to modernize aviation, radio, and evacuation system infrastructure; and acquire sensory equipment, UAS, and other platforms that detect and monitor fire. Projects may include replacement or upgrades of existing infrastructure at airtanker, helicopter, and

smokejumper bases; replacement of equipment, including agency-owned aircraft; and improvements in training and night air operations, but no project shall be undertaken that increases recurring program costs. Within 60 days of enactment of this Act, the Service shall provide a complete list of anticipated projects to the Committees on Appropriations utilizing this entire amount. The Committees expect these funds to be obligated in fiscal years 2018 and 2019.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE

INDIAN HEALTH SERVICES

The agreement provides a total of $5,537,764,000 for the Indian Health Service (IHS), of which $3,952,290,000 is for the Services account as detailed below and in the funding allocation table at the end of this explanatory statement. All proposed cuts are restored, and increases above the fiscal year 2017 enacted levels are detailed below and in the table. The Service is reminded of the guidance and reporting requirements contained in House Report 115–238 which must be complied with unless specifically addressed to the contrary herein, as explained in the front matter of this explanatory statement.

Current Services.—The agreement provides $93,935,000 to partially cover the cost of maintaining current levels of service, of which $23,543,000 is for pay costs and $70,392,000 is for medical inflation.

Indian Health Care Improvement Fund.—The agreement provides $72,280,000 for the Indian Health Care Improvement Fund. The Committees recognize the funding disparities that exist across the Indian Health Service system and the ongoing efforts by Tribes and the Service to update the allocation formula accordingly. Upon completion of these efforts, the Service is directed to update the Committees on the resulting allocations.

Staffing for New Facilities.—The agreement includes $60,336,000 for staffing newly opened health facilities, which is the full amount based upon updated estimates provided to the Committees. 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 2017 or will open in fiscal year 2018. None of these funds may be allocated to a facility until such facility has achieved beneficial occupancy status.

Accreditation Emergencies.—The Committees consider the loss or potential loss of a Medicare or Medicaid agreement with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) at any facility to be an accreditation emergency. The agreement includes $58,000,000 for accreditation emergencies at an increasing number of direct service facilities, and is based upon updated and itemized information provided to the Committees on December 13, 2017. The Service is encouraged to share this information with Tribes, and to keep Tribes and the Committees apprised of any need for significant deviations from the planned used of funds. Bill language has been

added as requested to allow the use of a portion of the funds for facility expansion or renovation and staff quarters.

Of the amounts provided, no less than $20,000,000 is directed to facilities for purchased/referred care, replacement of third-party revenues lost as a result of decertification, replacement of third-party carryover funds expended to respond to decertification, and reasonable costs of achieving recertification, including recruitment costs necessary to stabilize staffing. Primary consideration should be given but is not limited to facilities that have been without certification the longest. Such funds shall be made available to Tribes assuming operation of such facilities pursuant to the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act of 1975 (P.L. 93–638).

The Committees are concerned by the continued occurrence of deficiencies in patient care, facilities and hospital administration at IHS facilities, including the recent identification of these deficiencies at the Gallup Indian Medical Center (GIMC) by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) and the Joint Commission. It is imperative that the Service take all needed steps to ensure patient safety, improve the quality of care, and ensure that GIMC does not lose access to third-party reimbursements, which account for more than 90 percent of the facility's funding. Within 90 days of enactment of this Act, the Service is directed to provide a report to the Committees that details all actions taken to address the deficiencies identified by CMS and the Joint Commission and a list of any outstanding recommendations that require future action by GIMC or the Service to implement. The Service is expected to include its corrective action plans submitted to CMS and the Joint Commission as well as the CMS 2567 deficiency report as part of this report.

Hospitals and Health Clinics.—The agreement provides $2,045,128,000 for hospitals and health clinics, including: $36,242,000 for current services; $43,708,000 for staffing new facilities; $1,000,000 for retinal cameras; $58,000,000 for accreditation emergencies as discussed above; $11,000,000 to continue operations and maintenance of village built and tribally leased clinics; $4,000,000 to continue domestic violence prevention; and $1,000,000 to continue prescription drug monitoring.

Dental Health.—The agreement provides $195,283,000 and includes $5,864,000 for current services and $6,822,000 for staffing new facilities. The Service is directed to backfill vacant dental health positions in headquarters and encouraged to coordinate with the Bureau of Indian Education to integrate preventive dental care at schools across the system.

Mental Health.—The agreement provides $99,900,000 for mental health programs and includes: $2,891,000 for current services; $2,929,000 for staffing of new facilities; $6,946,000 to continue behavioral health integration; and $3,600,000 to continue the suicide prevention initiative.

Alcohol and Substance Abuse.—The agreement provides $227,788,000 for alcohol and substance abuse programs and includes: $8,220,000 for current services; $1,215,000 for staffing new facilities; $6,500,000 for the Generation Indigenous initiative; $1,800,000 for the youth pilot project; and $2,000,000 to fund essential detoxification and related services provided by the Service's

public and private partners to IHS beneficiaries. The Committees expect the Service to continue its partnership with the Na' Nizhoozhi Center in Gallup, New Mexico, as directed by the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2017, and to distribute funds provided for detoxification services in the same manner as in fiscal year 2017.

Purchased/Referred Care.—The agreement provides $962,695,000 and includes $32,327,000 for current services and $1,538,000 for staffing new facilities. The Committees remain concerned about the inequitable distribution of funds as reported by the Government Accountability Office (GAO–12–446).

Public Health Nursing.—The agreement provides $85,043,000 for public health nursing and includes $2,702,000 for current services and $3,640,000 for staffing new facilities.

Health Education.—The agreement provides $19,871,000 for health education and includes $724,000 for current services and $484,000 for staffing new facilities.

Urban Indian Health.—The agreement provides $49,315,000 for urban Indian health and includes $1,637,000 for current services. The Service is expected to continue to include current services estimates for urban Indian health in future budget requests.

The Committees direct the Service to work with Veterans Affairs on the report examining services for Indian veterans at urban clinics as outlined in House Report 115–188 accompanying the Fiscal Year 2018 Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations bill.

Indian Health Professions.—The agreement provides $49,363,000 for Indian health professions and includes $18,000 for current services. Within funds, the agreement includes funding for the Quentin N. Burdick American Indians into Nursing Program, Indians into Medicine Program, and American Indians into Psychology Program at no less than fiscal year 2017 enacted levels.

Extension Services.—The Committees continue to be concerned about the urgent need for skilled health providers in AI/AN communities and are encouraged by the success of the University of New Mexico's Project ECHO—Extension for Community Healthcare Outcomes—in delivering timely care to underserved communities. The Service shall consider how Project ECHO could support existing Indian Health Service providers, and how potential partnerships with Project ECHO could aid in the recruitment and retention of healthcare providers to IHS sites, thereby expanding the provider network and improving access to care.

Patient Wait Times.—The Committees are encouraged by the Service's recent focus on improving wait times for patients seeking primary and urgent care, including the August 2017 publication of Circular No. 17–11 and related efforts to track, report, and improve patient wait times. The Committees direct the Service to provide a report to the Committees on the status of these efforts no later than 90 days after enactment of this Act. This report shall include a clear explanation of how these efforts will address GAO's recommendation in report number GAO–16–333 of setting and monitoring agency-wide standards for patient wait times in federally operated facilities and an analysis of any potential barriers to contin-

ued monitoring of wait times caused by IT infrastructure limitations or incompatibility.

The Committees request that the Service provide, no later than 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act, a detailed plan with specific amounts identified to fully fund and implement the Indian Health Care Improvement Act, as discussed in House Report 115–238.

Reimbursable Funding.—This agreement directs the Service to report, within 180 days of enactment of this Act, on patient population and service growth over the past ten years and the funding sources used to provide for these medical services. The Service is to include a breakdown, by dollar amount and percentage, of funding sources which supplement appropriated dollars to cover the provision of medical services at Service operated facilities. The Committees are interested in detailed information on whether medical services have been able to expand over this time period as a result of increases in the ability to charge medical services due to new authorities outlined in the Indian Health Care Improvement Act and other Federal laws. As a point of comparison, and to the extent possible, the Service shall compare these impacts across the twelve Service areas, with the degree to which patient population services in the respective States has increased.

Quality of Care.—The Committees are extremely concerned about the lack of access to quality healthcare for Tribes around the Nation, including the ongoing healthcare quality problems in the Great Plains. In order to address these issues, the agreement includes a pilot program and related directives to improve access to quality health services and to improve recruitment and retention of qualified medical personnel as detailed below:

Housing Improvements.—In addition to funds provided for staffing quarters within the Facilities Appropriation, the administrative provisions section of the bill also contains new language allowing for a program to provide a housing subsidy to medical personnel at facilities operated by the Indian Health Service. The Committees are concerned that the lack of affordable and available housing plays a significant role in the agency's personnel vacancy rates and contributes to lowering the quality of care. The Committees expect the Service to provide a plan within 90 days of enactment of this Act that details how the agency plans to use this authority in fiscal year 2018, including the measures it will use to determine whether the authority is successful and how it should be expanded in future years. The Committees have added funds for accreditation emergencies that could be made available for this purpose. The Committees also direct the Service to work with Tribes and with the Department of Housing and Urban Development to develop a long-term strategy to address professional housing shortages in Indian Country and to ensure that the Service and its partner agencies are fully utilizing existing authorities to improve the availability of housing stock.

Workforce Development.—The Committees believe that expanded workforce development training for all Service personnel—including non-clinical personnel—must be part of efforts to improve healthcare quality. In addition to continuing skills development opportunities, the Committees believe that IHS should expand its ef-

forts to provide education to all staff, and Federal employee management training to facility and area leadership that will provide employees a better understanding of their obligations to report failures in quality of care.

Title 38 Personnel Authorities.—The Committees are aware of significant differences between the personnel authorities used by the Service versus the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) under Title 38 of the United States Code. The Committees believe that an analysis of these differences—which include hiring and benefits authorities—may provide strategies for recruiting and retaining qualified personnel in the same rural and remote locations as the VA. The Committees direct the Service to work with the Department of Health and Human Services to analyze the differences between the two agencies' personnel authorities and to submit a report no later than 90 days after enactment of this Act that details the differences and makes specific legislative recommendations, as appropriate, to provide parity between the two agencies.

ISDEAA Contracts.—The Committees encourage the transfer of amounts provided to tribal organizations for the Substance Abuse and Suicide Prevention Program, for the Domestic Violence Prevention Program, for the Zero Suicide Initiative, for aftercare pilots at Youth Regional Treatment Centers, and to improve collections from public and private insurance at tribally-operated facilities to such organizations through Indian Self-Determination Act compacts and contracts, and not through separate grant instruments. This will ensure that associated administrative costs will be covered though the contract support cost process.

CONTRACT SUPPORT COSTS

The agreement continues language from fiscal year 2017 establishing an indefinite appropriation for contract support costs estimated to be $717,970,000, which is equal to the request. By retaining an indefinite appropriation for this account, 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. The Committees believe fully funding these costs will ensure Tribes have the necessary resources they need to deliver program services efficiently and effectively.

INDIAN HEALTH FACILITIES

The bill provides $867,504,000 for Indian Health Facilities. In addition to the funding allocation table at the end of this explanatory statement, the agreement includes the following details and changes relative to fiscal year 2017 enacted levels:

Staffing for New Facilities.—The agreement includes $5,480,000 for staffing newly opened health facilities, which is the full amount based upon updated estimates provided to the Committees. The stipulations included in the "Indian Health Services" account regarding the allocation of funds pertain to this account as well.

Current Services.—The agreement provides $4,329,000 to partially cover the cost of maintaining current levels of service, of which $2,440,000 is for pay costs and $1,889,000 is for medical inflation.

Indian Health Care Improvement Fund.—The bill includes language allowing funds in the Indian Health Care Improvement Fund to be used for activities in the Facilities account.

Maintenance and Improvement.—The agreement provides $167,527,000. The Service is directed to use this increase to address the backlog of essential maintenance, alteration and repair (BEMAR) and to provide a spend plan within 60 days of enactment of this Act detailing how IHS plans to utilize this funding.

Sanitation Facilities.—The agreement provides $192,033,000 for sanitation facilities construction and includes $261,000 for current services. The Committees expect the Service to continue following its existing interpretation of criteria for the funding of new, improved, or replacement sanitation facilities.

Health Care Facilities Construction.—The agreement provides $243,480,000 for health care facilities construction and includes $15,000,000 for small ambulatory clinics and $11,489,000 for staff quarters.

The Committees remain dedicated to providing access to health care for IHS patients across the system. The IHS is expected to aggressively work down the current Health Facilities Construction Priority System list, as well as work with the Department and Tribes to examine alternative financing arrangements and meritorious regional demonstration projects authorized under the Indian Health Care Improvement Act that would effectively close the service gap. Within 60 days of enactment of this Act, the Service shall submit a spending plan to the Committees on Appropriations that details the project-level distribution of funds provided for healthcare facilities construction.

The Committees believe that additional funds for quarters is essential to help resolve the widespread housing shortages which have contributed to high vacancy rates for medical personnel throughout the system, particularly in rural areas. These funds have been used in areas with chronic housing shortages like Alaska and the Great Plains in order to ameliorate these problems. The Committees expect a report from the Service within 60 days of enactment of this Act on the distribution of funds.

The Service is reminded of the directive in House Report 115–238 regarding the completion and publication of a gap analysis.

The Committees strongly support the small ambulatory clinic program. This program provides another critical tool for addressing facilities maintenance and construction backlogs throughout the nation.

In advance of the opening of the Sacred Oaks Healing Center in California in late 2019, and within available funds, the Service is expected to construct a left-turn lane and make other safety improvements recommended by the Service's 2017 transportation impact study. The Service is further directed to report to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations within 60 days of enactment of this Act regarding the status of the project.

Facilities and Environmental Health Support.—The agreement provides $240,758,000 for facilities and environmental health support and includes: $3,328,000 for current services; $5,480,000 for staffing new facilities; and a $5,000,000 program increase to address the increased workload in construction. The Service is ex-

pected to provide a spend plan within 60 days of enactment of this Act for the additional infrastructure funding provided above the fiscal year 2017 enacted level.

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

The bill provides $15,431,000 for the Office of Navajo and Hopi Indian Relocation. The agreement continues the direction provided in the explanatory statement accompanying Division G of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2017, P.L. 115–31. The Committees remain committed to bringing the relocation process to an orderly conclusion and ensuring all eligible relocatees receive the relocation benefits to which they are entitled. Consultation with all affected parties and agencies is the key to a transparent, orderly closeout. The statute provides for termination of the Office when the President determines its functions have been fully discharged. That determination requires development of a comprehensive plan. The Committees expect to receive a progress report on development of this plan within 90 days of enactment of this Act.

INSTITUTE OF AMERICAN INDIAN AND ALASKA NATIVE CULTURE AND ARTS DEVELOPMENT

PAYMENT TO THE INSTITUTE

The bill provides $9,835,000 for fixed costs and academic program requirements of the Institute of American Indian Arts.

SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement provides a total of $1,043,347,000 for all Smithsonian Institution accounts, of which $731,444,000 is provided for salaries and expenses. 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 continue their longstanding support for the National Museum of African American History and Culture (NMAAHC). Within amounts provided for the Salaries and Expenses account, the NMAAHC is fully funded. 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. Lastly, the agreement provides $2,000,000 for the American Women's History Initiative within Institution-wide programs.

FACILITIES CAPITAL

The agreement provides $311,903,000 for the Facilities Capital account. The recommendation includes funding to complete construction of the Dulles Storage Module at the Udvar-Hazy Center, and $198,000,000 for the National Air and Space Museum revitalization effort.

National Air and Space Museum Revitalization.—The Committees support the multi-year, multi-phase renovation of the National Air and Space Museum (NASM), including the replacement of the building's façade and internal building systems. The recommendation includes $198,000,000 for this critical revitalization effort. The Institution is directed to follow the reprogramming guidelines contained in this explanatory statement and may not redirect the use of these funds for other capital projects without prior approval of the Committees. Given the scale of the project, the Committees direct the Institution to make available to the Committees on a timely basis the most updated and comprehensive information on project and funding requirements. The Government Accountability Office is also directed to continue its review and analysis of the project's cost estimates, as directed in the Consolidated Appropriation Act, 2017 (P.L. 115–31). The Committees urge the Smithsonian to evaluate potential partnership opportunities that may provide non-Federal funding sources to advance this and other revitalization projects. 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 $141,790,000 for the Salaries and Expenses account of the National Gallery of Art, of which not to exceed $3,620,000 is for the special exhibition program.

Harassment-Free Workplace.—The Committees believe all employees have the right to a harassment-free workplace and are deeply concerned by recent reports of harassment and a hostile work environment at the Gallery. The Gallery is expected to ensure it has strong and consistent anti-harassment policies in place to protect its workforce and is directed to report to the Committees within 120 days of enactment of this Act regarding specific corrective actions it is taking to preclude additional incidents from occurring in the future.

REPAIR, RESTORATION, AND RENOVATION OF BUILDINGS

The agreement provides $24,203,000 for the Repair, Restoration, and Renovation of Buildings account and includes funds to complete the repairs of the East Building atrium skylights.

JOHN F. KENNEDY CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS

OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE

The agreement provides $23,740,000 for the Operations and Maintenance account.

CAPITAL REPAIR AND RESTORATION

The agreement provides $16,775,000 for the Capital Repair and Restoration account. Funds provided above the request are to address critical safety, security, and capital repair and restoration needs.

WOODROW WILSON INTERNATIONAL CENTER FOR SCHOLARS

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement provides $12,000,000 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 $152,849,000 for the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) to continue the important work of the Endowment. Changes to the enacted level are included in the detail table accompanying this agreement, and the agency is expected to use the increases provided for direct grants to expand its Creative Forces: Military Healing Arts Network and to increase grants made available to Tribes and to rural and underserved areas. The Committees particularly commend the NEA for its work incorporating arts therapy into the treatment of active-duty military patients,

veterans, and their families through its Creative Forces: Military Healing Arts Network. This successful program places creative arts therapies at the core of patient-centered care and increases access to therapeutic arts therapies at Walter Reed National Military Medical Center, Fort Belvoir Community Hospital, and eleven other clinical sites across the United States. The Committees support the expansion of this successful program to assist service members and their families in their recovery, reintegration, and transition to civilian life. The Committees also urge State arts agencies to explore how they can contribute to expanding arts programs for service members and their families at the local level. The Committees acknowledge there are currently vacancies on the National Council on the Arts and many members have agreed to continue to serve even though their term has expired. While the Council has the ability to operate and conduct important work, the Committees encourage the timely appointment of members. The Committees value greatly the longstanding collaborative relationship between the NEA and the States. 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 allocated in previous years. 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 $152,848,000 for the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) to continue the important work of the Endowment. Changes to the enacted level are included in the detail table accompanying this agreement, and the agency is expected to use increases provided to expand its work with Tribes to preserve Native languages and culture as detailed below as well as to support other local history preservation initiatives. Funds are also provided within the Challenge Grants program to support NEH's local infrastructure and capacity building grant program. The Committees acknowledge there are currently vacancies on the National Council on the Humanities and many members have agreed to continue to serve even though their term has expired. While the Council has the ability to operate and conduct important work, the Committees encourage the timely appointment of members. 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 for its ongoing support to American Indian and Alaska Native communities in preserving their cultural and linguistic heritage through the Documenting Endangered Languages program and a variety of preservation and access grants that enable American Indian and Alaska Native communities to preserve cultural artifacts and make them broadly accessible. The Committees also support NEH efforts to provide educational opportunities for tribal communities through Humanities Initiatives at

Tribal Colleges and Universities. 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 Appropriations Act, 2017 (P.L. 115–31). The Committees encourage NEH to continue providing support to two popular components of the "We the People" initiative, the National Digital Newspapers Program (NDNP) and the Landmarks of American History and Culture workshop that focus on our Nation's history and culture.

COMMISSION OF FINE ARTS

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement provides $2,762,000 for the Commission of Fine Arts.

NATIONAL CAPITAL ARTS AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

The agreement provides $2,750,000 for the National Capital Arts and Cultural Affairs program. Grant funds provided should be distributed consistent with the established formula and eligibility requirements used in fiscal year 2017.

ADVISORY COUNCIL ON HISTORIC PRESERVATION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement provides $6,400,000 for the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation.

NATIONAL CAPITAL PLANNING COMMISSION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement provides $8,099,000 for the National Capital Planning Commission.

UNITED STATES HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL MUSEUM

HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL MUSEUM

The agreement provides $59,000,000 for the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum. Within this amount, the agreement provides $2,000,000 for one-time capital improvement needs.

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER MEMORIAL COMMISSION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement provides $1,800,000 for the Salaries and Expenses account.

CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION

The agreement provides $45,000,000 for the Capital Construction account. These funds represent the final installment of construction funding necessary to complete the memorial.

WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE CENTENNIAL COMMISSION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement includes $1,000,000 for the Women's Suffrage Centennial Commission. The Commission shall plan, execute, and coordinate programs and activities in honor of the 100th anniversary of the passage and ratification of the Nineteenth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, which guaranteed women the right to vote. The Committees encourage the Commission to work with the General Services Administration to ensure that its staffing and operating needs are addressed expeditiously once a quorum has been determined.

WORLD WAR I CENTENNIAL COMMISSION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The bill provides $7,000,000 for the Salaries and Expenses account of the World War I Centennial Commission and bill language accepting additional support from any executive branch agency, as requested. No funds may be used for planning, design, or construction of a memorial. The Committees are aware of the needs associated with the upcoming World War I Centennial celebration and provide sufficient funding to ramp up previously deferred programs.

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 2018.

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 revi-

sion 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 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 417 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 418 continues a provision prohibiting the use of funds to regulate the lead content of ammunition or fishing tackle.

Section 419 continues a provision through fiscal year 2019 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 420 extends the authorization for the Chesapeake Bay Initiative.

Section 421 extends certain authorities through fiscal year 2018 allowing the Forest Service to renew grazing permits.

Section 422 prohibits the use of funds to maintain or establish a computer network unless such network is designed to block access to pornography websites.

Section 423 extends the authority of the Forest Service Facility Realignment and Enhancement Act.

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

Section 425 prohibits the use of funds to destroy any building or structures on Midway Island that have been recommended by the U.S. Navy for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places.

Section 426 reauthorizes funding for one year for the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.

Section 427 provides authority for the Secretary of the Interior to enter into training agreements and to transfer excess equipment and supplies for wildfires.

Section 428 extends current authorities for operations of Indian Health Service programs in Alaska.

Section 429 addresses payment to certain hospitals.

Section 430 makes additional investments in water infrastructure priorities and Superfund emergency response, removal, and long-term cleanup remedies.

Section 431 addresses carbon emissions from forest biomass.

Section 432 addresses section 404 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act.

Section 433 addresses the use of small remote incinerators in the State of Alaska.

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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	43,609	27,034	43,609	---	+16,575
Rangeland management	79,000	67,753	81,000	+2,000	+13,247
Forestry management	10,076	10,135	10,135	+59	---
Riparian management	21,321	20,222	21,321	---	+1,099
Cultural resources management	16,131	16,365	17,131	+1,000	+766
Wild horse and burro management	80,555	70,719	75,000	-5,555	+4,281
Subtotal	250,692	212,228	248,196	-2,496	+35,968
Wildlife and Fisheries:					
Wildlife management	103,281	75,107	103,281	---	+28,174
Fisheries management	12,530	11,812	12,530	---	+718
Subtotal	115,811	86,919	115,811	---	+28,892
Threatened and endangered species	21,567	20,322	21,567	---	+1,245

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Recreation Management:					
Wilderness management	18,264	15,515	18,264	---	+2,749
Recreation resources management	53,465	47,234	54,465	+1,000	+7,231
Subtotal	71,729	62,749	72,729	+1,000	+9,980
Energy and Minerals:					
Oil and gas management	67,574	75,927	85,947	+18,373	+10,020
Oil and gas permit processing	6,365	5,737	7,365	+1,000	+1,628
Oil and gas inspection and enforcement	48,000	48,385	48,385	+385	---
Subtotal, Oil and gas	121,939	130,049	141,697	+19,758	+11,648
Coal management	10,868	19,015	11,868	+1,000	-7,147
Other mineral resources	10,978	12,043	12,043	+1,065	---
Renewable energy	29,061	16,292	28,320	-741	+12,028
Subtotal, Energy and Minerals	172,846	177,399	193,928	+21,082	+16,529
Realty and Ownership Management:					
Alaska conveyance	22,000	14,447	22,000	---	+7,553
Cadastral, lands, and realty management	51,480	45,892	52,480	+1,000	+6,588
Subtotal	73,480	60,339	74,480	+1,000	+14,141

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Resource Protection and Maintenance:					
Resource management planning	52,125	38,437	60,125	+8,000	+21,688
Abandoned mine lands	20,036	9,062	20,036	---	+10,974
Resource protection and law enforcement	26,616	25,708	27,616	+1,000	+1,908
Hazardous materials management	15,463	10,780	15,463	---	+4,683
Subtotal	114,240	83,987	123,240	+9,000	+39,253
Transportation and Facilities Maintenance:					
Annual maintenance	39,125	36,344	39,125	---	+2,781
Deferred maintenance	29,201	26,474	79,201	+50,000	+52,727
Subtotal	68,326	62,818	118,326	+50,000	+55,508
Workforce and Organizational Support:					
Administrative support	51,139	50,368	58,694	+7,555	+8,326
Bureauwide fixed costs	92,649	93,176	93,176	+527	---
Information technology management	26,077	25,163	26,077	---	+914
Subtotal	169,865	168,707	177,947	+8,082	+9,240
National landscape conservation system, base program	36,819	27,695	36,819	---	+9,124
Communication site management	2,000	2,000	2,000	---	---
Offsetting collections	-2,000	-2,000	-2,000	---	---
Subtotal, Management of lands and resources	1,095,375	963,163	1,183,043	+87,668	+219,880

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Mining Law Administration:					
Administration	39,696	39,696	39,696	---	---
Offsetting collections	-55,000	-56,696	-56,696	-1,696	---
Subtotal, Mining Law Administration	-15,304	-17,000	-17,000	-1,696	---
Total, Management of Lands and Resources	1,080,071	946,163	1,166,043	+85,972	+219,880
Land Acquisition					
Land Acquisition	19,800	---	13,300	-6,500	+13,300
Emergencies, Hardships, and Inholdings	1,616	1,613	1,616	---	+3
Acquisition Management	2,000	1,996	2,000	---	+4
Recreational Access	8,000	---	8,000	---	+8,000
Total, Land Acquisition	31,416	3,609	24,916	-6,500	+21,307
Oregon and California Grant Lands					
Western Oregon resources management	94,445	81,353	94,445	---	+13,092
Western Oregon information and resource data systems	1,798	1,313	1,798	---	+485
Western Oregon transportation & facilities maintenance	9,628	6,087	9,628	---	+3,541
Western Oregon construction and acquisition	335	351	335	---	-16
Western Oregon national monument	779	696	779	---	+83
Total, Oregon and California Grant Lands	106,985	89,800	106,985	---	+17,185

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Range Improvements					
Current appropriations	10,000	10,000	10,000	---	---
Service Charges, Deposits, and Forfeitures					
Service charges, deposits, and forfeitures	31,050	24,595	24,595	-6,455	---
Offsetting fees	-31,050	-24,595	-24,595	+6,455	---
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	1,252,472	1,073,572	1,331,944	+79,472	+258,372
(Mandatory)	(34,000)	(34,000)	(34,000)	---	---
(Discretionary)	(1,218,472)	(1,039,572)	(1,297,944)	(+79,472)	(+258,372)

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UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE					
Resource Management					
Ecological Services:					
Listing	20,515	17,122	18,818	-1,697	+1,696
Planning and consultation	103,079	98,755	105,579	+2,500	+6,824
Conservation and restoration	32,396	29,775	32,396	---	+2,621
(National Wetlands Inventory)	(3,471)	(3,464)	(3,471)	---	(+7)
(Coastal Barrier Resources Act)	(1,390)	(1,387)	(1,390)	---	(+3)
Recovery	84,032	79,563	91,032	+7,000	+11,469
Subtotal	240,022	225,215	247,825	+7,803	+22,610
Habitat conservation:					
Partners for fish and wildlife	51,776	45,884	51,633	-143	+5,749
Coastal programs	13,375	11,970	13,375	---	+1,405
Subtotal	65,151	57,854	65,008	-143	+7,154
National Wildlife Refuge System:					
Wildlife and habitat management	231,843	224,893	233,392	+1,549	+8,499
Visitor services	73,319	71,091	73,319	---	+2,228
Refuge law enforcement	38,054	37,929	38,054	---	+125
Conservation planning	2,523	---	2,523	---	+2,523
Refuge maintenance	138,188	136,196	139,469	+1,281	+3,273
Subtotal	483,927	470,109	486,757	+2,830	+16,648

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Conservation and Enforcement:					
Migratory bird management	48,105	44,001	48,421	+316	+4,420
Law enforcement	75,053	73,002	77,053	+2,000	+4,051
International affairs	15,816	14,183	15,816	---	+1,633
Subtotal	138,974	131,186	141,290	+2,316	+10,104
Fish and Aquatic Conservation:					
National fish hatchery system operations	55,418	51,942	55,822	+404	+3,880
Maintenance and equipment	22,920	19,882	22,920	---	+3,038
Aquatic habitat and species conservation	76,872	64,589	85,885	+9,013	+21,296
Subtotal	155,210	136,413	164,627	+9,417	+28,214
Cooperative landscape conservation	12,988	---	12,988	---	+12,988
Science Support:					
Adaptive science	10,517	---	10,517	---	+10,517
Service science	6,468	---	6,750	+282	+6,750
Subtotal	16,985	---	17,267	+282	+17,267
General Operations:					
Central office operations	40,569	36,965	36,965	-3,604	---
Regional office operations	37,722	33,574	33,574	-4,148	---
Servicewide bill paying	35,177	36,365	36,365	+1,188	---

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National Fish and Wildlife Foundation	7,022	5,009	7,022	---	+2,013
National Conservation Training Center	25,014	18,439	29,314	+4,300	+10,875
Subtotal	145,504	130,352	143,240	-2,264	+12,888
Total, Resource Management	1,258,761	1,151,129	1,279,002	+20,241	+127,873
Construction					
Construction and rehabilitation:					
Line item construction projects	9,482	9,093	9,093	-389	---
Bridge and dam safety programs	1,972	1,232	1,972	---	+740
Nationwide engineering service	7,161	5,475	5,475	-1,686	---
Deferred maintenance	---	---	50,000	+50,000	+50,000
Total, Construction	18,615	15,800	66,540	+47,925	+50,740
Land Acquisition					
Acquisitions	27,406	---	31,250	+3,844	+31,250
Emergencies, Hardships, and Inholdings	5,351	2,641	5,351	---	+2,710
Exchanges	1,500	1,197	1,500	---	+303
Acquisition Management	12,773	12,749	12,773	---	+24
Highlands Conservation Act Grants	10,000	---	10,000	---	+10,000
Recreational Access	2,500	---	2,500	---	+2,500
Land Protection Planning	465	464	465	---	+1
Total, Land Acquisition	59,995	17,051	63,839	+3,844	+46,788

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Cooperative Endangered Species Conservation Fund					
Grants and administration:					
Conservation grants	10,508	10,487	12,508	+2,000	+2,021
HCP assistance grants	9,485	6,518	7,485	-2,000	+967
Administration	2,702	2,298	2,702	---	+404
Subtotal	22,695	19,303	22,695	---	+3,392
Land acquisition:					
Species recovery land acquisition	11,162	---	11,162	---	+11,162
HCP land acquisition grants to states	19,638	---	19,638	---	+19,638
Subtotal	30,800	---	30,800	---	+30,800
Total, Cooperatiave Endangered Species Conservation Fund	53,495	19,303	53,495	---	+34,192
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	38,145	33,600	40,000	+1,855	+6,400

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Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation					
Migratory bird grants	3,910	3,900	3,910	---	+10
Multinational Species Conservation Fund					
African elephant conservation fund	2,582	2,101	2,582	---	+481
Rhinoceros and tiger conservation fund	3,440	2,798	3,440	---	+642
Asian elephant conservation fund	1,557	1,267	1,557	---	+290
Great ape conservation fund	1,975	1,607	1,975	---	+368
Marine turtle conservation fund	1,507	1,227	1,507	---	+280
Total, Multinational Species Conservation Fund	11,061	9,000	11,061	---	+2,061
State and Tribal Wildlife Grants					
State wildlife grants (formula)	52,000	48,919	53,000	+1,000	+4,081
State wildlife grants (competitive)	6,362	---	6,362	---	+6,362
Tribal wildlife grants	4,209	3,917	4,209	---	+292
Total, State and tribal wildlife grants	62,571	52,836	63,571	+1,000	+10,735
TOTAL, U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE	1,519,781	1,302,619	1,594,646	+74,865	+292,027

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NATIONAL PARK SERVICE					
Operation of the National Park System					
Park Management:					
Resource stewardship	328,955	301,928	334,437	+5,482	+32,509
Visitor services	252,103	223,785	255,683	+3,580	+31,898
Park protection	356,643	338,198	362,226	+5,583	+24,028
Facility operations and maintenance	778,584	685,899	810,019	+31,435	+124,120
Park support	528,066	496,103	536,032	+7,966	+39,929
Subtotal	2,244,351	2,045,913	2,298,397	+54,046	+252,484
External administrative costs	180,667	179,572	179,572	-1,095	---
Total, Operation of the National Park System	2,425,018	2,225,485	2,477,969	+52,951	+252,484
National Recreation and Preservation					
Recreation programs	589	---	---	-589	---
Natural programs	13,581	12,089	14,170	+589	+2,081
Cultural programs	24,562	22,408	25,062	+500	+2,654
International park affairs	1,648	1,310	1,648	---	+338
Environmental and compliance review	433	385	433	---	+48
Grant administration	2,004	---	2,004	---	+2,004
Heritage Partnership Programs	19,821	809	20,321	+500	+19,512
Total, National Recreation and Preservation	62,638	37,001	63,638	+1,000	+26,637

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Historic Preservation Fund					
State historic preservation offices	47,925	42,134	48,925	+1,000	+6,791
Tribal grants	10,485	8,966	11,485	+1,000	+2,519
Competitive grants	13,500	---	13,500	---	+13,500
Save America's Treasures grants	5,000	---	13,000	+8,000	+13,000
Historic Revitalization grants	---	---	5,000	+5,000	+5,000
Grants to Historically Black Colleges and Universities	4,000	---	5,000	+1,000	+5,000
Total, Historic Preservation Fund	80,910	51,100	96,910	+16,000	+45,810
Construction					
General Program:					
Line item construction and maintenance	131,992	137,011	137,011	+5,019	---
Emergency and unscheduled	3,855	3,848	3,848	-7	---
Housing	2,200	2,200	2,200	---	---
Dam safety	1,248	1,247	1,247	-1	---
Equipment replacement	13,500	13,474	13,474	-26	---
Planning, construction	7,966	17,453	12,711	+4,745	-4,742
Construction program management	36,771	40,656	38,713	+1,942	-1,943
General management plans	11,821	10,640	12,500	+679	+1,860
General program increase	---	---	138,000	+138,000	+138,000
Total, Construction	209,353	226,529	359,704	+150,351	+133,175
Land and Water Conservation Fund (rescission of contract authority)	-28,000	-28,020	---	+28,000	+28,020

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Land Acquisition and State Assistance					
Assistance to States:					
State conservation grants (formula)	94,000	---	100,000	+6,000	+100,000
State conservation grants (competitive)	12,000	---	20,000	+8,000	+20,000
Administrative expenses	4,006	3,043	4,006	---	+963
Subtotal	110,006	3,043	124,006	+14,000	+120,963
National Park Service:					
Acquisitions	21,488	---	26,400	+4,912	+26,400
Recreational Access	2,000	---	2,000	---	+2,000
American Battlefield Protection Program	10,000	8,481	10,000	---	+1,519
Emergencies, Hardships, Relocations, and Deficiencies	3,928	3,071	3,928	---	+857
Acquisition Management	9,679	8,716	9,679	---	+963
Inholdings, Donations, and Exchanges	4,928	3,069	4,928	---	+1,859
Subtotal	52,023	23,337	56,935	+4,912	+33,598
Subtotal, Land Acquisition and State Assistance	162,029	26,380	180,941	+18,912	+154,561
Total, Land Acquisition and State Assistance	162,029	26,380	180,941	+18,912	+154,561

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Centennial Challenge	20,000	14,971	23,000	+3,000	+8,029
TOTAL, NATIONAL PARK SERVICE	2,931,948	2,553,446	3,202,162	+270,214	+648,716
UNITED STATES GEOLOGICAL SURVEY					
Surveys, Investigations, and Research					
Ecosystems:					
Status and trends	20,473	16,834	20,473	---	+3,639
Fisheries: Aquatic and endangered resources	21,136	15,846	20,136	-1,000	+4,290
Wildlife: Terrestrial and endangered resources	46,007	35,471	46,007	---	+10,536
Terrestrial, Freshwater and marine environments	37,415	29,342	36,415	-1,000	+7,073
Invasive species	17,330	17,297	17,330	---	+33
Cooperative research units	17,371	17,338	17,371	---	+33
Total, Ecosystems	159,732	132,128	157,732	-2,000	+25,604
Climate and Land Use Change (FY 2017 Structure):					
Climate Variability:					
Climate science centers	25,335	---	---	-25,335	---
Climate research and development	19,295	---	---	-19,295	---
Carbon sequestration	8,959	---	---	-8,959	---
Subtotal	53,589	---	---	-53,589	---

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Land Use Change:					
Land remote sensing	85,794	---	---	-85,794	---
Land change science	9,892	---	---	-9,892	---
Subtotal	95,686	---	---	-95,686	---
Total, Climate and Land Use Change	149,275	---	---	-149,275	---
Land Resources (Proposed FY 2018 Structure):					
National Land Imaging	---	76,127	93,094	+93,094	+16,967
Land change science	---	19,285	34,070	+34,070	+14,785
National and regional climate adaptation science centers	---	17,435	25,335	+25,335	+7,900
Total, Land Resources	---	112,847	152,499	+152,499	+39,652
Energy, Minerals, and Environmental Health:					
Mineral and Energy Resources:					
Minerals resources	48,371	48,279	49,371	+1,000	+1,092
Energy resources	24,695	26,125	30,872	+6,177	+4,747
Subtotal	73,066	74,404	80,243	+7,177	+5,839

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Environmental Health:					
Contaminant biology	10,197	8,230	10,197	---	+1,967
Toxic substances hydrology	11,048	8,876	12,398	+1,350	+3,522
Subtotal	21,245	17,106	22,595	+1,350	+5,489
Total, Energy, Minerals, and Environmental Health	94,311	91,510	102,838	+8,527	+11,328
Natural Hazards:					
Earthquake hazards	64,303	51,388	83,403	+19,100	+32,015
Volcano hazards	28,121	22,432	42,621	+14,500	+20,189
Landslide hazards	3,538	3,531	3,538	---	+7
Global seismographic network	6,653	4,986	6,653	---	+1,667
Geomagnetism	1,888	---	1,888	---	+1,888
Coastal/Marine Hazards and Resources	40,510	35,774	40,510	---	+4,736
Total, Natural Hazards	145,013	118,111	178,613	+33,600	+60,502
Water Resources:					
Water Availability and Use Science Program	45,052	30,413	46,052	+1,000	+15,639
Groundwater and Streamflow Information Program	72,673	68,159	74,173	+1,500	+6,014
National Water Quality Program	90,529	74,470	90,829	+300	+16,359
Water Resources Research Act Program	6,500	---	6,500	---	+6,500
Total, Water Resources	214,754	173,042	217,554	+2,800	+44,512

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Core Science Systems:					
Science, synthesis, analysis, and research.....	24,299	18,753	24,051	-248	+5,298
National cooperative geological mapping.....	24,397	22,281	24,397	---	+2,116
National Geospatial Program.....	67,354	51,935	67,854	+500	+15,919
Total, Core Science Systems.....	116,050	92,969	116,302	+252	+23,333
Science Support:					
Administration and Management.....	81,981	69,379	80,881	-1,100	+11,502
Information Services.....	23,630	19,989	21,947	-1,683	+1,958
Total, Science Support.....	105,611	89,368	102,828	-2,783	+13,460
Facilities:					
Rental payments and operations & maintenance.....	93,141	104,927	104,927	+11,786	---
Deferred maintenance and capital improvement.....	7,280	7,266	15,164	+7,884	+7,898
Total, Facilities.....	100,421	112,193	120,091	+19,670	+7,898
TOTAL, UNITED STATES GEOLOGICAL SURVEY.....	1,085,167	922,168	1,148,457	+63,290	+226,289

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BUREAU OF OCEAN ENERGY MANAGEMENT					
Ocean Energy Management					
Renewable energy	23,887	21,676	21,676	-2,211	---
Conventional energy	58,963	58,123	58,123	-840	---
Environmental assessment	68,045	73,834	73,834	+5,789	---
Executive direction	18,665	17,367	17,367	-1,298	---
Subtotal	169,560	171,000	171,000	+1,440	---
Offsetting rental receipts	-88,487	-55,374	-55,374	+33,113	---
Cost recovery fees	-6,457	-1,460	-1,460	+4,997	---
Subtotal, offsetting collections	-94,944	-56,834	-56,834	+38,110	---
TOTAL, BUREAU OF OCEAN ENERGY MANAGEMENT	74,616	114,166	114,166	+39,550	---

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	FY 2017 Enacted	FY 2018 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs Enacted	Final Bill vs Request
BUREAU OF SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENTAL ENFORCEMENT					
Offshore Safety and Environmental Enforcement					
Environmental enforcement	8,314	4,453	4,453	-3,861	---
Operations, safety and regulation	144,954	151,061	148,454	+3,500	-2,607
Administrative operations	18,268	18,350	16,768	-1,500	-1,582
Executive direction	18,236	18,318	16,736	-1,500	-1,582
Subtotal	189,772	192,182	186,411	-3,361	-5,771
Offsetting rental receipts	-37,922	-23,732	-23,732	+14,190	---
Inspection fees	-53,000	-62,000	-50,000	+3,000	+12,000
Cost recovery fees	-5,608	-4,139	-4,139	+1,469	---
Subtotal, offsetting collections	-96,530	-89,871	-77,871	+18,659	+12,000
Rescission	-25,000	---	---	+25,000	---
Total, Offshore Safety and Environmental Enforcement	68,242	102,311	108,540	+40,298	+6,229

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Oil Spill Research					
Oil spill research	14,899	12,700	14,899	---	+2,199
TOTAL, BUREAU OF SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENTAL ENFORCEMENT	83,141	115,011	123,439	+40,298	+8,428
OFFICE OF SURFACE MINING RECLAMATION AND ENFORCEMENT					
Regulation and Technology					
Environmental protection	90,138	82,185	88,562	-1,576	+6,377
Permit fees	40	40	40	---	---
Offsetting collections	-40	-40	-40	---	---
Technology development and transfer	15,205	12,801	12,801	-2,404	---
Financial management	505	510	505	---	-5
Executive direction	15,169	13,936	13,936	-1,233	---
Civil penalties (indefinite)	100	100	100	---	---
Subtotal	121,117	109,532	115,904	-5,213	+6,372
Civil penalties (offsetting collections)	-100	-100	-100	---	---
Total, Regulation and Technology	121,017	109,432	115,804	-5,213	+6,372

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Abandoned Mine Reclamation Fund					
Environmental restoration	9,480	6,272	9,480	---	+3,208
Technology development and transfer	3,544	2,087	3,544	---	+1,457
Financial management	6,396	5,182	5,182	-1,214	---
Executive direction	7,743	6,466	6,466	-1,277	---
Subtotal	27,163	20,007	24,672	-2,491	+4,665
State grants	105,000	---	115,000	+10,000	+115,000
Total, Abandoned Mine Reclamation Fund	132,163	20,007	139,672	+7,509	+119,665
TOTAL, OFFICE OF SURFACE MINING RECLAMATION AND ENFORCEMENT	253,180	129,439	255,476	+2,296	+126,037
BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS AND BUREAU OF INDIAN EDUCATION					
Operation of Indian Programs					
Tribal Government:					
Aid to tribal government	27,118	25,127	28,698	+1,580	+3,571
Consolidated tribal government program	75,429	72,224	75,429	---	+3,205
Self governance compacts	162,346	156,634	165,069	+2,723	+8,435
New tribes	160	160	1,120	+960	+960

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Small and needy tribes	4,448	---	4,448	---	+4,448
Road maintenance	30,307	28,148	34,653	+4,346	+6,505
Tribal government program oversight	8,377	8,014	8,550	+173	+536
Subtotal	308,185	290,307	317,967	+9,782	+27,660
Human Services:					
Social services	52,343	34,987	52,832	+489	+17,845
Welfare assistance	74,773	70,794	76,000	+1,227	+5,206
Indian child welfare act	18,946	14,918	19,080	+134	+4,162
Housing improvement program	9,708	---	9,708	---	+9,708
Human services tribal design	254	243	263	+9	+20
Human services program oversight	3,137	3,007	3,180	+43	+173
Subtotal	159,161	123,949	161,063	+1,902	+37,114
Trust - Natural Resources Management:					
Natural resources, general	4,953	4,829	4,882	-71	+53
Irrigation operations and maintenance	12,905	14,009	14,009	+1,104	---
Rights protection implementation	39,661	28,625	40,161	+500	+11,536
Tribal management/development program	11,266	9,276	11,652	+386	+2,376
Endangered species	2,685	1,302	2,693	+8	+1,391
Cooperative landscape conservation	9,956	---	9,956	---	+9,956
Integrated resource information program	2,996	2,815	2,971	-25	+156
Agriculture and range	30,769	28,822	31,096	+327	+2,274
Forestry	54,155	49,013	54,877	+722	+5,864
Water resources	10,450	8,534	10,581	+131	+2,047

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Fish, wildlife and parks	15,203	12,414	15,260	+57	+2,846
Resource management program oversight	5,993	5,823	6,064	+71	+241
Subtotal	200,992	165,462	204,202	+3,210	+38,740
Trust - Real Estate Services	123,092	112,046	129,841	+6,749	+17,795
Education:					
Elementary and secondary programs (forward funded):					
ISEP formula funds	400,223	376,775	402,906	+2,683	+26,131
ISEP program adjustments	5,412	2,986	5,457	+45	+2,471
Education program enhancements	12,201	6,311	12,248	+47	+5,937
Tribal education departments	2,500	996	2,500	---	+1,504
Student transportation	55,995	50,674	56,285	+290	+5,611
Early child and family development	18,659	7,931	18,810	+151	+10,879
Tribal grant support costs	80,165	74,371	81,036	+871	+6,665
Subtotal	575,155	520,044	579,242	+4,087	+59,198
Post secondary programs (forward funded):					
Tribal colleges and universities	69,793	66,177	69,793	---	+3,616
Tribal technical colleges	7,414	6,512	7,505	+91	+993
Haskell & SIPI	---	---	16,885	+16,885	+16,885
Subtotal	77,207	72,689	94,183	+16,976	+21,494
Subtotal, forward funded education	652,362	592,733	673,425	+21,063	+80,692

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Elementary and secondary programs:					
Facilities operations	66,219	60,218	66,608	+389	+6,390
Facilities maintenance	59,043	53,501	59,552	+509	+6,051
Juvenile detention center education	500	---	500	---	+500
Johnson O'Malley assistance grants	14,778	10,152	14,903	+125	+4,751
Subtotal	140,540	123,871	141,563	+1,023	+17,692
Post secondary programs:					
Haskell & SIPI	22,117	19,350	22,513	+396	+3,163
Tribal colleges and universities supplements	1,219	1,157	1,220	+1	+63
Tribal technical colleges	---	---	---	---	---
Scholarships & adult education	34,783	25,214	34,996	+213	+9,782
Special higher education scholarships	2,992	---	2,992	---	+2,992
Science post graduate scholarship fund	2,450	---	2,450	---	+2,450
Subtotal	63,561	45,721	64,171	+610	+18,450
Education management:					
Education program management	24,763	16,188	24,957	+194	+8,769
Education IT	10,287	7,859	10,297	+10	+2,438
Subtotal	35,050	24,047	35,254	+204	+11,207
Subtotal, Education	891,513	786,372	914,413	+22,900	+128,041

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Public Safety and Justice:					
Law enforcement:					
Criminal investigations and police services	202,000	190,826	211,632	+9,632	+20,806
Detention/corrections	96,507	94,173	100,456	+3,949	+6,283
Inspections/internal affairs	3,475	3,317	3,510	+35	+193
Law enforcement special initiatives	10,319	7,335	10,368	+49	+3,033
Indian police academy	4,862	4,642	4,902	+40	+260
Tribal justice support	17,250	7,226	22,264	+5,014	+15,038
VAWA	---	---	(2,000)	(+2,000)	(+2,000)
PL 280 courts	(10,000)	---	(13,000)	(+3,000)	(+13,000)
Law enforcement program management	5,978	5,894	6,530	+552	+636
Facilities operations and maintenance	13,165	12,552	13,657	+492	+1,105
Tribal courts	30,753	21,984	30,618	-135	+8,634
Fire protection	1,426	1,365	1,583	+157	+218
Subtotal	385,735	349,314	405,520	+19,785	+56,206
Community and economic development	41,844	39,464	46,447	+4,603	+6,983
Executive direction and administrative services	228,824	215,592	231,747	+2,923	+16,155
(Amounts available until expended, account-wide)	(49,122)	(35,434)	(53,991)	(+4,869)	(+18,557)
Total, Operation of Indian Programs	2,339,346	2,082,506	2,411,200	+71,854	+328,694

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Contract Support Costs					
Contract support costs	273,000	236,600	236,600	-36,400	---
Indian self-determination fund	5,000	5,000	5,000	---	---
Total, Contract Support Costs	278,000	241,600	241,600	-36,400	---
Construction					
Education	133,257	80,187	238,245	+104,988	+158,058
Public safety and justice	11,306	10,416	35,309	+24,003	+24,893
Resources management	36,513	40,696	67,192	+30,679	+26,496
General administration	10,941	11,963	13,367	+2,426	+1,404
General increase	---	---	---	---	---
Total, Construction	192,017	143,262	354,113	+162,096	+210,851
Indian Land and Water Claim Settlements and Miscellaneous Payments to Indians					
Land Settlements:					
White Earth Land Settlement Act (Admin) (P.L.99-264)	---	624	625	+625	+1
Hoopa-Yurok Settlement Act (P.L.100-580)	---	250	250	+250	---
Water Settlements:					
Pyramid Lake Water Rights Settlement (P.L.101-618)	---	142	142	+142	---
Navajo Water Resources Development Trust Fund (P.L.111-11)	---	4,000	4,011	+4,011	+11

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Navajo-Gallup Water Supply Project (P.L.111-11).....	---	7,783	21,720	+21,720	+13,937
Pechanga Band of Luiseno Mission Indians Water Rights Settlement Act (P.L.114-322).....	---	400	9,192	+9,192	+8,792
Blackfeet Water Rights Settlement (P.L. 114-322)....	---	800	19,517	+19,517	+18,717
Unallocated.....	45,045	---	---	-45,045	---
Total, Indian Land and Water Claim Settlements and Miscellaneous Payments to Indians.....	45,045	13,999	55,457	+10,412	+41,458
Indian Guaranteed Loan Program Account					
Indian guaranteed loan program account.....	8,757	6,692	9,272	+515	+2,580
Administrative Provisions					
Rescission.....	-3,400	---	-8,000	-4,600	-8,000
TOTAL, BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS AND BUREAU OF INDIAN EDUCATION.....	2,859,765	2,488,059	3,063,642	+203,877	+575,583

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DEPARTMENTAL OFFICES					
Office of the Secretary					
Leadership and administration	124,112	105,405	105,405	-18,707	---
Management services	20,475	18,535	18,777	-1,698	+242
Office of Natural Resources Revenue	126,487	---	---	-126,487	---
Total, Office of the Secretary	271,074	123,940	124,182	-146,892	+242
Insular Affairs					
Assistance to Territories					
Territorial Assistance					
Office of Insular Affairs	9,448	9,430	9,448	---	+18
Technical assistance	16,784	14,671	18,000	+1,216	+3,329
Maintenance assistance fund	4,000	1,023	4,000	---	+2,977
Brown tree snake	3,500	2,837	3,500	---	+663
Coral reef initiative	1,250	946	2,200	+950	+1,254
Empowering Insular Communities	3,471	2,811	5,000	+1,529	+2,189
Compact impact	3,000	---	4,000	+1,000	+4,000
Subtotal, Territorial Assistance	41,453	31,718	46,148	+4,695	+14,430

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American Samoa operations grants	22,752	21,529	23,002	+250	+1,473
Northern Marianas covenant grants	27,720	27,720	27,720	---	---
Total, Assistance to Territories	91,925	80,967	96,870	+4,945	+15,903
(discretionary)	(64,205)	(53,247)	(69,150)	(+4,945)	(+15,903)
(mandatory)	(27,720)	(27,720)	(27,720)	---	---
Compact of Free Association					
Compact of Free Association - Federal services	2,818	2,813	2,813	-5	---
Enewetak support	500	473	550	+50	+77
Subtotal, Compact of Free Association	3,318	3,286	3,363	+45	+77
Compact payments, Palau (Title I, General Provision)	13,147	---	123,824	+110,677	+123,824
Total, Compact of Free Association	16,465	3,286	127,187	+110,722	+123,901
Total, Insular Affairs	108,390	84,253	224,057	+115,667	+139,804
(discretionary)	(80,670)	(56,533)	(196,337)	(+115,667)	(+139,804)
(mandatory)	(27,720)	(27,720)	(27,720)	---	---
Office of the Solicitor					
Legal services	59,091	58,951	59,951	+860	+1,000
General administration	4,940	4,982	4,982	+42	---

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Ethics	1,738	1,742	1,742	+4	---
Total, Office of the Solicitor	65,769	65,675	66,675	+906	+1,000
Office of Inspector General					
Audit and investigations	37,538	37,467	38,538	+1,000	+1,071
Administrative services and information management	12,509	12,485	12,485	-24	---
Total, Office of Inspector General	50,047	49,952	51,023	+976	+1,071
Office of Special Trustee for American Indians					
Federal Trust Programs					
Program operations, support, and improvements	136,998	117,712	117,712	-19,286	---
(Office of Historical Accounting)	(18,688)	(18,990)	(18,990)	(+302)	---
Executive direction	2,031	1,688	1,688	-343	---
Total, Office of Special Trustee for American Indians	139,029	119,400	119,400	-19,629	---
TOTAL, DEPARTMENTAL OFFICES	634,309	443,220	585,337	-48,972	+142,117
(Discretionary)	(606,589)	(415,500)	(557,617)	(-48,972)	(+142,117)
(Mandatory)	(27,720)	(27,720)	(27,720)	---	---

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DEPARTMENT-WIDE PROGRAMS					
Wildland Fire Management					
Fire Operations:					
Preparedness	332,784	322,179	332,784	---	+10,605
Fire suppression	395,000	389,406	389,406	-5,594	---
Emergency appropriations	---	---	---	---	---
Subtotal, Fire operations	727,784	711,585	722,190	-5,594	+10,605
Other Operations:					
Fuels Management	180,000	149,466	184,000	+4,000	+34,534
Burned area rehabilitation	20,470	9,467	20,470	---	+11,003
Fire facilities	8,427	---	18,427	+10,000	+18,427
Joint fire science	5,990	3,000	3,000	-2,990	---
Subtotal, Other operations	214,887	161,933	225,897	+11,010	+63,964
Total, Wildland fire management	942,671	873,518	948,087	+5,416	+74,569

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FLAME Wildfire Suppression Reserve Account					
FLAME wildfire suppression reserve account (emergency)	65,000	---	---	-65,000	---
Total, all wildland fire accounts	1,007,671	873,518	948,087	-59,584	+74,569
Appropriations	(942,671)	(873,518)	(948,087)	(+5,416)	(+74,569)
Emergency appropriations	(65,000)	---	---	(-65,000)	---
Central Hazardous Materials Fund					
Central hazardous materials fund	10,010	2,000	10,010	---	+8,010
Natural Resource Damage Assessment Fund					
Damage assessments	2,000	1,500	2,000	---	+500
Program management	2,192	1,000	2,192	---	+1,192
Restoration support	2,575	1,900	2,575	---	+675
Oil Spill Preparedness	1,000	200	1,000	---	+800
Total, Natural Resource Damage Assessment Fund	7,767	4,600	7,767	---	+3,167
Working Capital Fund	67,100	59,472	62,370	-4,730	+2,898

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Office of Natural Resources Revenue					
Natural Resources Revenue	---	137,757	137,757	+137,757	---
TOTAL, DEPARTMENT-WIDE PROGRAMS	1,092,548	1,077,347	1,165,991	+73,443	+88,644
Appropriations	(1,027,548)	(1,077,347)	(1,165,991)	(+138,443)	(+88,644)
Emergency appropriations	(65,000)	---	---	(-65,000)	---
GENERAL PROVISIONS					
Payments to local governments in lieu of taxes (PILT) (Sec. 118)	465,000	396,880	530,000	+65,000	+133,120
TOTAL, TITLE I, DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR	12,251,927	10,615,927	13,115,260	+863,333	+2,499,333
Appropriations	(12,243,327)	(10,643,947)	(13,123,260)	(+879,933)	(+2,479,313)
Rescissions	(-28,400)	---	(-8,000)	(+20,400)	(-8,000)
Rescissions of contract authority	(-28,000)	(-28,020)	---	(+28,000)	(+28,020)
Emergency appropriations	(65,000)	---	---	(-65,000)	---
(Mandatory)	(61,720)	(61,720)	(61,720)	---	---
(Discretionary)	(12,190,207)	(10,554,207)	(13,053,540)	(+863,333)	(+2,499,333)

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TITLE II - ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY					
Science and Technology					
Clean Air	116,541	85,708	116,541	---	+30,833
(GHG reporting program)	(8,018)	---	(8,018)	---	(+8,018)
Enforcement	13,669	10,444	13,669	---	+3,225
Homeland security	33,122	23,097	33,122	---	+10,025
Indoor air and Radiation	5,997	3,339	5,997	---	+2,658
IT / Data management / Security	3,089	2,725	3,089	---	+364
Operations and administration	68,339	79,334	68,339	---	-10,995
Pesticide licensing	6,027	4,996	6,027	---	+1,031
Research: Air and energy	91,906	30,592	91,906	---	+61,314
Research: Chemical safety and sustainability	126,930	84,189	126,930	---	+42,741
(Research: Computational toxicology)	(21,409)	(17,165)	(21,409)	---	(+4,244)
(Research: Endocrine disruptor)	(16,253)	(10,122)	(16,253)	---	(+6,131)
Research: National priorities	4,100	---	4,100	---	+4,100
Research: Safe and sustainable water resources	106,257	68,520	106,257	---	+37,737
Research: Sustainable and healthy communities	134,327	54,211	134,327	---	+80,116
Water: Human health protection	3,519	3,657	3,519	---	-138
Subtotal, Science and Technology	713,823	450,812	713,823	---	+263,011

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Rescission	-7,350	---	-7,350	---	-7,350
Total, Science and Technology	706,473	450,812	706,473	---	+255,661
(by transfer from Hazardous Substance Superfund)	(15,496)	(12,435)	(15,496)	---	(+3,061)
Environmental Programs and Management					
Brownfields	25,593	16,082	25,593	---	+9,511
Clean air	273,108	143,167	273,108	---	+129,941
(GHG reporting program)	(95,436)	(13,580)	(95,436)	---	(+81,856)
Compliance	101,665	86,431	101,665	---	+15,234
Enforcement	240,637	194,307	240,637	---	+46,330
(Environmental justice)	(6,737)	---	(6,737)	---	(+6,737)
Environmental protection: National priorities	12,700	---	12,700	---	+12,700

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Geographic programs:					
Great Lakes Restoration Initiative	300,000	---	300,000	---	+300,000
Chesapeake Bay	73,000	---	73,000	---	+73,000
San Franciso Bay	4,819	---	4,819	---	+4,819
Puget Sound	28,000	---	28,000	---	+28,000
Long Island Sound	8,000	---	12,000	+4,000	+12,000
Gulf of Mexico	8,542	---	12,542	+4,000	+12,542
South Florida	1,704	---	1,704	---	+1,704
Lake Champlain	4,399	---	8,399	+4,000	+8,399
Lake Pontchartrain	948	---	948	---	+948
Southern New England Estuaries	5,000	---	5,000	---	+5,000
Other geographic activities	1,445	---	1,445	---	+1,445
Subtotal	435,857	---	447,857	+12,000	+447,857
Homeland security	10,195	8,498	10,195	---	+1,697
Indoor air and radiation	27,637	2,257	27,637	---	+25,380
Information exchange / Outreach	126,538	83,295	126,538	---	+43,243
(Children and other sensitive populations: Agency coordination)	(6,548)	(2,018)	(6,548)	---	(+4,530)
(Environmental education)	(8,702)	---	(8,702)	---	(+8,702)
International programs	15,400	4,051	15,400	---	+11,349
IT / Data management / Security	90,536	82,066	90,536	---	+8,470
Legal/science/regulatory/economic review	111,414	98,446	111,414	---	+12,968
Operations and administration	480,751	496,483	480,751	---	-15,732
Pesticide licensing	102,363	85,526	109,363	+7,000	+23,837

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Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA)	104,877	73,093	109,377	+4,500	+36,284
Toxics risk review and prevention	92,521	65,036	92,521	---	+27,485
(Endocrine disruptors)	(7,553)	---	(7,553)	---	(+7,553)
Underground storage tanks (LUST / UST)	11,295	5,612	11,295	---	+5,683
Water: Ecosystems:					
National estuary program / Coastal waterways	26,723	---	26,723	---	+26,723
Wetlands	21,065	18,115	21,065	---	+2,950
Subtotal	47,788	18,115	47,788	---	+29,673
Water: Human health protection	98,507	80,044	98,507	---	+18,463
Water quality protection	210,417	174,975	210,417	---	+35,442
Subtotal, Environmental Programs and Management	2,619,799	1,717,484	2,643,299	+23,500	+925,815
Rescission	-21,800	---	-45,300	-23,500	-45,300
Total, Environmental Programs and Management	2,597,999	1,717,484	2,597,999	---	+880,515

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Hazardous Waste Electronic Manifest System Fund					
E-Manifest System Fund	3,178	3,674	3,674	+496	---
Offsetting Collections	---	-3,674	-3,674	-3,674	---
Total, Hazardous Waste Electronic Manifest System Fund	3,178	---	---	-3,178	---
Office of Inspector General					
Audits, evaluations, and investigations	41,489	37,475	41,489	---	+4,014
(by transfer from Hazardous Substance Superfund)	(8,778)	(3,900)	(8,778)	---	(+4,878)
Buildings and Facilities					
Homeland security: Protection of EPA personnel and infrastructure	6,676	6,176	6,676	---	+500
Operations and administration	27,791	33,377	27,791	---	-5,586
Total, Buildings and Facilities	34,467	39,553	34,467	---	-5,086
Hazardous Substance Superfund					
Audits, evaluations, and investigations	8,778	3,900	8,778	---	+4,878
Compliance	995	605	995	---	+390
Enforcement	166,375	99,287	166,375	---	+67,088
Homeland security	32,616	16,999	32,616	---	+15,617
Indoor air and radiation	1,985	---	1,985	---	+1,985

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Information exchange / Outreach	1,328	838	1,328	---	+490
IT /data management/security	14,485	11,399	14,485	---	+3,086
Legal/science/regulatory/economic review	1,253	349	1,253	---	+904
Operations and administration	128,105	101,942	128,105	---	+26,163
Research: Chemical safety and sustainability	2,824	5,305	2,824	---	-2,481
Research: Sustainable communities	11,463	5,655	11,463	---	+5,808
Superfund cleanup:					
Superfund: Emergency response and removal	181,306	147,212	181,306	---	+34,094
Superfund: Emergency preparedness	7,636	7,216	7,636	---	+420
Superfund: Federal facilities	21,125	19,553	21,125	---	+1,572
Superfund: Remedial	508,495	341,803	511,673	+3,178	+169,870
Subtotal	718,562	515,784	721,740	+3,178	+205,956
Total, Hazardous Substance Superfund	1,088,769	762,063	1,091,947	+3,178	+329,884
(transfer out to Inspector General)	(-8,778)	(-3,900)	(-8,778)	---	(-4,878)
(transfer out to Science and Technology)	(-15,496)	(-12,435)	(-15,496)	---	(-3,061)
Leaking Underground Storage Tank Trust Fund (LUST)					
Enforcement	620	559	620	---	+61
Operations and administration	1,352	1,346	1,352	---	+6
Research: Sustainable communities	320	320	320	---	---

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Underground storage tanks (LUST / UST)	89,649	45,204	89,649	---	+44,445
(LUST/UST)	(9,240)	(6,364)	(9,240)	---	(+2,876)
(LUST cooperative agreements)	(55,040)	(38,840)	(55,040)	---	(+16,200)
(Energy Policy Act grants)	(25,369)	---	(25,369)	---	(+25,369)
Total, Leaking Underground Storage Tank Trust Fund	91,941	47,429	91,941	---	+44,512
Inland Oil Spill Program					
Compliance	139	124	139	---	+15
Enforcement	2,413	2,266	2,413	---	+147
Oil	14,409	12,144	14,409	---	+2,265
Operations and administration	584	680	584	---	-96
Research: Sustainable communities	664	503	664	---	+161
Total, Inland Oil Spill Program	18,209	15,717	18,209	---	+2,492
State and Tribal Assistance Grants (STAG)					
Alaska Native villages	20,000	---	20,000	---	+20,000
Brownfields projects	80,000	69,000	80,000	---	+11,000
Clean water state revolving fund (SRF)	1,393,887	1,393,887	1,393,887	---	---
Diesel emissions grants	60,000	10,000	75,000	+15,000	+65,000
Drinking water state revolving fund (SRF)	863,233	863,233	863,233	---	---

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Mexico border	10,000	---	10,000	---	+10,000
Targeted airshed grants	30,000	---	40,000	+10,000	+40,000
Water quality monitoring (P.L. 114-322)	4,000	---	4,000	---	+4,000
Subtotal, Infrastructure assistance grants	2,461,120	2,336,120	2,486,120	+25,000	+150,000
Categorical grants:					
Beaches protection	9,549	---	9,549	---	+9,549
Brownfields	47,745	33,358	47,745	---	+14,387
Environmental information	9,646	6,739	9,646	---	+2,907
Hazardous waste financial assistance	99,693	69,652	99,693	---	+30,041
Lead	14,049	---	14,049	---	+14,049
Nonpoint source (Sec. 319)	170,915	---	170,915	---	+170,915
Pesticides enforcement	18,050	11,050	18,050	---	+7,000
Pesticides program implementation	12,701	8,874	12,701	---	+3,827
Pollution control (Sec. 106)	230,806	161,257	230,806	---	+69,549
(Water quality monitoring)	(17,848)	(12,470)	(17,848)	---	(+5,378)
Pollution prevention	4,765	---	4,765	---	+4,765
Public water system supervision	101,963	71,238	101,963	---	+30,725
Radon	8,051	---	8,051	---	+8,051
State and local air quality management	228,219	159,450	228,219	---	+68,769
Toxics substances compliance	4,919	3,437	4,919	---	+1,482
Tribal air quality management	12,829	8,963	12,829	---	+3,866
Tribal general assistance program	65,476	45,746	65,476	---	+19,730
Underground injection control (UIC)	10,506	7,340	10,506	---	+3,166

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Underground storage tanks	1,498	---	1,498	---	+1,498
Wetlands program development	14,661	10,243	14,661	---	+4,418
Multipurpose grants	---	---	10,000	+10,000	+10,000
Subtotal, Categorical grants	1,066,041	597,347	1,076,041	+10,000	+478,694
Total, State and Tribal Assistance Grants	3,527,161	2,933,467	3,562,161	+35,000	+628,694
Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Program					
Administrative Expenses	2,000	3,000	5,000	+3,000	+2,000
Direct Loan Subsidy	8,000	17,000	5,000	-3,000	-12,000
Total, Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Program	10,000	20,000	10,000	---	-10,000
Administrative Provisions					
Rescission	-61,198	-369,000	-96,198	-35,000	+272,802
TOTAL, TITLE II, ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY	8,058,488	5,655,000	8,058,488	---	+2,403,488
Appropriations	(8,148,836)	(6,024,000)	(8,207,336)	(+58,500)	(+2,183,336)
Rescissions	(-90,348)	(-369,000)	(-148,848)	(-58,500)	(+220,152)
(By transfer)	(24,274)	(16,335)	(24,274)	---	(+7,939)
(Transfer out)	(-24,274)	(-16,335)	(-24,274)	---	(-7,939)

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TITLE III - RELATED AGENCIES					
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE					
Under Secretary for Natural Resources and the Environment	---	---	875	+875	+875
FOREST SERVICE					
Forest and Rangeland Research					
Forest inventory and analysis	77,000	77,000	77,000	---	---
Research and development programs	211,514	182,000	220,000	+8,486	+38,000
Fire plan research and development	---	---	---	---	---
Total, Forest and rangeland research	288,514	259,000	297,000	+8,486	+38,000
State and Private Forestry					
Landscape scale restoration	14,000	---	14,000	---	+14,000
Forest Health Management:					
Federal lands forest health management	55,500	54,205	55,500	---	+1,295
Cooperative lands forest health management	39,000	36,185	41,000	+2,000	+4,815
Subtotal	94,500	90,390	96,500	+2,000	+6,110

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Cooperative Fire Assistance:					
State fire assistance	---	---	80,000	+80,000	+80,000
Volunteer fire assistance	---	---	16,000	+16,000	+16,000
Subtotal	---	---	96,000	+96,000	+96,000
Cooperative Forestry:					
Forest stewardship	20,036	20,500	20,500	+464	---
Forest legacy	62,347	---	67,025	+4,678	+67,025
Community forest and open space conservation	2,000	---	4,000	+2,000	+4,000
Urban and community forestry	28,040	---	28,500	+460	+28,500
Subtotal, Cooperative Forestry	112,423	20,500	120,025	+7,602	+99,525
International forestry	8,000	7,120	9,000	+1,000	+1,880
Subtotal, State and Private Forestry	228,923	118,010	335,525	+106,602	+217,515
Forest legacy (rescission)	-12,002	---	-5,938	+6,064	-5,938
Total, State and Private Forestry	216,921	118,010	329,587	+112,666	+211,577
National Forest System					
Land management planning, assessment and monitoring	182,928	165,000	179,263	-3,665	+14,263
Recreation, heritage and wilderness	264,595	252,880	257,848	-6,747	+4,968
Grazing management	56,856	50,600	56,856	---	+6,256

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Hazardous Fuels	---	354,288	430,000	+430,000	+75,712
Forest products	367,805	359,121	366,000	-1,805	+6,879
Vegetation and watershed management	184,716	174,400	180,000	-4,716	+5,600
Wildlife and fish habitat management	140,466	125,000	136,430	-4,036	+11,430
Collaborative Forest Landscape Restoration Fund	40,000	---	40,000	---	+40,000
Minerals and geology management	75,569	68,000	74,200	-1,369	+6,200
Landownership and access management	73,730	69,000	74,000	+270	+5,000
Law enforcement operations	126,653	129,153	129,153	+2,500	---
Total, National Forest System	1,513,318	1,747,442	1,923,750	+410,432	+176,308
Capital Improvement and Maintenance					
Facilities	71,390	11,750	151,000	+79,610	+139,250
Roads	175,094	75,243	218,000	+42,906	+142,757
Trails	77,530	12,700	80,000	+2,470	+67,300
Legacy road and trail remediation	40,000	---	---	-40,000	---
Subtotal, Capital improvement and maintenance	364,014	99,693	449,000	+84,986	+349,307
Deferral of road and trail fund payment	-16,000	-15,000	-15,000	+1,000	---
Total, Capital improvement and maintenance	348,014	84,693	434,000	+85,986	+349,307
Land Acquisition					
Acquisitions	39,413	---	50,035	+10,622	+50,035
Acquisition Management	7,552	7,000	7,352	-200	+352

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Cash Equalization	750	---	250	-500	+250
Recreational Access	4,700	---	4,700	---	+4,700
Critical Inholdings/Wilderness	2,000	---	2,000	---	+2,000
Subtotal	54,415	7,000	64,337	+9,922	+57,337
Total, Land Acquisition	54,415	7,000	64,337	+9,922	+57,337
Acquisition of land for national forests, special acts	950	850	850	-100	---
Acquisition of lands to complete land exchanges	216	192	192	-24	---
Range betterment fund	2,320	2,065	2,065	-255	---
Gifts, donations and bequests for forest and rangeland research	45	45	45	---	---
Management of national forest lands for subsistence uses	2,500	2,225	2,500	---	+275
Wildland Fire Management					
Fire operations:					
Wildland fire preparedness	1,082,620	1,339,620	1,323,520	+240,900	-16,100
Wildland fire suppression operations	1,248,000	1,056,818	1,056,818	-191,182	---
Additional suppression funding	---	---	500,000	+500,000	+500,000
Subtotal, Fire operations	2,330,620	2,396,438	2,880,338	+549,718	+483,900

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Other operations:					
Hazardous fuels	390,000	---	---	-390,000	---
(Hazardous Fuels Base Program)	(375,000)	---	---	(-375,000)	---
(Biomass Grants)	(15,000)	---	---	(-15,000)	---
Fire plan research and development	19,795	17,600	---	-19,795	-17,600
State fire assistance	78,000	69,400	---	-78,000	-69,400
Volunteer fire assistance	15,000	11,600	---	-15,000	-11,600
Subtotal, Other operations	502,795	98,600	---	-502,795	-98,600
Subtotal, Wildland Fire Management	2,833,415	2,495,038	2,880,338	+46,923	+385,300
FLAME Wildfire Suppression Reserve Account					
FLAME wildfire suppression reserve account (emergency)	342,000	---	---	-342,000	---
Total, all wildland fire accounts	3,175,415	2,495,038	2,880,338	-295,077	+385,300
Appropriations	(2,833,415)	(2,495,038)	(2,880,338)	(+46,923)	(+385,300)
Emergency appropriations	(342,000)	---	---	(-342,000)	---
Total, Forest Service without Wildland Fire Management	2,427,213	2,221,522	3,054,326	+627,113	+832,804

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Administrative Provisions					
Rescission	-6,315	---	---	+6,315	---
TOTAL, FOREST SERVICE	5,596,313	4,716,560	5,934,664	+338,351	+1,218,104
Appropriations	(5,272,630)	(4,716,560)	(5,940,602)	(+667,972)	(+1,224,042)
Rescissions	(-18,317)	---	(-5,938)	(+12,379)	(-5,938)
Emergency appropriations	(342,000)	---	---	(-342,000)	---
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES					
INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE					
Indian Health Services					
Clinical Services:					
Hospital and health clinics	1,935,178	1,870,405	2,045,128	+109,950	+174,723
Dental health	182,597	179,751	195,283	+12,686	+15,532
Mental health	94,080	82,654	99,900	+5,820	+17,246
Alcohol and substance abuse	218,353	205,593	227,788	+9,435	+22,195
Purchased/referred care	928,830	914,139	962,695	+33,865	+48,556
Indian Health Care Improvement Fund	---	---	72,280	+72,280	+72,280
Subtotal	3,359,038	3,252,542	3,603,074	+244,036	+350,532

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Preventive Health:					
Public health nursing	78,701	77,498	85,043	+6,342	+7,545
Health education	18,663	18,313	19,871	+1,208	+1,558
Community health representatives	60,325	58,906	62,888	+2,563	+3,982
Immunization (Alaska)	2,041	1,950	2,127	+86	+177
Subtotal	159,730	156,667	169,929	+10,199	+13,262
Other services:					
Urban Indian health	47,678	44,741	49,315	+1,637	+4,574
Indian health professions	49,345	43,342	49,363	+18	+6,021
Tribal management grant program	2,465	---	2,465	---	+2,465
Direct operations	70,420	72,338	72,338	+1,918	---
Self-governance	5,786	4,735	5,806	+20	+1,071
Subtotal	175,694	165,156	179,287	+3,593	+14,131
Total, Indian Health Services	3,694,462	3,574,365	3,952,290	+257,828	+377,925
Contract Support Costs					
Contract support	800,000	717,970	717,970	-82,030	---

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Indian Health Facilities					
Maintenance and improvement	75,745	60,000	167,527	+91,782	+107,527
Sanitation facilities construction	101,772	75,423	192,033	+90,261	+116,610
Health care facilities construction	117,991	100,000	243,480	+125,489	+143,480
Facilities and environmental health support	226,950	192,022	240,758	+13,808	+48,736
Equipment	22,966	19,511	23,706	+740	+4,195
Total, Indian Health Facilities	545,424	446,956	867,504	+322,080	+420,548
TOTAL, INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE	5,039,886	4,739,291	5,537,764	+497,878	+798,473
NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH					
National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences	77,349	59,607	77,349	---	+17,742
AGENCY FOR TOXIC SUBSTANCES AND DISEASE REGISTRY					
Toxic substances and environmental public health	74,691	62,000	74,691	---	+12,691
TOTAL, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES	5,191,926	4,860,898	5,689,804	+497,878	+828,906

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OTHER RELATED AGENCIES					
EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT					
Council on Environmental Quality and Office of Environmental Quality	3,000	2,994	3,000	---	+6
CHEMICAL SAFETY AND HAZARD INVESTIGATION BOARD					
Salaries and expenses	11,000	9,420	11,000	---	+1,580
Rescission of no-year funds (P.L. 108-199, P.L. 108-447)	---	-844	---	---	+844
OFFICE OF NAVAJO AND HOPI INDIAN RELOCATION					
Salaries and expenses	15,431	14,970	15,431	---	+461
INSTITUTE OF AMERICAN INDIAN AND ALASKA NATIVE CULTURE AND ARTS DEVELOPMENT					
Payment to the Institute	15,212	11,596	9,835	-5,377	-1,761

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SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION					
Salaries and Expenses					
Museum and Research Institutes:					
National Air and Space Museum	19,853	19,693	20,110	+257	+417
Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory	24,393	24,450	24,593	+200	+143
Major scientific instrumentation	4,118	4,118	4,118	---	---
Universe Center	184	184	184	---	---
National Museum of Natural History	49,205	49,407	49,789	+584	+382
National Zoological Park	27,252	26,864	27,566	+314	+702
Smithsonian Environmental Research Center	4,171	4,193	4,227	+56	+34
Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute	14,344	14,386	14,486	+142	+100
Biodiversity Center	1,530	1,543	1,543	+13	---
Arthur M. Sackler Gallery/Freer Gallery of Art	6,197	6,228	6,273	+76	+45
Center for Folklife and Cultural Heritage	3,039	3,178	3,084	+45	-94
Cooper-Hewitt, National Design Museum	5,005	4,897	5,061	+56	+164
Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden	4,627	4,344	4,687	+60	+343
National Museum of African Art	4,576	4,554	4,654	+78	+100
World Cultures Center	792	284	792	---	+508
Anacostia Community Museum	2,329	2,336	2,355	+26	+19
Archives of American Art	1,909	1,916	1,933	+24	+17
National Museum of African American History and Culture	41,564	32,987	33,079	-8,485	+92
National Museum of American History	26,036	24,902	26,504	+468	+1,602
National Museum of the American Indian	32,341	32,235	32,671	+330	+436

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National Portrait Gallery	6,460	6,382	6,556	+96	+174
Smithsonian American Art Museum	10,115	9,958	10,239	+124	+281
American Experience Center	596	601	600	+4	-1
Subtotal, Museums and Research Institutes	290,636	279,640	285,104	-5,532	+5,464
Mission enabling:					
Program support and outreach:					
Outreach	9,214	9,284	9,333	+119	+49
Communications	2,632	2,644	2,663	+31	+19
Institution-wide programs	14,784	13,284	16,784	+2,000	+3,500
Office of Exhibits Central	3,057	3,143	3,154	+97	+11
Museum Support Center	1,890	1,891	1,906	+16	+15
Museum Conservation Institute	3,320	3,337	3,359	+39	+22
Smithsonian Institution Archives	2,316	2,406	2,408	+92	+2
Smithsonian Institution Libraries	11,146	11,150	11,273	+127	+123
Subtotal, Program support and outreach	48,359	47,139	50,880	+2,521	+3,741
Office of Chief Information Officer	51,371	52,546	51,967	+596	-579
Administration	35,756	35,545	36,314	+558	+769
Inspector General	3,499	3,512	3,538	+39	+26

(Amounts in thousands)

	FY 2017 Enacted	FY 2018 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs Enacted	Final Bill vs Request
Facilities services:					
Facilities maintenance	76,327	76,568	77,045	+718	+477
Facilities operations, security and support	223,496	224,050	226,596	+3,100	+2,546
Subtotal, Facilities services	299,823	300,618	303,641	+3,818	+3,023
Subtotal, Mission enabling	438,808	439,360	446,340	+7,532	+6,980
Total, Salaries and expenses	729,444	719,000	731,444	+2,000	+12,444
Facilities Capital					
Revitalization	73,603	191,000	281,603	+208,000	+90,603
Facilities planning and design	20,300	27,000	20,300	---	-6,700
Construction	40,000	10,000	10,000	-30,000	---
Total, Facilities Capital	133,903	228,000	311,903	+178,000	+83,903
TOTAL, SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION	863,347	947,000	1,043,347	+180,000	+96,347
NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART					
Salaries and Expenses					
Care and utilization of art collections	44,778	43,593	46,368	+1,590	+2,775
Operation and maintenance of buildings and grounds	34,554	34,042	35,854	+1,300	+1,812

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Protection of buildings, grounds and contents	23,495	22,793	26,558	+3,063	+3,765
General administration	30,134	29,572	33,010	+2,876	+3,438
Total, Salaries and Expenses	132,961	130,000	141,790	+8,829	+11,790
Repair, Restoration and Renovation of Buildings					
Base program	22,564	17,000	24,203	+1,639	+7,203
TOTAL, NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART	155,525	147,000	165,993	+10,468	+18,993
JOHN F. KENNEDY CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS					
Operations and maintenance	22,260	23,740	23,740	+1,480	---
Capital repair and restoration	14,140	13,000	16,775	+2,635	+3,775
TOTAL, JOHN F. KENNEDY CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS	36,400	36,740	40,515	+4,115	+3,775
WOODROW WILSON INTERNATIONAL CENTER FOR SCHOLARS					
Salaries and expenses	10,500	7,474	12,000	+1,500	+4,526

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NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES					
National Endowment for the Arts					
Grants and Administration					
Grants:					
Direct grants	63,906	---	64,819	+913	+64,819
Challenge America grants	7,600	---	7,600	---	+7,600
Subtotal	71,506	---	72,419	+913	+72,419
State partnerships:					
State and regional	37,517	---	37,996	+479	+37,996
Underserved set-aside	10,154	---	10,284	+130	+10,284
Subtotal	47,671	---	48,280	+609	+48,280
Subtotal, Grants	119,177	---	120,699	+1,522	+120,699
Program support	1,950	---	1,950	---	+1,950
Administration	28,722	29,019	30,200	+1,478	+1,181
Total, Arts	149,849	29,019	152,849	+3,000	+123,830

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National Endowment for the Humanities					
Grants and Administration					
Grants:					
Special Initiative: The Common Good	7,230	---	---	-7,230	---
Federal/State partnership	46,000	---	47,200	+1,200	+47,200
Preservation and access	14,385	---	19,000	+4,615	+19,000
Public programs	12,730	---	14,000	+1,270	+14,000
Research programs	13,755	---	15,000	+1,245	+15,000
Education programs	12,000	---	12,750	+750	+12,750
Program development	500	---	850	+350	+850
Digital humanities initiatives	4,600	---	4,600	---	+4,600
Subtotal, Grants	111,200	---	113,400	+2,200	+113,400
Matching Grants:					
Treasury funds	2,200	---	2,200	---	+2,200
Challenge grants	8,500	12,400	9,100	+600	-3,300
Subtotal, Matching grants	10,700	12,400	11,300	+600	-1,100

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	FY 2017 Enacted	FY 2018 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs Enacted	Final Bill vs Request
Administration	27,948	29,907	28,148	+200	-1,759
Total, Humanities	149,848	42,307	152,848	+3,000	+110,541
TOTAL, NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES	299,697	71,326	305,697	+6,000	+234,371
COMMISSION OF FINE ARTS					
Salaries and expenses	2,762	2,600	2,762	---	+162
NATIONAL CAPITAL ARTS AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS					
Grants	2,000	---	2,750	+750	+2,750
ADVISORY COUNCIL ON HISTORIC PRESERVATION					
Salaries and expenses	6,493	6,400	6,400	-93	---
NATIONAL CAPITAL PLANNING COMMISSION					
Salaries and expenses	8,099	7,948	8,099	---	+151
UNITED STATES HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL MUSEUM					
Holocaust Memorial Museum	57,000	54,000	59,000	+2,000	+5,000

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DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER MEMORIAL COMMISSION					
Salaries and expenses	1,600	1,800	1,800	+200	---
Construction	45,000	85,000	45,000	---	-40,000
Total, DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER MEMORIAL COMMISSION	46,600	86,800	46,800	+200	-40,000
WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE CENTENNIAL COMMISSION					
Salaries and expenses	2,000	---	1,000	-1,000	+1,000
WORLD WAR I CENTENNIAL COMMISSION					
Salaries and expenses	---	7,000	7,000	+7,000	---
TOTAL, TITLE III, RELATED AGENCIES	12,323,305	10,989,882	13,365,972	+1,042,667	+2,376,090
Appropriations	(11,999,622)	(10,990,726)	(13,371,910)	(+1,372,288)	(+2,381,184)
Rescissions	(-18,317)	(-844)	(-5,938)	(+12,379)	(-5,094)
Emergency appropriations	(342,000)	---	---	(-342,000)	---

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TITLE IV - GENERAL PROVISIONS					
Treatment of certain hospitals (Sec. 429)	---	---	8,000	+8,000	+8,000
Infrastructure (Sec. 430)	---	---	766,000	+766,000	+766,000
TOTAL, TITLE IV, GENERAL PROVISIONS	---	---	774,000	+774,000	+774,000
OTHER APPROPRIATIONS					
ADDITIONAL DISASTER RELIEF SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2017 (P.L. 115-56)					
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE					
Forest Service					
Wildland Fire Management (emergency)	---	---	184,500	+184,500	+184,500
Flame Wildfire Suppression Reserve Fund (emergency)	---	---	342,000	+342,000	+342,000
Total, Department of Agriculture	---	---	526,500	+526,500	+526,500

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR					
Department-Wide Programs					
Wildland Fire Management (emergency)	---	---	50,000	+50,000	+50,000
Total, Additional Disaster Relief Supplemental Appropriations, 2017	---	---	576,500	+576,500	+576,500
FURTHER ADDITIONAL SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR DISASTER RELIEF ACT, 2018 (P.L. 115-123)					
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR					
United States Fish and Wildlife Service					
Construction (emergency)	---	---	210,629	+210,629	+210,629
National Park Service					
Historic Preservation Fund (emergency)	---	---	50,000	+50,000	+50,000
Construction (emergency)	---	---	207,600	+207,600	+207,600
Total, National Park Service	---	---	257,600	+257,600	+257,600

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United States Geological Survey					
Surveys, Investigations, and Research (emergency).....	---	---	42,246	+42,246	+42,246
Departmental Offices					
Insular Affairs:					
Assistance to Territories (emergency).....	---	---	3,000	+3,000	+3,000
Office of Inspector General (emergency).....	---	---	2,500	+2,500	+2,500
Total, Departmental Offices.....	---	---	5,500	+5,500	+5,500
Total, Department of the Interior.....	---	---	515,975	+515,975	+515,975
Environmental Protection Agency					
Hazardous Substance Superfund (emergency).....	---	---	6,200	+6,200	+6,200
Leaking Underground Storage Tank Trust Fund (emergency).....	---	---	7,000	+7,000	+7,000
State and Tribal Assistance Grants (emergency).....	---	---	50,000	+50,000	+50,000
Total, Environmental Protection Agency.....	---	---	63,200	+63,200	+63,200

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE					
Forest Service					
State and Private Forestry (emergency)	---	---	7,500	+7,500	+7,500
National Forest System (emergency)	---	---	20,652	+20,652	+20,652
Capital Improvement and Maintenance (emergency)	---	---	91,600	+91,600	+91,600
Total, Department of Agriculture	---	---	119,752	+119,752	+119,752
TOTAL, OTHER APPROPRIATIONS	---	---	1,275,427	+1,275,427	+1,275,427
GRAND TOTAL	32,633,720	27,260,809	36,589,147	+3,955,427	+9,328,338
Appropriations	(32,391,785)	(27,658,673)	(35,476,506)	(+3,084,721)	(+7,817,833)
Rescissions	(-137,065)	(-369,844)	(-162,786)	(-25,721)	(+207,058)
Rescissions of contract authority	(-28,000)	(-28,020)	---	(+28,000)	(+28,020)
Emergency appropriations	(407,000)	---	(1,275,427)	(+868,427)	(+1,275,427)
(By transfer)	(24,274)	(16,335)	(24,274)	---	(+7,939)
(Transfer out)	(-24,274)	(-16,335)	(-24,274)	---	(-7,939)
(Discretionary total)	(32,280,000)	(27,199,089)	(35,252,000)	(+2,972,000)	(+8,052,911)

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DIVISION H—DEPARTMENTS OF LABOR, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, AND EDUCATION, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2018

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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, and the National Apprenticeship Act, $3,486,200,000, 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, $2,789,832,000 as follows:

(A) $845,556,000 for adult employment and training activities, of which $133,556,000 shall be available for the period July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019, and of which $712,000,000 shall be available for the period October 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019;

(B) $903,416,000 for youth activities, which shall be available for the period April 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019; and

(C) $1,040,860,000 for dislocated worker employment and training activities, of which $180,860,000 shall be available for the period July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019, and of which $860,000,000 shall be available for the period October 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019:

Provided, 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, $696,368,000 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, 2018 through September 30, 2019, and of which $200,000,000 shall be available for the period October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019: *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, $30,000,000 shall be for training and employment assistance under sections 168(b), 169(c) (notwithstanding the 10 percent limitation in such section) and 170 of the WIOA for workers in the Appalachian region, as defined by 40 U.S.C. 14102(a)(1) and workers in the Lower Mississippi, as defined in section 4(2) of the Delta Development Act (Public Law 100–460, 102 Stat. 2246; 7 U.S.C. 2009aa(2));

(B) $54,000,000 for Native American programs under section 166 of the WIOA, which shall be available for the period July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019;

(C) $87,896,000 for migrant and seasonal farmworker programs under section 167 of the WIOA, including $81,447,000 for formula grants (of which not less than 70 percent shall be for employment and training services), $5,922,000 for migrant and seasonal housing (of which not less than 70 percent shall be for permanent housing), and $527,000 for other discretionary purposes, which shall be available for the period July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019: *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) $89,534,000 for YouthBuild activities as described in section 171 of the WIOA, which shall be available for the period April 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019;

(E) $93,079,000 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, 2018 through June 30, 2019: *Provided*, That of this amount, $25,000,000 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;

(F) $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, 2018 through June 30, 2019; and

(G) $145,000,000 to expand opportunities relating to apprenticeship programs registered under the National Ap-

prenticeship 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, 2018 through June 30, 2019.

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, $1,718,655,000, plus reimbursements, as follows:

(1) $1,603,325,000 for Job Corps Operations, which shall be available for the period July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019;

(2) $83,000,000 for construction, rehabilitation and acquisition of Job Corps Centers, which shall be available for the period July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2021, 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 provision shall not be available for obligation after June 30, 2019: *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, 2017 through September 30, 2018:

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"), $400,000,000, which shall be available for the period April 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019, 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 2018 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,

$790,000,000 together with such amounts as may be necessary to be charged to the subsequent appropriation for payments for any period subsequent to September 15, 2018: *Provided*, That notwithstanding section 502 of this Act, 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, $84,066,000, together with not to exceed $3,380,625,000 which may be expended from the Employment Security Administration Account in the Unemployment Trust Fund ("the Trust Fund"), of which:

(1) $2,639,600,000 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 $120,000,000 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 claimants of regular unemployment compensation, including those who are profiled as most likely to exhaust their benefits in each State: *Provided*, That such activities shall not be subject to section 306 of the Social Security Act; and $9,000,000 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, 2018, except that funds used for automation shall be available for Federal obligation through December 31, 2018, and for State obligation through September 30, 2020, or, if the automation is being carried out through consortia of States, for State obligation through September 30, 2023, and for expenditure through September 30, 2024, and funds for competitive grants awarded to States for improved operations and to conduct in-person reemployment and eligibility assessments and unemployment insurance improper payment reviews and provide reemployment services and referrals to training, as appropriate, shall be available for Federal obligation through December 31, 2018, and for obligation by the States through September 30, 2020, and funds for the Unemployment Insurance Integrity Center of Excellence shall be available for obligation by the State through September 30, 2019, and funds used for unemployment insurance workloads experienced through September 30,

2018 shall be available for Federal obligation through December 31, 2018;

(2) $13,897,000 from the Trust Fund is for national activities necessary to support the administration of the Federal-State unemployment insurance system;

(3) $645,000,000 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, 2018 through June 30, 2019;

(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) $62,653,000 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, 2018 through June 30, 2019:

Provided, That to the extent that the Average Weekly Insured Unemployment ("AWIU") for fiscal year 2018 is projected by the Department of Labor to exceed 2,246,000, 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 and non-State entities 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 final rule entitled "Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards" at part 200 of title 2, Code of Federal Regulations: *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, 2019, for such purposes.

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, 2019.

PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION

For expenses of administering employment and training programs, $108,674,000, 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, of which up to $3,000,000 shall be made available through September 30, 2019, for the procurement of expert witnesses for enforcement litigation.

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, 2018, for the Corporation: *Provided*, That none of the funds available to the Corporation for fiscal year 2018 shall be available for obligations for administrative expenses in excess of $424,417,000: *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 2018, an amount not to exceed an additional $9,200,000 shall be available through September 30, 2019, 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, $40,187,000.

OFFICE OF FEDERAL CONTRACT COMPLIANCE PROGRAMS

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses for the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, $103,476,000.

OFFICE OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION PROGRAMS

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses for the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs, $115,424,000, 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. 2012); 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, $220,000,000, 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, 2017, 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, 2018: *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, $71,188,000 shall be made available to the Secretary as follows:

(1) For enhancement and maintenance of automated data processing systems operations and telecommunications systems, $24,540,000;

(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, $21,946,000;

(4) For program integrity, $1,734,000; 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 (in-

cluding 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, $54,319,000, 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 2019, $15,000,000, 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, $59,846,000, 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 2018 for expenses of operation and administration of the Black Lung Benefits program, as authorized by section 9501(d)(5): not to exceed $38,246,000 for transfer to the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs, "Salaries and Expenses"; not to exceed $31,994,000 for transfer to Departmental Management, "Salaries and Expenses"; not to exceed $330,000 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, 2018, 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, of which the Secretary shall reserve not less than $4,500,000 for Susan Harwood Training Capacity Build-

ing Developmental grants, as described in Funding Opportunity Number SHTG–GY–16–02 (referenced in the notice of availability of funds published in the Federal Register on May 3, 2016 (81 Fed. Reg. 30568)) for program activities starting not later than September 30, 2018 and lasting for a period of 12 months: *Provided further*, That not less than $3,500,000 shall be for Voluntary Protection Programs.

MINE SAFETY AND HEALTH ADMINISTRATION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses for the Mine Safety and Health Administration, $373,816,000, 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 $10,537,000 for State assistance grants: *Provided*, That amounts available for State assistance grants may be used for the purchase and maintenance of new equipment required by the final rule entitled "Lowering Miners' Exposure to Respirable Coal Mine Dust, Including Continuous Personal Dust Monitors" published by the Department of Labor in the Federal Register on May 1, 2014 (79 Fed. Reg. 24813 et seq.), for operators that demonstrate financial need as determined by the Secretary: *Provided further*, 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, $547,000,000, 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, $337,536,000, 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, 2018: *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, 2019: *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: *Provided further*, That of the amounts

made available to the Women's Bureau, $994,000 shall be used for grants authorized by the Women in Apprenticeship and Nontraditional Occupations Act.

VETERANS EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING

Not to exceed $245,041,000 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) $180,000,000 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, 2018, 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) $19,500,000 is for carrying out the Transition Assistance Program under 38 U.S.C. 4113 and 10 U.S.C. 1144;

(3) $42,127,000 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, $50,000,000 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, 2018, 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.

In addition, fees may be assessed and deposited in the HIRE Vets Medallion Award Fund pursuant to section 5(b) of the HIRE Vets Act, as amended herein, and such amounts shall be available to the Secretary to carry out the HIRE Vets Medallion Award Program, as authorized by such Act, and shall remain available until

expended: *Provided*, That such sums shall be in addition to any other funds available for such purposes, including funds available under paragraph (3) of this heading: *Provided further*, That section 2(d) of division O of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2017 (Public Law 115–31; 38 U.S.C. 4100 note) shall not apply.

IT MODERNIZATION

For necessary expenses for Department of Labor centralized infrastructure technology investment activities related to support systems and modernization, $20,769,000, which shall be available through September 30, 2019.

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, $83,487,000, 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.

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 comparable 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. (a) 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.

(b) Notwithstanding section 102, the Secretary may transfer not more than 0.5 percent of each discretionary appropriation made available to the Employment and Training Administration by this Act to "Program Administration" in order to carry out program integrity activities relating to any of the programs or activities that are funded under any such discretionary appropriations: *Provided*, That notwithstanding section 102 and the preceding proviso, the Secretary may transfer not more than 0.5 percent of funds made available in paragraphs (1) and (2) of the "Office of Job Corps" account to paragraph (3) of such account to carry out program integrity activities related to the Job Corps program: *Provided further*, That funds transferred under the authority provided by this subsection shall be available for obligation through September 30, 2019.

(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, 2019: *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. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, beginning October 1, 2017, 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. 109. (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.

(RESCISSION)

SEC. 110. Of the funds made available under the heading "Employment and Training Administration–Training and Employment Services" in division H of Public Law 115–31, $12,500,000 is rescinded, to be derived from the amount made available in paragraph (2)(A) under such heading for the period October 1, 2017, through September 30, 2018.

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. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary may furnish through grants, cooperative agreements, contracts, and other arrangements, up to $2,000,000 of excess personal property to apprenticeship programs for the purpose of training apprentices in those programs.

SEC. 115. The proviso at the end of paragraph (1) under the heading "Department of Labor—Employment and Training Administration—State Unemployment Insurance and Employment Service Operations" in title I of division G of Public Law 113–235 shall be applied in fiscal year 2018 by substituting "seven" for "six".

SEC. 116. Section 5(b) of the HIRE Vets Act (division O of Public Law 115–31) is amended to read as follows:

"(b) To the extent provided in advance in appropriations Acts, the Secretary may assess a reasonable fee on employers that apply for receipt of a HIRE Vets Medallion Award and the Secretary shall deposit such fees into the HIRE Vets Medallion Award Fund. The Secretary shall establish the amount of the fee such that the amounts collected as fees and deposited into the Fund are sufficient to cover the costs associated with carrying out this division.".

SEC. 117. (a) The Act entitled "An Act to create a Department of Labor", approved March 4, 1913 (37 Stat. 736, chapter 141) shall be applied as if the following text is part of such Act:

"SEC. 12. SECURITY DETAIL.

"(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Labor is authorized to employ law enforcement officers or special agents to—

"(1) provide protection for the Secretary of Labor during the workday of the Secretary and during any activity that is preliminary or postliminary to the performance of official duties by the Secretary;

"(2) provide protection, incidental to the protection provided to the Secretary, to a member of the immediate family of the Secretary who is participating in an activity or event relating to the official duties of the Secretary;

"(3) provide continuous protection to the Secretary (including during periods not described in paragraph (1)) and to the members of the immediate family of the Secretary if there is a unique and articulable threat of physical harm, in accordance with guidelines established by the Secretary; and

"(4) provide protection to the Deputy Secretary of Labor or another senior officer representing the Secretary of Labor at a public event if there is a unique and articulable threat of physical harm, in accordance with guidelines established by the Secretary.

"(b) AUTHORITIES.—The Secretary of Labor may authorize a law enforcement officer or special agent employed under subsection (a), for the purpose of performing the duties authorized under subsection (a), to—

"(1) carry firearms;

"(2) make arrests without a warrant for any offense against the United States committed in the presence of such officer or special agent;

"(3) perform protective intelligence work, including identifying and mitigating potential threats and conducting advance work to review security matters relating to sites and events;

"(4) coordinate with local law enforcement agencies; and

"(5) initiate criminal and other investigations into potential threats to the security of the Secretary, in coordination with the Inspector General of the Department of Labor.

"(c) COMPLIANCE WITH GUIDELINES.—A law enforcement officer or special agent employed under subsection (a) shall exercise any authority provided under this section in accordance with any—

"(1) guidelines issued by the Attorney General; and

"(2) guidelines prescribed by the Secretary of Labor.".

(b) This section shall be effective on the date of enactment of this Act.

SEC. 118. The Secretary is authorized to dispose of or divest, by any means the Secretary determines appropriate, including an agreement or partnership to construct a new Job Corps center, all or a portion of the real property on which the Treasure Island Job Corps Center is situated. Any sale or other disposition will not be subject to any requirement of any Federal law or regulation relating to the disposition of Federal real property, including but not limited to Subchapter III of Chapter 5 of Title 40 of the United States Code and Subchapter V of Chapter 119 of Title 42 of the United States Code. The net proceeds of such a sale shall be trans-

ferred to the Secretary, which shall be available until expended to carry out the Job Corps Program.

This title may be cited as the "Department of Labor Appropriations Act, 2018".

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, $1,626,522,000: *Provided*, That no more than $1,000,000 shall be available until expended for carrying out the provisions of section 224(o) of the PHS Act: *Provided further*, That no more than $114,893,000 shall be available until expended for carrying out subsections (g) through (n) and (q) of section 224 of the PHS Act, 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 the ninth provisos under the heading "Department of Health and Human Services—Health Resources and Services Administration—Health Resources and Services" in Public Laws 104–208 and 105–78 are amended by striking "$80,000,000" and inserting "$152,700,000" in each such ninth proviso and by adding at the end of each such ninth proviso the following new proviso: "*Provided further*, 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 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 2018, not less than $200,000,000 shall be obligated in fiscal year 2018 for improving quality of care or expanded service grants under section 330 of the PHS Act to support and enhance behavioral health, mental health, or substance use disorder services.

Of the funds made available under this heading, $20,000,000 shall remain available until expended for the cost of guaranteed loans, as authorized under part A of title XVI of the PHS Act, for non-Federal lenders for the construction, renovation, and modernization of medical facilities that are operated by health centers: *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 total loan principal, any part of which is to be guaranteed, not to exceed $743,494,000.

HEALTH WORKFORCE

For carrying out titles III, VII, and VIII of the PHS Act with respect to the health workforce, sections 1128E and 1921 of the Social Security Act, and the Health Care Quality Improvement Act of 1986, $1,060,695,000, of which $111,916,000 shall remain available

through September 30, 2019 to carry out sections 755 and 756 of the PHS Act: *Provided*, That sections 747(c)(2), 751(j)(2), 762(k), and the proportional funding amounts in paragraphs (1) through (4) of section 756(f) 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: *Provided further*, That $105,000,000 shall remain available until expended, for the purposes of providing primary health services, be used to assign National Health Service Corps ("NHSC") members to expand the delivery of substance use disorder treatment services, notwithstanding the assignment priorities and limitations in or under sections 333(a)(1)(D), 333(b), and 333A(a)(1)(B)(ii) of the PHS Act, and to make NHSC Loan Repayment Program awards under section 338B of such Act: *Provided further*, That for purposes of the previous proviso, section 331(a)(3)(D) of the PHS Act shall be applied as if the term "primary health services" includes clinical substance use disorder treatment services, including those provided by masters level, licensed substance use disorder treatment counselors.

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, $886,789,000, of which $10,000,000 shall remain available through September 30, 2022 to carry out section 330M of the PHS Act: *Provided*, That notwithstanding sections 502(a)(1) and 502(b)(1) of the Social Security Act, not more than $83,593,000 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, $2,318,781,000, of which $1,970,881,000 shall remain available to the Secretary through September 30, 2020, 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, $111,693,000, 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, $290,794,000, of which $49,609,000 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, $15,942,000 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, $10,000,000 shall be available for State Offices of Rural Health: *Provided further*, That $15,000,000 shall remain available through September 30, 2020 to support the Rural Residency Development Program: *Provided further*, That $100,000,000 shall remain available through September 30, 2022, for the Rural Communities Opioids Response Program.

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, $155,000,000: *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 $9,200,000 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, $474,055,000.

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, $1,127,278,000.

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, $562,572,000.

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, $915,346,000: *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 made available under this heading, $15,000,000 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, $140,560,000.

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, $490,397,000.

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

For carrying out titles II, III, and XVII of the PHS Act with respect to environmental health, $188,750,000.

INJURY PREVENTION AND CONTROL

For carrying out titles II, III, and XVII of the PHS Act with respect to injury prevention and control, $648,559,000, of which $475,579,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2019 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, $335,200,000.

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, $488,621,000, of which (1) $128,421,000 shall remain available through September 30, 2019 for international HIV/AIDS and (2) $50,000,000 shall remain available through September 30, 2020 for Global Disease Detection and Emergency Response: *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, $1,450,000,000, of which $610,000,000 shall remain available until expended for the Strategic National Stockpile: *Provided*, That in the event the Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (referred to in this title as "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, $270,000,000, which shall remain available until September 30, 2022, of which $240,000,000 shall be for a CDC biosafety level 4 laboratory: *Provided*, That in addition to the amount provided, $240,000,000 shall be for a CDC biosafety level 4 laboratory for the purposes described in the previous proviso and shall be derived by transfer from the Fund established by Public Law 110–161, division G, title II, section 223 and shall remain available until September 30, 2022: *Provided further*, 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 author-

ized 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, 2019.

NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH

NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE

For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS Act with respect to cancer, $5,664,800,000, of which up to $30,000,000 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, $3,383,201,000.

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, $447,735,000.

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, $1,970,797,000.

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, $2,145,149,000: *Provided*, That $250,000,000 shall be available until September 30, 2019 for research related to opioid addiction, development of opioid alternatives, pain management, and addiction treatment: *Provided further*, That each for-profit recipient of funds provided in the previous proviso shall be subject to a matching requirement of funds or documented in-kind contributions of not less than 50 percent of the total funds awarded to such entity.

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, $5,260,210,000.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF GENERAL MEDICAL SCIENCES

For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS Act with respect to general medical sciences, $2,785,400,000, of which $922,871,000 shall be from funds available under section 241 of the PHS Act: *Provided*, That not less than $350,575,000 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, $1,452,006,000.

NATIONAL EYE INSTITUTE

For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS Act with respect to eye diseases and visual disorders, $772,317,000.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SCIENCES

For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS Act with respect to environmental health sciences, $751,143,000.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE ON AGING

For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS Act with respect to aging, $2,574,091,000.

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, $586,661,000.

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, $459,974,000.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF NURSING RESEARCH

For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS Act with respect to nursing research, $158,033,000.

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, $509,573,000.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE ON DRUG ABUSE

For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS Act with respect to drug abuse, $1,383,603,000: *Provided*, That $250,000,000 shall be available until September 30, 2019 for research related to opioid addiction, development of opioid alternatives, pain management, and addiction treatment: *Provided further*, That each for-profit recipient of funds provided in the previous proviso shall be subject to a matching requirement of funds or documented in-kind contributions of not less than 50 percent of the total funds awarded to such entity.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF MENTAL HEALTH

For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS Act with respect to mental health, $1,711,775,000.

NATIONAL HUMAN GENOME RESEARCH INSTITUTE

For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS Act with respect to human genome research, $556,881,000.

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, $377,871,000.

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, $142,184,000.

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, $303,200,000.

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), $75,733,000.

NATIONAL LIBRARY OF MEDICINE

For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS Act with respect to health information communications, $428,553,000: *Provided*, That of the amounts available for improvement of information systems, $4,000,000 shall be available until September 30, 2019: *Provided further*, That in fiscal year 2018, 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, $742,354,000: *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 $542,771,000 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, $1,803,293,000: *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 $588,116,000 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.

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 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, demolition 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, 2022.

NIH INNOVATION ACCOUNT, CURES ACT

For necessary expenses to carry out the purposes described in section 1001(b)(4) of the 21st Century Cures Act, in addition to amounts available for such purposes in the appropriations provided to the NIH in this Act, $496,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That such amounts are appropriated pursuant to section 1001(b)(3) of such Act, are to be derived from amounts transferred under section 1001(b)(2)(A) of such Act, and may be transferred by the Director of the National Institutes of Health to other accounts of the National Institutes of Health solely for the purposes provided in such Act: *Provided further*, That upon a determination by the Director that funds transferred pursuant to the previous proviso are not necessary for the purposes provided, such amounts may be transferred back to the Account: *Provided further*, That the transfer authority provided under this heading is in addition to any other transfer authority provided by law.

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, $1,453,972,000: *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 up to 10 percent of the amounts made available to carry out the Children's Mental Health Services program may be used to carry out demonstration grants or contracts for early interventions with persons not more than 25 years of age at clinical high risk of developing a first episode of psychosis: *Provided further,* That section 520E(b)(2) of the PHS Act shall not apply to funds appropriated in this Act for fiscal year 2018: *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 $100,000,000 shall be available until September 30, 2020 for grants to communities and community organizations who meet criteria for Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics pursuant to section 223(a) of Public Law 113-93: *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 and V of the PHS Act with respect to substance abuse treatment and title XIX of such Act with respect to substance abuse treatment and prevention, $3,182,306,000: *Provided*, That $1,000,000,000 shall be for State Opioid Response Grants for carrying out activities pertaining to opioids undertaken by the State agency responsible for administering the substance abuse prevention and treatment block grant under subpart II of part B of title XIX of the PHS Act (42 U.S.C. 300x–21 et seq.): *Provided further*, That of such amount $50,000,000 shall be made available to Indian Tribes or tribal organizations: *Provided further*, That 15 percent of the remaining amount shall be for the States with the highest mortality rate related to opioid use disorders: *Provided further*, That of the amounts provided for State Opioid Response Grants not more than 2 percent shall be available for Federal administrative expenses, training, technical assistance, and evaluation: *Provided further*, That of the amount not reserved by the previous three provisos, the Secretary shall make allocations to States, territories, and the District of Columbia according to a formula using national survey results that the Secretary determines are the most objective and reliable measure of drug use and drug-related deaths: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall submit the formula methodology to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate not less than 30 days prior to publishing a Funding Opportunity Announcement: *Provided further*, That prevention and treatment activities funded through such grants may include education, treatment (including the provision of medication), behavioral health services for individuals in treatment programs, referral to treatment services, recovery support, and medical screening associated with such treatment: *Provided further*, That each State, as well as the District of Colum-

bia, shall receive not less than $4,000,000: *Provided further*, 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 or State Opioid Response Grants 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, $248,219,000.

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, $128,830,000: *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, 2019: *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 2018: *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, 2019.

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, $284,798,384,000, to remain available until expended.

For making, after May 31, 2018, 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 2018 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 2019, $134,847,759,000, 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, $323,497,300,000.

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 1893(h) of the Social Security Act, 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 expended: *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 2018 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, $745,000,000, to remain available through September 30, 2019, 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 $500,368,000 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 $84,398,000 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 $84,398,000 shall be for the Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance Program ("CHIP") program integrity activities, and of which $75,836,000 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 2018 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 $434,000,000 is additional new budget authority specified for purposes of section 251(b)(2)(C) of such Act: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall provide not less than $17,621,000 for 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, $2,995,400,000, to remain available until expended; and for such purposes for the first quarter of fiscal year 2019, $1,400,000,000, 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, $3,640,304,000: *Provided*, That all but $678,500,000 of this amount shall be allocated as though the total appropriation for such payments for fiscal year 2018 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 nonprofit organizations.

REFUGEE AND ENTRANT ASSISTANCE

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

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"), and the Torture Victims Relief Act of 1998, $1,864,936,000, of which $1,830,446,000 shall remain available through September 30, 2020 for carrying out such sections 414, 501, 462, and 235: *Provided*, That amounts available under this heading to carry out the TVPA shall also be available for research and evaluation with respect to activities under such Act: *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 1990 ("CCDBG Act"), $5,226,000,000 shall be used to supplement, not supplant State general revenue funds for child care assistance for low-income families: *Provided*, 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: *Provided further*, That in addition to the amounts required to be reserved by the Secretary under section 658O(a)(2)(A) of such Act, $156,780,000 shall be for Indian tribes and tribal organizations.

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 Every Student Succeeds Act, the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act, sections 303 and 313 of the Family Violence 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, and the Community Services Block Grant Act ("CSBG Act"); and 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, the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990, the Assets for Independence Act, title IV of the Immigration and Nationality Act, and section 501 of the Refugee Education Assistance Act of 1980, $12,022,225,000, of which $75,000,000, to remain available through September 30, 2019, 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 and legal guardianships completed before September 30, 2018: *Provided*, That $9,863,095,000 shall be for making payments under the Head Start Act: *Provided further*, That of the amount in the previous proviso, $8,823,095,000 shall be available for payments under section 640 of the Head Start Act, of which $216,000,000 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, $260,000,000 (of which up to one percent may be reserved for research and evaluation) shall be available through March 31, 2019 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, $755,000,000 shall be available through March 31, 2019 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 $16,000,000 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 $250,000,000 shall be available until December 31, 2018 for carrying out sections 9212 and 9213 of the Every Student Succeeds Act: *Provided further*, That up to 3 percent of the funds in the preceding proviso shall be available for technical assistance and evaluation related to grants awarded under such section 9212: *Provided further,* That $742,883,000 shall be for making payments under the CSBG Act: *Provided further,* That $28,233,000 shall be for sections 680 and 678E(b)(2) of the CSBG Act, of which not less than $19,883,000 shall be for section 680(a)(2) and not less than $8,000,000 shall be for section 680(a)(3)(B) of such Act: *Provided further,* That, notwithstanding section 675C(a)(3) of such Act, to the extent Community Services Block Grant funds are distributed as grant funds by a State to an eligible entity as provided under such 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 $160,000,000 shall be for carrying out section 303(a) of the Family Violence Prevention and Services Act, of which $5,000,000 shall be allocated notwithstanding section 303(a)(2) of such Act for carrying out section 309 of such Act: *Provided further*, That the percentages specified in section 112(a)(2) of the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act shall not apply to funds appropriated under this heading: *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 Re-

porting 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, $99,765,000: *Provided*, That of the funds available to carry out section 437, $59,765,000 shall be allocated consistent with subsections (b) through (d) of such section (as such section shall be so in effect on October 1, 2018): *Provided further*, That of the funds available to carry out section 437, to assist in meeting the requirements described in section 471(e)(4)(C) (as such section shall be so in effect on October 1, 2018), $20,000,000 shall be for grants to each State, territory, and Indian tribe operating title IV–E plans for developing, enhancing, or evaluating kinship navigator programs, as described in section 427(a)(1) of such Act, and $20,000,000, in addition to funds otherwise appropriated in section 436 for such purposes, shall be for competitive grants to regional partnerships as described in section 437(f): *Provided further*, That section 437(b)(1) shall be applied to amounts in the previous proviso by substituting "5 percent" for "3.3 percent", and notwithstanding section 436(b)(1), such reserved amounts may be used for identifying, establishing, and disseminating practices to meet the criteria specified in section 471(e)(4)(C) (as such section shall be so in effect on October 1, 2018): *Provided further*, That the reservation in section 437(b)(2) and the limitations in section 437(d) shall not apply to funds specified in the second proviso: *Provided further*, That the minimum grant award for kinship navigator programs in the case of States and territories shall be $200,000, and, in the case of tribes, shall be $25,000.

PAYMENTS FOR FOSTER CARE AND PERMANENCY

For carrying out, except as otherwise provided, title IV–E of the Social Security Act, $6,225,000,000.

For carrying out, except as otherwise provided, title IV–E of the Social Security Act, for the first quarter of fiscal year 2019, $2,700,000,000.

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 Assist-

ance 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, $2,095,100,000, together with $49,115,000 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 of amounts made available under this heading to carry out sections 311, 331, and 336 of the OAA, up to one percent of such amounts shall be available for developing and implementing evidence-based practices for enhancing senior nutrition: *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 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, $470,629,000, 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 additional 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, $25,000,000 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).

ACCOUNT FOR THE STATE RESPONSE TO THE OPIOID ABUSE CRISIS, CURES ACT

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses to carry out the purposes described in section 1003(c) of the 21st Century Cures Act, $500,000,000 to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That such amounts are appropriated pursuant to section 1003(b)(3) of such Act, are to be derived from amounts transferred under section 1003(b)(2)(A) of such Act, and may be transferred by the Secretary of Health and Human Services to other accounts of the Department solely for the purposes provided in such Act: *Provided further*, That the transfer authority provided under this heading is in addition to any other transfer authority provided by law.

OFFICE OF MEDICARE HEARINGS AND APPEALS

For expenses necessary for the Office of Medicare Hearings and Appeals, $182,381,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2019, 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, $80,000,000: *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, $993,458,000, of which $536,700,000 shall remain available through September 30, 2019, 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, 2020.

For expenses necessary for procuring security countermeasures (as defined in section 319F–2(c)(1)(B) of the PHS Act), $710,000,000, to remain available until expended.

For an additional amount for expenses necessary to prepare for or respond to an influenza pandemic, $250,000,000; of which $215,000,000 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 2018 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 enrollees): *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 2018:

(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 Columbia. 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 Appro-

priations 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 authorized under section 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 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. (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. 219. (a) The Secretary shall publish in the fiscal year 2020 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. 220. The Secretary shall publish, as part of the fiscal year 2020 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 2020. 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. 221. (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. 222. 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. 223. The Secretary shall include in the fiscal year 2020 budget justification an analysis of how section 2713 of the PHS Act will impact eligibility for discretionary HHS programs.

(TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 224. (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. 225. Effective during the period beginning on November 1, 2015 and ending January 1, 2020, 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)).

SEC. 226. In making Federal financial assistance, the provisions relating to indirect costs in part 75 of title 45, Code of Federal Regulations, including with respect to the approval of deviations from negotiated rates, shall continue to apply to the National Institutes of Health to the same extent and in the same manner as such pro-

visions were applied in the third quarter of fiscal year 2017. None of the funds appropriated in this or prior Acts or otherwise made available to the Department of Health and Human Services or to any department or agency may be used to develop or implement a modified approach to such provisions, or to intentionally or substantially expand the fiscal effect of the approval of such deviations from negotiated rates beyond the proportional effect of such approvals in such quarter.

SEC. 227. 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.

(TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 228. The NIH Director may transfer funds specifically appropriated for opioid addiction, opioid alternatives, pain management, and addiction treatment to other Institutes and Centers of the NIH to be used for the same purpose 15 days after notifying the Committees on Appropriations: *Provided*, That the transfer authority provided in the previous proviso is in addition to any other transfer authority provided by law.

SEC. 229. None of the funds made available by this Act to carry out the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990 may be provided to any child care provider if a list of providers (as mentioned in part 98 of title 45 of the Code of Federal Regulations, applicable to the Department of Health and Human Services, Administration of Children and Families, and in the final rule published in the Federal Register, Vol. 81, No. 190, on Sept. 30, 2016) indicates that a serious injury or death occurred at the provider due to a substantiated health or safety violation.

This title may be cited as the "Department of Health and Human Services Appropriations Act, 2018".

TITLE III

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

EDUCATION FOR THE DISADVANTAGED

For carrying out title I and subpart 2 of part B of title II 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"), $16,443,790,000, of which $5,525,990,000 shall become available on July 1, 2018, and shall remain available through September 30, 2019, and of which $10,841,177,000 shall become available on October 1, 2018, and shall remain available through September 30, 2019, for academic year 2018–2019: *Provided*, That $6,459,401,000 shall be for basic

grants under section 1124 of the ESEA: *Provided further*, That up to $5,000,000 of these funds shall be available to the Secretary of Education (referred to in this title as "Secretary") on October 1, 2017, 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 $3,969,050,000 shall be for targeted grants under section 1125 of the ESEA: *Provided further*, That $3,969,050,000 shall be for education finance incentive grants under section 1125A of the ESEA: *Provided further*, That $217,000,000 shall be for carrying out subpart 2 of part B of title II: *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 VII of the ESEA, $1,414,112,000, of which $1,270,242,000 shall be for basic support payments under section 7003(b), $48,316,000 shall be for payments for children with disabilities under section 7003(d), $17,406,000 shall be for construction under section 7007(a), $73,313,000 shall be for Federal property payments under section 7002, and $4,835,000, to remain available until expended, shall be for facilities maintenance under section 7008: *Provided*, That for purposes of computing the amount of a payment for an eligible local educational agency under section 7003(a) for school year 2017–2018, children enrolled in a school of such agency that would otherwise be eligible for payment under section 7003(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 7003(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 part B of title I, part A of title II, subpart 1 of part A of title IV, part B of title IV, part B of title V, and parts B and C of title VI 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, $5,158,467,000, of which $3,329,902,000 shall become available on July 1, 2018, and remain available through September 30, 2019, and of which $1,681,441,000 shall become available on October 1, 2018, and shall remain available through September 30, 2019, for academic year 2018–2019: *Provided*, That $378,000,000 shall be for part B of title I: *Provided further*, That $1,211,673,000 shall be for part B of title IV: *Provided further*, That $36,397,000 shall be for part B of title VI and 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 $35,453,000 shall be for part C of title VI and shall be awarded on a competitive basis, and also may be used for construction: *Provided further*, That $52,000,000 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 $180,840,000 shall be for part B of title V: *Provided further*, That $1,100,000,000 shall be available for grants under subpart 1 of part A of title IV.

INDIAN EDUCATION

For expenses necessary to carry out, to the extent not otherwise provided, title VI, part A of the ESEA, $180,239,000, of which $67,993,000 shall be for subpart 2 of part A of title VI and $6,865,000 shall be for subpart 3 of part A of title VI.

INNOVATION AND IMPROVEMENT

For carrying out activities authorized by subparts 1, 3 and 4 of part B of title II, and parts C, D, and E and subparts 1 and 4 of part F of title IV of the ESEA, $982,256,000: *Provided*, That $278,515,000 shall be for subparts 1, 3 and 4 of part B of title II and shall be made available without regard to sections 2201, 2231(b) and 2241: *Provided further*, That $583,741,000 shall be for parts C, D, and E and subpart 4 of part F of title IV, and shall be made available without regard to sections 4311, 4409(a), and 4601 of the ESEA: *Provided further*, That section 4303(d)(3)(A)(i) shall not apply to the funds available for part C of title IV: *Provided further*, That of the funds available for part C of title IV, the Secretary shall use $50,000,000 to carry out section 4304, of which not more than $10,000,000 shall be available to carry out section 4304(k), $120,000,000, to remain available through March 31, 2019, to carry out section 4305(b), and not more than $14,000,000 to carry out the activities in section 4305(a)(3): *Provided further*, That notwithstanding section 4601(b), $120,000,000 shall be available through December 31, 2018 for subpart 1 of part F of title IV.

SAFE SCHOOLS AND CITIZENSHIP EDUCATION

For carrying out activities authorized by subparts 2 and 3 of part F of title IV of the ESEA, $185,754,000: *Provided*, That $90,000,000 shall be available for section 4631, 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: *Provided further*, That $17,500,000 shall be available for section 4625: *Provided further*, That $78,254,000 shall be available through December 31, 2018, for section 4624: *Provided further*, That section 4623(b) of the ESEA shall apply to funds appropriated for Promise Neighborhoods under this heading in prior appropriations acts: *Provided further*, That, no later than June 1, 2018, the Secretary shall award extension grants under such section on a competitive basis to implementation grantees that have demonstrated the ability to collect, track, and report longitudinal data on performance indicators established by the Department and required to be reported on annually as part of the initial implementation grant; demonstrated the most positive and promising results during their initial implementation grant based on such indicators, emphasizing getting children ready to learn; demonstrated a commitment to operating in the most underserved and under-resourced, including rural, areas; and propose continuing to pursue ambitious goals during an extension of that grant.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE ACQUISITION

For carrying out part A of title III of the ESEA, $737,400,000, which shall become available on July 1, 2018, and shall remain available through September 30, 2019, except that 6.5 percent of such amount shall be available on October 1, 2017, and shall remain available through September 30, 2019, to carry out activities under section 3111(c)(1)(C).

SPECIAL EDUCATION

For carrying out the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) and the Special Olympics Sport and Empowerment Act of 2004, $13,366,184,000, of which $3,845,585,000 shall become available on July 1, 2018, and shall remain available through September 30, 2019, and of which $9,283,383,000 shall become available on October 1, 2018, and shall remain available through September 30, 2019, for academic year 2018–2019: *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 2017, 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 2017: *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, 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 appro-

priated 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 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

For carrying out, to the extent not otherwise provided, the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Helen Keller National Center Act, $3,587,130,000, of which $3,452,931,000 shall be for grants for vocational 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, 2019.

SPECIAL INSTITUTIONS FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

AMERICAN PRINTING HOUSE FOR THE BLIND

For carrying out the Act to promote the Education of the Blind of March 3, 1879, $27,431,000.

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, $73,000,000: *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, $128,000,000: *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"), $1,830,686,000, of which $1,039,686,000 shall become available on July 1, 2018, and shall remain available through September 30, 2019, and of which $791,000,000 shall become available on October 1, 2018, and shall remain available through September 30, 2019: *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, $24,445,352,000, which shall remain available through September 30, 2019.

The maximum Pell Grant for which a student shall be eligible during award year 2018–2019 shall be $5,035.

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, $1,678,943,000, to remain available through September 30, 2019: *Provided*, That the Secretary shall al-

locate 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: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall, no later than September 30, 2017, allow student loan borrowers who are consolidating Federal student loans to select from any student loan servicer to service their new consolidated student loan under the current student loan servicing contracts: *Provided further*, That in order to promote accountability and high-quality service to borrowers, the Secretary shall not award funding for any contract solicitation for a new Federal student loan servicing environment, including the solicitation for the FSA Next Generation Processing and Servicing Environment as amended by the Department of Education on February 20, 2018, unless such an environment provides for the participation of multiple student loan servicers that contract directly with the Department of Education to manage a unique portfolio of borrower accounts and the full life-cycle of loans from disbursement to pay-off with certain limited exceptions, and allocates student loan borrower accounts to eligible student loan servicers based on performance: *Provided further*, That such servicers described in the previous proviso shall be evaluated based on their ability to meet contract requirements, future performance on the contracts, and history of compliance with applicable consumer protections laws: *Provided further*, That to the extent Federal Student Aid (FSA) permits student loan servicing subcontracting, FSA shall hold such subcontractors accountable for meeting the requirements of the contract: *Provided further*, That FSA shall create a fee structure with contractors that provides more support to borrowers at risk of being distressed.

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, $2,246,551,000: *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, $232,518,000, 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, 2019: *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 $313,863,000: *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, $10,000,000 shall be made available to provide for the deferment of loans made under part D of title III of the HEA to eligible institutions that are private Historically Black Colleges and Universities, which apply for the deferment of such a loan and demonstrate financial need for such deferment by having a score of 2.6 or less on the Department of Education's financial responsibility test: *Provided*, That during the period of deferment of such a loan, interest on the loan will not accrue or be capitalized, and the period of deferment shall be for at least a period of 3-fiscal years and not more than 6-fiscal years: *Provided further*, That when determining priority for such institutions to receive such a deferment, the Secretary shall give priority to institutions that operated in a financial deficit for at least one of the previous 5 years according to audits provided to the Department, or were sanctioned for financial related reasons by the agency or association that accredited such institutions: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall create and execute an outreach plan to work with States and the Capital Financing Advisory Board to improve outreach to States and help additional public Historically Black Colleges and Universities participate in the program.

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, $613,462,000, which shall remain available through September 30, 2019: *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.

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, $430,000,000: *Provided*, That, notwithstanding any other provision of law, none of the funds provided by this Act or provided by previous Appropriations Acts to the Department of Education available for obligation or expenditure in the current fiscal year may be used for any activity relating to implementing a reorganization that decentralizes, reduces the staffing level, or alters the responsibilities, structure, authority, or functionality of the Budget Service of the Department of Education, relative to the organization and operation of the Budget Service as in effect on January 1, 2018.

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, $117,000,000.

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, $61,143,000.

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. 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 "2018" for "2017".

SEC. 306. Funds appropriated in this Act and consolidated for evaluation purposes under section 8601(c) of the ESEA shall be available from July 1, 2018, through September 30, 2019.

SEC. 307. (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 2018 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. 308. Section 114(f) of the HEA (20 U.S.C. 1011c(f)) is amended by striking "2017" and inserting "2018".

SEC. 309. Section 458(a) of the HEA (20 U.S.C. 1087h(a)) is amended in paragraph (4) by striking "2017" and inserting "2018".

(RESCISSION)

SEC. 310. Section 401(b)(7)(A)(iv)(VIII) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1070a(b)(7)(A)(iv)(VIII)) is amended by striking "$1,382,000,000" and inserting "$1,334,000,000".

SEC. 311. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law except as provided under subsection (c), with respect to a local educational agency that was notified by the Secretary in fiscal year 2017 of the agency's eligibility to receive a basic support payment pursuant to section 7003(b)(2)(B)(i)(III) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 7703(b)(2)(B)(i)(III)) for fiscal year

2017 but did not receive a payment under section 7003(b)(2) of such Act for fiscal year 2017, in addition to payments received by the local educational agency under section 7003(b)(1) of such Act, the Secretary shall reserve from funds appropriated to carry out section 7003(b) of such Act and make payments from such funds to such local educational agency for fiscal years 2017, 2018, 2019, and 2020 in the following amounts:

(1) $3,000,000 for fiscal year 2017.

(2) $5,000,000 for fiscal year 2018.

(3) $4,000,000 for fiscal year 2019.

(4) $4,000,000 for fiscal year 2020.

(b) For fiscal year 2017, a local educational agency described in subsection (a) shall not be eligible for a basic support payment pursuant to section 7003(b)(2) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 7703(b)(2)).

(c) For fiscal year 2018 and succeeding fiscal years, if a local educational agency described in subsection (a) is eligible to receive a basic support payment pursuant to section 7003(b)(2) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 7703(b)(2)), the payment received by the local educational agency shall be calculated under section 7003(b)(2) of such Act and not under subsection (a).

(d) Section 7003(b)(2)(B) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (20 U.S.C. 7703(b)(2)(B)) is amended—

(1) in clause (i)(III)—

(A) in item (aa), by striking "and" after the semicolon;

(B) in item (bb)(BB)—

(i) by inserting "and received assistance for fiscal year 2017 pursuant to subparagraph (G)" after "not less than 65 percent"; and

(ii) by inserting "and" after the semicolon; and

(C) by adding at the end the following:

"(cc) received assistance under subparagraph (A) of section 8003(b)(2), as such section was in effect on the day before the date of enactment of the Every Student Succeeds Act (Public Law 114–95; 129 Stat. 1802), for a fiscal year prior to fiscal year 2017;"; and

(2) by striking clause (iii) and inserting the following:

"(iii) ELIGIBILITY.—

"(I) FIRST TIME.—A local educational agency seeking a payment under this paragraph for the first time shall apply for and be determined eligible under clause (i) for 2 consecutive years before receiving such a payment, and shall not receive such a payment for the first year of eligibility.

"(II) RESUMPTION OF ELIGIBILITY.—A heavily impacted local educational agency described in clause (i) that becomes ineligible under such clause for 1 or more fiscal years may resume eligibility for a basic support payment under this paragraph for a subsequent fiscal year only if the agency meets the requirements of clause (i) for that subsequent fiscal year, except that such

agency shall not receive a basic support payment under this paragraph until the fiscal year succeeding the fiscal year for which the eligibility determination is made.".

(e) Section 579(c)(2) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (Public Law 114–328; 130 Stat. 2145) is amended, in the matter preceding subparagraph (A), by striking "for fiscal year 2017, 2018, or 2019," and inserting "for fiscal year 2017 and any succeeding fiscal year,".

SEC. 312. For the purpose of providing temporary emergency impact aid for displaced students under the Hurricane Education Recovery heading in title VIII of subdivision 1 of division B of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018 (Public Law 115–123), paragraph (2)(E) under such heading is amended by inserting before the semicolon at the end the following: "and each reference to the end of the 2005–2006 school year in section 107(f) of title IV of division B of Public Law 109–148, shall be to December 31, 2018".

SEC. 313. (a) Notwithstanding the limitations on sharing data described in paragraph (3)(E) of section 483(a) of the HEA, an institution of higher education may, with explicit written consent of an applicant who has completed a FAFSA under such section 483(a), provide such information collected from the applicant's FAFSA as is necessary to a scholarship granting organization, including a tribal organization (defined in section 4 of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 5304)), designated by the applicant to assist the applicant in applying for and receiving financial assistance for the applicant's cost of attendance (defined in section 472 of the HEA) at that institution.

(b) An organization that receives information pursuant to subsection (a) shall not sell or otherwise share such information.

(c) This section shall be in effect until title IV of the HEA is reauthorized.

SEC. 314. (a) IN GENERAL.—For the purpose of carrying out section 435(a)(2) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1085(a)(2)), the Secretary of Education may waive the requirements under sections 435(a)(5)(A)(i) and 435(a)(5)(A)(ii) of such Act (20 U.S.C. 1085(a)(5)(A)(i) and 20 U.S.C. 1085(a)(5)(A)(ii))—

(1) for an institution of higher education that offers an associate degree, is a public institution, and is located in an economically distressed county, defined as a county that ranks in the lowest 5 percent of all counties in the United States based on a national index of county economic status; and

(2) for an institution—

(A) that is a public institution of higher education or a Tribal College or University (as defined in section 316(b) of such Act (20 U.S.C. 1059c)); and

(B) whose fall enrollment for the most recently completed academic year was comprised of a majority of students who are Indian (as defined in such section) or Alaska Natives (as defined in section 317(b) of such Act (20 U.S.C. 1059d(b)).

(b) APPLICABILITY.—Subsection (a) shall apply to an institution of higher education that otherwise would be ineligible to participate in a program under part A of title IV of the Higher Education Act

of 1965 on or after the date of enactment of this Act due to the application of section 435(a)(2) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1085(a)(2)).

(c) COVERAGE.—This section shall be in effect for the period covered by this Act and for the succeeding fiscal year.

SEC. 315. For an additional amount for "Department of Education—Federal Direct Student Loan Program Account", $350,000,000, to remain available until expended, shall be for the cost, as defined under section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, of the Secretary of Education providing loan cancellation in the same manner as under section 455(m) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1087e(m)), for borrowers of loans made under part D of title IV of such Act who would qualify for loan cancellation under section 455(m) except some, or all, of the 120 required payments under section 455(m)(1)(A) do not qualify for purposes of the program because they were monthly payments made in accordance with graduated or extended repayment plans as described under subparagraph (B) or (C) of section 455(d)(1) or the corresponding repayment plan for a consolidation loan made under section 455(g) and that were less than the amount calculated under section 455(d)(1)(A), based on a 10-year repayment period: *Provided*, That the monthly payment made 12 months before the borrower applied for loan cancellation as described in the matter preceding this proviso and the most recent monthly payment made by the borrower at the time of such application were each not less than the monthly amount that would be calculated under, and for which the borrower would otherwise qualify for, clause (i) or (iv) of section 455(m)(1)(A) regarding income-based or income-contingent repayment plans, with exception for a borrower who would have otherwise been eligible under this section but demonstrates an unusual fluctuation of income over the past 5 years: *Provided further*, That the total loan volume, including outstanding principal, fees, capitalized interest, or accrued interest, at application that is eligible for such loan cancellation by such borrowers shall not exceed $500,000,000: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall develop and make available a simple method for borrowers to apply for loan cancellation under this section within 60 days of enactment of this Act: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall provide loan cancellation under this section to eligible borrowers on a first-come, first-serve basis, based on the date of application and subject to both the limitation on total loan volume at application for such loan cancellation specified in the second proviso and the availability of appropriations under this section: *Provided further*, That no borrower may, for the same service, receive a reduction of loan obligations under both this section and section 428J, 428K, 428L, or 460 of such Act.

SEC. 316. Of the amounts made available under this title under the heading "Student Aid Administration", $2,300,000 shall be used by the Secretary of Education to conduct outreach to borrowers of loans made under part D of title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 who may intend to qualify for loan cancellation under 455(m) of such Act (20 U.S.C. 1087e(m)), to ensure that borrowers are meeting the terms and conditions of such loan cancellation: *Provided*, That the Secretary shall specifically conduct out-

reach to assist borrowers who would qualify for loan cancellation under 455(m) of such Act except that the borrower has made some, or all, of the 120 required payments under a repayment plan that is not described under section 455(m)(A) of such Act, to encourage borrowers to enroll in a qualifying repayment plan: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall also communicate to all Direct Loan borrowers the full requirements of 455(m) of such Act and improve the filing of employment certification by providing improved outreach and information such as outbound calls, electronic communications, ensuring prominent access to program requirements and benefits on each servicer's website, and creating an option for all borrowers to complete the entire payment certification process electronically and on a centralized website.

CHILDREN OF FALLEN HEROES SCHOLARSHIP ACT

SEC. 317. Section 473(b) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1087mm(b)) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (2)—

(A) in the matter preceding subparagraph (A), by inserting "(in the case of a student who meets the requirement of subparagraph (B)(i)), or academic year 2018–2019 (in the case of a student who meets the requirement of subparagraph (B)(ii))," after "academic year 2009–2010"; and

(B) by amending subparagraph (B) to read as follows:

"(B) whose parent or guardian was—

"(i) a member of the Armed Forces of the United States and died as a result of performing military service in Iraq or Afghanistan after September 11, 2001; or

"(ii) actively serving as a public safety officer and died in the line of duty while performing as a public safety officer; and";

(2) in paragraph (3)—

(A) by striking "Notwithstanding" and inserting the following:

"(A) ARMED FORCES.—Notwithstanding";

(B) by striking "paragraph (2)" and inserting "subparagraphs (A), (B)(i), and (C) of paragraph (2)"; and

(C) by adding at the end the following:

"(B) PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, unless the Secretary establishes an alternate method to adjust the expected family contribution, for each student who meets the requirements of subparagraphs (A), (B)(ii), and (C) of paragraph (2), a financial aid administrator shall—

"(i) verify with the student that the student is eligible for the adjustment;

"(ii) adjust the expected family contribution in accordance with this subsection; and

"(iii) notify the Secretary of the adjustment and the student's eligibility for the adjustment."; and

(3) by adding at the end the following:

"(4) TREATMENT OF PELL AMOUNT.—Notwithstanding section 1212 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of

1968 (42 U.S.C. 3796d–1), in the case of a student who receives an increased Federal Pell Grant amount under this section, the total amount of such Federal Pell Grant, including the increase under this subsection, shall not be considered in calculating that student's educational assistance benefits under the Public Safety Officers' Benefits program under subpart 2 of part L of title I of such Act.

"(5) DEFINITION OF PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER.—For purposes of this subsection, the term 'public safety officer' means—

"(A) a public safety officer, as defined in section 1204 of title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 3796b); or

"(B) a fire police officer, defined as an individual who—

"(i) is serving in accordance with State or local law as an officially recognized or designated member of a legally organized public safety agency;

"(ii) is not a law enforcement officer, a firefighter, a chaplain, or a member of a rescue squad or ambulance crew; and

"(iii) provides scene security or directs traffic—

"(I) in response to any fire drill, fire call, or other fire, rescue, or police emergency; or

"(II) at a planned special event.".

SEC. 318. Notwithstanding any other provision of law funds awarded under part D of title IV of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 for fiscal years 2017 and 2018 may be used for the purposes in section 4407(a)(9) of such Act.

This title may be cited as the "Department of Education Appropriations Act, 2018".

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, $8,250,000: *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 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 this heading in the explanatory statement accompanying Public Law 114–113: *Provided further*, That 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 $1,250,000 shall be available for the Office of Inspector General.

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"), $767,629,000, notwithstanding 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) $17,538,000 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; (3) $32,000,000 shall be available to carry out subtitle E of the 1990 Act; and (4) $5,400,000 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.

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, $206,842,000, 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 Dis-

trict of Columbia, the employment of experts and consultants authorized under 5 U.S.C. 3109, and not to exceed $2,500 for official reception and representation expenses, $83,737,000.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector General in carrying out the Inspector General Act of 1978, $5,750,000.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

SEC. 401. CNCS shall make any significant changes to program requirements, service delivery or policy only through public notice and comment rulemaking. For fiscal year 2018, 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. 402. 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. 403. 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. 404. 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. 405. 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");

(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.

SEC. 406. Notwithstanding sections 139(b), 146 and 147 of the 1990 Act, an individual who successfully completes a term of service of not less than 1,200 hours during a period of not more than one year may receive a national service education award having a value of 70 percent of the value of a national service education award determined under section 147(a) of the Act.

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 2020, $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 and other technologies and services that create infrastructure and efficiencies within the public media system, $20,000,000.

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, $46,650,000, including up to $900,000 to remain available through September 30, 2019, 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, $17,184,000.

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, $240,000,000.

MEDICAID AND CHIP PAYMENT AND ACCESS COMMISSION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For expenses necessary to carry out section 1900 of the Social Security Act, $8,480,000.

MEDICARE PAYMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For expenses necessary to carry out section 1805 of the Social Security Act, $12,545,000, 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. 407. 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, $13,800,000.

OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH REVIEW COMMISSION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For expenses necessary for the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission, $13,225,000.

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, $22,000,000, which shall include amounts becoming available in fiscal year 2018 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, 2019, 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, $123,500,000, 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: *Provided further*, That $10,000,000, to remain available until expended, shall be used to supplement, not supplant, existing re-

sources devoted to operations and improvements for the Board's Information Technology Investment Initiatives.

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 $11,000,000, 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) 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, $38,487,277,000, 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, 2020.

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 2019, $19,500,000,000, 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 $12,753,945,000 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 $280,000,000 shall remain available until expended for information technology modernization, including related hardware and software infrastructure and equipment, and for administrative expenses directly associated with information technology modernization: *Provided further*, That $100,000,000 shall remain available through September 30, 2019, for activities to address the disability hearings backlog within the

Office of Hearings Operations: *Provided further*, That unobligated balances of funds provided under this paragraph at the end of fiscal year 2018 not needed for fiscal year 2018 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.

Of the total amount made available under this heading, not more than $1,735,000,000, to remain available through March 31, 2019, is for the costs associated with continuing disability reviews under titles II and XVI of the Social Security Act, including work-related continuing disability reviews to determine whether earnings derived from services demonstrate an individual's ability to engage in substantial gainful activity, for the cost associated with conducting redeterminations of eligibility under title XVI of the Social Security Act, for the cost of co-operative disability investigation units, and for the cost associated with the prosecution of fraud in the programs and operations of the Social Security Administration by Special Assistant United States Attorneys: *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 $1,462,000,000 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, $118,000,000 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 2018 exceed $118,000,000, the amounts shall be available in fiscal year 2019 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, $30,000,000, together with not to exceed $75,500,000, 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 2018, 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 2018, 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 2018 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 2018 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 2018, 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 Mex-

ico 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 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 2018" for "FISCAL YEAR 2014" in the title of subsection (b) and by substituting "September 30, 2022" for "September 30, 2018" each place it appears: *Provided*, That such pilots shall include communities that have experienced civil unrest.

(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, section 524 of division G of Public Law 113–235, section 525 of division H of Public Law 114–113, and section 525 of division H of Public Law 115–31.

(c) Pilot sites selected under authorities in this Act and prior appropriations Acts may be granted by relevant agencies up to an additional 5 years to operate under such authorities.

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.

(RESCISSION)

SEC. 527. Of any available amounts appropriated under section 2104(a)(21) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1397dd) that are unobligated as of September 25, 2018, $3,572,000,000 are hereby rescinded as of such date.

SEC. 528. Amounts deposited in the Child Enrollment Contingency Fund prior to the beginning of fiscal year 2018 under section 2104(n)(2) of the Social Security Act and the income derived from investment of those funds pursuant to section 2104(n)(2)(C) of that Act, shall not be available for obligation in this fiscal year.

SEC. 529. Of the amounts deposited in the Child Enrollment Contingency Fund for fiscal year 2018 under section 2104(n)(2) of the Social Security Act and the income derived from investment of those funds pursuant to section 2104(n)(2)(C) of that Act, $1,967,678,000 shall not be available for obligation in this fiscal year.

(RESCISSION)

SEC. 530. Of the funds made available for purposes of carrying out section 2105(a)(3) of the Social Security Act, $88,613,000 are hereby rescinded.

(RESCISSION)

SEC. 531. Any unobligated balances of available amounts appropriated under section 108 of Public Law 111–3, as amended, other than amounts subject to section 210(f) of the Social Security Act, are hereby rescinded.

This division may be cited as the "Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2018".

[CLERK'S NOTE: Reproduced below is the material relating to division H contained in the Explanatory Statement regarding H.R. 1625, the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2018.[1]]

DIVISION H—DEPARTMENTS OF LABOR, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, AND EDUCATION, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2018

In implementing this agreement, the Departments and agencies should be guided by the language and instructions set forth in House Report 115–244 and Senate Report 115–150. In either such report, any reference to the fiscal year 2019 budget request or congressional justification shall be applied to the fiscal year 2020 Justification of Estimates for the Committees on Appropriations.

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. In providing the operating plan required by section 516 of this Act, the Departments and agencies funded in this Act are directed to include all programs, projects, and activities, including those in House Report 115–244, Senate Report 115–150, and this explanatory statement. All such programs, projects, and activities are subject to the provisions of this Act.

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 Committees 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.

[1] The Explanatory Statement was submitted for printing in the Congressional Record on March 22, 2018 by Mr. Frelinghuysen of New Jersey, Chairman of the House Committee on Appropriations. The Statement appears on page H2697 of Book III.

TITLE I

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING ADMINISTRATION

TRAINING AND EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

Apprenticeship Grants.—The agreement includes $145,000,000 to support Apprenticeship Grants, an increase of $50,000,000 above fiscal year 2017, to expand support for the apprenticeship program that the was created in fiscal year 2016. The Department is directed to submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate providing detail on entities awarded funding, selection criteria used, and the funding amount for each grant or contract awarded at the time such awards are made. Not later than September 30, 2018, the Department shall provide the Committees on Appropriations a detailed spend plan of anticipated uses of funds made available, including estimated administrative costs.

JOB CORPS

The Department has taken steps over the past several years to close selected Job Corps centers based on performance metrics and other factors. The Department is urged to utilize any savings realized by such center closures within the year to enhance instruction, technology, course offerings, and safety at other centers, and conduct additional activities that improve program quality for participants. The Department should also support and incentivize center operators to build and enhance partnerships between centers and other training sites to enhance opportunity and work experiences for students in underserved rural or remote communities as well as in urban settings. Such partnerships should use student-focused industry-backed curricula, prepare students for employment in high-demand fields, offer students the opportunity to take coursework leading to college credit, and demonstrate strong employer partnerships within the region in which the center is located.

STATE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE AND EMPLOYMENT SERVICE OPERATIONS

The agreement includes $9,000,000 for the UI Center of Excellence (Center), an increase of $3,500,000 above the fiscal year 2017 level. The agreement directs that $6,000,000 be provided for the benefit of States to the entity operating the Center. The Department is directed to focus increased funding on proven strategies and continue to test innovative approaches to reducing improper payments in the UI system. The Center is encouraged to continue its work to address improper payments in the UI programs and, with the support of the Department of Labor, to strongly urge States to adopt best practices to identify and prevent improper payments before they occur.

OFFICE OF FEDERAL CONTRACT COMPLIANCE PROGRAMS

The agreement includes $103,476,000 for the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs (OFCCP) and directs the Department to maintain all responsibilities and functions of the OFCCP at the Department of Labor. No funds are provided in this agreement to undertake any activities to prepare for or facilitate the transfer of OFCCP's functions to another Federal agency.

OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH ADMINISTRATION (OSHA)

The agreement includes a new capacity-building set-aside within the Susan Harwood training grant program. OSHA is directed to work with grantees under this subsection of the program to develop and implement a plan to achieve self-sufficiency as required by the cited, previous application notice. Nothing in this provision should be construed to prohibit periodic recompetition of grants.

DEPARTMENTAL MANAGEMENT

The Department is directed to submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate upon closing of the Treasure Island sale. The report should provide detail on the terms of the transaction including, but not limited to, the exchange of land for construction, the buildings and facilities to be constructed for the benefit of the Treasure Island Job Corps Center, and any residual exchange of funds or services to be rendered as part of the final agreement. The report should also state the total amount of funding, if any, that was transferred to Job Corps to be used for future operations as authorized.

Technical Assistance.—The Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate (Committees) have long relied on the budget office at the Department to facilitate requests for legal and technical information that is not covered by a legitimate claim of privilege. The agreement expects that all technical assistance requests be dealt with in a manner that is consistent with past precedent, including timely answers that respond to any specific inquiries related to obligation and expenditures of appropriations. In addition, the Department is directed to provide the Committees with the number of full time equivalent employees by principal office and appropriations account not later than 30 days after the end of each quarter.

VETERANS EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING

The agreement includes new language authorizing the collection and use of fees for the Honoring Investments in Recruiting and Employing (HIRE) Vets Medallion Award program as intended by the Honoring Investments in Recruiting and Employing American Military Veterans Act of 2017 (HIRE Vets Act).

GENERAL PROVISIONS

The agreement modifies a provision related to the Secretary's transfer authority.

The agreement modifies a provision related to the rescission of funds.

The agreement includes a new provision related to excess property.

The agreement includes a new provision related to the use of IT funds by a consortia of States.

The agreement includes a new provision related to the HIRE Vets Medallion Award program.

The agreement includes a new provision related to Job Corps property.

The agreement includes a new provision related to the Secretary's security detail.

TITLE II

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

HEALTH RESOURCES AND SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

PRIMARY HEALTH CARE

Of the available funding for fiscal year 2018, bill language directs that not less than $200,000,000 shall be for making supplemental awards to improve the quality of care under section 330(d) of the Public Health Service Act to expand and improve access to quality mental health and substance use disorder prevention and treatment services nationwide.

The agreement supports funding for technical assistance available for health centers through National and State cooperative agreements and grants. These resources are critical to the successful operation of the Health Centers program, and ensure Federal funds invested in care delivery are fully utilized and effectively deployed. The agreement supports enhanced technical assistance and training activities provided through primary care associations and National cooperative organizations, and ongoing support for health center-controlled networks.

Native Hawaiian Health Care.—The agreement provides not less than $17,500,000 for the Native Hawaiian Health Care Program.

HEALTH WORKFORCE

Advanced Education Nursing. The agreement provides an increase of $8,000,000 to award grants for the clinical training of sexual assault nurse examiners to administer medical forensic examinations and treatments to victims of sexual assault in hospitals, health centers, and other emergency health care service provider settings referenced in Senate Report 115–150.

Behavioral Health Workforce Education and Training.—The agreement provides an increase of $25,000,000 to expand the mental health and substance abuse workforce, including, but not limited to, master's level social workers, psychologists, counselors, marriage and family therapists, psychiatric mental health nurse practitioners, occupational therapists, psychology doctoral interns, and behavioral health paraprofessionals.

Mental and Behavioral Health Education Training.—The agreement provides an increase of $27,000,000 to recruit and train professionals and faculty in the fields of social work, psychology, psy-

chiatry, marriage and family therapy, substance abuse prevention and treatment, and other areas of mental and behavioral health.

National Health Service Corps.—The agreement provides an increase of $105,000,000 to expand and improve access to quality opioid and substance use disorder treatment in rural and underserved areas nationwide. The agreement expands eligibility for loan repayment awards through the National Health Service Corps to include substance use disorder counselors, which will support the recruitment and retention of health professionals needed in underserved areas to provide evidence-based substance abuse treatment and prevent overdose deaths. Of the amount provided, the agreement directs that $30,000,000 shall be available for the new Rural Communities Opioid Response initiative within the Office of Rural Health.

Nursing Workforce Development.—The agreement recognizes that the Nurse Education, Practice, Quality and Retention Program's Veteran's Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing has been important to helping our Nation's veterans progress and graduate with a degree. The agreement supports this effort and directs HRSA to continue to fund this program in fiscal year 2018. The agreement also directs HRSA to ensure that nothing would prevent current grantees from applying to a re-competition.

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 includes not less than $2,000,000 for the Dental Faculty Loan Repayment Program authorized under section 748 of the Public Health Service Act. For the Dental Faculty Loan Repayment Program, the agreement directs HRSA to provide continuation funding for grants initially awarded in fiscal years 2016 and 2017, and issue a new funding opportunity announcement with the new funding.

Primary Care Training and Enhancement.—The agreement directs HRSA to ensure that not less than 15 percent of funds provided for this program are used to support training of physician assistants. The agreement also urges the integration of evidence-based trainings for health professionals to screen, access, intervene, and refer patients to specialized treatment for the severe mental illness of eating disorders as authorized under section 13006 of the 21st Century Cures Act (P.L. 114–255).

MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH

Autism and Other Developmental Disorders.—The agreement provides $49,099,000 for the Autism and Other Developmental Disorders program and directs not less than $32,000,000 for the Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental and Related Disabilities (LEND) program. The increase will help the LEND program initiate or expand work in the area of interdisciplinary leadership training to meet the needs of children with Autism Spectrum Disorders and related developmental disabilities.

Children's Health and Development.—The agreement provides $3,500,000 within Special Projects of Regional and National Significance (SPRANS) for the HRSA funded study focused on improving child health through a statewide system of early childhood develop-

mental screenings and interventions. This funding shall be used to extend the currently funded project for another year.

Heritable Disorders Program.—The agreement provides $15,883,000 for the Heritable Disorders Program, of which $2,000,000 is provided for newborn screening for Severe Combined Immune Deficiency and related disorders.

Infant-Toddler Court Teams.—The agreement includes $3,000,000 within the total provided for SPRANS for a contract or cooperative agreement to provide ongoing training and technical assistance, implementation support, and evaluation research to support research-based Infant-Toddler Court Teams. These efforts shall use the science of early childhood development to build upon the technical assistance and direct support of sites established through the Quality Improvement Center for Research-Based Infant-Toddler Court Teams initiative, integrating courts and community services to strengthen early childhood systems and change child welfare practices to improve infant-toddler wellbeing.

Pediatric Mental Health Care Access.—The agreement includes $10,000,000 to expand access to behavioral health services in pediatric primary care by supporting the development of pediatric mental health care telehealth access programs.

Prenatal Screening Working Group.—The agreement requests the report described under this heading in House Report 115–244 within 180 days of enactment of this Act.

Screening and Treatment for Maternal Depression.—The agreement provides $5,000,000 for the Screening and Treatment for Maternal Depression program as authorized in section 10005 of the 21st Century Cures Act (Public Law 114–255). HRSA is directed to make grants to States to establish, improve, or maintain programs to train professionals to screen, assess, and treat for maternal depression in women who are pregnant or who have given birth within the preceding 12 months.

HEALTH CARE SYSTEMS

Hansen's Disease.—The agreement includes $13,706,000 for the National Hansen's Disease program and directs HRSA to continue funding Ambulatory Care Centers by aligning resources with the levels of care that Hansen's disease patients need.

Organ Donation.—HRSA is directed to submit a report on organ donation within 180 days of enactment of this Act that satisfies the requirements included in House Report 115–244 and Senate Report 115–150.

RURAL HEALTH

Black Lung Clinics.—The agreement funds Black Lung Clinics at the fully authorized level of $10,000,000, an increase of $2,734,000 over fiscal year 2017. This funding supports services to assist disabled coal miners with medical, educational, and benefits counseling.

Delta States Rural Development Network Grant Program.—The agreement provides an additional $4,000,000 for continuation of the Delta Regional Authority's (DRA) program to help small rural hospitals improve their financial and operational performance. Of this amount, not more than $500,000 shall be for telehealth equip-

ment and financial systems enhancement for participating hospitals. Of this amount, not less than $750,000 shall be dedicated to subcontracts with entities headquartered in the DRA region with expertise in rural hospital finance and telemedicine.

Rural Communities Opioids Response.—The agreement provides $100,000,000 for a Rural Communities Opioids Response to support treatment for and prevention of substance use disorder, with a focus on the 220 counties identified by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention as being at risk, and other rural communities at the highest risk for substance use disorder. This initiative would include improving access to and recruitment of new substance use disorder providers; building sustainable treatment resources, increasing use of telehealth; establishing cross-sector community partnerships, and implementing new models of care, including integrated behavioral health; and technical assistance. HRSA may also use funds for loan repayment through the National Health Service Corps. Activities should incorporate robust evidence-based interventions or promising practice models in community education and workforce training, capacity building and sustainability strategies and facilitate linkage of prevention, treatment, and recovery services. Within the funds provided to Health Workforce for the National Health Service Corps, the agreement directs up to $30,000,000 in addition to the funding in Rural Health for the Rural Communities Opioid Response initiative.

Rural Health Outreach.—The agreement provides not less than $8,000,000 for Outreach Service Grants; not more than $15,100,000 for Rural Network Development Grants; not less than $14,000,000 for Delta States Network Grant Program; not less than $2,000,000 for Network Planning Grants; and not more than $6,200,000 for Small Healthcare Provider Quality Improvement Grants.

Rural Residency Program.—The agreement provides $15,000,000 for a new Rural Residency Program to expand the number of rural residency training programs with a focus on developing programs that are sustainable beyond Federal funding. The funds will support planning and development costs accrued while achieving program accreditation through the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education. The agreement encourages HRSA to support rural hospitals, medical schools, and community-based ambulatory settings with rural designation along with a consortia of urban and rural partnerships.

Telehealth Centers of Excellence (COE).—Within the funds provided for the Office for Advancement of Telehealth activities, the agreement includes $4,000,000 for a second year of funding for the Telehealth COE program. Of this amount, not less than $1,000,000 shall be used to research, provide healthcare outcomes, and develop best practices for the delivery of mental and behavioral health care via telehealth, consistent with the Secretary's priorities. The agreement directs HRSA to divide the remaining $3,000,000 evenly between the two centers, which are responsible for testing the efficacy of telehealth services in various sites and models, providing research and coordination efforts across the Federal government, developing best practices for telehealth, collecting data, and providing relevant telehealth training.

CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION

The agreement includes $8,301,166,000 in total program level funding for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), which includes $7,260,266,000 in discretionary budget authority, $800,900,000 in transfers from the Prevention and Public Health Fund (PPH Fund), and $240,000,000 in transfers from the Non-recurring Expenses Fund.

IMMUNIZATION AND RESPIRATORY DISEASES

The agreement includes a total of $798,405,000 for Immunization and Respiratory Diseases, which includes $474,055,000 in discretionary appropriations and $324,350,000 in transfers from the PPH Fund. Within this total, the agreement includes the following amounts:

Budget Activity	FY 2018 Agreement
Section 317 Immunization Program	$610,847,000
Influenza Planning and Response	187,558,000

HIV/AIDS, VIRAL HEPATITIS, SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASES AND TUBERCULOSIS PREVENTION

The agreement includes $1,127,278,000 for HIV/AIDS, Viral Hepatitis, Sexually Transmitted Diseases, and Tuberculosis Prevention. Within this total, the agreement includes the following amounts:

Budget Activity	FY 2018 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	39,000,000
Sexually Transmitted Infections	157,310,000
Tuberculosis	142,256,000

EMERGING AND ZOONOTIC INFECTIOUS DISEASES

The agreement includes $614,572,000 for Emerging and Zoonotic Infectious Diseases, which includes $562,572,000 in discretionary appropriations and $52,000,000 in transfers from the PPH Fund. Within this total, the agreement includes the following amounts:

Budget Activity	FY 2018 Agreement
Antibiotic Resistance Initiative	$168,000,000
Lab Safety and Quality	8,000,000
Vector-borne Diseases	38,603,000
Lyme Disease	10,700,000
Prion Disease	6,000,000
Chronic Fatigue Syndrome	5,400,000
Emerging Infectious Diseases	155,457,000
All Other Infectious Diseases	29,840,000
Food Safety	58,000,000
National Healthcare Safety Network	21,000,000
Quarantine	31,572,000

Budget Activity	FY 2018 Agreement
Advanced Molecular Detection	30,000,000
Epidemiology and Lab Capacity program	40,000,000
Healthcare-Associated Infections	12,000,000

CHRONIC DISEASE PREVENTION AND HEALTH PROMOTION

The agreement includes $1,162,896,000 for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, which includes $915,346,000 in discretionary appropriations and $247,550,000 in transfers from the PPH Fund. Within this total, the agreement includes the following amounts:

Budget Activity	FY 2018 Agreement
Tobacco	$210,000,000
Nutrition, Physical Activity and Obesity	54,920,000
High Obesity Rate Counties	15,000,000
School Health	15,400,000
Health Promotion	18,000,000
Glaucoma	4,000,000
Visual Screening Education	1,000,000
Alzheimer's Disease	4,500,000
Inflammatory Bowel Disease	1,000,000
Interstitial Cystitis	1,000,000
Excessive Alcohol Use	4,000,000
Chronic Kidney Disease	2,500,000
Prevention Research Centers	25,461,000
Heart Disease and Stroke	140,062,000
Diabetes	148,129,000
National Diabetes Prevention Program	25,300,000
Cancer Prevention and Control	367,674,000
Breast and Cervical Cancer	218,000,000
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	7,000,000
Ovarian Cancer	9,500,000
Prostate Cancer	13,205,000
Skin Cancer	2,125,000
Cancer Survivorship Resource Center	475,000
Oral Health	19,000,000
Safe Motherhood/Infant Health	46,000,000
Preterm Birth	2,000,000
Arthritis	11,000,000
Epilepsy	8,500,000
National Lupus Patient Registry	6,500,000
Racial and Ethnic Approaches to Community Health (REACH)	50,950,000
Good Health and Wellness in Indian Country	16,000,000
Million Hearts	4,000,000
National Early Child Care Collaboratives	4,000,000
Hospitals Promoting Breastfeeding	8,000,000

High Obesity Counties.—The agreement provides $15,000,000, an increase of $5,000,000, to address obesity in counties. The agreement reiterates the language provided in Senate Report 155–150 and directs CDC to leverage the community extension services provided by land grant universities who are mandated to translate science into practical action and promote healthy lifestyles.

Safe Motherhood and Infant Health.—The agreement includes funding at the fiscal year 2017 level for the teen pregnancy prevention cooperative agreement.

Racial and Ethnic Approaches to Community Health (REACH).—The agreement includes $50,950,000 for the REACH program. Within the total amount, $34,950,000 is provided for the second year of a five-year cooperative agreement for community programs and $16,000,000 is for Good Health and Wellness in Indian Country, as described in House Report 115–244.

BIRTH DEFECTS AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

The agreement includes $140,560,000 for Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities. Within the total for Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities, the agreement includes the following amounts:

Budget Activity	FY 2018 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	59,660,000
Disability & Health	27,000,000
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	4,400,000
Hemophilia CDC Activities	3,500,000
Hemophilia Treatment Centers	5,100,000
Thalassemia	2,100,000

National Centers on Disability.—The agreement includes $8,500,000 to continue to strengthen existing programs that address healthy athletes and an additional $2,500,000 to continue to strengthen existing activities that improve physical activity and health promotion for people with mobility disabilities.

Hereditary Hemorrhagic Telangiectasia (HHT) Pilot.—The agreement includes $100,000 within the Hemophilia Treatment Centers line to support the second year of a two-year pilot program that enables up to three existing Federally-funded Hemophilia Treatment Centers across the country to serve as specialty centers for the evaluation and management of HHT.

PUBLIC HEALTH SCIENTIFIC SERVICES

The agreement includes a total of $490,397,000 for Public Health Scientific Services. Within the total for Public Health Scientific Services, the agreement includes the following amounts:

Budget Activity	FY 2018 Agreement
Health Statistics	$160,397,000

Budget Activity	FY 2018 Agreement
Surveillance, Epidemiology, and Informatics	279,000,000
Lab Training	5,000,000
Public Health Workforce	51,000,000

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

The agreement includes $205,750,000 for Environmental Health programs, which includes $188,750,000 in discretionary appropriations, and $17,000,000 in transfers from 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 2018 Agreement
Environmental Health Laboratory	$63,150,000
Other Environmental Health (Biomonitoring/Chronic Disease Biomarkers)	48,500,000
Newborn Screening Quality Assurance Program	13,400,000
Newborn Screening/Severe Combined Immuno-deficiency Diseases	1,250,000
Environmental Health Activities	44,600,000
Safe Water	8,600,000
Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Registry	10,000,000
Climate Change	10,000,000
All Other Environmental Health	16,000,000
Environmental and Health Outcome Tracking Network	34,000,000
Asthma	29,000,000
Childhood Lead Poisoning	35,000,000

Harmonization of Lab Results.—The agreement recognizes that certain clinical laboratory tests need harmonization to ensure that accurate results are available for correct patient care. The agreement provides $2,000,000 to the Environmental Health Laboratory to improve the quality and reliability of diagnostic tests for hormones such as thyroid stimulating hormone, testosterone, and estrogen.

INJURY PREVENTION AND CONTROL

The agreement includes $648,559,000 for Injury Prevention and Control activities. Within this total, the agreement includes the following amounts:

Budget Activity	FY 2018 Agreement
Intentional Injury	$102,730,000
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	49,430,000
National Violent Death Reporting System	23,500,000
Unintentional Injury	8,800,000
Traumatic Brain Injury	6,750,000
Elderly Falls	2,050,000
Injury Prevention Activities	28,950,000
Opioid Overdose Prevention and Surveillance	475,579,000
Injury Control Research Centers	9,000,000

While appropriations language prohibits the CDC and other agencies from using appropriated funding to advocate or promote gun control, the Secretary of Health and Human Services has stated the CDC has the authority to conduct research on the causes of gun violence.

National Violent Death Reporting System (NVDRS).—The agreement includes an increase in funding to expand the NVDRS to all 50 States and the District of Columbia, which will allow researchers, practitioners, and policymakers to get a more complete understanding of violent deaths in the United States.

Opioid Prescription Drug Overdose (PDO) Prevention Activity.—The agreement includes $475,579,000, an increase of $350,000,000 and reflects continued strong support of CDC PDO activities. As such, it reiterates support for the interconnected language in both the House and the Senate reports on this issue. CDC shall use the provided funds to advance the understanding of the opioid overdose epidemic and scale up prevention activities across all 50 States and Washington, D.C. The agreement expects that this will include the expansion of case-level syndromic surveillance data, improvements of interventions that monitor prescribing and dispensing practices, better timeliness and quality of morbidity and mortality data, as well as the enhancement of efforts with medical examiners and coroner offices. CDC shall promote the use of Prescription Drug Monitoring Programs (PDMPs), including implementation of activities described in the National All Schedules Prescription Electronic Reporting Act of 2005 as amended by the Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Act of 2016. This shall include continuing to expand efforts to enhance the utility of PDMPs in States and communities, making them more interconnected, real-time, and usable for public health surveillance and clinical decision making. CDC shall also promote alternative surveillance programs for States and communities that do not have a PDMP. CDC is encouraged to work with the Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology to enhance the integration of PDMPs and electronic health records. Finally, CDC shall use $10,000,000 of the funds provided to conduct an opioid nationwide awareness and education campaign.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH

The agreement includes a total of $335,200,000 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 2018 Agreement
National Occupational Research Agenda	$116,000,000
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing	25,500,000
Education and Research Centers	29,000,000
Personal Protective Technology	20,000,000
Mining Research	59,500,000
National Mesothelioma Registry and Tissue Bank	1,100,000
Other Occupational Safety and Health Research	109,600,000

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 not less than the fiscal year 2017 level.

GLOBAL HEALTH

The agreement includes $488,621,000 for Global Health activities. Within this total, the agreement includes the following amounts:

Budget Activity	FY 2018 Agreement
Global AIDS Program	$128,421,000
Global Immunization Program	226,000,000
Polio Eradication	176,000,000
Measles and Other Vaccine Preventable Diseases	50,000,000
Parasitic Diseases/Malaria	26,000,000
Global Public Health Protection	108,200,000
Global Disease Detection and Emergency Response	98,400,000
Global Public Health Capacity	9,800,000

Global Health Security Strategy.—The agreement reiterates strong support for the Global Health Security (GHS) strategy and notes that funding provided in the Ebola supplemental will expire at the end of fiscal year 2019. The agreement provides an additional $50,000,000 with three-year availability which will help CDC sustain its GHS work in other countries. Not later than 180 days after enactment of this Act, the Senior Director for Global Health Security and Biothreats at the National Security Council, in coordination with the Secretary of State, the United States Agency for International Development Administrator, the Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the Secretary of Health and Human Services, the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of Homeland Security, and the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, shall submit to the appropriate Congressional committees a comprehensive inter-agency strategy to accelerate the capabilities of targeted countries to prevent, detect, and respond to infectious disease outbreaks. The strategy shall: (i) detail the role and responsibility of each relevant agency of the United States Government in implementing the strategy; (ii) include multi-year cost estimates for operations and programs necessary to implement such strategy, disaggregated by agency; (iii) describe the mechanisms for coordination and oversight of such programs; (iv) review lessons-learned from previous efforts to promote global health security; and (v) identify any obstacles to the implementation of such strategy in policy or legislation, and include specific recommendations for addressing such obstacles.

Global Disease Detection.—Within the total for Global Disease Detection and Emergency Response, the agreement includes $3,000,000 in fiscal year 2018 to provide continued support for existing longitudinal, population-based infectious disease surveillance platforms that enable comparative analysis between urban and rural populations in the developing world.

Soil Transmitted Helminth (STH).—The agreement includes $1,500,000 for surveillance, source remediation, and clinical care aimed at reducing STH as described in Senate Report 115–150.

PUBLIC HEALTH PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE

The agreement includes $1,450,000,000 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 2018 Agreement
Public Health Emergency Preparedness Cooperative Agreements	$670,000,000
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	610,000,000

Strategic National Stockpile (SNS).—The agreement appreciates the Secretary's efforts to improve the efficiency of the Department's public health preparedness and response programs and looks forward to considering and evaluating the Department's proposal to shift the funding and oversight of the SNS from CDC to the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (ASPR), as submitted in the fiscal year 2019 budget request. The Committees note that CDC has unique expertise in public health preparedness and response, science-based policy and decision making, public health communications, and coordination with State and local partners. Should the proposed move be implemented, the Secretary is strongly urged to maintain a strong and central role for CDC in the medical countermeasures enterprise.

BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES

The agreement includes $510,000,000 for Buildings and Facilities. Within this amount, the agreement includes $480,000,000 for construction of a new Biosafety Level 4 lab, of which $240,000,000 shall be transferred from the Nonrecurring Expenses Fund.

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 in transfers from the PPH Fund. Within this total, the agreement includes the following amounts:

Budget Activity	FY 2018 Agreement
Preventative Health and Health Services Block Grant	$160,000,000
Public Health Leadership and Support	113,570,000

NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH

The agreement provides $37,084,000,000 for the National Institutes of Health (NIH), including $496,000,000 from the 21st Century Cures Act (P.L. 114–255), an increase of $3,000,000,000, or 8.8 percent, above fiscal year 2017.

The agreement continues the commitment to funding research on Alzheimer's disease and increases funding by $414,000,000 to a

total of $1,828,000,000 in fiscal year 2018; increases funding for the All of Us precision medicine initiative by $60,000,000; increases funding for the Brain Research through Advancing Innovative Neurotechnologies (BRAIN) Initiative by $140,000,000; increases funding for regenerative medicine by $8,000,000; increases funding for antibiotic resistance research by $50,000,000; and increases funding for the development of a universal influenza vaccine by $40,000,000. In addition, the agreement includes $500,000,000 for targeted research on opioid addiction within the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS) and the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA), and encourages NIDA to commit additional funding to this effort from within its base budget. It also includes a new initiative to expand research into Down syndrome. In addition, a funding increase above fiscal year 2017 is provided to every Institute and Center to continue investments in research that will save lives, lead to new drug and device development, reduce health care costs, and improve the lives of all Americans.

The agreement appropriates funds authorized in the 21st Century Cures Act (P.L. 114–255). Per the authorization, $300,000,000 is transferred to the National Cancer Institute for cancer research; $43,000,000 to NINDS and $43,000,000 to the National Institute on Mental Health (NIMH) for the BRAIN Initiative; and $110,000,000 will be allocated from the NIH Innovation Fund, in this agreement reflected in the Office of the Director, for the Precision Medicine Initiative cohort ($100,000,000) and regenerative medicine research ($10,000,000).

The agreement increases funding for Clinical and Translational Science Awards to $542,771,000; increases funding for Institutional Development Awards to $350,575,000; and continues to support the National Children's Study Follow-on program at $165,000,000.

The Common Fund is supported as a set-aside within the Office of the Director at $588,116,000, plus an additional $12,600,000 to support pediatric research as authorized by the Gabriella Miller Kids First Research Act (P.L. 113–94).

The agreement expects the 8.8 percent increase of funds over the fiscal year 2017 level to support an increase in the number of new and competing Research Project Grants.

The agreement expects that NIH will continue its focus on emerging investigators and first-time renewals of these young investigators with actions to significantly reduce the average age of an NIH-supported new investigator.

The agreement expects NIH to support an increase in the number of Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Awards and to provide a stipend level and inflationary increase to grantees that is at least consistent with the fiscal year 2018 Federal employee pay raise.

NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE (NCI)

Heavy Ion Cancer Therapy and Research.—The agreement supports NIH's continued exploration of advanced therapeutic cancer research, specifically heavy ion irradiation technology. Heavy ion technology will introduce a novel treatment option to cancer patients that is currently not available in the U.S. The agreement notes that the U.S. stands to be a world leader in this advanced

research. The agreement encourages NIH to explore further the development of a state of the art heavy ion research facility in the U.S. Furthermore, the agreement encourages NIH to work with the Departments of Defense and Energy, and other applicable Federal agencies to equip the first U.S. heavy ion research center. The agreement urges NIH to capitalize on the expertise and potential of recently awarded heavy ion facility planning grant recipients in order to foster a multidisciplinary approach and advance heavy ion research that would produce novel, cutting edge treatments for cancer patients.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF DIABETES AND DIGESTIVE AND KIDNEY DISEASES (NIDDK)

National Commission on Digestive Diseases.—The agreement requests an update on the implementation and recommendations of the National Commission on Digestive Diseases report entitled "Opportunities & Challenges in Digestive Diseases"' in the fiscal year 2020 Congressional Justification.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF NEUROLOGICAL DISORDERS AND STROKE (NINDS)

Opioids Research.—The agreement includes $250,000,000 for targeted research related to opioid addiction, development of opioid alternatives, pain management, and addiction treatment.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF ALLERGY AND INFECTIOUS DISEASES (NIAID)

Universal Influenza Vaccine.—The agreement directs NIAID to allocate not less than $100,000,000 in fiscal year 2018 to advance basic, translational, and clinical research necessary to develop a universal influenza vaccine. To date, 128 children have died from influenza this season, and the hospitalization rate this season is among the highest since the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention began collecting these data in 2010. In response to the severity of the 2017-2018 influenza season, the agreement encourages NIAID to continue to prioritize investment in the basic and clinical scientific research necessary to develop a universal influenza vaccine.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF GENERAL MEDICAL SCIENCES (NIGMS)

Science Education Partnership Awards (SEPA).—The agreement expects SEPA to receive not less than $19,498,000, which is the fiscal year 2017 level plus the proportional share of the general increase provided to NIGMS.

EUNICE KENNEDY SHRIVER NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF CHILD HEALTH AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT (NICHD)

Birth Settings Study.—The agreement notes that rates of home and birth center births continue to rise and there is ongoing need for further study on issues related to the choice of birth setting. Therefore, NICHD is directed to enter into an agreement with the National Academy of Sciences to provide an evidence-based analysis of the complex findings in the research on birth settings, including but not limited to: definitions and assessment of risk fac-

tors; access to and choice in birth settings; social determinants that influence risk and outcomes in varying birth settings; financing models for childbirth across settings; and the licensing, training, and accreditation issues impacting professionals providing maternity care across all settings.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF ARTHRITIS AND MUSCULOSKELETAL AND SKIN—DISEASES—(NIAMS)

Dermatology Branch.—The agreement reflects the move of the Dermatology Branch from NCI to NIAMS.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE ON DRUG ABUSE (NIDA)

Opioid Research.—The agreement includes $250,000,000 for targeted research related to opioid addiction, development of opioid alternatives, pain management, and addiction treatment. The agreement commends the NIH Director for initiating a Public-Private Partnership to develop new medications to respond to the opioid crisis, but notes, however, that NIH has failed to identify additional funding within the NIH's budget for efforts to address the opioid crisis. Presently, NIDA allocates 15 percent of its annual budget to researching issues related to opioid addiction, arguably one of the greatest public health threats facing the nation today. While a significant improvement compared to previous years, in addition to the new opioid research funding provided by this agreement, NIH is strongly encouraged to explore opportunities for committing additional resources from the significant base funding included in the agreement for NIDA. It is understood that $141,000,000 in expiring grant awards will become available for new competing awards in fiscal year 2018.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE ON MINORITY HEALTH AND HEALTH DISPARITIES (NIMHD)

Research Centers in Minority Institutions (RCMIs).—The agreement continues to support the core mission of RCMIs to develop new investigators from under-represented communities and to conduct world-class biomedical research that emphasizes minority health and health disparities. The agreement expects the RCMIs to receive not less than $61,478,000, which is the fiscal year 2017 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) Program.—The bill provides $542,771,000, an increase of $26,651,000, for the CTSA program.— The agreement continues to support the program, a stabilization in the number of hubs funded, and a five year grant cycle.— The agreement acknowledges the positive changes made to the program in response to language included in the fiscal year—2018 Senate Report, including the increase in communication and collaboration with the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate.— The agreement expects the Director to provide quarterly updates to principal investigators of CTSA hubs beginning within 30—days of enactment of

this Act and to continue the ongoing updates to the Committees.—Finally, the agreement expects written notification to continue to be provided to the Committees at least three days in advance of any public release of CTSA grant awards.

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

Gabriella Miller Kids First Research Act.—The agreement continues bill language for specific funds authorized by the Gabriella Miller Kids First Research Act—(P.L.—114-255) within the Common Fund to support the fourth year of the 10-year Pediatric Research Initiative. The agreement requests an update in the fiscal year 2020 Congressional Justification on this effort as described in the House and Senate Reports.

Down Syndrome.—The agreement directs the NIH Director to develop a new trans-NIH initiative-involving, at a minimum, NICHD, NIA, and NCI-to study trisomy 21, with the aim of yielding scientific discoveries to improve the health and neurodevelopment of individuals with Down syndrome and typical individuals at risk for Alzheimer's disease, cancer, cardiovascular disease, immune system dysregulation, and autism, among others.—This initiative shall bring together research results that will be available to academic researchers, nonprofit organizations, and industry researchers. Funding for this trans-NIH initiative will supplement, not supplant, existing NIH funding levels for Down syndrome research.—The agreement directs NIH to report to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate within—180 days of enactment of this act on the structure, leadership, and key areas of focus for the new trans-NIH initiative for fiscal years 2018 through 2022.

Strategic Plan for Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD).—The agreement notes the release of the 2016 2017 Interagency Autism Coordinating Committee (IACC) Strategic Plan for Autism Spectrum Disorder and encourages NIH to consider the IACC's recommendations regarding future research related to ASD.

Clinical Trials Definition.—The agreement appreciates efforts NIH has taken to increase transparency and improve oversight of its clinical trials and recognizes that the results of NIH-funded clinical trials have not always been reported in a timely manner, reducing the potential benefit from the findings. The agreement urges NIH to continue to address this problem through enhanced registration and reporting through ClinicalTrials.gov. There is concern, however, that in addressing this issue, many fundamental research studies involving human participants are being redefined as clinical trials without sufficient notification and consultation with this segment of the research community. Fundamental research is critical to the NIH mission and of value to the public, and there is concern that policy changes could have long-term, unintended consequences for this research, add unnecessary regulatory burdens, and substantially increase the number of studies in the clinicaltrials.gov database that are not clinical trials. For fiscal year 2018, the agreement directs NIH to delay enforcement of the new policy published in the Federal Register on September 21, 2017—including NIH's more expansive interpretation of "interventions"'—in relation to fundamental research projects involving hu-

mans. The new policy should go forward for research projects that would have been considered clinical trials under the prior policy. This delay is intended to provide NIH sufficient time to consult with the basic research community to determine the reporting standards best suited to this kind of research. The agreement directs NIH to provide the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate a plan and schedule for soliciting comments and input from the research community within 30 days of enactment of this act, and brief the Committees on the results of these consultations and next steps by June 22, 2018.

Frontotemporal Degeneration (FTD).—The agreement strongly encourages NIH maintain and expand a multi-site infrastructure and network of clinical sites to extend the study of genetic and sporadic FTD cohorts. By supporting research in this way, we may increase our knowledge of the natural history of the disease by building an infrastructure for biomarker discovery and clinical trials in defined FTD cohorts. A key component of this infrastructure includes support for a bioinformatics framework that will enable broad data sharing with the research community to advance disease modeling, and target and pathway discovery for therapeutic development. The agreement also recommends NIH prepare plans of action to increase research and treatment initiatives as they pertain to all forms of dementia, including challenges faced by those with younger onset and non-amnestic forms of the disease.

Office of Research on Women's Health (ORWH).—The agreement recognizes the continuing importance of the ORWH, and the valuable role it plays in ensuring clinical and basic research accurately reflects the racial, ethnic, age, sex and gender diversity necessary to provide generalizable data on the safety and efficacy of new medical products and the applicability of NIH-funded research to all Americans. It is anticipated that funding for ORWH will be assigned the priority merited by the important mission it advances and reflect growth in the overall NIH budget.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ADMINISTRATION (SAMHSA)

The agreement encourages SAMHSA to include as eligible applicants in new funding opportunity announcements, States, political subdivisions of States, Indian tribes or tribal organizations, health facilities, or programs operated by or in accordance with a contract or grant with the Indian Health Service, or other public or private nonprofit organizations. The agreement strongly encourages SAMHSA to exercise maximum flexibility when developing funding opportunity announcements to ensure that all eligible applicants may apply.

The agreement urges the Assistant Secretary to ensure that all training requirements specified by 21 U.S.C. 823(g)(2)(G)(ii)(IV) are meaningfully addressed.

MENTAL HEALTH

Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics.—The agreement includes $100,000,000 and directs SAMSHA to prioritize resources to entities within States that are part of the section 223(a) of the

Protecting Access to Medicare Act of 2014 (P.L. 113–93) demonstration and to entities within States that were awarded planning grants. SAMHSA is encouraged to coordinate these resources with its efforts on substance use disorders. SAMHSA shall conduct an evaluation of the program and provide a report to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate not later than 15 months after the date of enactment of this Act.

Children's Mental Health Services.—The agreement includes a new 10 percent set-aside for an early intervention demonstration program with persons not more than 25 years of age at clinical high risk of developing a first episode of psychosis. SAMHSA is directed to work with NIMH on the implementation of this set-aside.

Within the total provided for Mental Health Programs of Regional and National Significance (PRNS), the agreement includes the following amounts:

Budget Activity	FY 2018 Agreement
Capacity:.	
Seclusion & Restraint	$1,147,000
Project Aware State Grants	71,001,000
Mental Health First Aid	19,963,000
Healthy Transitions	25,951,000
Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health	5,000,000
National Child Traumatic Stress Network	53,887,000
Children and Family Programs	7,229,000
Consumer and Family Network Grants	4,954,000
Mental Health System Transformation and Health Reform	3,779,000
Project LAUNCH	23,605,000
Primary and Behavioral Health Care Integration	49,877,000
National Strategy for Suicide Prevention	11,000,000
Zero Suicide	9,000,000
American Indian and Alaska Native	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
Assisted Outpatient Treatment	15,000,000
Assertive Community Treatment for Individuals with Serious Mental Illness	5,000,000
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

Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health.—The agreement includes $5,000,000 for infant and early childhood mental health promotion, intervention, and treatment as authorized in section 10006 of the 21st Century Cures Act (P.L. 114–255).

Mental Health First Aid.—When SAMHSA issues new competitive funding opportunities, SAMHSA is directed to include as eligible grantees local law enforcement agencies, fire departments, and emergency medical units with a special emphasis on training for crisis de-escalation techniques. SAMHSA is also encouraged to

prioritize training for veterans, armed services personnel, and their family members.

Project AWARE.—The agreement provides $71,000,000, an increase of $14,000,000 for Project AWARE, a program which raises awareness of mental health issues and connects young people experiencing behavioral health issues, as well as their families, with needed services. Of the amount provided for Project AWARE, the agreement provides not less than $10,000,000 for discretionary grants to support efforts in high-crime, high-poverty areas and, in particular, communities that are seeking to address relevant impacts and root causes of civil unrest. These grants should maintain the same focus as fiscal year 2017 grants. The agreement requests a report on progress of fiscal year 2017 grantees 180 days after the enactment of this Act.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT

21st Century Cures.—The agreement notes concern that SAMHSA has restricted State's flexibility for addressing the opioid crisis by limiting the amount of funding that can be used for opioid prevention activities. The agreement recommends States be given flexibility within the existing grant program authorized in section 1003(b)(3) of the 21st Century Cures Act (P.L. 114–255) to direct resources in accordance with local needs. The agreement requests a report to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate on such plans and evaluation results available on this program, one year after enactment of this Act.

State Opioid Response Grants.—The agreement provides $1,000,000,000 in new funding for grants to States to address the opioid crisis. This funding is in addition to the $500,000,000 provided in the 21st Century Cures Act. Bill language provides $50,000,000 for grants to Indian tribes or tribal organizations. In addition, the agreement provides a 15 percent set-aside for States with the highest age-adjusted mortality rate related to opioid use disorders. The Assistant Secretary is encouraged to apply a weighted formula within the set-aside based on state ordinal ranking. The agreement urges the Assistant Secretary to ensure the formula avoids a significant cliff between States with similar mortality rates. SAMHSA shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate a work plan of the proposed allocation of funds not later than 30 days prior to awarding grants.

In addition, not later than one year after the date of enactment of this Act, SAMHSA shall submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate that includes a description of the activities for which each State has received funding and the ultimate recipients of the funds provided to States. In addition, SAMHSA shall submit an evaluation of the program not later than two years after the date of enactment of this Act. SAMHSA is directed to make the report and evaluation publicly available on SAMHSA's website.

National Academy of Sciences (NAS) Review.—Within the total for administration, technical assistance, and evaluation, provided to SAMHSA for the State Opioid Response Grants, the agreement includes $2,000,000 to charter a NAS review within 90 days of en-

actment of this Act. The NAS review will identify outcomes that are to be achieved by activities authorized in the Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Act (P.L. 114–198) and the metrics by which the achievement of such outcomes shall be determined, as required by section 701 of such Act. The NAS study should report on the effectiveness of the programs in achieving their respective goals for preventing, treating, and supporting recovery from substance use disorders. The NAS study will result in the public availability of program level data and recommendations to Congress concerning the appropriate allocation of resources to such programs to ensure cost-effectiveness in the Federal government's response to the opioid addiction epidemic. It is expected that an interim report will be completed within three years after enactment of this Act, and a final report will be completed within five years after enactment of this Act.

Within the total provided for Substance Abuse Treatment Programs of Regional and National Significance, the agreement includes the following amounts:

Budget Activity	FY 2018 Agreement
Capacity:	
Opioid Treatment Programs/Regulatory Activities	$8,724,000
Screening, Brief Intervention, Referral, and Treatment	30,000,000
PHS Evaluation Funds	2,000,000
Targeted Capacity Expansion—General	95,192,000
Medication-Assisted Treatment for Prescription Drug and Opioid Addiction	84,000,000
Pregnant & Postpartum Women	29,931,000
Building Communities of Recovery	5,000,000
Recovery Community Services Program	2,434,000
Children and Families	29,605,000
Treatment Systems for Homeless	36,386,000
Minority AIDS	65,570,000
Criminal Justice Activities	89,000,000
Drug Courts	70,000,00
Science and Service:	
Addiction Technology Transfer Centers	9,046,000
Minority Fellowship Program	4,539,000

Medication-Assisted Treatment for Prescription Drug and Opioid Addiction.—The agreement provides $84,000,000 for the Medication-Assisted Treatment for Prescription Drug and Opioid Addiction program. SAMHSA 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. SAMHSA is directed to give preference in grant awards to treatment regimens that are less susceptible to diversion for illicit purposes. These grants should target States with the highest age adjusted rates of admissions, including those that have demonstrated a dramatic age adjusted increase in admissions for the treatment of opioid use disorders. Within the total, the agreement includes $5,000,000 for grants to Indian tribes, tribal organizations, or consortia.

Minority Fellowship Program.—With the $1,000,000 increase provided, the agreement directs SAMHSA to provide funding to grantees to develop and implement fellowships in psychology, addiction psychiatry, and addiction medicine with a specific focus in addressing the needs of individuals with substance use disorders.

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 2018 Agreement
Capacity:	
Strategic Prevention Framework/Partnerships for Success	$119,484,000
Strategic Prevention Framework Rx	10,000,000
Grants to Prevent Prescription Drug/Opioid Overdose	12,000,000
First Responder Training	36,000,000
Rural Set-aside	18,000,000
Improving Access to Overdose Treatment	1,000,000
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
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 all 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 Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant be used only for bona fide substance abuse prevention programs and not for any other purpose.

Federal Drug Free Workplace.—The agreement strongly encourages the Secretary to expeditiously produce the technical guidelines for the use of hair testing as a Federally-accepted drug testing method.

HEALTH SURVEILLANCE AND PROGRAM SUPPORT

Within the total provided for health surveillance and program support, the agreement includes the following amounts:

Budget Activity	FY 2018 Agreement
Health Surveillance	$47,258,000
PHS Evaluation Funds	30,428,000
Program Management	79,000,000
Performance and Quality Info. Systems	10,000,000
Drug Abuse Warning Network	10,000,000
Public Awareness and Support	13,000,000
Behavioral Health Workforce Data	1,000,000
PHS Evaluation Funds	1,000,000

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, the agreement includes the following amounts:

Budget Activity	FY 2018 Agreement
Patient-Centered Health Research	$0
Prevention/Care Management	11,649,000
Health Information Technology (IT)	16,500,000
Health IT to Improve Quality	14,500,000
Patient Safety Research	70,276,000
Healthcare-Associated Infections Prevention	36,000,000
Combating Antibiotic-Resistant Bacteria	10,000,000
Healthcare Delivery Systems	10,000,000
Crosscutting Activities Related to Quality, Effectiveness, and Efficiency Research	94,284,000
Health Services Contract/IAA Research	14,000,000
Investigator-Initiated Research Grants	52,933,000
Medical Expenditure Panel Survey	69,991,000
Program Management	71,300,000

Health Services and Primary Care Research.—The agreement includes $1,000,000 within the total for Program Management to contract with an independent entity to study health services and primary care research supported by Federal agencies since fiscal year 2012. This study should identify research gaps and areas for consolidation, as well as propose strategies for better coordination of the Federal health services research enterprise. AHRQ shall provide a report to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate on the status of this study within one year of enactment of this Act.

CENTERS FOR MEDICARE AND MEDICAID SERVICES (CMS)

PROGRAM MANAGEMENT

Ambulatory Surgical Center Payment System.—The agreement notes that CMS recently finalized the payment rates under the Ambulatory Surgical Center Payment System for calendar year 2018. CMS is directed to submit a report within 180 days of enactment of this Act to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate. Such report should include a detailed justification of the payment methodology for Interventional Pain Ambulatory Surgical Centers.

Assistive Technology.—The agreement encourages CMS to support efforts by State Medicaid programs to partner with State Assistive Technology Act Programs to develop and implement reutilization programs with a goal of containing Medicaid costs.

Cost Plans.—The agreement supports efforts that ensure beneficiaries enrolled in a Medicare Cost Plan subject to a transition in contract year 2019 are either deemed from the Cost Plan to one of its Medicare Advantage plans, seamlessly transitioned to a new Medicare Advantage plan, or transitioned to Medicare Fee-for-Service without disruption to care. The agreement requests the Secretary notify beneficiaries enrolled in Medicare Cost Plans as of January 1, 2018, if their plan will not be available, and notify beneficiaries of available educational resources not later than June 1, 2018. The agreement requests CMS inform impacted beneficiaries of their coverage options for January 1, 2019, as early as practicable.

Durable Medical Equipment.—The agreement encourages CMS to promulgate the pending Interim Final Rule entitled "Durable Medical Equipment Fee Schedule, Adjustments to Resume the

Transitional 50/50 Blended Rates to Provide Relief in Non-Competitive Bidding Areas."

Health Insurance Exchange Transparency.—The agreement continues to include bill language in section 220 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 (P.L. 111–148). CMS is also required to include the estimated costs for fiscal year 2019.

Mental Health Providers.—The agreement is aware that Medicare beneficiaries have limited access to substance use disorder and mental health services, particularly in rural and underserved areas. The agreement notes concern about the shortage of eligible mental health providers for the Medicare population and supports efforts to explore the expansion of the mental and behavioral health workforce.

Recovery Audit Contractors.—The agreement requests a briefing on the Recovery Audit Contractor program for the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate within 60 days of enactment of this Act.

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 to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate detailing the receipts and transfer of payments for this program.

Telehealth.—The agreement reaffirms the request under this heading in Senate Report 115–150 for a report within one year of enactment of this Act. The agreement directs the Administrator to consult with Telehealth Centers of Excellence and other relevant agencies and stakeholders.

ADMINISTRATION FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES (ACF)

LOW INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE

The agreement includes an increase of $250,000,000 for the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP). LIHEAP provides critical assistance to help low-income households keep up with home energy costs, which is particularly valuable for geographic regions that experience extreme temperatures in the winter and summer months.

REFUGEE AND ENTRANT ASSISTANCE

Refugee Support Services.—The agreement accepts the Administration's proposal to consolidate funding from Social Services, Preventive Health, and Targeted Assistance into Refugee Support

Services. The agreement expects activities funded under these three lines in fiscal year 2017 to continue in fiscal year 2018 at the same funding level as fiscal year 2017.

Transitional and Medical Services.—The agreement provides a funding level consistent with the current estimates of eligible arrivals. The agreement affirms the expectations outlined in Senate Report 115–150, including ACF maintaining the number of months refugees are eligible for benefits.

Unaccompanied Children.—The agreement directs HHS to provide a joint briefing with the Departments of Homeland Security and State, within 45 days of enactment of this Act, to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate. The briefing should outline the Administration's current and planned policies that impact the resources needed for this program.

Victims of Trafficking.—The agreement includes $17,000,000 for services for foreign national victims and $6,755,000 to improve services available for U.S. citizens and legal permanent residents. Within the total of $23,755,000, the agreement includes $1,750,000 for the National Human Trafficking Hotline program, an increase of $250,000.

PAYMENTS TO STATES FOR THE CHILD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT

The agreement includes a $2,370,000,000 increase for the Child Care and Development Block Grant (CCDBG) Act. It is expected that this increase will support the full implementation of the CCDBG Act as reauthorized in 2014, including activities to improve the quality and safety of child care programs, increasing provider reimbursement rates, and ensuring health and safety standards are met. The Department should work with States to ensure they are fully in compliance with, and meeting the goals of, the CCDBG Act. Further, the Department should work with States to ensure they are aware of the availability of funds under current law to make minor improvements to facilities to bring them into compliance with health and safety requirements and improve professional development for the child care workforce. Finally, the Department should work with States to ensure they are meeting the needs of families with non-traditional work hours. The funding will also increase access to affordable, high-quality child care to more low-income, working families.

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES SERVICES PROGRAMS

Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act (CAPTA) Infant Plans of Safe Care.—The agreement provides an increase of $60,000,000 for CAPTA State Grants. Within the increase, the agreement directs States to prioritize infant plans of safe care, including compliance with the requirements in section 106(b)(2)(B)(iii) of CAPTA. The incidence of neonatal abstinence syndrome has increased as the opioid crisis has worsened, and this funding is intended to help States improve their response to infants affected by substance use disorder and their families. The agreement also directs HHS to provide the necessary technical assistance, monitoring, and oversight to assist and evaluate State's ac-

tivities on plans of safe care. The agreement requests an update on those activities in the fiscal year 2020 Congressional Justification.

Child Abuse Discretionary Activities.—The agreement notes the lack of knowledge regarding effective and appropriate text-based and chat-based intervention and education services for child abuse victims and concerned adults as these new communication channels increase in prevalence. Therefore, the agreement includes $1,000,000 for an extramural grant to develop and expand text and chat capabilities and protocols for a National child abuse hotline to determine best practices in appropriate communication, identity verification, privacy protection, and resource sharing with youth seeking assistance. In awarding the grant, ACF is directed to prioritize ability to coordinate with other hotlines administered by ACF.

Community Economic Development.—The agreement directs ACF to issue a funding opportunity announcement prioritizing applications from rural areas with high rates of poverty, unemployment, and substance abuse.

Early Head Start (EHS).—The agreement includes a $115,000,000 increase for Early Head Start Expansion and Early Head Start-Child Care (EHS-CC) Partnership Grants. The agreement directs ACF to continue to equally prioritize EHS Expansion and EHS–CC Partnerships, as determined by the needs of local communities, as done in previous grant competitions for this program. Within the total, the agreement includes a cost of living adjustment of $15,000,000 for existing grantees.

Head Start.—The agreement provides a full cost-of-living adjustment of $216,000,000 to Head Start grantees. The agreement also includes $260,000,000 for grantees to increase their program hours, in alignment with the requirement in the Head Start Program Performance Standards. In addition to supporting working families, research shows that extended duration of high-quality early learning services improves child learning and developmental outcomes.

Family Violence Prevention and Services.—The agreement includes a $9,000,000 increase and directs ACF to use $5,000,000 of that increase to supplement existing funding for Native American tribes and tribal organizations. The agreement recognizes the importance of providing supports that are culturally appropriate to the populations they serve.

Native American Programs.—The agreement includes $12,000,000 for Native American language preservation activities, including $3,000,000 for Generation Indigenous, and not less than $4,000,000 for language immersion programs authorized by section 803C(b)(7)(A)–(C) of the Native American Programs Act.

Runaway and Homeless Youth.—The agreement provides an increase of $8,300,000 for the Runaway and Homeless Youth program. The new funding should be provided to Transitional Living Program and Maternal Group Home grantees whose awards end on April 30, 2018 to continue services until new awards for those grantees are made or for grantees who did not get a new grant, a continuation grant to provide services until the end of fiscal year 2018. The new funding can only be used for additional new awards after funds have been set aside for completing extensions to ensure

grantees awarded grants in fiscal year 2013 are able to operate through the end of fiscal year 2018.

Street Outreach Program.—The agreement acknowledges the value of geographic balance in providing resources to fight against youth homelessness and encourages ACF to award at least one grant in each of the 10 regions.

PROMOTING SAFE AND STABLE FAMILIES

Kinship Navigator Programs.—As parents struggle with opioid addiction and substance use disorder, more grandparents and relatives are taking primary responsibility for the care of children. The agreement includes $20,000,000 to assist States and Indian tribes to develop and enhance kinship navigator programs. The new funding is provided to support changes to comply with upcoming requirements in the recently passed Family First Prevention Services Act, included as part of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018 (P.L. 115–123).

Regional Partnership Grants.—This agreement includes $20,000,000 for Regional Partnership Grants to fund community collaborations among substance abuse treatment, courts, and child welfare agencies to improve the lives of children and families affected by opioids and other substance use disorders.

ADMINISTRATION FOR COMMUNITY LIVING (ACL)

AGING AND DISABILITY SERVICES PROGRAMS

Aging Network Support Activities.—The agreement provides $12,461,000 for Aging Network Support Activities, of which $5,000,000 is for the Holocaust Survivor's Assistance program.

Alzheimer's Disease Program.—The agreement provides $23,500,000 for the Alzheimer's Disease Program, an increase of $4,000,000. The agreement accepts the Administration's proposal to streamline several Alzheimer's disease programs into one larger, more flexible program that will allow States, communities, nonprofits, and Indian tribes greater access to funding opportunities authorized under Title IV of the Older Americans Act. The agreement directs ACL to expand support for evidence-based interventions funded in fiscal year 2017 and to test cutting edge approaches that will serve persons with Alzheimer's disease, related dementias, and their family caregivers. The agreement notes that the National Institute on Aging will continue its Alzheimer's Disease Outreach Campaign and the agreement also provides funding for the National Alzheimer's Call Center under this heading.

Assistive Technology.—The agreement includes $2,000,000 for competitive grants as specified in House Report 115–244. In addition, the agreement encourages CMS to support efforts by State Medicaid programs to partner with State Assistive Technology Act Programs to develop and implement reutilization programs with a goal of containing Medicaid costs.

Elder Rights Support Activities.—The agreement includes $15,874,000 for Elder Rights Support Activities, of which $12,000,000 is included for the Elder Justice and Adult Protective Services program.

Developmental Disabilities Projects of National Significance.—The agreement includes $12,000,000 for Developmental Disabilities Projects of National Significance. Of this amount, not less than $1,000,000 is 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.

Independent Living.—The agreement provides $113,183,000 for the Independent Living program, of which $24,878,000 is for the Independent Living State Grants program and $88,305,000 is for the Centers for Independent Living program.

Paralysis Resource Center.—The agreement includes $7,700,000 for the National Paralysis Resource Center (PRC), an increase of $1,000,000. This program has long provided essential, comprehensive information, and referral services that promote independence and quality of life for the 5.4 million people living with paralysis and their families. The agreement directs ACL to continue support for the national PRC at not less than the fiscal year 2017 funding level.

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

GENERAL DEPARTMENTAL MANAGEMENT

Healthcare 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 2018 to cover these expenses.

Nonrecurring Expenses Fund.—In addition to funds directed in the CDC's Buildings and Facilities account to support the BSL-4 laboratory, the agreement directs the Secretary to prioritize obligations from resources in the Nonrecurring Expenses Fund for the following projects: CDC National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health facility, Indian Health Services facilities, NIH chillers, Food and Drug Administration laboratory renovations, HHS cybersecurity initiatives, and the Departmental Appeals Board case management system. Additionally, the agreement notes the number of notified projects that have not yet been completed. The agreement encourages the Secretary to complete outstanding projects in a timely manner and prior to directing funding to new projects.

Obligation Reports.—The agreement directs the Secretary to submit electronically to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate an Excel table detailing the obligations made in the most recent quarter for each office and activity funded under this appropriation not later than 30 days after the end of each quarter.

Staffing Reports.—The agreement directs the Secretary to submit to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate a monthly Excel table listing the names, titles, grades, agencies, and divisions of all of the political appointees

and special government employees, and detailees that were employed by or assigned within the Department during the previous month.

Technical Assistance.—The agreement reiterates the importance of the long-standing relationship between the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate (Committees) and the Department's Office of the Assistant Secretary for Financial Resources (ASFR). As noted in Senate Report 115–150, the Committees have long relied on ASFR to facilitate the Committees' requests for legal and technical feedback that is not covered by a legitimate claim of privilege, as well as technical assistance to ensure the Committees' guidance is implemented as intended. The Committees expect that all technical assistance requests be dealt with in a manner that is consistent with past precedent, including timely answers that respond to any specific inquiries.

OFFICE OF MEDICARE HEARINGS AND APPEALS

The agreement directs the Office of Medicare Hearings and Appeals to provide quarterly reports 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 levels of the appeals process. The quarterly updates should include a breakout of Recovery Audit Contractor (RAC) and non-RAC claims.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES EMERGENCY FUND

The agreement includes a program level of $1,953,458,000 for the Public Health and Social Services Emergency Fund (PHSSEF). This funding will 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.

The agreement commends the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (ASPR) for the work ASPR has done to develop regional, coalition-based disaster medical response plans. The agreement encourages ASPR to work with States that have demonstrated success in creating statewide disaster healthcare systems to coordinate patient movement, evacuation and field emergency care, particularly in areas with high incidence of natural disasters, with the goal of establishing best practices and maximizing Federal resources.

Hospital Preparedness Program (HPP).—The agreement rejects the Administration's proposal to change the allocation formula that would leave 26 States and Territories without HPP funding.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Prevention and Public Health Fund.—The agreement reflects the allocation of the Prevention and Public Health Fund.

PREVENTION AND PUBLIC HEALTH FUND

Agency	Budget Activity	FY 2018 Agreement
ACL	Alzheimer's Disease Program	$14,700,000

PREVENTION AND PUBLIC HEALTH FUND—Continued

Agency	Budget Activity	FY 2018 Agreement
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	52,275,000
CDC	Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity Grants	40,000,000
CDC	Healthcare Associated Infections	12,000,000
CDC	Heart Disease & Stroke Prevention Program	53,275,000
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	Section 317 Immunization Grants	324,350,000
CDC	Lead Poisoning Prevention	17,000,000
CDC	Early Care Collaboratives	4,000,000
SAMHSA	Garrett Lee Smith-Youth Suicide Prevention	12,000,000

The agreement includes a new provision related to indirect cost negotiated rates.

The agreement includes a new provision granting transfer authority for funds related to opioid research at NIH.

The agreement includes a new provision prohibiting Child Care and Development Block Grant funds from going to providers where a serious injury or death occurred due to a substantiated health or safety violation.

TITLE III

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

EDUCATION FOR THE DISADVANTAGED

Consultation on State Plans.—As State Educational Agencies work to finalize their plans for distributing their section 1003 funds, and continue to give priority to supporting Local Educational Agencies as required under section 1003(f) of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), States must include assurances in their State plans as required under 1111(g)(2), including the assurance that the State educational agencies will ensure that local educational agencies, in developing and implementing programs under Title I, Part A, will, to the extent feasible, work in consultation with outside intermediary organizations (such as educational service agencies), or individuals, that have practical expertise in the development or use of evidence-based strategies and programs to improve teaching, learning, and schools.

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMS

Native Hawaiian Education Program.—The agreement includes $36,397,000 for the Native Hawaiian Education program, including $650,000 for the Native Hawaiian Education Council.

Student Support and Academic Enrichment Grants.—One of the goals of the Student Support and Academic Enrichment (SSAE) grants program is to provide safe, healthy learning environments for students. The funding can be utilized for a wide range of uses, including to expand access to or coordinate resources for school-based mental health services and supports, which may include

trauma-informed practices and school counseling; bullying prevention; and professional development for personnel in crisis management and school-based violence prevention strategies. The agreement provides $1,100,000,000, which is a $700,000,000 increase over fiscal year 2017, to make these flexible resources available to States, which can include assisting in protecting students and educators.

In addition to the language included in House Report 115–244 regarding SSAE grants and science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) education, the agreement encourages the Department to especially support pre-kindergarten through grade 12 computer science education programs that address the enrollment and achievement gap for underrepresented students such as minorities, girls, and youth from families living at or below the poverty line.

INNOVATION AND IMPROVEMENT

Education Innovation and Research (EIR).—The agreement reiterates and applies language included under this heading in both House Report 115–244 and Senate Report 115–150 to funds provided in this Act.

In addition, within the total, the agreement includes $50,000,000 for innovative STEM education projects, including computer science education. The Department proposed in its fiscal year 2019 budget new bill language, not included in this agreement, that would allow the Secretary to devote all of these funds to STEM. This proposal will be considered as part of the fiscal year 2019 appropriations process.

The Department should coordinate with other Federal agencies that issue grants in this area, including the National Science Foundation, to avoid duplication and ensure activities funded under EIR build on the existing evidence base and provide a unique benefit to the field. The agreement also notes that a wide-range of formula and competitive grants at the Department of Education can also be used to support STEM education.

The agreement also encourages the Department to seek opportunities to collaborate with researchers from the fields of neuroscience, cognitive development, psychiatry, psychology, and education and human development, for the purposes of promoting research-based scientific interventions in the science of learning that improve academic outcomes for high-need, high-poverty students. The agreement also directs the Department to prioritize proposals that seek to improve early learning and cognitive development outcomes among high-need, high-poverty students through neuroscience-based and scientifically validated interventions and meet the evidence requirements for this program established by ESSA.

Charter Schools Program.—The agreement modifies the language in Senate Report 115–150 to include up to $7,500,000 for developer grants to establish or expand charter schools in underserved, high-poverty, rural areas, as described therein.

Supporting Effective Educator Development.—In awarding grants under the Supporting Effective Educator Development (SEED) program, the Secretary is directed to ensure that grants are distributed among a diverse set of eligible entities including National non-profit organizations implementing evidence-based ac-

tivities (as defined in section 8101(21)(A)(i) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act) across a number of sites which can help bring to scale evidence-based programs of National significance across the country.

Additionally, the agreement supports funding for activities described under this heading in the explanatory statement accompanying Division H of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2017, regarding programs, which may include a consortia of programs operating in multiple States, to improve the academic preparation and college readiness, including the college-and-career pipeline, of rural youth.

Finally, within the SEED program, the agreement supports funding for innovative programs providing professional development for teachers in early childhood and early elementary school focused on social emotional learning, classroom and behavior management, and improving school climate, with the goal of improving the social and emotional well-being and academic performance of students.

Arts in Education.—The agreement includes funding to continue the Department's support for all grant programs funded within this program at not less than the fiscal year 2017 level. This includes $7,700,000, an increase of $1,000,000, for the National Arts in Education program, to continue the Department's support for National-level, high-quality arts education projects, which could include developing arts education data mapping tools to identify gaps in arts education across the country; developing and updating standards-aligned arts curriculum; professional development for special educators; and other high-quality projects for children and youth, with an emphasis on servicing students from low-income families and students with disabilities. The Department is also directed to provide more flexibility to Arts in Education Model Development and Dissemination grantees by establishing more appropriate performance measures, such as access to standards-based arts education in high-needs schools and assessment of student knowledge and skills in the arts, for this grant activity.

SAFE SCHOOLS AND CITIZENSHIP EDUCATION

National Activities.—The agreement includes $90,000,000, an increase of $22,000,000. These funds should be used to expand evidence-based programs to ensure safe learning environments for students and educators, including improving school climates, preventing violence in schools, and providing services in response to serious incidents.

Promise Neighborhoods.—The agreement reiterates language under this heading in Senate Report 115–150 except that it expects initial implementation continuation grants to be awarded as soon as possible, not later than June 1, 2018. In addition, the agreement specifies that not less than $12,000,000 shall be available for such extension grants in fiscal year 2018, with a minimum grant of not less than $3,000,000 per year.

SPECIAL EDUCATION

Within the total for Technical Assistance and Dissemination the agreement includes $15,083,000 for education activities authorized under P.L.—108–406.

Seclusion and Restraint.—The agreement includes direction for the Government Accountability Office (GAO) to conduct a further study on data reported to the Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights on the use of seclusion and restraints for all students at the school and district level on efforts to reduce the use of seclusion and restraint practices. There is concern that seclusion and restraint issues continue to be chronically underreported. In particular, GAO is encouraged to evaluate recommendations for improving data collection at any school, including any special education or alternative school, that serves students, ages 3–21. In fulfilling the requested study, the GAO should also include recommendations, including examples of best practices, of how schools are adopting effective alternatives to these practices and reducing the incidence of seclusion and restraint.

STUDENT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Federal Work Study.—The agreement includes up to $9,625,000, an increase of $1,235,000, for the Work Colleges program authorized under section 448 of the Higher Education Act.

Pell Grants.—The agreement includes sufficient funding to increase the maximum award by $175 to $6,095 in academic year 2018–2019.

STUDENT AID ADMINISTRATION

Student Loan Servicing.—The agreement supports efforts to improve the Federal student aid application and servicing process to best serve students and student borrowers. However, there remains concern about specific elements of the Department's proposal to significantly revamp the Federal student loan servicing process. Accordingly, the agreement includes language, modified from Senate Report 115–150, preventing the Department from moving forward with specific components of their proposal and current solicitation unless they are modified to include certain elements to promote accountability, transparency, and competition, to better serve student borrowers and taxpayers. Nothing in this language should be interpreted as otherwise preventing the Department from modernizing the student loan servicing process, or the student and borrower experience; or improving the current performance-based student loan allocation process to strengthen incentives for servicers to provide high-quality service to borrowers.

The Department is directed to provide pursuant to the quarterly obligation plans reporting instructions in Senate Report 115–150 the following additional information: performance metrics, total loan volume, and number of accounts broken out by servicer and for each private collection agency. Further, the Department is directed to provide the requested briefing on the benefits for servicemembers and veterans directive in Senate Report 115–150 within 30 days of enactment of this Act.

HIGHER EDUCATION

Cybersecurity Education.—The growing presence of cybersecurity threats continues to highlight the need for quality cybersecurity education programs. The efforts of the nation's community colleges

to expand cybersecurity education in lower-income student populations is commendable and important, but often those schools lack the resources to maintain state of the art programs. To address these needs, the agreement includes $1,000,000 for the Department of Education to establish a pilot grant program to support technological upgrades for community colleges for the purpose of supporting cybersecurity programs.

Federal TRIO Programs.—The agreement reiterates the language in Senate Report 115–150 regarding reviewing fiscal year 2017 applications with minor technical issues. Further, the agreement clarifies that minor technical issues includes applications with minor budget issues, and adds that the review should include applications under all fiscal year 2017 TRIO competitions.

GEAR UP.—The Department is directed to announce Notices Inviting Applications for New Awards for State Grants and Partnership Grants in the Federal Register. In such notice for State grants, the Department is directed to uphold the long-standing guidance that States may only administer one active State GEAR UP grant at a time. The Secretary is directed to provide written guidance in the Federal Register notifying applicants that only States without an active State GEAR UP grant, or States that have an active State GEAR UP grant that is scheduled to end prior to October 1, 2018, will be eligible to receive a new State GEAR UP award funded in whole or in part by this appropriation.

Open Textbooks Pilot.—The agreement includes $5,000,000 for a pilot, competitive grant program to support projects at institutions of higher education that create new open textbooks or expand their use in order to achieve savings for students while maintaining or improving instruction and student learning outcomes. The Secretary shall require that any open textbook created with program funds be licensed under a nonexclusive, irrevocable license to the public to exercise any of the rights under copyright conditioned only on the requirement that attribution be given as directed by the copyright owner. Further, the Secretary should give special consideration to projects at institutions of higher education that demonstrate the greatest potential to achieve the highest level of savings for students through sustainable, expanded use of open textbooks in postsecondary courses offered by the eligible entity and expand the use of open textbooks at institutions of higher education outside of the eligible entity.

Historically Black College and University Capital Financing Program

The agreement includes new funding and provisions related to the deferment of outstanding loans for private historically Black colleges and universities (HBCUs). It also includes a new provision regarding an outreach plan to help additional public HBCUs participate in the program.

Departmental Management

Reorganization Plans.—The Department is directed to provide detailed information on any plans to reform or reorganize the Department to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of

Representatives and Senate prior to beginning implementing any such plans. There remains concern that adequate information about and justification for its reorganization have not been transparently shared with Congress and stakeholders to be able to evaluate the changes being proposed, including the potential benefits or existing challenges they are meant to address.

Of particular concern is any attempt to reorganize or alter the current structure of the Budget Service office. The Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate rely on the quality and professional expertise of this office and are deeply concerned about proposed changes to its structure. Therefore, a provision is included in the agreement which would not allow funding to be used for the purpose of reorganizing or decentralizing the office.

The Budget Service office shall continue to have lead responsibility for: (1) developing and implementing the Department's budget; (2) formulating budget and related legislative policies for Department programs; (3) presenting the Department's budget and related policy proposals to the public and Congress; (4) establishing and maintaining a Department-wide performance-based budget formulation, execution, and management system; and (5) reviewing and analyzing Department program operations, including budget and policy implementation. The Budget Service office shall also continue to play a prominent role in reviewing, analyzing and estimating costs of regulations, analyzing policy, and overseeing the Department's management of its programs and administrative resources. There is strong concern that a decentralization of these functions will create inefficiencies.

Borrower Defense Claims Reporting.—The Department is directed to provide quarterly reports pursuant to the borrower defense claims reporting instructions in Senate Report 115–150 that also include the following additional information: the total and median dollar amount of outstanding debt from borrowers prior to discharge, the percentage of the total approved claims receiving partial relief, and the median student loan debt remaining as part of claims receiving partial relief.

Office for Civil Rights.—The agreement includes $117,000,000 for the Office for Civil Rights (OCR). The OCR is directed in fiscal year 2018 to use this appropriation to increase its level of full time equivalent employment in order to effectively and timely investigate complaints; execute and report on the civil rights data collection; thoroughly monitor corrective actions of institutions and meet other critical workloads. Further, OCR is directed to maintain its 12 regional offices consistent with the organizational structure described in its fiscal year 2018 and 2019 Justification of Appropriation Estimates to the Congress.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

The agreement includes a new general provision to exempt the Magnet Schools program from one long-standing general provision on transporting students. ESSA reauthorized the Magnet School program in 2015 and allowed funds to be used for transportation and this agreement should not impede the Magnet School program from doing so. The agreement notes that the Committees on Appro-

priations of the House of Representatives and the Senate should consider a longer term solution to this issue during the fiscal year 2019 appropriations process.

The agreement modifies a provision rescinding unobligated balances available for the Pell Grant program to offset the mandatory costs of increasing the maximum award.

The agreement includes a new provision to address a drafting error related to the reauthorization of the Impact Aid program.

The agreement includes a new provision clarifying availability of hurricane relief funding.

The agreement includes a new provision to clarify current law and allow for the continued sharing of financial data to scholarship granting organizations.

The agreement includes a new provision modifying existing authority relating to cohort default rates for a period of two years.

The agreement includes a new provision related to public service loan forgiveness.

The agreement includes a new provision regarding Pell eligibility for children of first responders who have died in the line of duty.

TITLE IV—RELATED AGENCIES

CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE (CNCS)

Innovation, Demonstration, and Other Activities.—The agreement includes $7,600,000 for innovation, demonstration, and assistance activities. Within the total, the agreement recommends $5,400,000 for the Volunteer Generation Fund. The agreement also includes a total of $2,200,000 for National Days of Service, to be equally allocated between the September 11 National Day of Service and Remembrance and the Martin Luther King, Jr. National Day of Service, two important national events.

Commission Investment Fund (CIF).—The agreement includes not less than $8,500,000, an increase of $1,000,000 for CIF, which provides funds to State commissions for training and technical assistance activities to expand the capacity of current and potential AmeriCorps programs, particularly in underserved areas.

Reduced Full Time Service Positions.—The agreement includes a provision to allow CNCS to establish a new 1,200 hour service position, including a proportional reduction in the education award.

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 2018 Agreement
Library Services Technology Act:	
Grants to States	$160,803,000
Native American Library Services	5,063,000
National Leadership: Libraries	13,406,000
Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian	10,000,000
Museum Services Act:	
Museums for America	22,899,000
Native American/Hawaiian Museum Services	1,472,000
National Leadership: Museums	8,113,000
African American History and Culture Act:	

Budget Activity	FY 2018 Agreement
Museum Grants for African American History & Culture	2,231,000
Research, Analysis, and Data Collection	2,013,000
Program Administration	14,000,000
TOTAL	240,000,000

RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD

The agreement includes $10,000,000 for the implementation of information technology systems modernization efforts. Within 180 days of enactment of this Act, the Railroad Retirement Board is directed to submit a comprehensive update to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate on: project status, timelines to completion, and total cost of development.

SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION (SSA)

LIMITATION ON ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

Administrative Funding.—The agreement provides an increase of $480,000,000 for administrative expenses. Of this amount, bill language directs $280,000,000 to support SSA's information technology modernization initiative and directs $100,000,000, with extended availability, for processing the backlog of disability hearings within the Office of Hearings Operations.

Capability Determination Process Improvements.—The agreement notes the importance of SSA accurately evaluating an individual's ability to manage—or direct the management of—his or her Social Security benefits. However, a 2016 study by the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine, entitled Informing Social Security's Process for Financial Capability Determination, raised concerns about SSA's capability determination process, and a 2015 internal SSA report found that most capability determination decisions are not adequately developed or documented. The agreement is encouraged by the steps SSA is taking to improve its capability determination process and requests a report not later than 60 days after the enactment of this Act on SSA's plans to evaluate the effects of these changes.

Disability Case Processing System (DCPS).—The agreement supports efforts to modernize the case processing systems used by State Disability Determination Service agencies, including the DCPS. The SSA is directed to take the necessary actions that would permit States the ability to select from all available options in the modernization of their case processing systems, so long as the selected option has similar or better functionality as DCPS without imposing costs that are higher than using DCPS. Such process must be in conformance with all Federal procurement rules and information technology security requirements. The agreement requests a detailed analysis in the fiscal year 2020 Congressional Justification on the actions SSA has taken to implement this request. The analysis should include a detailed description of any challenges or legal barriers to implementing any option to modernize the disability case processing system.

Field Offices.—The agreement is concerned that SSA may be reducing resources for field offices and expects SSA to continue to support frontline operations. In fiscal year 2017, SSA field offices served approximately 42 million visitors, a five percent increase over fiscal year 2015. The high volume of visitors, combined with factors such as complex workloads, shortened public operating hours, and staff shortages, have led to increased wait times in both field offices and the National 800 number. SSA is directed to submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate within 90 days of enactment of this Act outlining its plan for ensuring that field offices, hearing offices, processing centers, and teleservice centers are receiving sufficient resources to maintain at least the current level of constituent services.

Field Office Closures.—There is significant concern about decisions to close field offices that may not be in accordance with law, regulations, and SSA procedures. These critical decisions must comply with Federal law, regulations, and procedures to account for the impact such actions will have on the community. The agreement notes that SSA's Inspector General (IG) is reviewing decisions to close field offices, including whether SSA followed internal procedures in proposing consolidation, notifying the public, and considering feedback from public input. While the IG review is ongoing, the Acting Commissioner should not make any final decisions related to field office locations under review. Further, the agreement encourages SSA to carefully consider and fully implement any IG recommendations that may result from such review.

Report on Compassionate Allowances.—The agreement is concerned about SSA's process for identifying Compassionate Allowance (CAL) conditions. The GAO issued a report entitled SSA's Compassionate Allowance Initiative (GAO–17–625), which found that SSA did not have a formal or systematic approach for designating certain medical conditions for the CAL initiative. The agreement directs SSA to submit a report not later than 60 days after the enactment of this Act describing the steps that SSA is taking to identify and evaluate new CAL conditions and to improve the overall management of the process, including the regular review and use of available data to assess the accuracy and consistency of CAL decision-making.

Representative Payee Program.—The agreement recognizes the importance of providing oversight of the individuals and organizations serving as representative payees and that the current oversight structure needs improvement. The agreement supports efforts to institute a new, stronger system of oversight through the Federal-State Protection and Advocacy system. The SSA's current contractor has consistently underperformed and is not on track to meet the terms of the contract. In light of the concerns about the existing vendor's performance, the agreement believes it would be inappropriate for SSA to extend its current contract beyond its July 31, 2018 expiration date. Given continued concern over the administration of the program, SSA should expect further Congressional oversight of this situation throughout the coming year.

Ticket to Work Program.—The agreement recognizes that the purpose of the Ticket to Work Program is to provide the assistance

disabled beneficiaries need to return to work. The agreement notes that a number of evaluations have been done on the Ticket to Work Program, including a 2016 SSA IG Report entitled "The Ticket to Work Program" (A–02–17–50203) and independent evaluations by Mathematica Policy Research. In lieu of language in Senate Report 115–150, the agreement directs GAO to submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate, the Committee on Ways and Means of the House of Representatives, and the Committee on Finance of the Senate, and to make such report publicly available. The report shall address the following: the annual benefit savings associated with Tickets in use, the annual cost associated with the Ticket to Work Program (in excess of those that would be made under the SSA's traditional cost-reimbursement to vocational rehabilitation agencies, if the Ticket to Work program did not exist), how these costs and savings compare over time, and whether the Ticket to Work Program has led to increased earnings for beneficiaries and, if it is not possible to make such a determination, the options for a demonstration or study that would be necessary to make such a determination on earnings. Finally, GAO is directed to include any benefits from the Ticket to Work Program that are not captured by the above cost-savings analysis, whether those benefits are quantifiable, and to incorporate the views of beneficiary representatives and other stakeholders in this aspect of the report.

Vocational Experts.—The agreement notes that the Office of Hearing Operations (OHO) is developing a solicitation for a market-based approach to acquiring contractors to provide vocational expert testimony. Prior to issuing a solicitation, the agreement requests a report on the market research used to assess the fair and reasonable rate for vocational experts. The report shall also include an assessment of how the market-based approach taken by SSA will ensure vocational experts contracted under the new procurement will have the training and experience to demonstrate a thorough understanding of the impact of impairments on functional abilities, labor market needs, and job placement strategies. The report should also include SSA's process for measuring contractor performance and contractor adherence to requirements on vocational expert qualifications.

Work Incentives Planning and Assistance (WIPA) and Protection and Advocacy for Beneficiaries of Social Security (PABSS). The agreement includes $23,000,000 for WIPA and $7,000,000 for PABSS.

TITLE V

GENERAL PROVISIONS

The agreement includes language rescinding various unobligated balances.

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TITLE I--DEPARTMENT OF LABOR							
EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING ADMINISTRATION							
Training and Employment Services							
Grants to States:							
Adult Training, current year	D	103,556	102,370	133,556	+30,000	+31,186	FF
Advance from prior year	NA	(712,000)	(712,000)	(712,000)	---	---	
FY 2019	D	712,000	388,000	712,000	---	+324,000	
Subtotal		815,556	490,370	845,556	+30,000	+355,186	
Youth Training	D	873,416	523,667	903,416	+30,000	+379,749	FF
Dislocated Worker Assistance, current year	D	160,860	160,485	180,860	+20,000	+20,375	FF
Advance from prior year	NA	(860,000)	(860,000)	(860,000)	---	---	
FY 2019	D	860,000	455,000	860,000	---	+405,000	
Subtotal		1,020,860	615,485	1,040,860	+20,000	+425,375	
Subtotal, Grants to States		2,709,832	1,629,522	2,789,832	+80,000	+1,160,310	
Current Year		(1,137,832)	(786,522)	(1,217,832)	(+80,000)	(+431,310)	
FY 2019		(1,572,000)	(843,000)	(1,572,000)	---	(+729,000)	

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National Programs:							
Dislocated Worker Assistance National Reserve:							
Current year	D	20,859	87,000	20,859	---	-66,141	FF
Advance from prior year	NA	(200,000)	(200,000)	(200,000)	---	---	
FY 2019	D	200,000	30,000	200,000	---	+170,000	
Subtotal		220,859	117,000	220,859	---	+103,859	
Subtotal, Dislocated Worker Assistance		1,241,719	732,485	1,261,719	+20,000	+529,234	
Native American programs	D	50,000	49,905	54,000	+4,000	+4,095	FF
Migrant and Seasonal Farmworker programs	D	81,896	---	87,896	+6,000	+87,896	FF
YouthBuild activities	D	84,534	84,373	89,534	+5,000	+5,161	FF
Technical assistance	D	2,500	5,226	---	-2,500	-5,226	
Reintegration of Ex-Offenders	D	88,078	77,911	93,079	+5,001	+15,168	
Workforce Data Quality Initiative	D	6,000	---	6,000	---	+6,000	
Apprenticeship programs	D	95,000	89,829	145,000	+50,000	+55,171	
Total, National Programs		628,867	424,244	696,368	+67,501	+272,124	
Current Year		(428,867)	(394,244)	(496,368)	(+67,501)	(+102,124)	
FY 2019		(200,000)	(30,000)	(200,000)	---	(+170,000)	

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Total, Training and Employment Services (TES)...		3,338,699	2,053,766	3,486,200	+147,501	+1,432,434	
Current Year.....		(1,566,699)	(1,180,766)	(1,714,200)	(+147,501)	(+533,434)	
FY 2019.....		(1,772,000)	(873,000)	(1,772,000)	---	(+899,000)	
Job Corps							
Operations.....	D	1,587,325	1,341,318	1,603,325	+16,000	+262,007	FF
Construction, Rehabilitation and Acquisition.....	D	84,500	74,857	83,000	-1,500	+8,143	FF
Administration.....	D	32,330	32,269	32,330	---	+61	
Total, Job Corps.....		1,704,155	1,448,444	1,718,655	+14,500	+270,211	
Current Year.....		(1,704,155)	(1,448,444)	(1,718,655)	(+14,500)	(+270,211)	
Community Service Employment For Older Americans	D	400,000	---	400,000	---	+400,000	FF
Federal Unemployment Benefits and Allowances (indefinite).....	M	849,000	790,000	790,000	-59,000	---	

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State Unemployment Insurance and Employment Service Operations							
Unemployment Compensation (UI):							
State Operations	TF	2,567,100	2,499,775	2,510,600	-56,500	+10,825	
Reemployment eligibility assessments--UI integrity	TF	115,000	130,000	120,000	+5,000	-10,000	
UI Integrity Center of Excellence	TF	5,500	6,000	9,000	+3,500	+3,000	
Subtotal, Unemployment Compensation		2,687,600	2,635,775	2,639,600	-48,000	+3,825	
Federal-State UI National Activities	TF	14,897	12,000	13,897	-1,000	+1,897	
Employment Service (ES):							
Grants to States:							
Federal Funds	D	21,413	21,372	21,413	---	+41	FF
Trust Funds	TF	650,000	394,516	645,000	-5,000	+250,484	FF
Subtotal, Grants to States		671,413	415,888	666,413	-5,000	+250,525	FF
ES National Activities	TF	19,818	19,780	19,818	---	+38	
Subtotal, Employment Service		691,231	435,668	686,231	-5,000	+250,563	
Federal Funds		(21,413)	(21,372)	(21,413)	---	(+41)	
Trust Funds		(669,818)	(414,296)	(664,818)	(-5,000)	(+250,522)	

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Foreign Labor Certifications and Related Activities:							
Federal Administration	TF	48,028	47,937	48,028	---	+91	
Grants to States	TF	14,282	14,255	14,282	---	+27	
Subtotal, Foreign Labor Certification		62,310	62,192	62,310	---	+118	
One-Stop Career Centers/Labor Market Information	D	67,653	67,524	62,653	-5,000	-4,871	FF
Total, State UI and ES		3,523,691	3,213,159	3,464,691	-59,000	+251,532	
Federal Funds		(89,066)	(88,896)	(84,066)	(-5,000)	(-4,830)	
Trust Funds		(3,434,625)	(3,124,263)	(3,380,625)	(-54,000)	(+256,362)	

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Program Administration						
Training and Employment	D	62,040	59,960	62,040	---	+2,080
Trust Funds	TF	8,639	8,623	8,639	---	+16
Employment Security	D	3,440	3,462	3,440	---	-22
Trust Funds	TF	39,264	39,189	39,264	---	+75
Apprenticeship Services	D	36,160	33,935	36,160	---	+2,225
Executive Direction	D	7,034	7,021	7,034	---	+13
Trust Funds	TF	2,079	2,075	2,079	---	+4
Total, Program Administration		158,656	154,265	158,656	---	+4,391
Federal Funds		(108,674)	(104,378)	(108,674)	---	(+4,296)
Trust Funds		(49,982)	(49,887)	(49,982)	---	(+95)
Total, Employment and Training Administration		9,974,201	7,659,634	10,018,202	+44,001	+2,358,568
Federal Funds		6,489,594	4,485,484	6,587,595	+98,001	+2,102,111
Current Year		(4,717,594)	(3,612,484)	(4,815,595)	(+98,001)	(+1,203,111)
FY 2019		(1,772,000)	(873,000)	(1,772,000)	---	(+899,000)
Trust Funds		3,484,607	3,174,150	3,430,607	-54,000	+256,457

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EMPLOYEE BENEFITS SECURITY ADMINISTRATION (EBSA)						
Salaries and Expenses						
Enforcement and Participant Assistance	D	147,400	---	147,400	---	+147,400
Policy and Compliance Assistance	D	26,901	---	26,901	---	+26,901
Executive Leadership, Program Oversight and	D					
Administration	D	6,699	---	6,699	---	+6,699
Employee benefits security programs	D	---	183,926	---	---	-183,926
Total, EBSA		181,000	183,926	181,000	---	-2,926
PENSION BENEFIT GUARANTY CORPORATION (PBGC)						
Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation Fund						
Consolidated Administrative budget	NA	(519,506)	(522,917)	(424,417)	(-95,089)	(-98,500)
WAGE AND HOUR DIVISION, Salaries and Expenses	D	227,500	230,068	227,500	---	-2,568
OFFICE OF LABOR-MANAGEMENT STANDARDS, Salaries and Expenses	D	38,187	46,634	40,187	+2,000	-6,447

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OFFICE OF FEDERAL CONTRACT COMPLIANCE PROGRAMS,						
Salaries and Expenses	D	104,476	88,000	103,476	-1,000	+15,476
OFFICE OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION PROGRAMS	D					
Salaries and Expenses	D	115,424	113,109	115,424	---	+2,315
Trust Funds	TF	2,177	2,173	2,177	---	+4
Total, Salaries and Expenses		117,601	115,282	117,601	---	+2,319
Federal Funds		(115,424)	(113,109)	(115,424)	---	(+2,315)
Trust Funds		(2,177)	(2,173)	(2,177)	---	(+4)
Special Benefits						
Federal Employees' Compensation Benefits	M	217,000	217,000	217,000	---	---
Longshore and Harbor Workers' Benefits	M	3,000	3,000	3,000	---	---
Total, Special Benefits		220,000	220,000	220,000	---	---

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Special Benefits for Disabled Coal Miners						
Benefit Payments	M	75,000	65,000	65,000	-10,000	---
Administration	M	5,319	5,319	5,319	---	---
Subtotal, FY 2018 program level		80,319	70,319	70,319	-10,000	---
Less funds advanced in prior year	M	-19,000	-16,000	-16,000	+3,000	---
Total, Current Year		61,319	54,319	54,319	-7,000	---
New advances, 1st quarter, FY 2019	M	16,000	15,000	15,000	-1,000	---
Total, Special Benefits for Disabled Coal Miners		77,319	69,319	69,319	-8,000	---
Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Fund						
Administrative Expenses	M	59,846	59,846	59,846	---	---

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Black Lung Disability Trust Fund						
Benefit Payments and Interest on Advances	M	302,115	345,635	345,635	+43,520	---
Workers' Compensation Programs, Salaries and Expenses	M	38,246	38,246	38,246	---	---
Departmental Management, Salaries and Expenses	M	31,994	30,595	31,994	---	+1,399
Departmental Management, Inspector General	M	330	330	330	---	---
Subtotal, Black Lung Disability		372,685	414,806	416,205	+43,520	+1,399
Treasury Department Administrative Costs	M	356	356	356	---	---
Total, Black Lung Disability Trust Fund		373,041	415,162	416,561	+43,520	+1,399
Total, Workers' Compensation Programs		847,807	879,609	883,327	+35,520	+3,718
Federal Funds		845,630	877,436	881,150	+35,520	+3,714
Current year		(829,630)	(862,436)	(866,150)	(+36,520)	(+3,714)
FY 2019		(16,000)	(15,000)	(15,000)	(-1,000)	---
Trust Funds		2,177	2,173	2,177	---	+4

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OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH ADMINISTRATION (OSHA)						
Salaries and Expenses						
Safety and Health Standards	D	18,000	18,176	18,000	---	-176
Federal Enforcement	D	208,000	207,465	208,000	---	+535
Whistleblower enforcement	D	17,500	17,383	17,500	---	+117
State Programs	D	100,850	100,658	100,850	---	+192
Technical Support	D	24,469	24,281	24,469	---	+188
Compliance Assistance:						
Federal Assistance	D	70,981	72,351	70,981	---	-1,370
State Consultation Grants	D	59,500	57,665	59,500	---	+1,835
Training Grants	D	10,537	---	10,537	---	+10,537
Subtotal, Compliance Assistance	D	141,018	130,016	141,018	---	+11,002
Safety and Health Statistics	D	32,900	34,326	32,900	---	-1,426
Executive Direction and Administration	D	10,050	10,952	10,050	---	-902
Total, OSHA		552,787	543,257	552,787	---	+9,530

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MINE SAFETY AND HEALTH ADMINISTRATION						
Salaries and Expenses						
Coal Enforcement	D	160,000	157,026	160,000	---	+2,974
Metal/Non-Metal Enforcement	D	94,500	97,875	94,500	---	-3,375
Standards Development	D	4,500	5,460	4,500	---	-960
Assessments	D	6,627	7,457	6,627	---	-830
Educational Policy and Development	D	39,320	37,365	39,320	---	+1,955
Technical Support	D	35,041	34,330	35,041	---	+711
Program Evaluation and Information Resources (PEIR)	D	17,990	19,169	17,990	---	-1,179
Program Administration	D	15,838	16,490	15,838	---	-652
Total, Mine Safety and Health Administration		373,816	375,172	373,816	---	-1,356
Total, Worker Protection Agencies		1,595,367	1,582,339	1,596,367	+1,000	+14,028
Federal Funds		(1,593,190)	(1,580,166)	(1,594,190)	(+1,000)	(+14,024)
Trust Funds		(2,177)	(2,173)	(2,177)	---	(+4)

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BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS						
Salaries and Expenses						
Employment and Unemployment Statistics	D	208,000	203,878	209,000	+1,000	+5,122
Labor Market Information	TF	65,000	64,876	65,000	---	+124
Prices and Cost of Living	D	207,000	209,863	209,000	+2,000	-863
Compensation and Working Conditions	D	83,500	82,880	83,500	---	+620
Productivity and Technology	D	10,500	10,798	10,500	---	-298
Executive Direction and Staff Services	D	35,000	35,547	35,000	---	-547
Total, Bureau of Labor Statistics		609,000	607,842	612,000	+3,000	+4,158
Federal Funds		544,000	542,966	547,000	+3,000	+4,034
Trust Funds		65,000	64,876	65,000	---	+124
OFFICE OF DISABILITY EMPLOYMENT POLICY						
Salaries and Expenses	D	38,203	27,203	38,203	---	+11,000

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DEPARTMENTAL MANAGEMENT						
Salaries and Expenses						
Executive Direction	D	30,250	30,951	30,250	---	-701
Departmental Program Evaluation	D	8,040	8,025	8,040	---	+15
Legal Services	D	121,745	126,933	123,745	+2,000	-3,188
Trust Funds	TF	308	308	308	---	---
International Labor Affairs	D	86,125	18,500	86,125	---	+67,625
Administration and Management	D	28,834	23,496	23,534	-5,300	+38
Adjudication	D	35,000	31,939	35,000	---	+3,061
Women's Bureau	D	12,530	2,925	13,530	+1,000	+10,605
Civil Rights Activities	D	6,880	6,867	6,880	---	+13
Chief Financial Officer	D	5,132	9,914	10,432	+5,300	+518
Total, Departmental Management Salaries and expenses		334,844	259,858	337,844	+3,000	+77,986
Federal Funds		(334,536)	(259,550)	(337,536)	(+3,000)	(+77,986)
Trust Funds		(308)	(308)	(308)	---	---

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Veterans Employment and Training						
State Administration, Grants	TF	175,000	174,667	180,000	+5,000	+5,333
Transition Assistance Program	TF	14,600	16,073	19,500	+4,900	+3,427
Federal Administration	TF	41,027	40,410	42,127	+1,100	+1,717
National Veterans' Employment and Training Services Institute	TF	3,414	3,408	3,414	---	+6
Homeless Veterans Programs	D	45,000	45,037	50,000	+5,000	+4,963
Total, Veterans Employment and Training		279,041	279,595	295,041	+16,000	+15,446
Federal Funds		45,000	45,037	50,000	+5,000	+4,963
Trust Funds		234,041	234,558	245,041	+11,000	+10,483
IT Modernization						
Departmental support systems	D	4,898	4,889	4,889	-9	---
Infrastructure technology modernization	D	13,880	24,833	15,880	+2,000	-8,953
Total, IT Modernization		18,778	29,722	20,769	+1,991	-8,953

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Office of Inspector General						
Program Activities	D	82,061	80,487	83,487	+1,426	+3,000
Trust Funds	TF	5,660	5,649	5,660	---	+11
Total, Office of Inspector General		87,721	86,136	89,147	+1,426	+3,011
Total, Departmental Management		720,384	655,311	742,801	+22,417	+87,490
Federal Funds		480,375	414,796	491,792	+11,417	+76,996
Current Year		(480,375)	(414,796)	(491,792)	(+11,417)	(+76,996)
Trust Funds		240,009	240,515	251,009	+11,000	+10,494
Total, Workforce Investment Act Programs		5,042,854	3,502,210	5,204,855	+162,001	+1,702,645
Current Year		(3,270,854)	(2,629,210)	(3,432,855)	(+162,001)	(+803,645)
FY 2019		(1,772,000)	(873,000)	(1,772,000)	---	(+899,000)
Total, Title I, Department of Labor		13,667,361	11,296,656	13,773,299	+105,938	+2,476,643
Federal Funds		9,875,568	7,814,942	10,024,506	+148,938	+2,209,564
Current Year		(8,087,568)	(6,926,942)	(8,237,506)	(+149,938)	(+1,310,564)
FY 2019		(1,788,000)	(888,000)	(1,787,000)	(-1,000)	(+899,000)
Trust Funds		3,791,793	3,481,714	3,748,793	-43,000	+267,079

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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	1,490,522	1,488,587	1,625,522	+135,000	+136,935
Free Clinics Medical Malpractice	D	1,000	100	1,000	---	+900
Total, Primary Health Care		1,491,522	1,488,687	1,626,522	+135,000	+137,835
Health Workforce						
National Health Service Corps	D	---	---	105,000	+105,000	+105,000
Training for Diversity:						
Centers of Excellence	D	21,711	---	23,711	+2,000	+23,711
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	---	48,970	+3,000	+48,970
Total, Training for Diversity		83,060	---	88,060	+5,000	+88,060

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Training in Primary Care Medicine	D	38,924	---	48,924	+10,000	+48,924
Oral Health Training	D	36,673	---	40,673	+4,000	+40,673
Interdisciplinary Community-Based Linkages:						
Area Health Education Centers	D	30,250	---	38,250	+8,000	+38,250
Geriatric Programs	D	38,737	---	40,737	+2,000	+40,737
Mental and Behavorial Health	D	9,916	---	36,916	+27,000	+36,916
Behavioral Health Workforce Education and Training	D	50,000	---	75,000	+25,000	+75,000
Total, Interdisciplinary Community Linkages		128,903	---	190,903	+62,000	+190,903
Workforce Information and Analysis	D	4,663	4,654	5,663	+1,000	+1,009
Public Health and Preventive Medicine programs	D	17,000	---	17,000	---	+17,000
Nursing Programs:						
Advanced Education Nursing	D	64,581	---	74,581	+10,000	+74,581
Nurse Education, Practice, and Retention	D	39,913	---	41,913	+2,000	+41,913
Nursing Workforce Diversity	D	15,343	---	17,343	+2,000	+17,343
Nursing Corps Scholarship and Loan Repayment Program	D	83,135	82,977	87,135	+4,000	+4,158
Nursing Faculty Loan Program	D	26,500	---	28,500	+2,000	+28,500
Total, Nursing programs		229,472	82,977	249,472	+20,000	+166,495

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Children's Hospitals Graduate Medical Education.....	D	300,000	295,000	315,000	+15,000	+20,000
National Practitioner Data Bank.....	D	18,814	18,000	18,814	---	+814
User Fees.....	D	-18,814	-18,000	-18,814	---	-814
Total, Health Workforce.....		838,695	382,631	1,060,695	+222,000	+678,064
Maternal and Child Health						
Maternal and Child Health Block Grant.....	D	641,700	666,987	651,700	+10,000	-15,287
Sickle Cell Anemia Demonstration Program.....	D	4,455	---	4,455	---	+4,455
Autism and Other Developmental Disorders.....	D	47,099	---	49,099	+2,000	+49,099
Heritable Disorders.....	D	13,883	---	15,883	+2,000	+15,883
Healthy Start.....	D	103,500	128,303	110,500	+7,000	-17,803
Healthy Start Initiative (PL 114-254).....	D	15,000	---	---	-15,000	---
Universal Newborn Hearing Screening.....	D	17,818	---	17,818	---	+17,818
Emergency Medical Services for Children.....	D	20,162	---	22,334	+2,172	+22,334
Screening and treatment for maternal depression.....	D	---	---	5,000	+5,000	+5,000
Pediatric Mental Health Care Access	D	---	---	10,000	+10,000	+10,000
Total, Maternal and Child Health.....		863,617	795,290	886,789	+23,172	+91,499

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Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program						
Emergency Assistance	D	655,876	654,629	655,876	---	+1,247
Comprehensive Care Programs	D	1,315,005	1,312,505	1,315,005	---	+2,500
AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP) (NA)	NA	(900,313)	(-898,602)	(900,313)	---	(+1,798,915)
Early Intervention Program	D	201,079	204,689	201,079	---	-3,610
Children, Youth, Women, and Families	D	75,088	75,088	75,088	---	---
AIDS Dental Services	D	13,122	13,097	13,122	---	+25
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	2,260,008	2,318,781	---	+58,773
Health Care Systems						
Organ Transplantation	D	23,549	23,504	25,549	+2,000	+2,045
National Cord Blood Inventory	D	12,266	11,245	15,266	+3,000	+4,021
CW Bill Young Cell Transplantation program	D	22,109	22,067	24,109	+2,000	+2,042
340B Drug Pricing program/Office of Pharmacy Affairs	D	10,238	10,219	10,238	---	+19
Poison Control	D	18,846	18,810	20,846	+2,000	+2,036
National Hansen's Disease Program	D	15,206	11,653	13,706	-1,500	+2,053
Hansen's Disease Program Buildings and Facilities	D	122	---	122	---	+122
Payment to Hawaii, Treatment of Hansen's	D	1,857	1,853	1,857	---	+4
Total, Health Care Systems		104,193	99,351	111,693	+7,500	+12,342

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Rural Health						
Rural Outreach Grants	D	65,500	50,811	71,500	+6,000	+20,689
Rural Health Research/Policy Development	D	9,351	5,000	9,351	---	+4,351
Rural Hospital Flexibility Grants	D	43,609	---	49,609	+6,000	+49,609
State Offices of Rural Health	D	10,000	---	10,000	---	+10,000
Black Lung Clinics	D	7,266	6,753	10,000	+2,734	+3,247
Radiation Exposure Screening and Education Program	D	1,834	1,831	1,834	---	+3
Telehealth	D	18,500	10,000	23,500	+5,000	+13,500
Rural Communities Opioid Response	D	---	---	100,000	+100,000	+100,000
Rural Residency Program	D	---	---	15,000	+15,000	+15,000
Total, Rural Health		156,060	74,395	290,794	+134,734	+216,399
Family Planning	D	286,479	286,479	286,479	---	---
Program Management	D	154,000	151,993	155,000	+1,000	+3,007
Total, Health resources and services (HRS)		6,213,347	5,538,834	6,736,753	+523,406	+1,197,919
Vaccine Injury Compensation Program Trust Fund						
Post-FY 1988 Claims	M	240,000	268,000	268,000	+28,000	---
HRSA Administrative expenses	TF	7,750	9,200	9,200	+1,450	---
Total, Vaccine Injury Compensation Trust Fund		247,750	277,200	277,200	+29,450	---
Total, Health Resources and Services Administration		6,461,097	5,816,034	7,013,953	+552,856	+1,197,919

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CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION						
Immunization and Respiratory Diseases	D	455,000	497,228	474,055	+19,055	-23,173
Pandemic Flu balances (Public Law 111-32)	NA	(15,000)	---	---	(-15,000)	---
Prevention and Public Health Fund 1/	NA	(324,350)	(203,600)	(324,350)	---	(+120,750)
Subtotal		(794,350)	(700,828)	(798,405)	(+4,055)	(+97,577)
HIV/AIDS, Viral Hepatitis, Sexually Transmitted Diseases, and Tuberculosis Prevention	D	1,117,278	934,000	1,127,278	+10,000	+193,278
Emerging and Zoonotic Infectious Diseases	D	532,922	377,000	562,572	+29,650	+185,572
Prevention and Public Health Fund 1/	NA	(52,000)	(137,000)	(52,000)	---	(-85,000)
Subtotal		584,922	514,000	614,572	+29,650	+100,572
Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion	D	777,646	452,250	915,346	+137,700	+463,096
Prevention and Public Health Fund 1/	NA	(337,950)	(500,000)	(247,550)	(-90,400)	(-252,450)
Subtotal		1,115,596	952,250	1,162,896	+47,300	+210,646

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Birth Defects, Developmental Disabilities, Disabilities and Health	D	137,560	100,000	140,560	+3,000	+40,560
Subtotal	NA	137,560	100,000	140,560	+3,000	+40,560
Public Health Scientific Services	D	489,397	317,032	490,397	+1,000	+173,365
Evaluation Tap Funding	NA	---	(142,968)	---	---	(-142,968)
Subtotal		(489,397)	(460,000)	(490,397)	(+1,000)	(+30,397)
Environmental Health	D	163,750	157,000	188,750	+25,000	+31,750
Childhood lead poisoning prevention (PL 114-254)	D	35,000	---	---	-35,000	---
Prevention and Public Health Fund 1/	NA	(17,000)	---	(17,000)	---	(+17,000)
Subtotal		215,750	157,000	205,750	-10,000	+48,750
Injury Prevention and Control	D	286,059	216,165	648,559	+362,500	+432,394
National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health	D	335,200	200,000	335,200	---	+135,200
Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program	M	55,358	55,358	55,358	---	---

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Global Health	D	435,121	350,000	488,621	+53,500	+138,621
Public Health Preparedness and Response	D	1,405,000	1,266,000	1,450,000	+45,000	+184,000
Buildings and Facilities	D	10,000	20,000	270,000	+260,000	+250,000
Transfers from Nonrecurring Expenses Fund	NA	---	---	(240,000)	(+240,000)	(+240,000)
Subtotal		10,000	20,000	510,000	+500,000	+490,000
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	105,000	113,570	---	+8,570
Subtotal, CDC-Wide Activities		(273,570)	(105,000)	(273,570)	---	(+168,570)
Total, Centers for Disease Control		6,348,861	5,047,033	7,260,266	+911,405	+2,213,233
Discretionary		6,293,503	4,991,675	7,204,908	+911,405	+2,213,233
Evaluation Tap Funding (NA)	NA	---	(142,968)	---	---	(-142,968)
Pandemic Flu balances (Public Law 111-32)	NA	(15,000)	---	---	(-15,000)	---
Prevention and Public Health Fund 1/	NA	(891,300)	(840,600)	(800,900)	(-90,400)	(-39,700)
Transfers from Nonrecurring Expenses Fund	NA	---	---	(240,000)	(+240,000)	(+240,000)
Total, Centers for Disease Control Program Level		(7,255,161)	(6,030,601)	(8,301,166)	(+1,046,005)	(+2,270,565)

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NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH						
National Cancer Institute	D	5,389,329	4,174,222	5,664,800	+275,471	+1,490,578
National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute	D	3,206,589	2,534,803	3,383,201	+176,612	+848,398
National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research	D	425,751	320,749	447,735	+21,984	+126,986
National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK)	D	1,870,595	1,449,534	1,970,797	+100,202	+521,263
Juvenile Diabetes (mandatory)	NA	(150,000)	(150,000)	(150,000)	---	---
Subtotal, NIDDK program level		2,020,595	1,599,534	2,120,797	+100,202	+521,263
National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke	D	1,783,654	1,312,998	2,145,149	+361,495	+832,151
National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases	D	4,906,638	3,782,670	5,260,210	+353,572	+1,477,540
National Institute of General Medical Sciences	D	1,826,395	1,405,509	1,862,529	+36,134	+457,020
Evaluation Tap Funding	NA	(824,443)	(780,000)	(922,871)	(+98,428)	(+142,871)
Subtotal, NGMS program level		2,650,838	2,185,509	2,785,400	+134,562	+599,891

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Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development	D	1,380,295	1,032,029	1,452,006	+71,711	+419,977
National Eye Institute	D	732,618	549,847	772,317	+39,699	+222,470
National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences	D	714,261	533,537	751,143	+36,882	+217,606
National Institute on Aging	D	2,048,610	1,303,541	2,574,091	+525,481	+1,270,550
National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases	D	557,851	417,898	586,661	+28,810	+168,763
National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders	D	436,875	325,846	459,974	+23,099	+134,128
National Institute of Nursing Research	D	150,273	113,688	158,033	+7,760	+44,345
National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism	D	483,363	361,356	509,573	+26,210	+148,217
National Institute on Drug Abuse	D	1,090,853	864,998	1,383,603	+292,750	+518,605
National Institute of Mental Health	D	1,601,931	1,201,901	1,711,775	+109,844	+509,874
National Human Genome Research Institute	D	528,566	399,622	556,881	+28,315	+157,259
National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering	D	357,080	282,614	377,871	+20,791	+95,257
National Center for Complementary and Integrative Health	D	134,689	101,793	142,184	+7,495	+40,391
National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities	D	289,069	214,723	303,200	+14,131	+88,477

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John E. Fogarty International Center	D	72,213	---	75,733	+3,520	+75,733
National Library of Medicine (NLM)	D	407,510	373,258	428,553	+21,043	+55,295
National Center for Advancing Translational Sciences	D	705,903	557,373	742,354	+36,451	+184,981
National Institute for Research on Safety and Quality3/	D	---	272,000	---	---	-272,000
Office of the Director	D	1,665,183	1,329,833	1,803,293	+138,110	+473,460
Common Fund (non-add)	NA	(682,856)	(441,823)	(588,116)	(-94,740)	(+146,293)
Gabriella Miller Kids First Research Act (Common Fund add)	D	12,600	12,600	12,600	---	---
NIH Innovation Account, CURES Act2/	D	352,000	496,000	496,000	+144,000	---
Buildings and Facilities	D	128,863	98,615	128,863	---	+30,248
Total, National Institutes of Health (NIH)		33,259,557	25,823,557	36,161,129	+2,901,572	+10,337,572
(Evaluation Tap Funding)		(824,443)	(780,000)	(922,871)	(+98,428)	(+142,871)
Total, NIH Program Level		(34,084,000)	(26,603,557)	(37,084,000)	(+3,000,000)	(+10,480,443)

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SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ADMINISTRATION (SAMHSA)						
Mental Health						
Programs of Regional and National Significance	D	386,659	277,419	426,659	+40,000	+149,240
Prevention and Public Health Fund 1/	NA	(12,000)	---	(12,000)	---	(+12,000)
Subtotal		398,659	277,419	438,659	+40,000	+161,240
Mental Health block grant	D	541,532	400,000	701,532	+160,000	+301,532
Evaluation Tap Funding	NA	(21,039)	(15,539)	(21,039)	---	(+5,500)
Subtotal		(562,571)	(415,539)	(722,571)	(+160,000)	(+307,032)
Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics	D	---	---	100,000	+100,000	+100,000
Children's Mental Health	D	119,026	118,800	125,000	+5,974	+6,200
Grants to States for the Homeless (PATH)	D	64,635	64,512	64,635	---	+123
Protection and Advocacy	D	36,146	36,077	36,146	---	+69
Subtotal, Mental Health		1,147,998	896,808	1,453,972	+305,974	+557,164
(Evaluation Tap Funding)		(21,039)	(15,539)	(21,039)	---	(+5,500)
(Prevention and Public Health Fund 1/)		(12,000)	---	(12,000)	---	(+12,000)
Subtotal, Mental Health program level		(1,181,037)	(912,347)	(1,487,011)	(+305,974)	(+574,664)

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Substance Abuse Treatment						
Programs of Regional and National Significance.....	D	352,427	339,738	403,427	+51,000	+63,689
Evaluation Tap Funding.....	NA	(2,000)	(2,000)	(2,000)	---	---
Subtotal.....		(354,427)	(341,738)	(405,427)	(+51,000)	(+63,689)
Substance Abuse block grant.....	D	1,778,879	1,775,497	1,778,879	---	+3,382
Evaluation Tap Funding.....	NA	(79,200)	(79,200)	(79,200)	---	---
Subtotal, block grant.....		(1,858,079)	(1,854,697)	(1,858,079)	---	(+3,382)
State Opioid Response grants.....	D	---	---	1,000,000	+1,000,000	+1,000,000
Subtotal, Substance Abuse Treatment.....		2,131,306	2,115,235	3,182,306	+1,051,000	+1,067,071
(Evaluation Tap Funding).....		(81,200)	(81,200)	(81,200)	---	---
Subtotal, Program level.....		(2,212,506)	(2,196,435)	(3,263,506)	(+1,051,000)	(+1,067,071)

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Substance Abuse Prevention						
Programs of Regional and National Significance.....	D	223,219	149,703	248,219	+25,000	+98,516
Health Surveillance and Program Support	D	116,830	108,922	128,830	+12,000	+19,908
Evaluation Tap Funding (NA).....	NA	(31,428)	(23,426)	(31,428)	---	(+8,002)
Subtotal.....		148,258	132,348	160,258	+12,000	+27,910
Total, SAMHSA.....		3,619,353	3,270,668	5,013,327	+1,393,974	+1,742,659
(Evaluation Tap Funding).....		(133,667)	(120,165)	(133,667)	---	(+13,502)
(Prevention and Public Health Fund 1/).....		(12,000)	---	(12,000)	---	(+12,000)
Total, SAMHSA Program Level.....		(3,765,020)	(3,390,833)	(5,158,994)	(+1,393,974)	(+1,768,161)

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AGENCY FOR HEALTHCARE RESEARCH AND QUALITY (AHRQ)3/						
Healthcare Research and Quality						
Research on Health Costs, Quality, and Outcomes:						
Federal Funds	D	187,156	---	197,156	+10,000	+197,156
Medical Expenditures Panel Surveys:						
Federal Funds	D	66,000	---	66,000	---	+66,000
Program Support:						
Federal Funds	D	70,844	---	70,844	---	+70,844
Total, AHRQ (Federal funds)3/		324,000	---	334,000	+10,000	+334,000
Total, Public Health Service (PHS) appropriation		50,012,868	39,957,292	55,782,675	+5,769,807	+15,825,383
Total, Public Health Service Program Level		(51,889,278)	(41,841,025)	(57,892,113)	(+6,002,835)	(+16,051,088)

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CENTERS FOR MEDICARE AND MEDICAID SERVICES						
Grants to States for Medicaid						
Medicaid Current Law Benefits	M	354,223,901	384,608,394	384,608,394	+30,384,493	---
State and Local Administration	M	18,975,984	20,811,084	20,811,084	+1,835,100	---
Vaccines for Children	M	4,386,584	4,598,358	4,598,358	+211,774	---
Subtotal, Medicaid Program Level		377,586,469	410,017,836	410,017,836	+32,431,367	---
Less funds advanced in prior year	M	-115,582,502	-125,219,452	-125,219,452	-9,636,950	---
Total, Grants to States for Medicaid		262,003,967	284,798,384	284,798,384	+22,794,417	---
New advance, 1st quarter, FY 2019	M	125,219,452	134,847,759	134,847,759	+9,628,307	---
Payments to Health Care Trust Funds						
Supplemental Medical Insurance	M	214,944,000	245,396,000	245,396,000	+30,452,000	---
Federal Uninsured Payment	M	147,000	132,000	132,000	-15,000	---
Program Management	M	877,500	1,104,000	1,104,000	+226,500	---
General Revenue for Part D Benefit	M	82,512,000	76,133,000	76,133,000	-6,379,000	---
General Revenue for Part D Administration	M	405,000	422,000	422,000	+17,000	---
HCFAC Reimbursement	M	299,000	307,000	307,000	+8,000	---
State Low-Income Determination for Part D	M	3,200	3,300	3,300	+100	---
Total, Payments to Trust Funds, Program Level		299,187,700	323,497,300	323,497,300	+24,309,600	---

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Program Management						
Research, Demonstration, Evaluation	TF	20,054	18,054	20,054	---	+2,000
Program Operations	TF	2,519,823	2,441,274	2,519,823	---	+78,549
State Survey and Certification	TF	397,334	406,135	397,334	---	-8,801
Federal Administration	TF	732,533	722,533	732,533	---	+10,000
Total, Program management		3,669,744	3,587,996	3,669,744	---	+81,748
Health Care Fraud and Abuse Control Account						
Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services	TF	486,936	536,145	500,368	+13,432	-35,777
HHS Office of Inspector General	TF	82,132	74,246	84,398	+2,266	+10,152
Medicaid/CHIP	TF	82,132	74,246	84,398	+2,266	+10,152
Department of Justice	TF	73,800	66,363	75,836	+2,036	+9,473
Total, Health Care Fraud and Abuse Control		725,000	751,000	745,000	+20,000	-6,000
Total, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services		690,805,863	747,482,439	747,558,187	+56,752,324	+75,748
Federal funds		686,411,119	743,143,443	743,143,443	+56,732,324	---
Current year		(561,191,667)	(608,295,684)	(608,295,684)	(+47,104,017)	---
New advance, FY 2019		(125,219,452)	(134,847,759)	(134,847,759)	(+9,628,307)	---
Trust Funds		4,394,744	4,338,996	4,414,744	+20,000	+75,748

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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	3,680,840	3,763,200	3,763,200	+82,360	---
Federal Incentive Payments	M	585,791	588,200	588,200	+2,409	---
Access and Visitation	M	10,000	10,000	10,000	---	---
Subtotal, Child Support Enforcement		4,276,631	4,361,400	4,361,400	+84,769	---
Total, Family Support Payments Program Level		4,310,631	4,395,400	4,395,400	+84,769	---
Less funds advanced in previous years	M	-1,300,000	-1,400,000	-1,400,000	-100,000	---
Total, Family Support Payments, current year		3,010,631	2,995,400	2,995,400	-15,231	---
New advance, 1st quarter, FY 2019	M	1,400,000	1,400,000	1,400,000	---	---

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Low Income Home Energy Assistance (LIHEAP)						
Formula Grants	D	3,390,304	---	3,640,304	+250,000	+3,640,304
Refugee and Entrant Assistance						
Transitional and Medical Services	D	490,000	320,000	320,000	-170,000	---
Refugee Support Services	D	---	159,321	207,201	+207,201	+47,880
Victims of Trafficking	D	18,755	18,719	23,755	+5,000	+5,036
Social Services	D	155,000	---	---	-155,000	---
Preventive Health	D	4,600	---	---	-4,600	---
Targeted Assistance	D	47,601	---	---	-47,601	---
Unaccompanied Minors	D	948,000	948,000	1,303,245	+355,245	+355,245
Victims of Torture	D	10,735	10,715	10,735	---	+20
Total, Refugee and Entrant Assistance		1,674,691	1,456,755	1,864,936	+190,245	+408,181

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Payments to States for the Child Care and Development Block Grant	D	2,856,000	2,761,000	5,226,000	+2,370,000	+2,465,000
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	9,253,095	9,168,095	9,863,095	+610,000	+695,000
Preschool Development Grants	D	250,000	---	250,000	---	+250,000
Consolidated Runaway, Homeless Youth Program	D	101,980	101,786	110,280	+8,300	+8,494
Prevention Grants to Reduce Abuse of Runaway Youth	D	17,141	17,108	17,141	---	+33
Child Abuse State Grants	D	25,310	25,262	85,310	+60,000	+60,048
Child Abuse Discretionary Activities	D	33,000	32,937	33,000	---	+63
Community Based Child Abuse Prevention	D	39,764	39,688	39,764	---	+76
Child Welfare Services	D	268,735	268,224	268,735	---	+511
Child Welfare Training, Research, or Demonstration projects	D	17,984	17,950	17,984	---	+34
Adoption Opportunities	D	39,100	30,072	39,100	---	+9,028
Infant Adoption Awareness Training Program	D	---	---	---	---	---
Adoption Incentive grants	D	37,943	37,871	75,000	+37,057	+37,129

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Social Services and Income Maintenance Research.....	D	6,512	6,500	6,512	---	+12
Native American Programs.....	D	52,050	49,905	54,050	+2,000	+4,145
Community Services:						
Community Services Block Grant Act programs:						
Grants to States for Community Services.....	D	715,000	---	715,000	---	+715,000
Economic Development.....	D	19,883	---	19,883	---	+19,883
Rural Community Facilities.....	D	7,500	---	8,000	+500	+8,000
Subtotal, Community Services.....		742,383	---	742,883	+500	+742,883
Domestic Violence Hotline.....	D	8,250	8,250	9,250	+1,000	+1,000
Family Violence/Battered Women's Shelters.....	D	151,000	151,000	160,000	+9,000	+9,000
Chafee Education and Training Vouchers.....	D	43,257	43,175	43,257	---	+82
Disaster Human Services Case Management.....	D	1,864	1,860	1,864	---	+4
Program Direction.....	D	205,000	204,610	205,000	---	+390
Total, Children and Families Services Programs..		11,294,368	10,204,293	12,022,225	+727,857	+1,817,932

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Promoting Safe and Stable Families	M	325,000	345,000	345,000	+20,000	---
Discretionary Funds	D	59,765	59,651	99,765	+40,000	+40,114
Total, Promoting Safe and Stable Families		384,765	404,651	444,765	+60,000	+40,114
Payments for Foster Care and Permanency						
Foster Care	M	4,992,000	5,537,000	5,537,000	+545,000	---
Adoption Assistance	M	2,780,000	2,867,000	2,867,000	+87,000	---
Guardianship	M	152,000	181,000	181,000	+29,000	---
Independent Living	M	140,000	140,000	140,000	---	---
Total, Payments to States		8,064,000	8,725,000	8,725,000	+661,000	---
Less Advances from Prior Year	M	-2,300,000	-2,500,000	-2,500,000	-200,000	---
Total, payments, current year		5,764,000	6,225,000	6,225,000	+461,000	---
New Advance, 1st quarter, FY 2019	M	2,500,000	2,700,000	2,700,000	+200,000	---
Total, ACF		33,974,759	28,147,099	38,218,630	+4,243,871	+10,071,531
Current year		(30,074,759)	(24,047,099)	(34,118,630)	(+4,043,871)	(+10,071,531)
FY 2019		(3,900,000)	(4,100,000)	(4,100,000)	(+200,000)	---
Total, ACF Program Level		33,974,759	28,147,099	38,218,630	+4,243,871	+10,071,531

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ADMINISTRATION FOR COMMUNITY LIVING						
Aging and Disability Services Programs						
Grants to States:						
Home and Community-based Supportive Services.....	D	350,224	347,063	385,074	+34,850	+38,011
Preventive Health.....	D	19,848	19,810	24,848	+5,000	+5,038
Protection of Vulnerable Older Americans-Title VII	D	20,658	20,619	21,658	+1,000	+1,039
Subtotal.....		390,730	387,492	431,580	+40,850	+44,088
Family Caregivers.....	D	150,586	150,300	180,586	+30,000	+30,286
Native American Caregivers Support.....	D	7,556	7,517	9,556	+2,000	+2,039
Subtotal, Caregivers.....		158,142	157,817	190,142	+32,000	+32,325
Nutrition:						
Congregate Meals.....	D	450,342	447,490	490,342	+40,000	+42,852
Home Delivered Meals.....	D	227,342	225,912	246,342	+19,000	+20,430
Nutrition Services Incentive Program.....	D	160,069	159,765	160,069	---	+304
Subtotal.....		837,753	833,167	896,753	+59,000	+63,586
Subtotal, Grants to States.....		1,386,625	1,378,476	1,518,475	+131,850	+139,999

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Grants for Native Americans	D	31,208	31,099	33,208	+2,000	+2,109
Aging Network Support Activities	D	9,961	9,942	12,461	+2,500	+2,519
Alzheimer's Disease Demonstrations	D	4,800	19,490	8,800	+4,000	-10,690
Prevention and Public Health Fund 1/	NA	(14,700)	---	(14,700)	---	(+14,700)
Lifespan Respite Care	D	3,360	3,354	4,110	+750	+756
Chronic Disease Self-Management Program	D	---	5,000	---	---	-5,000
Prevention and Public Health Fund 1/	NA	(8,000)	---	(8,000)	---	(+8,000)
Elder Falls Prevention	D	---	5,000	---	---	-5,000
Prevention and Public Health Fund 1/	NA	(5,000)	---	(5,000)	---	(+5,000)
Elder Rights Support Activities	D	13,874	11,851	15,874	+2,000	+4,023
Aging and Disability Resources	D	6,119	6,107	8,119	+2,000	+2,012
State Health Insurance Program	TF	47,115	---	49,115	+2,000	+49,115
Paralysis Resource Center	D	6,700	---	7,700	+1,000	+7,700
Limb loss	D	2,500	---	3,500	+1,000	+3,500
Traumatic Brain Injury	D	9,321	3,162	11,321	+2,000	+8,159

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Developmental Disabilities Programs:						
Partnerships for Innovation, Inclusion, and Independence	D	---	45,000	---	---	-45,000
State Councils	D	73,000	---	76,000	+3,000	+76,000
Protection and Advocacy	D	38,734	38,660	40,734	+2,000	+2,074
Voting Access for Individuals with Disabilities	D	4,963	4,954	6,963	+2,000	+2,009
Developmental Disabilities Projects of National Significance	D	10,000	7,600	12,000	+2,000	+4,400
University Centers for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities	D	38,619	38,546	40,619	+2,000	+2,073
Subtotal, Developmental Disabilities Programs		165,316	134,760	176,316	+11,000	+41,556
Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act						
Independent Living	D	101,183	78,156	113,183	+12,000	+35,027
National Institute on Disability, Independent Living, and Rehabilitation Research	D	103,970	95,127	104,970	+1,000	+9,843
Assistive Technology	D	34,000	31,939	36,000	+2,000	+4,061
Subtotal, Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act		239,153	205,222	254,153	+15,000	+48,931

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Program Administration	D	40,063	37,987	41,063	+1,000	+3,076
Total, Administration for Community Living (ACL)		1,966,115	1,851,450	2,144,215	+178,100	+292,765
Federal funds		(1,919,000)	(1,851,450)	(2,095,100)	(+176,100)	(+243,650)
Trust Funds		(47,115)	---	(49,115)	(+2,000)	(+49,115)
(Prevention and Public Health Fund 1/)		(27,700)	---	(27,700)	---	(+27,700)
Total, ACL program level		1,993,815	1,851,450	2,171,915	+178,100	+320,465
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY						
General Departmental Management						
General Departmental Management, Federal Funds	D	199,620	203,500	200,919	+1,299	-2,581
Teen Pregnancy Prevention Community Grants	D	101,000	---	101,000	---	+101,000
Evaluation Tap Funding	NA	(6,800)	---	(6,800)	---	(+6,800)
Subtotal, Grants		(107,800)	---	(107,800)	---	(+107,800)

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Faith-Based Center	D	1,299	1,299	---	-1,299	-1,299
Sexual Risk Avoidance	D	15,000	10,000	25,000	+10,000	+15,000
Minority Health	D	56,670	56,562	56,670	---	+108
Office of Women's Health	D	32,140	32,140	32,140	---	---
Minority HIV/AIDS prevention and treatment	D	53,900	---	53,900	---	+53,900
Embryo Adoption Awareness Campaign	D	1,000	1,000	1,000	---	---
Planning and Evaluation, Evaluation Tap Funding	NA	(58,028)	(57,465)	(58,028)	---	(+563)
Total, General Departmental Management		460,629	304,501	470,629	+10,000	+166,128
Federal Funds		(460,629)	(304,501)	(470,629)	(+10,000)	(+166,128)
(Evaluation Tap Funding)		(64,828)	(57,465)	(64,828)	---	(+7,363)
Total, General Departmental Management Program		525,457	361,966	535,457	+10,000	+173,491
Account for the State Response to the Opioid Abuse Crisis, CURES Act2/	D	500,000	500,000	500,000	---	---

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Office of Medicare Hearings and Appeals	TF	107,381	117,177	182,381	+75,000	+65,204
Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology	D	60,367	38,381	60,367	---	+21,986
Office of Inspector General						
Inspector General Federal Funds	D	80,000	68,085	80,000	---	+11,915
HCFAC funding (NA)	NA	(334,097)	---	(334,097)	---	(+334,097)
Total, Inspector General Program Level		(414,097)	(68,085)	(414,097)	---	(+346,012)
Office for Civil Rights						
Federal Funds	D	38,798	32,530	38,798	---	+6,268
Retirement Pay and Medical Benefits for Commissioned Officers						
Retirement Payments	M	457,459	456,266	456,266	-1,193	---
Survivors Benefits	M	31,559	31,583	31,583	+24	---
Dependents' Medical Care	M	141,390	130,840	130,840	-10,550	---
Total,Medical Benefits for Commissioned Officers		630,408	618,689	618,689	-11,719	---

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Public Health and Social Services Emergency Fund (PHSSEF)						
Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response						
Operations	D	30,938	30,879	30,938	---	+59
Preparedness and Emergency Operations	D	24,654	24,607	24,654	---	+47
National Disaster Medical System	D	49,904	49,809	57,404	+7,500	+7,595
Hospital Preparedness Cooperative Agreement Grants:	D					
Formula Grants	D	254,555	227,201	264,555	+10,000	+37,354
Biomedical Advanced Research and Development	D					
Authority (BARDA)	D	511,700	511,700	536,700	+25,000	+25,000
Policy and Planning	D	14,877	14,849	14,877	---	+28
Project BioShield	D	510,000	510,000	710,000	+200,000	+200,000
Subtotal, Preparedness and Response	D	1,396,628	1,369,045	1,639,128	+242,500	+270,083
Assistant Secretary for Administration						
Assistant Secretary for Administration, Cybersecurity	D	50,860	73,263	50,860	---	-22,403
Office of Security and Strategic Information	D	7,470	7,456	7,470	---	+14

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Public Health and Science						
Medical Reserve Corps	D	6,000	5,989	6,000	---	+11
Pandemic Influenza Preparedness	D	57,000	206,863	250,000	+193,000	+43,137
Pandemic Flu balances (Public Law 111-32)	NA	(15,000)	---	---	(-15,000)	---
Subtotal, Pandemic Influenza Preparedness	D	72,000	206,863	250,000	+178,000	+43,137
Subtotal, Non-pandemic flu/BioShield/Parklawn/Other construction	D	950,958	945,753	993,458	+42,500	+47,705
Total, PHSSEF		1,517,958	1,662,616	1,953,458	+435,500	+290,842
Total, Office of the Secretary		3,395,541	3,341,979	3,904,322	+508,781	+562,343
Federal Funds		3,288,160	3,224,802	3,721,941	+433,781	+497,139
Trust Funds		107,381	117,177	182,381	+75,000	+65,204
(Evaluation Tap Funding)		(64,828)	(57,465)	(64,828)	---	(+7,363)
Total, Office of the Secretary Program Level		3,475,369	3,399,444	3,969,150	+493,781	+569,706

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Total, Title II, Health and Human Services.....	780,155,146	820,780,259	847,608,029	+67,452,883	+26,827,770
Federal Funds.....	775,598,156	816,314,886	842,952,589	+67,354,433	+26,637,703
Current year.....	(646,478,704)	(677,367,127)	(704,004,830)	(+57,526,126)	(+26,637,703)
FY 2019.....	(129,119,452)	(138,947,759)	(138,947,759)	(+9,828,307)	---
Trust Funds.....	4,556,990	4,465,373	4,655,440	+98,450	+190,067
Total, Pandemic Flu balances (Public Law 111-32)	(30,000)	---	---	(-30,000)	---
Total, Prevention and Public Health Fund 1/.....	(931,000)	(840,600)	(840,600)	(-90,400)	---
Total, Transfers from Nonrecurring Expenses Fund	---	---	(240,000)	(+240,000)	(+240,000)

Title II Footnotes:
1/ Sec.4002 of Public Law 111-148
2/ 21St Century CURES Act (Public Law 114-255); FY2017 funds provided in Public Law 114-254
3/ FY2018 budget request proposes consolidating the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality within the National Institutes of Health as the National Institute for Research on Safety and Quality

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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	(2,390,776)	(1,840,776)	(1,840,776)	(-550,000)	---	
Forward funded.....	D	4,613,625	2,733,460	4,913,625	+300,000	+2,180,165	FF
Current funded.....	D	5,000	466,100	5,000	---	-461,100	
Subtotal, Basic grants current year approp..		4,618,625	3,199,560	4,918,625	+300,000	+1,719,065	
Subtotal, Basic grants total funds available		(7,009,401)	(5,040,336)	(6,759,401)	(-250,000)	(+1,719,065)	
Basic Grants FY 2019 Advance.....	D	1,840,776	3,231,497	1,540,776	-300,000	-1,690,721	
Subtotal, Basic grants, program level.....		6,459,401	6,431,057	6,459,401	---	+28,344	
Concentration Grants:							
Advance from prior year.....	NA	(1,362,301)	(1,362,301)	(1,362,301)	---	---	
FY 2019 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	(3,544,050)	(3,819,050)	(3,819,050)	(+275,000)	---	
FY 2019 Advance	D	3,819,050	3,544,050	3,969,050	+150,000	+425,000	
Subtotal		3,819,050	3,544,050	3,969,050	+150,000	+425,000	
Education Finance Incentive Grants:							
Advance from prior year	NA	(3,544,050)	(3,819,050)	(3,819,050)	(+275,000)	---	
FY 2019 Advance	D	3,819,050	3,544,050	3,969,050	+150,000	+425,000	
Subtotal		3,819,050	3,544,050	3,969,050	+150,000	+425,000	
Subtotal, Grants to LEAs, program level		15,459,802	15,881,458	15,759,802	+300,000	-121,656	
FOCUS Grants (ESIA-I-E)		---	1,000,000	---	---	-1,000,000	
Innovative Approaches to Literacy	D	27,000	---	27,000	---	+27,000	
Comprehensive literacy development grants	D	190,000	---	190,000	---	+190,000	FF
State Agency Programs:							
Migrant	D	374,751	374,039	374,751	---	+712	FF
Neglected and Delinquent/High Risk Youth	D	47,614	47,523	47,614	---	+91	FF
Subtotal, State Agency programs		422,365	421,562	422,365	---	+803	

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Special Programs for Migrant Students	D	44,623	44,538	44,623	---	+85
Total, Education for the disadvantaged		16,143,790	16,347,558	16,443,790	+300,000	+96,232
Current Year		(5,302,613)	(4,665,660)	(5,602,613)	(+300,000)	(+936,953)
FY 2019		(10,841,177)	(11,681,898)	(10,841,177)	---	(-840,721)
Subtotal, Forward Funded		(5,225,990)	(3,155,022)	(5,525,990)	(+300,000)	(+2,370,968)
IMPACT AID						
Basic Support Payments	D	1,189,233	1,166,012	1,270,242	+81,009	+104,230
Payments for Children with Disabilities	D	48,316	48,224	48,316	---	+92
Facilities Maintenance (Sec. 8008)	D	4,835	4,826	4,835	---	+9
Construction (Sec. 8007)	D	17,406	17,373	17,406	---	+33
Payments for Federal Property (Sec. 8002)	D	68,813	---	73,313	+4,500	+73,313
Total, Impact aid		1,328,603	1,236,435	1,414,112	+85,509	+177,677

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SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMS							
Supporting Effective Instruction State Grants	D	374,389	---	374,389	---	+374,389	FF
Advance from prior year	NA	(1,681,441)	(1,681,441)	(1,681,441)	---	---	
FY 2019	D	1,681,441	---	1,681,441	---	+1,681,441	
Subtotal, Supporting Effective Instruction State Grants, program level		2,055,830	---	2,055,830	---	+2,055,830	
Supplemental Education Grants	D	16,699	16,667	16,699	---	+32	
21st Century Community Learning Centers	D	1,191,673	---	1,211,673	+20,000	+1,211,673	FF
State Assessments	D	369,100	377,281	378,000	+8,900	+719	FF
Education for Homeless Children and Youth	D	77,000	69,867	85,000	+8,000	+15,133	FF
Training and Advisory Services (Civil Rights)	D	6,575	6,563	6,575	---	+12	
Education for Native Hawaiians	D	33,397	---	36,397	+3,000	+36,397	
Alaska Native Education Equity	D	32,453	---	35,453	+3,000	+35,453	
Rural Education	D	175,840	175,506	180,840	+5,000	+5,334	FF
Comprehensive Centers	D	50,000	51,347	52,000	+2,000	+653	
Student Support and Academic Enrichment grants	D	400,000	---	1,100,000	+700,000	+1,100,000	FF
Total, School Improvement Programs		4,408,567	697,231	5,158,467	+749,900	+4,461,236	
Current Year		(2,727,126)	(697,231)	(3,477,026)	(+749,900)	(+2,779,795)	
FY 2019		(1,681,441)	---	(1,681,441)	---	(+1,681,441)	
Subtotal, Forward Funded		(2,588,002)	(622,654)	(3,329,902)	(+741,900)	(+2,707,248)	

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INDIAN EDUCATION						
Grants to Local Educational Agencies	D	100,381	100,190	105,381	+5,000	+5,191
Federal Programs:						
Special Programs for Indian Children	D	57,993	37,921	67,993	+10,000	+30,072
National Activities	D	6,565	5,554	6,865	+300	+1,311
Subtotal, Federal Programs		64,558	43,475	74,858	+10,300	+31,383
Total, Indian Education		164,939	143,665	180,239	+15,300	+36,574
INNOVATION AND IMPROVEMENT						
Education Innovation and Research	D	100,000	370,000	120,000	+20,000	-250,000
American History and Civics Academies	D	1,815	---	1,815	---	+1,815
American History and Civics National Activities	D	1,700	---	1,700	---	+1,700
School Leader Recruitment and Support	D	14,500	---	---	-14,500	---
Charter Schools Grants	D	342,172	500,000	400,000	+57,828	-100,000
Magnet Schools Assistance	D	97,647	96,463	105,000	+7,353	+8,537
Teacher and School Leader Incentive Grants	D	200,000	199,563	200,000	---	+437
Ready-to-Learn Television	D	25,741	---	27,741	+2,000	+27,741
Supporting Effective Educator Development (SEED)	D	65,000	42,000	75,000	+10,000	+33,000
Arts in Education	D	27,000	---	29,000	+2,000	+29,000

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Javits Gifted and Talented Students	D	12,000	---	12,000	---	+12,000	
Statewide Family Engagement Centers	D	---	---	10,000	+10,000	+10,000	
Total, Innovation and Improvement		887,575	1,208,026	982,256	+94,681	-225,770	
Current Year		(887,575)	(1,208,026)	(982,256)	(+94,681)	(-225,770)	
SAFE SCHOOLS AND CITIZENSHIP EDUCATION							
Promise Neighborhoods	D	73,254	60,000	78,254	+5,000	+18,254	
School Safety National Activities	D	68,000	74,857	90,000	+22,000	+15,143	
Full-Service Community Schools	D	10,000	---	17,500	+7,500	+17,500	
Total, Safe Schools and Citizenship Education		151,254	134,857	185,754	+34,500	+50,897	
ENGLISH LANGUAGE ACQUISITION							
Current funded	D	47,931	47,840	47,931	---	+91	
Forward funded	D	689,469	688,158	689,469	---	+1,311	FF
Total, English Language Acquisition		737,400	735,998	737,400	---	+1,402	

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SPECIAL EDUCATION							
State Grants:							
Grants to States Part B current year	D	2,719,465	1,766,099	2,994,465	+275,000	+1,228,366	FF
Part B advance from prior year	NA	(9,283,383)	(9,283,383)	(9,283,383)	---	---	
Grants to States Part B (FY 2019)	D	9,283,383	10,124,103	9,283,383	---	-840,720	
Subtotal, program level		12,002,848	11,890,202	12,277,848	+275,000	+387,646	
Preschool Grants	D	368,238	367,538	381,120	+12,882	+13,582	FF
Grants for Infants and Families	D	458,556	457,684	470,000	+11,444	+12,316	FF
Subtotal, program level		12,829,642	12,715,424	13,128,968	+299,326	+413,544	
IDEA National Activities (current funded):							
State Personnel Development	D	38,630	41,551	38,630	---	-2,921	
Technical Assistance and Dissemination (including Special Olympics Education)	D	56,928	44,261	59,428	+2,500	+15,167	
Personnel Preparation	D	83,700	83,541	83,700	---	+159	
Parent Information Centers	D	27,411	27,359	27,411	---	+52	

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EducationalTechnology, Media, and Materials.....	D	28,047	29,990	28,047	---	-1,943
Subtotal, IDEA National Activities.....		234,716	226,702	237,216	+2,500	+10,514
Total, Special education.....		13,064,358	12,942,126	13,366,184	+301,826	+424,058
Current Year.....		(3,780,975)	(2,818,023)	(4,082,801)	(+301,826)	(+1,264,778)
FY 2019.....		(9,283,383)	(10,124,103)	(9,283,383)	---	(-840,720)
Subtotal, Forward Funded.....		(3,546,259)	(2,591,321)	(3,845,585)	(+299,326)	(+1,254,264)
REHABILITATION SERVICES						
Vocational Rehabilitation State Grants.....	M	3,398,554	3,452,931	3,452,931	+54,377	---
Client Assistance State grants.....	D	13,000	12,975	13,000	---	+25
Training.....	D	29,388	30,131	29,388	---	-743
Demonstration and Training programs.....	D	5,796	5,785	5,796	---	+11
Protection and Advocacy of Individual Rights (PAIR)...	D	17,650	17,616	17,650	---	+34
Supported Employment State grants.....	D	27,548	---	22,548	-5,000	+22,548
Independent Living:						
Services for Older Blind Individuals.....	D	33,317	33,254	33,317	---	+63
Helen Keller National Center for Deaf/Blind Youth and Adults.....	D	10,336	10,316	12,500	+2,164	+2,184
Total, Rehabilitation services.....		3,535,589	3,563,008	3,587,130	+51,541	+24,122

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SPECIAL INSTITUTIONS FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES							
American Printing House for the Blind	D	25,431	25,383	27,431	+2,000	+2,048	
National Technical Institute for the Deaf (NTID):							
Operations	D	70,016	69,883	73,000	+2,984	+3,117	
Gallaudet University:							
Operations	D	121,275	121,044	128,000	+6,725	+6,956	
Total, Special Institutions for Persons with Disabilities		216,722	216,310	228,431	+11,709	+12,121	
CAREER, TECHNICAL, AND ADULT EDUCATION							
Career Education:							
Basic State Grants/Secondary & Technical Education							
State Grants, current funded	D	326,598	158,499	401,598	+75,000	+243,099	FF
Advance from prior year	NA	(791,000)	(791,000)	(791,000)	---	---	
FY 2019	D	791,000	791,000	791,000	---	---	
Subtotal, Basic State Grants, program level		1,117,598	949,499	1,192,598	+75,000	+243,099	
National Programs	D	7,421	27,407	7,421	---	-19,986	FF
Subtotal, Career Education		1,125,019	976,906	1,200,019	+75,000	+223,113	

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Adult Education:							
State Grants/Adult Basic and Literacy Education:	D						
State Grants, current funded	D	581,955	485,849	616,955	+35,000	+131,106	FF
National Leadership Activities	D	13,712	13,686	13,712	---	+26	FF
Subtotal, Adult education		595,667	499,535	630,667	+35,000	+131,132	
Total, Career, Technical, and Adult Education		1,720,686	1,476,441	1,830,686	+110,000	+354,245	
Current Year		(929,686)	(685,441)	(1,039,686)	(+110,000)	(+354,245)	
FY 2019		(791,000)	(791,000)	(791,000)	---	---	
Subtotal, Forward Funded		(929,686)	(685,441)	(1,039,686)	(+110,000)	(+354,245)	
STUDENT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE							
Pell Grants -- maximum grant (NA)	NA	(4,860)	(4,860)	(5,035)	(+175)	(+175)	
Pell Grants	D	22,475,352	22,432,626	22,475,352	---	+42,726	
Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants	D	733,130	---	840,000	+106,870	+840,000	
Federal Work Study	D	989,728	500,000	1,130,000	+140,272	+630,000	
Total, Student Financial Assistance (SFA)		24,198,210	22,932,626	24,445,352	+247,142	+1,512,726	
FEDERAL DIRECT STUDENT LOAN PROGRAM ACCOUNT	CH	---	---	350,000	+350,000	+350,000	

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STUDENT AID ADMINISTRATION						
Salaries and Expenses	D	696,643	680,711	698,943	+2,300	+18,232
Servicing Activities	D	880,211	1,017,000	980,000	+99,789	-37,000
Total, Student Aid Administration		1,576,854	1,697,711	1,678,943	+102,089	-18,768
HIGHER EDUCATION						
Aid for Institutional Development:						
Strengthening Institutions	D	86,534	---	98,886	+12,352	+98,886
Hispanic Serving Institutions	D	107,795	107,590	123,183	+15,388	+15,593
Promoting Post-Baccalaureate Opportunities for Hispanic Americans	D	9,671	9,653	11,052	+1,381	+1,399
Strengthening Historically Black Colleges (HBCUs)	D	244,694	244,229	279,624	+34,930	+35,395
Strengthening Historically Black Graduate Institutions	D	63,281	63,161	72,314	+9,033	+9,153
Strengthening Predominantly Black Institutions	D	9,942	9,923	11,361	+1,419	+1,438
Asian American Pacific Islander	D	3,348	3,342	3,826	+478	+484
Strengthening Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian-Serving Institutions	D	13,802	13,776	15,772	+1,970	+1,996
Strengthening Native American-Serving Nontribal Institutions	D	3,348	3,342	3,826	+478	+484
Strengthening Tribal Colleges	D	27,599	27,547	31,539	+3,940	+3,992
Strengthening HBCU Masters programs	D	7,500	---	8,571	+1,071	+8,571
Subtotal, Aid for Institutional development		577,514	482,563	659,954	+82,440	+177,391

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International Education and Foreign Language:						
Domestic Programs	D	65,103	---	65,103	---	+65,103
Overseas Programs	D	7,061	---	7,061	---	+7,061
Subtotal, International Education & Foreign Lang		72,164	---	72,164	---	+72,164
Postsecondary Program for Students with Intellectual	D					
Disabilities	D	11,800	11,778	11,800	---	+22
Minority Science and Engineering Improvement	D	9,648	9,630	11,025	+1,377	+1,395
Tribally Controlled Postsec Voc/Tech Institutions	D	8,286	8,270	9,469	+1,183	+1,199
Federal TRIO Programs	D	950,000	808,289	1,010,000	+60,000	+201,711
GEAR UP	D	339,754	219,000	350,000	+10,246	+131,000
Graduate Assistance in Areas of National Need	D	28,047	5,775	23,047	-5,000	+17,272
Teacher Quality Partnerships	D	43,092	---	43,092	---	+43,092
Child Care Access Means Parents in School	D	15,134	---	50,000	+34,866	+50,000
Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Ed. (FIPSE)	D	---	---	6,000	+6,000	+6,000
Total, Higher Education		2,055,439	1,545,305	2,246,551	+191,112	+701,246

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HOWARD UNIVERSITY						
Academic Program	D	191,091	190,721	201,788	+10,697	+11,067
Endowment Program	D	3,405	3,405	3,405	---	---
Howard University Hospital	D	27,325	27,273	27,325	---	+52
Total, Howard University		221,821	221,399	232,518	+10,697	+11,119
COLLEGE HOUSING AND ACADEMIC FACILITIES LOANS PROGRAM	D	435	434	435	---	+1
HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY (HBCU) CAPITAL FINANCING PROGRAM ACCOUNT						
HBCU Federal Administration	D	334	333	334	---	+1
HBCU Loan Subsidies	D	20,150	20,112	30,150	+10,000	+10,038
Total, HBCU Capital Financing Program		20,484	20,445	30,484	+10,000	+10,039

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INSTITUTE OF EDUCATION SCIENCES (IES)						
Research, Development and Dissemination	D	187,500	194,629	192,695	+5,195	-1,934
Statistics	D	109,500	111,787	109,500	---	-2,287
Regional Educational Laboratories	D	54,423	54,320	55,423	+1,000	+1,103
Research in Special Education	D	54,000	53,897	56,000	+2,000	+2,103
Special Education Studies and Evaluations	D	10,818	10,797	10,818	---	+21
Statewide Data Systems	D	32,281	34,473	32,281	---	-2,192
Assessment:						
National Assessment	D	149,000	148,717	149,000	---	+283
National Assessment Governing Board	D	7,745	8,219	7,745	---	-474
Subtotal, Assessment		156,745	156,936	156,745	---	-191
Total, IES		605,267	616,839	613,462	+8,195	-3,377

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DEPARTMENTAL MANAGEMENT						
Program Administration:						
Salaries and Expenses	D	431,000	438,000	430,000	-1,000	-8,000
Building Modernization	D	1,000	---	---	-1,000	---
Total, Program administration		432,000	438,000	430,000	-2,000	-8,000
Office for Civil Rights	D	108,500	106,797	117,000	+8,500	+10,203
Office of Inspector General	D	59,256	61,143	61,143	+1,887	---
Total, Departmental management		599,756	605,940	608,143	+8,387	+2,203
Total, Title III, Department of Education		71,637,749	66,342,354	74,320,337	+2,682,588	+7,977,983
Current Year		(49,040,748)	(43,745,353)	(51,723,336)	(+2,682,588)	(+7,977,983)
FY 2019		(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	8,000	6,117	8,250	+250	+2,133
CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE						
Operating Expenses						
Domestic Volunteer Service Programs:						
Volunteers in Service to America (VISTA).....	D	92,364	4,910	92,364	---	+87,454
National Senior Volunteer Corps:						
Foster Grandparents Program.....	D	107,702	117	107,702	---	+107,585
Senior Companion Program.....	D	45,512	117	45,512	---	+45,395
Retired Senior Volunteer Program.....	D	48,903	117	48,903	---	+48,786
Subtotal, Senior Volunteers.....		202,117	351	202,117	---	+201,766
Subtotal, Domestic Volunteer Service.....		294,481	5,261	294,481	---	+289,220

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National and Community Service Programs:						
AmeriCorps State and National Grants	D	386,010	2,341	412,010	+26,000	+409,669
Innovation, Assistance, and Other Activities	D	5,000	---	7,600	+2,600	+7,600
Evaluation	D	4,000	---	4,000	---	+4,000
National Civilian Community Corps (NCCC)(subtitle E)	D	30,000	24,087	32,000	+2,000	+7,913
State Commission Support Grants	D	16,538	---	17,538	+1,000	+17,538
Subtotal, National and Community Service		441,548	26,428	473,148	+31,600	+446,720
Total, Operating expenses		736,029	31,689	767,629	+31,600	+735,940
National Service Trust	D	206,842	---	206,842	---	+206,842
Salaries and Expenses	D	81,737	99,735	83,737	+2,000	-15,998
Office of Inspector General	D	5,750	3,568	5,750	---	+2,182
Total, Corp. for National and Community Service		1,030,358	134,992	1,063,958	+33,600	+928,966

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CORPORATION FOR PUBLIC BROADCASTING:						
FY 2020 (current) with FY 2018 comparable.....	D	445,000	---	445,000	---	+445,000
FY 2019 advance with FY 2017 comparable (NA).....	NA	(445,000)	(445,000)	(445,000)	---	---
Rescission of FY 2019 funds (NA).....	NA	---	(-445,000)	---	---	(+445,000)
Subtotal, FY 2019 program level.....		445,000	---	445,000	---	+445,000
FY 2018 advance with FY 2016 comparable (NA).....	NA	(445,000)	(445,000)	(445,000)	---	---
Rescission of FY 2018 funds (NA).....	NA	---	(-441,500)	---	---	(+441,500)
Subtotal, FY 2018 program level.....		445,000	3,500	445,000	---	+441,500
Public television interconnection system (current)	D	50,000	---	20,000	-30,000	+20,000

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FEDERAL MEDIATION AND CONCILIATION SERVICE.....	D	46,650	48,655	46,650	---	-2,005
FEDERAL MINE SAFETY AND HEALTH REVIEW COMMISSION.....	D	17,184	17,053	17,184	---	+131
INSTITUTE OF MUSEUM AND LIBRARY SERVICES.....	D	231,000	23,000	240,000	+9,000	+217,000
MEDICAID AND CHIP PAYMENT AND ACCESS COMMISSION.....		7,765	8,700	8,480	+715	-220 D
MEDICARE PAYMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION.....	TF	11,925	12,295	12,545	+620	+250
NATIONAL COUNCIL ON DISABILITY.....	D	3,250	3,211	3,250	---	+39
NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD.....	D	274,224	258,000	274,224	---	+16,224
NATIONAL MEDIATION BOARD.....	D	13,800	13,205	13,800	---	+595
OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH REVIEW COMMISSION.....	D	13,225	12,615	13,225	---	+610
RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD						
Dual Benefits Payments Account.....	D	25,000	22,000	22,000	-3,000	---
Less Income Tax Receipts on Dual Benefits.....	D	-2,000	-1,000	-1,000	+1,000	---
Subtotal, Dual Benefits.....		23,000	21,000	21,000	-2,000	---
Federal Payments to the Railroad Retirement Accounts..	M	150	150	150	---	---
Limitation on Administration.....	TF	113,500	111,225	123,500	+10,000	+12,275
Limitation on the Office of Inspector General.....	TF	10,000	8,437	11,000	+1,000	+2,563

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SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION						
Payments to Social Security Trust Funds	M	11,400	11,400	11,400	---	---
Supplemental Security Income Program						
Federal Benefit Payments	M	52,941,736	48,236,000	48,236,000	-4,705,736	---
Beneficiary Services	M	89,000	159,000	159,000	+70,000	---
Research and Demonstration	M	58,000	101,000	101,000	+43,000	---
Afghanistan Special Immigrant Visa	M	---	---	---	---	---
Administration	D	5,029,427	5,060,526	4,991,277	-38,150	-69,249
Subtotal, SSI program level		58,118,163	53,556,526	53,487,277	-4,630,886	-69,249
Less funds advanced in prior year	M	-14,500,000	-15,000,000	-15,000,000	-500,000	---
Subtotal, regular SSI current year		43,618,163	38,556,526	38,487,277	-5,130,886	-69,249
New advance, 1st quarter, FY 2019	M	15,000,000	19,500,000	19,500,000	+4,500,000	---
Total, SSI program		58,618,163	58,056,526	57,987,277	-630,886	-69,249

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Limitation on Administrative Expenses						
OASI/DI Trust Funds	TF	5,145,407	4,916,768	5,101,321	-44,086	+184,553
HI/SMI Trust Funds	TF	1,684,753	2,012,556	2,313,197	+628,444	+300,641
Social Security Advisory Board	TF	2,300	2,300	2,300	---	---
SSI	TF	3,706,485	3,671,376	3,602,127	-104,358	-69,249
Subtotal, regular LAE		10,538,945	10,603,000	11,018,945	+480,000	+415,945
User Fees:						
SSI User Fee activities	D	126,000	118,000	118,000	-8,000	---
CBO adjustment		-3,000	-3,000	-3,000	---	---
SSPA User Fee Activities	D	1,000	1,000	1,000	---	---
CBO adjustment		-1,000	-1,000	-1,000	---	---
Subtotal, User fees		123,000	115,000	115,000	-8,000	---
Subtotal, Limitation on administrative expenses		10,661,945	10,718,000	11,133,945	+472,000	+415,945
Program Integrity:						
OASDI Trust Funds	TF	496,058	345,850	345,850	-150,208	---
SSI	TF	1,322,942	1,389,150	1,389,150	+66,208	---
Subtotal, Program integrity funding		1,819,000	1,735,000	1,735,000	-84,000	---
Total, Limitation on Administrative Expenses		12,480,945	12,453,000	12,868,945	+388,000	+415,945

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Office of Inspector General						
Federal Funds	D	29,787	30,000	30,000	+213	---
Trust Funds	TF	75,713	75,500	75,500	-213	---
Total, Office of Inspector General		105,500	105,500	105,500	---	---
Adjustment: Trust fund transfers from general revenues	TF	-5,029,427	-5,060,526	-4,991,277	+38,150	+69,249
Total, Social Security Administration		66,186,581	65,565,900	65,981,845	-204,736	+415,945
Federal funds		58,782,350	58,212,926	58,143,677	-638,673	-69,249
Current year		(43,782,350)	(38,712,926)	(38,643,677)	(-5,138,673)	(-69,249)
New advances, 1st quarter, FY 2019		(15,000,000)	(19,500,000)	(19,500,000)	(+4,500,000)	---
Trust funds		7,404,231	7,352,974	7,838,168	+433,937	+485,194
Total, Title IV, Related Agencies		68,485,612	66,244,555	68,304,061	-181,551	+2,059,506
Federal Funds		60,945,956	58,759,624	60,318,848	-627,108	+1,559,224
Current Year		(45,500,956)	(39,259,624)	(40,373,848)	(-5,127,108)	(+1,114,224)
FY 2019 Advance		(15,000,000)	(19,500,000)	(19,500,000)	(+4,500,000)	---
FY 2020 Advance		(445,000)	---	(445,000)	---	(+445,000)
Trust Funds		7,539,656	7,484,931	7,985,213	+445,557	+500,282

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OTHER APPROPRIATIONS					
FURTHER ADDITIONAL SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR DISASTER RELIEF REQUIREMENTS ACT, 2018					
TITLE VIII					
DEPARTMENT OF LABOR					
Employment and Training Administration					
Training and Employment Services (emergency).....	---	---	100,000	+100,000	+100,000
Job Corps (emergency).....	---	30,900	30,900	+30,900	---
General Provisions -- Department of Labor					
Deferment of of interest payments for U.S. Virgin Islands (Sec.20801) (emergency).....	---	---	-1,000	-1,000	-1,000

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES					
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention					
CDC-Wide Activities and Program Support (emergency)...	---	---	200,000	+200,000	+200,000
National Institutes of Health					
Office of the Director (emergency).....	---	---	50,000	+50,000	+50,000
Administration for Children and Families					
Children and Families Services Programs (emergency)...	---	---	650,000	+650,000	+650,000
Office of the Secretary					
Public Health and Social Services Emergency Fund (emergency).....	---	244,400	162,000	+162,000	-82,400

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION					
Hurricane Education Recovery					
Hurricane Education Recovery (emergency)	---	1,235,000	2,700,000	+2,700,000	+1,465,000
Hurricane Education Recovery waiver authority for HEA of 1965 (Federal Direct Student Loan Program account) (emergency)	---	---	5,000	+5,000	+5,000
General Provisions -- Department of Education					
HBCU Hurricane Supplemental Loan Program (loan forgiveness) (Sec.20804) (emergency)	---	---	90,000	+90,000	+90,000
Total, title VIII	---	1,510,300	3,986,900	+3,986,900	+2,476,600
Total, Supplemental Appropriations for Disaster Relief Requirements (Public Law 115-123 (DivB, Subdivision1))	---	1,510,300	3,986,900	+3,986,900	+2,476,600
Total, Other Appropriations	---	1,510,300	3,986,900	+3,986,900	+2,476,600

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RECAP						
Mandatory, total in bill		760,614,562	815,765,698	817,467,097	+56,852,535	+1,701,399
Less advances for subsequent years		-144,135,452	-158,462,759	-158,462,759	-14,327,307	---
Plus advances provided in prior years		133,701,502	144,135,452	144,135,452	+10,433,950	---
Total, mandatory, current year		750,180,612	801,438,391	803,139,790	+52,959,178	+1,701,399
Discretionary, total in bill		173,331,306	150,408,426	190,525,529	+17,194,223	+40,117,103
Less advances for subsequent years		-24,814,001	-23,470,001	-24,814,001	---	-1,344,000
Plus advances provided in prior years		24,814,001	24,814,001	24,814,001	---	---
Subtotal, discretionary, current year		173,331,306	151,752,426	190,525,529	+17,194,223	+38,773,103
Discretionary Scorekeeping adjustments:						
SSI User Fee Collection	D	-126,000	-118,000	-118,000	+8,000	---
CBO adjustment	D	3,000	3,000	3,000	---	---
Average Weekly Insured Unemployment (AWIU) Contingent	TF	5,000	20,000	10,000	+5,000	-10,000
Medicare Eligible Accruals (permanent,indefinite)1/	D	28,594	32,484	32,484	+3,890	---
Surplus property (Department of Labor)	CH	---	---	2,000	+2,000	+2,000
Adult employment and training activities (rescission)	D	---	-324,000	---	---	+324,000
Dislocated Worker training and employment activities (rescission)	D	---	-405,000	---	---	+405,000
Dislocated Workers assistance National Reserve (rescission)	D	-75,000	-170,000	-12,500	+62,500	+157,500

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H-1B (rescission)	CH	-46,000	---	---	+46,000	---
Rescissions (PL111-148):						
Independent Payment Advisory Board	CH	-15,000	---	---	+15,000	---
Refugee and Entrant Assistance (PL 114-254):						
(Nonrecurring expenses fund) (by transfer) (Sec.170(a))	D	(300,000)	---	---	(-300,000)	---
Unaccompanied Minors Contingency Fund ($200M, Sec.170(b)) (CBO estimate)	D	100,000	---	---	-100,000	---
Nonrecurring expenses fund (rescission) (Sec.170(d))	D	-100,000	---	---	+100,000	---
Nonrecurring expenses fund (rescission)	D	-100,000	-560,000	---	+100,000	+560,000
Childrens Health Insurance Program performance bonus (rescission)	CH	-5,750,000	-1,193,000	-88,613	+5,661,387	+1,104,387
Childrens Health Insurance Program one-time payment (rescission)	CH	-541,900	---	-54	+541,846	-54
(Public Law 114-254, Sec.201(a))	CH	-170,000	---	---	+170,000	---
Childrens Health Insurance Program State allotment (Sec.301(b)) (rescission)	CH	-1,132,000	-3,279,000	---	+1,132,000	+3,279,000
Childrens Health Insurance Program Annual Allotment to States (rescission)	CH	---	---	-3,572,000	-3,572,000	-3,572,000
Child Enrollment contingency fund (rescission)	CH	-570,000	---	-3,110,946	-2,540,946	-3,110,946

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Limitation on eligible health care entity.....	CH	---	-330,000	---	---	+330,000
Pell unobligated balances (rescission).....	D	-1,310,000	-3,900,000	---	+1,310,000	+3,900,000
Pell: Increase maximum award.....	CH	---	---	48,000	+48,000	+48,000
Pell: Restore year-round Pell with 150% cap.....	CH	254,000	---	---	-254,000	---
Pell mandatory funds (rescission).....	CH	-254,000	---	-48,000	+206,000	-48,000
SSA SSPA User Fee Collection.....	D	-1,000	-1,000	-1,000	---	---
CBO adjustment.....	D	1,000	1,000	1,000	---	---
Traditional Medicare program.....	D	305,000	---	305,000	---	+305,000
CNCS National Service Trust unobligated balances (rescission).....	D	---	-139,000	---	---	+139,000
Corporation for Public Broadcasting FY2018 advance (rescission).....	D	---	-414,550	---	---	+414,550
Cohort Default Rate Modification (Education).....	CH	---	---	3,000	+3,000	+3,000
21ST Century Cures Act adjustment (PL 114-255)....	D	-852,000	-996,000	-996,000	-144,000	---
Total, discretionary.....		162,985,000	138,469,060	178,996,000	+16,011,000	+40,526,940
Grand Total, current year.....		913,165,612	939,907,451	982,135,790	+68,970,178	+42,228,339

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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; President Pro Tempore Emeritus, $15,000; 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, $189,840.

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, $194,867,812, which shall be paid from this appropriation as follows:

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.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE EMERITUS

For the Office of the President Pro Tempore Emeritus, $309,000.

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, $25,132,000.

OFFICE OF THE SERGEANT AT ARMS AND DOORKEEPER

For Office of the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper, $78,565,000.

OFFICES OF THE SECRETARIES FOR THE MAJORITY AND MINORITY

For Offices of the Secretary for the Majority and the Secretary for the Minority, $1,810,000.

AGENCY CONTRIBUTIONS AND RELATED EXPENSES

For agency contributions for employee benefits, as authorized by law, and related expenses, $54,198,000.

OFFICE OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL OF THE SENATE

For salaries and expenses of the Office of the Legislative Counsel of the Senate, $6,115,000.

OFFICE OF SENATE LEGAL COUNSEL

For salaries and expenses of the Office of Senate Legal Counsel, $1,147,000.

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, 2020.

U.S. 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, $10,536,000 of which $7,036,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2022 and of which $4,100,000 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, $130,076,000, which shall remain available until September 30, 2022.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

For miscellaneous items, $18,870,349 which shall remain available until September 30, 2020.

SENATORS' OFFICIAL PERSONNEL AND OFFICE EXPENSE ACCOUNT

For Senators' Official Personnel and Office Expense Account, $424,000,000 of which $20,128,950 shall remain available until September 30, 2020.

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. 101. 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 unexpended 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).

SENATE PROCUREMENTS

SEC. 102. Section 6102 of title 41, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

"(i) SENATE.—Section 6101 of this title does not apply to agreements, contracts or purchases by any office of the Senate.".

STUDENT LOAN REPAYMENT FOR EMPLOYEES OF DEPARTING SENATORS AND VICE PRESIDENTS

SEC. 103. (a) Section 102 of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2002 (2 U.S.C. 4579) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)—

(A) by redesignating paragraphs (1) through (5) as paragraphs (3) through (7), respectively;

(B) by inserting before paragraph (3), as so redesignated, the following:

"(1) DEPARTURE DATE.—The term 'departure date' means the earlier of—

"(A) the date on which the term of a departing Senator or Vice President ends; or

"(B) the date on which the departing Senator or Vice President will retire or resign.

"(2) DEPARTING SENATOR OR VICE PRESIDENT.—The term 'departing Senator or Vice President' means a Senator or Vice President who will not serve in the next term due to retirement, resignation, a decision to not seek reelection, or a failure to secure reelection."; and

(C) in paragraph (3)(B), as so redesignated, by striking "rate of basic pay for an employee for a position at ES-1" and all that follows and inserting "rate of basic pay payable for a position at level IV of the Executive Schedule under section 5315 of title 5, United States Code.";

(2) in subsection (b)(1)(A)(ii), by striking "1-year";

(3) in subsection (c)(1)—

(A) by striking "The term" and inserting the following:

"(A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subparagraph (B), the term"; and

(B) by adding at the end the following:

"(B) DEPARTING SENATORS AND VICE PRESIDENTS.—After the date that is 1 year before the departure date of a departing Senator or Vice President, the departing Senator or Vice President may enter into a service agreement under this section with an eligible employee of the office of the Senator or Vice President (including an eligible employee who has completed a required period of employment

under a previous service agreement) that includes a required period of employment that—

"(i) is less than 1 year; and

"(ii) shall end on the last day of the last full pay period ending on or before the departure date of the departing Senator or Vice President.";

(4) in subsection (d)—

(A) in paragraph (2)—

(i) in subparagraph (A), by striking "or" at the end;

(ii) in subparagraph (B), by striking "under subsection (f)(7)." and inserting a semicolon; and

(iii) by adding at the end the following:

"(C) the agreement is terminated as provided under subsection (f)(7)(A); or

"(D) the employee separates from service with the office of a departing Senator or Vice President."; and

(B) in paragraph (3), by inserting "(including a required period of employment described in subsection (c)(1)(B))" after "required period of employment"; and

(5) in subsection (f), by striking paragraph (7) and inserting the following:

"(7) CHANGE IN PAYMENTS.—

"(A) REDUCTION.—

"(i) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding the terms of a service agreement under this section, the head of an employing office may reduce the amount of student loan payments made under the agreement if adequate funds are not available to such office.

"(ii) NOTICE.—If the head of an employing office decides to reduce the amount of student loan payments to an eligible employee under clause (i)—

"(I) the employing office shall concurrently notify the eligible employee and the Secretary of the Senate of the reduction; and

"(II) not later than 30 days after the date of the concurrent notice, the eligible employee may terminate the service agreement.

"(B) INCREASE.—Notwithstanding the terms of a service agreement under this section, the head of an employing office, with the consent of an eligible employee, may increase the amount of student loan payments made under the agreement with the eligible employee, if—

"(i) the office has adequate funds available for the purpose of agreements under this section;

"(ii) the amount of the increased payment does not exceed the limitations under this section; and

"(iii) the total amount of the loan payments to be made (including such increase) during the remainder of the required period of employment does not exceed the amount of student loan indebtedness of the eligible employee as of the date of the increase.".

(b) The amendments made by this section shall—

(1) take effect on the date of enactment of this Act; and

(2) apply to a service agreement under section 102 of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2002 (2 U.S.C. 4579) that is in effect on the date of enactment of this Act or entered into on or after the date of enactment of this Act.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For salaries and expenses of the House of Representatives, $1,200,000,766, 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, 2018 until January 2, 2019.

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, $562,632,498.

COMMITTEE EMPLOYEES

STANDING COMMITTEES, SPECIAL AND SELECT

For salaries and expenses of standing committees, special and select, authorized by House resolutions, $127,053,373: *Provided*, That such amount shall remain available for such salaries and expenses until December 31, 2018, except that $3,150,200 of such amount shall remain available until expended for committee room upgrading.

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

For salaries and expenses of the Committee on Appropriations, $23,226,000, 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, 2018.

SALARIES, OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES

For compensation and expenses of officers and employees, as authorized by law, $204,356,000, 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, $27,945,000; 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, $20,505,000 of which $6,696,000 shall remain available until expended; for salaries and expenses of the Office of the Chief Administrative Officer including not more than $3,000 for official representation and reception expenses, $132,865,000, of which $2,108,000 shall remain available until expended; for salaries and expenses of the Office of the Inspector General, $4,968,000; for salaries and expenses of the Office of General Counsel, $1,492,000; 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 representation and reception expenses, $2,037,000; for salaries and expenses of the Office of the Law Revision Counsel of the House, $3,209,000; for salaries and expenses of the Office of the Legislative Counsel of the House, $9,937,000; for salaries and expenses of the Office of Interparliamentary Affairs, $814,000; for other authorized employees, $584,000.

ALLOWANCES AND EXPENSES

For allowances and expenses as authorized by House resolution or law, $260,454,004, including: supplies, materials, administrative costs and Federal tort claims, $3,625,000; official mail for committees, leadership offices, and administrative offices of the House, $190,000; Government contributions for health, retirement, Social Security, and other applicable employee benefits, $233,040,004, to remain available until March 31, 2019; Business Continuity and Disaster Recovery, $16,186,000 of which $5,000,000 shall remain available until expended; transition activities for new members and staff, $2,273,000, to remain available until expended; Wounded Warrior Program $2,750,000, to remain available until expended; Office of Congressional Ethics, $1,670,000; 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, $720,000.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

REQUIRING AMOUNTS REMAINING IN MEMBERS' REPRESENTATIONAL ALLOWANCES TO BE USED FOR DEFICIT REDUCTION OR TO REDUCE THE FEDERAL DEBT

SEC. 110. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any amounts appropriated under this Act for "HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES—SALARIES AND EXPENSES—MEMBERS' REPRESEN-

TATIONAL ALLOWANCES" shall be available only for fiscal year 2018. Any amount remaining after all payments are made under such allowances for fiscal year 2018 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. 111. 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. 112. 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. 113. 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. 114. 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. 115. 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. 116. 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. 117. 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).

AMENDING THE HOUSE SERVICES REVOLVING FUND

SEC. 118. (a) COLLECTION OF CERTAIN SERVICE FEES.—Section 105(a) of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2005 (2 U.S.C. 5545(a)) is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

"(7) The collection of a service fee from vendors of the Master Web Services Agreement or the Technology Services Contract for failure to abide by and maintain House of Representatives security policies.".

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by subsection (a) shall take effect on the date of the enactment of this Act.

TRANSFER OF FUNDS

SEC. 119. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, upon completion of the second fiscal year which begins after the end of the period during which amounts appropriated under any of the items under the heading "House of Representatives, Salaries and Expenses" are available for obligation or expenditure, any such amounts which remain unobligated and unexpended shall be transferred to the heading "House of Representatives, Salaries and Expenses, Allowances and Expenses" and shall be available until expended for purposes of House of Representatives Business Continuity and Disaster Recovery.

(b) Subsection (a) does not apply to amounts appropriated under the heading "House of Representatives, Salaries and Expenses, Members' Representational Allowances".

(c) The Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives shall notify the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives prior to the obligation or expenditure of any amounts transferred under subsection (a).

(d) This section shall apply with respect to amounts appropriated for fiscal year 2018 or any succeeding fiscal year.

JOINT ITEMS

For Joint Committees, as follows:

JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE

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

JOINT COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

For salaries and expenses of the Joint Committee on Taxation, $11,169,000, 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) $2,780,000 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, $3,838,000, 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, $1,444,000, 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, $351,700,000 of which overtime shall not exceed $45,000,000 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, $74,800,000, 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 2018 shall be paid by the Secretary of Homeland Security from funds available to the Department of Homeland Security.

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), $4,959,000, of which $450,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2019: *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, $49,945,000.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISION

CONTRACTING PARITY

SEC. 130. In fiscal year 2018 and thereafter, for all contracts for goods and services to which the Congressional Budget Office is a party, the following Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) clauses will apply: FAR 52.232–39 and FAR 52.233–4.

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, $93,478,000.

CAPITOL BUILDING

For all necessary expenses for the maintenance, care and operation of the Capitol, $45,300,000, of which $19,458,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2022.

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, $13,333,000, of which $3,195,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2022.

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, $101,614,000, of which $38,937,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2022.

HOUSE OFFICE BUILDINGS

For all necessary expenses for the maintenance, care and operation of the House office buildings, $197,294,000, of which $73,130,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2022, 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, $106,694,000, of

which $28,057,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2022: *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 2018.

LIBRARY BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

For all necessary expenses for the mechanical and structural maintenance, care and operation of the Library buildings and grounds, $74,873,000, of which $47,500,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2022.

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 Computing Facility, and Architect of the Capitol security operations, $34,249,000, of which $13,300,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2022.

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, $13,800,000, of which $3,000,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2022: *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, $21,470,000.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

NO BONUSES FOR CONTRACTORS BEHIND SCHEDULE OR OVER BUDGET

SEC. 140. 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. 141. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used for scrims containing photographs of building facades during restoration or construction projects performed by the Architect of the Capitol.

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For 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, $477,017,000, of which not more than $6,000,000 shall be derived from collections credited to this appropriation during fiscal year 2018, 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 2018 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, $8,653,000 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: *Provided further*, That of the total amount appropriated, $10,000,000 is provided to enhance public exhibits and visitor services at the Library; of which $2,000,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2020 for planning, including developing direct and indirect cost estimates in conjunction with the Architect of the Capitol; and of which $8,000,000, to remain available until expended, may be obligated and expended only upon written approval by the Chair and ranking minority member of the Subcommittee on the Legislative Branch of the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and by the Chair and ranking minority member of the Subcommittee on the Legislative

Branch of the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate, following review of a project budget justification and cost estimate.

COPYRIGHT OFFICE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For all necessary expenses of the Copyright Office, $72,011,000, of which not more than $35,218,000, to remain available until expended, shall be derived from collections credited to this appropriation during fiscal year 2018 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 $6,087,000 shall be derived from collections during fiscal year 2018 under sections 111(d)(2), 119(b)(3), 803(e), 1005, and 1316 of such title: *Provided further*, That the total amount available for obligation shall be reduced by the amount by which collections are less than $41,305,000: *Provided further*, That $2,260,000 shall be derived from prior year unobligated balances: *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, $119,279,000: *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: *Provided further*, That this prohibition does not apply to publication of non-confidential Congressional Research Service (CRS) products: *Provided further*, That a non-confidential CRS

product includes any written product containing research or analysis that is currently available for general congressional access on the CRS Congressional Intranet, or that would be made available on the CRS Congressional Intranet in the normal course of business and does not include material prepared in response to Congressional requests for confidential analysis or research.

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), $51,498,000: *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. 150. (a) IN GENERAL.—For fiscal year 2018, the obligational authority of the Library of Congress for the activities described in subsection (b) may not exceed $190,642,000.

(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.

REVOLVING FUNDS UPDATE

SEC. 151. The Library of Congress Fiscal Operations Improvement Act of 2000 (2 U.S.C. 182a et seq.; Public Law 106–481) is amended—

(1) in section 102 (2 U.S.C. 182b)—

(A) in the section heading, by striking the heading and inserting "Revolving fund for sales shop and other services"; and

(B) in subsection (a), by adding at the end the following: "(5) Training."; and

(2) in section 103(f)(1) (2 U.S.C. 182c(f)(1)), by inserting "tribal governments (as defined in 40 U.S.C. 502(c)(2)(B))" after "Federal Government,".

GIFTS

SEC. 152. The first undesignated paragraph of section 4 of the Act entitled "An Act to create a Library of Congress Trust Fund Board, and for other purposes", approved March 3, 1925 (2 U.S.C. 160), is amended—

(1) in the first sentence—

(A) by striking "of money for immediate disbursement"; and

(B) by striking the period at the end and inserting ", of the following: (1) nonpersonal services; (2) voluntary and uncompensated personal services not to exceed $10,000 per

person, per year in value; and (3) gifts or bequests of money for immediate disbursement."; and

(2) by adding the following sentence at the end of the first paragraph: "The Librarian shall make an annual public report regarding gifts accepted under this section.".

APPLICATION OF CONGRESSIONAL ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 1995 TO THE LIBRARY OF CONGRESS; ELECTION OF PROCEEDING

SEC. 153. (a) APPLICATION OF CONGRESSIONAL ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 1995 TO THE LIBRARY OF CONGRESS.—

(1) APPLICATION THROUGH DEFINITIONS.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Section 101 of the Congressional Accountability Act of 1995 (2 U.S.C. 1301) is amended—

(i) in paragraph (3)—

(I) in subparagraph (H), by striking "or" at the end;

(II) in subparagraph (I), by striking the period and inserting "; or"; and

(III) by adding at the end the following:

"(J) the Library of Congress, except for section 220."; and

(ii) in paragraph (9)—

(I) in subparagraph (C), by striking "or" at the end;

(II) in subparagraph (D), by striking the period and inserting "; or"; and

(III) by adding at the end the following:

"(E) the Library of Congress, except for section 220.".

(B) PUBLIC SERVICES AND ACCOMMODATIONS.—Section 210(a) of the Congressional Accountability Act of 1995 (2 U.S.C. 1331(a)) is amended—

(i) in paragraph (9), by striking "and" at the end;

(ii) in paragraph (10), by striking the period and inserting "; and"; and

(iii) by adding at the end the following:

"(11) the Library of Congress.".

(C) LABOR-MANAGEMENT REGULATIONS.—Section 220(a) of the Congressional Accountability Act of 1995 (2 U.S.C. 1351(a)) is amended—

(i) in paragraph (2), in the paragraph heading, by striking "(2) DEFINITION.—" and inserting "(2) APPLICATION.—" ; and

(ii) by adding at the end the following:

"(3) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this section, the term 'covered employee' does not include an employee of the Library of Congress, and the term 'employing office' does not include the Library of Congress.".

(2) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS TO ACT.—The Congressional Accountability Act of 1995 (2 U.S.C. 1301 et seq.) is amended—

(A) in section 204(a)(2) (2 U.S.C. 1314(a)(2)), by striking "and the Library of Congress" each place it appears;

(B) in section 205(a)(2) (2 U.S.C. 1315(a)(2)), by striking "and the Library of Congress" each place it appears;

(C) in section 206(a)(2) (2 U.S.C. 1316(a)(2))—

(i) in subparagraph (B), by striking "and the Library of Congress"; and

(ii) in subparagraph (C), by striking "and the Library of Congress";

(D) in section 215(a)(2) (2 U.S.C. 1341(a)(2))—

(i) in subparagraph (C), by striking ", the Library of Congress,"; and

(ii) in subparagraph (D), by striking "and the Library of Congress"; and

(E) in section 415(a) (2 U.S.C. 1415(a))—

(i) by striking the comma after "General Accounting Office" and inserting "or"; and

(ii) by striking ", or the Library of Congress".

(b) ELECTION OF PROCEEDING.—

(1) PROCEDURE.—Section 401(3) of the Congressional Accountability Act of 1995 (2 U.S.C. 1401(3)) is amended—

(A) in the matter preceding subparagraph (A), by striking "either";

(B) in subparagraph (A), by striking "or" at the end;

(C) in subparagraph (B), by striking the period and inserting ", or"; and

(D) by adding at the end the following:

"(C) in the case of an Library claimant (as defined in section 404(a)), a proceeding described in section 404(b)(3) that relates to the violation at issue.".

(2) ELECTION.—Section 404 of the Congressional Accountability Act of 1995 (2 U.S.C. 1404) is amended—

(A) by striking "Not" and inserting the following:

"(b) ELECTION AFTER PROCEEDINGS INITIALLY BROUGHT UNDER THIS ACT.—Not"; and

(B) by inserting after the section heading the following:

"(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

"(1) DIRECT ACT.—The term 'direct Act' means an Act (other than this Act), or provision of the Revised Statutes, that is specified in section 201, 202, 203, or 210.

"(2) DIRECT PROVISION.—The term 'direct provision' means a provision (including a definitional provision) of a direct Act that applies the rights or protections of a direct Act (including rights and protections relating to nonretaliation or noncoercion) to a library claimant.

"(3) LIBRARY CLAIMANT.—The term 'Library claimant' means—

"(A) with respect to a direct provision (other than a provision described in subparagraph (B)), an employee of the Library of Congress who is covered by that direct provision, and

"(B) with respect to a direct provision that applies the rights or protections of title II or III of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12131 et seq., 12181 et seq.), an individual who is eligible to provide services for or receive services from the Library of Congress and who is covered by that provision.";

(C) in subsection (b), as added by subparagraph (A) of this paragraph—

(i) in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by striking "may either" and inserting "who initially requested counseling and mediation under this title may elect to";

(ii) in paragraph (1), by striking "or" at the end;

(iii) in paragraph (2), by striking the period and inserting ", or"; and

"(3) in the case of a Library claimant, bring the claim, complaint, or charge that is brought for a proceeding before the corresponding Federal agency, under the corresponding direct provision."; and

(D) by adding at the end the following:

"(c) ELECTION AFTER PROCEEDINGS INITIALLY BROUGHT UNDER OTHER CIVIL RIGHTS OR LABOR LAW.—A library claimant who initially brings a claim, complaint, or charge under a direct provision for a proceeding before a Federal agency may, prior to requesting a hearing under the agency's procedures, elect to—

"(1) bring any civil action relating to the claim, complaint, or charge, that is available to the Library claimant,

"(2) file a complaint with the Office in accordance with section 405, or

"(3) file a civil action in accordance with section 408 in the United States district court for the district in which the employee is employed or for the District of Columbia.".

(c) PROSPECTIVE APPLICABILITY.—This section and the amendments made by this section—

(1) shall take effect on the date of enactment of this section; and

(2) shall apply to any charge, complaint, or claim, that is made on or after the date of enactment of this section, of a violation of—

(A) section 201, 202, 203, 207, or 210 of the Congressional Accountability Act of 1995 (2 U.S.C. 1311 et seq.); or

(B) a direct provision as defined in section 404(a) of the Congressional Accountability Act of 1995 (2 U.S.C. 1404) (as added by subsection (b)).

EQUAL ACCESS TO CONGRESSIONAL RESEARCH SERVICE REPORTS

SEC. 154. (a) DEFINITIONS.—

(1) CRS PRODUCT.—In this section, the term "CRS product" means any final written work product of CRS containing research or analysis in any format that is available for general congressional access on the CRS Congressional Intranet.

(2) CRS REPORT.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—In this section, the term "CRS Report" means any written CRS product, including an update to a previous written CRS product, consisting of—

(i) a Congressional Research Service Report; or

(ii) a Congressional Research Service Authorization of Appropriations Product and Appropriations Product, which is available for general congressional access on the CRS Congressional Intranet.

(B) EXCLUSIONS.—The term "CRS Report" does not include—

(i) any CRS product that is determined by the CRS Director to be a confidential product or service because it was prepared in response to a congressional request or requests for confidential analysis or research and is not available for general congressional access on the CRS Congressional Intranet;

(ii) any Congressional Research Service Report or any Congressional Research Service Authorization of Appropriations Product and Appropriations Product reported or produced before the effective date of this Act which, as of such effective date, is not available for general congressional access on the CRS Congressional Intranet; or

(iii) a written CRS product that has been made available by CRS for publication on a public website maintained by the GPO Director (other than the Website) or the Library of Congress.

(3) OTHER DEFINITIONS.—In this section—

(A) the term "CRS" means the Congressional Research Service;

(B) the term "CRS Congressional Intranet" means the Website maintained by CRS at www.crs.gov, or a successor website, for the purpose of providing to Members and employees of Congress access to information from CRS;

(C) the term "CRS Director" means the Director of CRS;

(D) the term "Librarian of Congress" means the Librarian of Congress appointed pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 136–1;

(E) the term "Member of Congress" includes a Delegate or Resident Commissioner to Congress; and

(F) the term "Website" means the website established and maintained under subsection (b).

(b) AVAILABILITY OF CRS REPORTS THROUGH LIBRARY OF CONGRESS WEBSITE.—

(1) WEBSITE.—

(A) ESTABLISHMENT AND MAINTENANCE.—The Librarian of Congress, in consultation with the CRS Director, shall establish and maintain a public website containing CRS Reports and an index of all CRS Reports contained on the website, in accordance with this subsection.

(B) FORMAT.—On the Website, CRS Reports shall be searchable, sortable, and downloadable, including downloadable in bulk.

(C) FREE ACCESS.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Librarian of Congress may not charge a fee for access to the Website.

(2) UPDATES; DISCLAIMER.—The Librarian of Congress, in consultation with the CRS Director, shall ensure that the Website—

(A) is updated contemporaneously, automatically, and electronically to include each new or updated CRS Report released on or after the effective date of this section;

(B) shows the status of each CRS Report as new, updated, or archived; and

(C) displays the following statement in reference to the CRS Reports included on the Website: "These documents were prepared by the Congressional Research Service (CRS). CRS serves as nonpartisan shared staff to congressional committees and Members of Congress. It operates solely at the behest of and under the direction of Congress. Information in a CRS Report should not be relied upon for purposes other than public understanding of information that has been provided by CRS to Members of Congress in connection with CRS's institutional role. CRS Reports, as a work of the United States Government, are not subject to copyright protection in the United States. Any CRS Report may be reproduced and distributed in its entirety without permission from CRS. However, as a CRS Report may include copyrighted images or material from a third party, you may need to obtain the permission of the copyright holder if you wish to copy or otherwise use copyrighted material.".

(3) FURNISHING OF NECESSARY INFORMATION AND TECHNOLOGY.—The CRS Director shall consult with and provide assistance to the Librarian of Congress to ensure—

(A) that the Librarian of Congress is provided with all of the information necessary to carry out this section, including all of the information described in clauses (i) through (iv) of subsection (c)(1)(A), in such format and manner as the Librarian of Congress considers appropriate; and

(B) that CRS makes available any information and assistance as may be necessary to facilitate the contemporaneous, automatic, and electronic provision of CRS Reports to the Librarian of Congress as required under this section.

(4) NONEXCLUSIVITY.—The Librarian of Congress may publish other information on the Website.

(5) ALTERNATIVE TECHNIQUES.—The Librarian of Congress and the CRS Director may use additional techniques to make CRS Reports available to the public, if such techniques are consistent with this section and any other applicable laws.

(6) ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.—The CRS Director is encouraged to make additional CRS products that are not confidential products or services available to the Librarian of Congress for publication on the Website, and the Librarian of Congress is encouraged to publish such CRS products on the Website.

(7) EXPANSION OF CONTENTS OF ANNUAL REPORT TO CONGRESS TO INCLUDE INFORMATION ON EFFORTS TO MAKE ADDITIONAL PRODUCTS AVAILABLE ON WEBSITE.—Section 203(i) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946 (2 U.S.C. 166(i)) is amended by striking the period at the end and inserting the following: ", and shall include in the report a description of the efforts made by the Director to make additional Congressional Research Service products that are not confidential products or services available to the Librarian of Congress for publication

on the website established and maintained under section 124 of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2018.".

(c) WEBSITE CONTENTS.—

(1) SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS FOR REPORTS POSTED ON WEBSITE.—

(A) RESPONSIBILITIES OF LIBRARIAN OF CONGRESS.—With respect to each CRS Report included on the Website, the Librarian of Congress shall include—

(i) the name and identification number of the CRS Report;

(ii) an indication as to whether the CRS Report is new, updated, or archived;

(iii) the date of release of the CRS Report; and

(iv) any other information the Librarian of Congress, in consultation with the CRS Director, considers appropriate.

(B) RESPONSIBILITIES OF CRS DIRECTOR.—With respect to each CRS Report included on the Website, the CRS Director shall, prior to transmitting the Report to the Librarian of Congress—

(i) at the discretion of the CRS Director, remove the name of and any contact information for any employee of CRS; and

(ii) include in the CRS Report the following written statement: "This document was prepared by the Congressional Research Service (CRS). CRS serves as nonpartisan shared staff to congressional committees and Members of Congress. It operates solely at the behest of and under the direction of Congress. Information in a CRS Report should not be relied upon for purposes other than public understanding of information that has been provided by CRS to Members of Congress in connection with CRS's institutional role. CRS Reports, as a work of the United States Government, are not subject to copyright protection in the United States. Any CRS Report may be reproduced and distributed in its entirety without permission from CRS. However, as this CRS Report may include copyrighted images or material from a third party, you may need to obtain the permission of the copyright holder if you wish to copy or otherwise use copyrighted material.".

(2) SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS FOR INDEX ON WEBSITE.—The Librarian of Congress shall ensure that the index of all CRS Reports published on the Website is—

(A) comprehensive;

(B) contemporaneously updated;

(C) searchable;

(D) sortable;

(E) maintained in a human-readable format;

(F) maintained in a structured data format;

(G) downloadable; and

(H) inclusive of each item of information described in paragraph (1)(A) with respect to each CRS Report.

(d) CONFORMING AMENDMENT TO DUTIES OF CRS.—Section 203(d) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946 (2 U.S.C. 166(d)) is amended—

(1) by striking "and" at the end of paragraph (7);

(2) by striking the period at the end of paragraph (8) and inserting "; and"; and

(3) by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

"(9) to comply with the requirements of, and provide information and technological assistance consistent with, section 124 of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2018.".

(e) RULES OF CONSTRUCTION.—

(1) NO EFFECT ON SPEECH OR DEBATE CLAUSE.—Nothing in this section may be construed to diminish, qualify, condition, waive, or otherwise affect the applicability of clause 1 of section 6 of article I of the Constitution of the United States (commonly known as the "Speech or Debate Clause") or any other privilege available to Congress or Members, offices, or employees of Congress with respect to any CRS Report made available online under this section.

(2) CONFIDENTIAL COMMUNICATIONS.—Nothing in this section may be construed to waive the requirement that any confidential communication by CRS to a Member, office, or committee of Congress shall remain under the custody and control of Congress and may be released only by Congress and its Houses, Members, offices, and committees, in accordance with the rules and privileges of each House and the requirements of this section.

(3) DISSEMINATION OF CRS PRODUCTS.—Nothing in this section may be construed to limit or otherwise affect the ability of a Member, office, or committee of Congress to disseminate CRS products on a website of the Member, office, or committee or to otherwise provide CRS products to the public, including as part of constituent service activities.

(f) EFFECTIVE DATE.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in paragraph (2)(C), this section and the amendments made by this section shall take effect 90 days after the date on which the Librarian of Congress submits the certification described in paragraph (2)(B).

(2) PROVISION OF INFORMATION AND TECHNOLOGY.—

(A) CRS DEADLINE.—Not later than 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the CRS Director shall provide the Librarian of Congress with the information necessary for the Librarian of Congress to begin the initial operation of the Website.

(B) CERTIFICATION.—Upon provision of the information described in subparagraph (A), the Librarian of Congress shall submit to Congress a certification that the CRS Director has provided the information necessary for the Librarian of Congress to begin the initial operation of the Website.

(C) TECHNICAL DELAYS.—In the event of technical difficulties encountered in planning or implementing the requirements of this section and the amendments made by

this section, upon providing a detailed report submitted by the Librarian of Congress or the CRS Director to the Committees on Appropriations of the House and the Senate detailing the nature of the technical difficulties and the timeline for resolving such technical difficulties, the effective date established by subsection (f)(1) shall be extended for up to 90 additional days.

GOVERNMENT PUBLISHING OFFICE

CONGRESSIONAL PUBLISHING

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For authorized publishing of congressional information and the distribution of congressional information in any format; 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, $79,528,000: *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 distribu-

tion to the public, Members of Congress, other Government agencies, and designated depository and international exchange libraries as authorized by law, $29,000,000: *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 2016 and 2017 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, $8,540,000, 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 Revolving 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 Government Publishing Office's passport facility in the District of Columbia.

GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Government Accountability Office, including not more than $12,500 to be expended on the certification of the Comptroller General of the United States in connection with official representation and reception expenses; temporary or intermittent services under section 3109(b) of title 5, United States Code, but at rates for individuals not more than the daily equivalent of the annual rate of basic pay for level IV of the Executive Schedule under section 5315 of such title; hire of one passenger motor vehicle; advance payments in foreign countries in accordance with section 3324 of title 31, United States Code; benefits comparable to those payable under sections 901(5), (6), and (8) of the Foreign Service Act of 1980 (22 U.S.C. 4081(5), (6), and (8)); and under regulations prescribed by the Comptroller General of the United States, rental of living quarters in foreign countries, $578,916,653: *Provided*, That of this amount $10,000,000 is provided for information technology investments and building facility projects to remain available until September 30, 2019: *Provided further*, That, in addition, $23,800,000 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: *Provided further*, That this appropriation shall be available to transfer amounts to the Department of the Army for the construction of an Army facility at Redstone Arsenal for the sole, unlimited use of GAO: *Provided further*, That hereafter, amounts appropriated for the salaries and expenses of the Government Accountability Office shall be available to transfer to the Department of the Army for the maintenance of such facility.

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 2018 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.

LIMITATION ON TRANSFERS

SEC. 206. 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. 207. (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, unless through regulations as authorized by section 402(b)(8) of the Capitol Visitor Center Act of 2008 (2 U.S.C. 2242(b)(8)).

(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.

This division may be cited as the "Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2018".

[CLERK'S NOTE: Reproduced below is the material relating to division I contained in the Explanatory Statement regarding H.R. 1625, the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2018.[1]]

DIVISION I—LEGISLATIVE BRANCH APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2018

The following is an explanation of the effects of Division I, which makes appropriations for the Legislative Branch for fiscal year 2018. Unless otherwise noted, reference to the House and Senate reports are to House Report 115–199 and Senate Report 115–137. 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.

Security: This agreement provides additional resources to the United States Capitol Police and the Sergeants at Arms of both chambers to enhance security for Members of Congress, their staff, and office visitors. Over the past year there have been humbling reminders of the threats Members of Congress and their staff face as public servants. The Congressional community has also been reminded of the heroic capabilities of the men and women of the United States Capitol Police. There is no higher priority in this agreement than providing adequate resources for the physical security of Members and their staff as well as constituents and visitors to the Capitol campus.

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

[1] The Explanatory Statement was submitted for printing in the Congressional Record on March 22, 2018 by Mr. Frelinghuysen of New Jersey, Chairman of the House Committee on Appropriations. The Statement appears on page H2784 of Book III.

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.

Inspectors General Budgets: It is important to ensure independence between Legislative Branch Inspectors General (IG) and their respective reporting agencies. Agencies are directed to include a separate section in their respective future budget justifications reflecting a detailed budget request for the agency's IG Office. Additionally, each IG is directed to keep the Committees on Appropriations of the House and Senate fully apprised of its funding needs, and each agency shall not interfere with, or require approval for, such communications.

TITLE I

SENATE

The agreement includes $919,931,581 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.

The requirements of the report requested pursuant to S. Rept. 106–304 related to Senate collections is also requested to include, for all appropriated amounts, the balance of funds, the amount of prudent reserves, and the status, timeline, and cost expectations of future projects.

The Secretary of the Senate shall determine the allocations of the Offices under the Senators' Official Personnel and Office Expense Account for fiscal year 2018 by updating the amounts provided under Public Law 111–68 to reflect any applicable adjustments under Public Law 92–607, Public Law 95–94, and Public Law 90–57.

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 authority for transfer of funds, exempts the Senate from the requirements of 41 U.S.C. 6101, and provides a technical change to the Student Loan Program.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The agreement includes $1,200,000,766 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.

Workplace Rights: This agreement provides $5,000,000 to the CAO for workplace rights initiatives. The funds will support mandatory training requirements for all Members and staff included in House Resolution 630, as well as the establishment of the Office of Employee Advocacy created in House Resolution 724. Mandatory training is an important first step to ensure that every Member, staff, intern, fellow and detailee is fully aware of the laws that apply to them and their right to a harassment-free workplace under the Congressional Accountability Act. The Office of Employee

Advocacy will provide House employees with immediate access to a dedicated advocate who will provide legal consultation, representation, and assistance on allegations, claims, and complaints under the Congressional Accountability Act in proceedings before the Office of Compliance and Committee on Ethics.

House Wellness Program: This agreement provides $380,000 for the establishment of a comprehensive House wellness program.

Internships: The Committee believes that House internships should be available to the broadest possible pool of candidates who have the ability and interest to serve. The Committee intends to seek information on the extent to which paid internships could expand the pool of candidates and how such expansion might be implemented to the benefit of Member and Committee offices and their constituents.

House Child Care Center Expansion: This agreement provides $12,000,000 for the second phase of the House Child Care Center expansion. While expanding the center which will reduce the lengthy waitlist and create more opportunities for families to utilize the facility, it also provides an opportunity to examine and evaluate the operations of the Center. The CAO is encouraged to work with the House Child Care Center Advisory Board in evaluating current operations and with the expectation any recommendations be implemented in conjunction with the full physical expansion of the Center.

Tom Lantos Human Rights Commission: The Tom Lantos Human Rights Commission established in 2008 is charged with promoting, defending and advocating for international human rights. The Commission undertakes public education activities, provides expert human rights advice and encourages Members of Congress to actively engage in human rights matters. After considering testimony from the co-chairs of the Commission an additional $200,000 has been made available to the House Foreign Affairs Committee in order to provide additional support for the Commission's work.

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 the Congressional Pictorial Directory; amends the House Services Revolving Fund, and repurposes unexpended funds.

JOINT ITEMS

JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE

The agreement includes $4,203,000 for salaries and expenses.

JOINT COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

The agreement includes $11,169,000 for salaries and expenses.

OFFICE OF THE ATTENDING PHYSICIAN

The agreement includes $3,838,000.

OFFICE OF CONGRESSIONAL ACCESSIBILITY SERVICES

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement includes $1,444,000 for salaries and expenses.

CAPITOL POLICE

SALARIES

The agreement includes $351,700,000 for salaries of the Capitol Police. The increase includes necessary half year funds to hire the required officers to staff garage security and additional pre-screeners; half year funding for 48 civilians that will civilianize positions currently staffed by sworn officers to allow the department to better utilize the 48 sworn officers. The total staffing level is expected to be approximately 1,943 sworn and 420 civilian staff. No more than $45,000,000 is recommended for overtime in fiscal year 2018, which includes funds to support the staffing of the Thomas P. O'Neill House Office Building. This provides for approximately 702,280 hours of additional duty.

Security: The agreement includes $7,500,000 to enhance Member protection, including funds for increased training, equipment and technology-related support items. The men and women of the Capitol Police have an increasingly difficult mission of protecting Members of Congress and the overall Capitol complex. Their mission can, at times, put them in harm's way. Ensuring these officers have the best tools and resources to carry out their duties is of the upmost importance to Congress.

Use of Grounds: Congress understands the need to maintain safety and order on the Capitol grounds and the Capitol Police is commended for their efforts. Given the family-style neighborhood that the Capitol shares with the surrounding community the Committee continues to instruct the Capitol Police to forebear enforcement of 2 U.S.C. 1963 ("an act to protect the public property, turf, and grass of the Capitol Grounds from injury") and the Traffic Regulations for the United States Capitol Grounds when encountering snow sledders on the grounds.

USCP Office of Inspector General: The agreement includes funds to support not less than six FTEs within the USCP Office of Inspector General.

GENERAL EXPENSES

The agreement includes $74,800,000 for general expenses of the Capitol Police.

OFFICE OF COMPLIANCE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement includes $4,959,000 for salaries and expenses. An increase of $1,000,000 is provided for training and information technology enhancements.

Reform: Ensuring and protecting workplace rights of employees is imperative and the funds provided in this act support that effort. Processes to protect workplace rights have been in place for many years but they are not perfect. As Congress considers changes to the Congressional Accountability Act of 1995, which will impact the Office of Compliance's operations, there is a need to strengthen the agency's overall capacity, including the quality of its training and information technology processes.

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement includes $49,945,000 for salaries and expenses.

Transparency: The Congressional Budget Office (CBO) provides timely, nonpartisan budgetary and economic analysis to support the work of the Congress and its reports and analysis can have far reaching policy implications. The Congress expects CBO to ensure a high level of transparency, while also recognizing the importance of maintaining the agency's professional independence and respecting its analytical processes. There is support for the work that CBO has done in the area of transparency thus far as well as support for the agency's goals to continue to clearly present and explain the methodology and results of CBO's analysis while pursuing opportunities to further enhance transparency. This includes exploring ways to make more supporting documents publicly available for methods used in analysis, cost estimates, and forecasts.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISION

This agreement provides contract parity with the Executive Branch.

ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL

The agreement includes $712,105,000 for the activities of the Architect of the Capitol (AOC).

Office of Inspector General: The AOC IG must maintain a staffing level commensurate with the scale of AOC's vast portfolio of operations, construction, and contract oversight. Within funds provided, the AOC IG is directed to employ not fewer than 14 full-time equivalent positions during fiscal year 2018. The AOC is directed to ensure that sufficient funding is available for contracts and other expenses identified by the AOC IG to fulfill its mission.

Custodial Services: The AOC is directed to study the feasibility of consolidating custodial services for all AOC jurisdictions across the Capitol Campus and geographically separated facilities to include leased buildings. The elements of this study should include opportunities and cost savings derived from a shared contract approach within the existing AOC custodial service(s) approaches using in-house operations and/or contractors. The consolidation of future custodial services with the current maintenance and repair services provided by the AOC should support the desired outcome of sustaining and preserving the historic fabric as well as the building materials and architectural accouterments through industry standard cleaning practices that will also reduce the life cycle costs

for maintenance and repair for the AOC. The results of this study should be delivered to the Committees on Appropriations of the House and Senate within 180 days of enactment.

CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATIONS

The agreement includes $93,478,000 for Capital Construction and Operations.

With respect to operations and projects, the following is agreed to:

Operating Budget:	$93,478,000
Total, Capital Construction and Operations	$93,478,000

CAPITOL BUILDING

The agreement includes $45,300,000, for maintenance, care, and operation of the Capitol, of which $19,458,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2022.

With respect to operations and projects, the following is agreed to:

Operating Budget:	$25,842,000
Project Budget:	
Exterior Stone & Metal Preservation, West Facade, Phase IV	12,125,000
Kitchen and Exhaust Renovation	1,734,000
Conservation of Fine and Architectural Art	599,000
Minor Construction	5,000,000
	19,458,000
Total, Capitol Building	$45,300,000

CAPITOL GROUNDS

The agreement includes $13,333,000 for the care and improvements of the grounds surrounding the Capitol, House and Senate office buildings, and the Capitol Power Plant, of which $3,195,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2022.

With respect to operations and projects, the following is agreed to:

Operating Budget:	$10,138,000
Project Budget:	
Capitol Square Infrastructure Repair	1,195,000
Minor Construction	2,000,000
	3,195,000
Total, Capitol Grounds	$13,333,000

SENATE OFFICE BUILDINGS

The agreement includes $101,614,000 for the maintenance, care and operation of the Senate office buildings, of which $38,937,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2022.

Operating Budget:	$62,677,000
Project Budget:	
Senate Underground Garage Renovations and Landscaping Restoration, Phase III	34,607,000
Building Engineering and Safety Parameters	330,000
Minor Construction	4,000,000
	38,937,000
Total, Senate Office Buildings	$101,614,000

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.

HOUSE OFFICE BUILDINGS

The agreement includes $207,294,000 for the care and maintenance of the House Office Buildings, of which $135,130,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2022 and $62,000,000 shall remain available until expended.

Operating Budget:	$62,164,000
Project Budget:	
Garage Rehabilitation, Phase III, RHOB	31,056,000
Garage Rehabilitation, Plaza Waterproofing Restoration, West	3,414,000
Child Care Center Expansion	12,000,000
Security Improvements	17,000,000
CAO Project Support	3,660,000
Restoration & Renovation, CHOB	62,000,000
Minor Construction	6,000,000
	135,130,000
House Office Buildings (base program)	$197,294,000
House Historic Buildings Revitalization Trust Fund	10,000,000
Total, House Office Buildings	$207,294,000

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.

CAPITOL POWER PLANT

In addition to the $9,000,000 made available from receipts credited as reimbursements to this appropriation, the agreement includes $106,694,000 for maintenance, care and operation of the Capitol Power Plant, of which $28,057,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2022.

With respect to operations and projects, the following is agreed to:

Operating Budget:	$87,637,000
Project Budget:	
WRP Cooling Tower Renovation and Electrical Upgrade, Phase IIIA	19,190,000
City Water Piping Replacement	2,886,000
Boiler Feedwater Piping Replacement	1,017,000
Cogeneration Management Program	964,000
Minor Construction	4,000,000
	28,057,000
Subtotal, Capitol Power Plant	$115,694,000
Offsetting Collections	(9,000,000)
Total, Capitol Power Plant	$106,694,000

LIBRARY BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

The agreement includes $74,873,000 for Library of Congress buildings and grounds, of which $47,500,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2022.

With respect to operations and projects, the following is agreed to:

Operating Budget:	$27,373,000
Project Budget:	
Collection Storage Module 6, Fort Meade	45,000,000
Minor Construction	2,500,000

	47,500,000
Total, Library Buildings and Grounds	$74,873,000

CAPITOL POLICE BUILDINGS, GROUNDS, AND SECURITY

The agreement includes $34,249,000 for Capitol Police Buildings, Grounds, and Security, of which $13,300,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2022.

With respect to operations and projects, the following is agreed to:

Operating Budget:	$20,949,000
Project Budget:	
Barrier Lifecycle and Perimeter Security Kiosk Replacement, Phase II	8,300,000
Minor Construction	5,000,000
	13,300,000
Total, Capitol Police Buildings, Grounds, and Security	$34,249,000

BOTANIC GARDEN

The agreement includes $13,800,000 for salaries and expenses for the Botanic Garden, of which $3,000,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2022.

With respect to operations and projects, the following is agreed to:

Operating Budget:	$10,800,000
Project Budget:	
Urban Agriculture	400,000
Minor Construction	2,600,000
	3,000,000
Total, Botanic Garden	$13,800,000

Urban Agriculture: This agreement includes $400,000 for the Botanic Garden to expand its urban agriculture education and outreach programs including a feasibility study and pilot project for a joint outreach program between the Botanic Garden and urban local public gardens that engages citizens in food-insecure, undernourished communities in the production of nutrition-rich, healthy foods, and which includes educational, job training, and therapeutic horticultural and agricultural components.

CAPITOL VISITOR CENTER

The agreement includes $21,470,000 for the Capitol Visitor Center.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

The agreement prohibits payments of bonuses to contractors behind schedule or over budget; and prohibits expenditure of funds for scrims for projects performed by the Architect of the Capitol.

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement includes $470,667,000 in direct appropriations and authority to spend receipts of $6,350,000.

This amount includes $9,494,000 for Enterprise Investment in Information Technology Modernization, $297,000 for Office of In-

spector General Expanded Information Technology Audit Capabilities, $2,349,000 for the Veterans History Project and $8,653,000 for the Teaching with Primary Sources program. The increased funding in the agreement provides requested funding for maintaining the workforce, information technology, and custodial services.

Thomas Jefferson Building Experience: The recently revealed Visitor Experience Plan for the Library of Congress' Thomas Jefferson Building is an initiative that has support in Congress. The proposed concept will enhance the Library's ability to bring the nation's collections and history out of the vaults and into public spaces. With enhancements to exhibition spaces and development of learning centers, the Library can maximize the experience for its nearly two million annual visitors. The proposed funding for this initiative involves a public/private partnership, which has been a successful strategy for many similar institutions' efforts to showcase our nation's treasures. This agreement includes a total of $10,000,000, for enhancements to the public exhibits and visitor services at the Library. Of that amount, $2,000,000 is immediately available until September 30, 2020 to begin planning, including developing a detailed budget justification. The budget justification shall provide the following: 1) An overall acquisition plan with project timelines; 2) Direct and indirect cost estimates developed in conjunction with the Architect of the Capitol; 3) Projected financial impact of this capital project on the Library's operating budget; 4) Total cost estimates for: design services; construction; construction management services; project management services; and a contingency allowance. The plan should also ensure consideration of historic preservation. The remaining $8,000,000 will become available only upon written approval by the Chair and Ranking Member of the Subcommittee on the Legislative Branch of the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and by the Chair and Ranking Member of the Subcommittee on the Legislative Branch of the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate, following review of the project's budget justification and cost estimate. It is expected that the Library provide to the Committees on Appropriations of the House and Senate a budget justification that is comprehensive in nature and includes elements consistent with other project justifications in the past, prior to consideration of future funding requests for this project.

Memoranda of Understanding (MOU): The Library of Congress maintains several agreements with other Legislative Branch agencies to provide a range of support services. It is important that the Library works to ensure that the service level agreements within the MOUs are fully met.

Preservation: The agreement defers to the Senate report language.

National Film and Sound Recording Preservation Programs: The agreement incorporates language in Senate Report 115–137 related to the Library's National Film and Sound Recording Preservation Programs, and it is expected that the Library will provide full support to these programs.

COPYRIGHT OFFICE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement includes $28,446,000 in direct appropriations to the Copyright Office which fully funds the agency's amended request. An additional $41,305,000 is made available from receipts for salaries and expenses and $2,260,000 is available from prior year unobligated balances.

Modernization: Modernizing the Copyright Office and bringing its processes into the 21st Century has wide-spread support within Congress, and this act provides funds to further that effort. To date, the collaboration between the Copyright Office and the Library's Office of Chief Information Officer on modernization efforts has been promising. That collaboration is expected to continue, while allowing for mission-specific modernization requirements to be defined by the Copyright Office. As with many information technology (IT) projects there are many phases, some forward facing, some not. Much of the IT modernization work to date has been behind the scenes building a strong foundation for the long-term IT modernization strategy. However, there is an expectation that external Copyright users will begin to see and benefit from the progress being made. As new modernized processes are rolled out it is important to solicit feedback from the external Copyright community and to consider that feedback with efforts moving forward.

CONGRESSIONAL RESEARCH SERVICE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement includes $119,279,000 for salaries and expenses.

Public Access to CRS Reports: The bill includes a provision directing the Library of Congress's Congressional Research Service (CRS) to make available to the public all non-confidential CRS products on a website operated and maintained by the Library of Congress. Non-confidential CRS products include any written CRS products containing research or analysis that are currently available for general congressional access on the CRS Congressional Intranet, or that would be made available on the CRS Congressional Intranet in the normal course of business. Non-confidential CRS reports do not include material prepared in response to Congressional requests for confidential analysis or research. The published products are to be made available in a standard format, such as PDF.

CRS reports are funded by taxpayers and should be made available to citizens, schools and libraries across the country. Ensuring these products are made publicly available is in keeping with the Committees' priority of full transparency to the American people; however, CRS is not expected or directed to respond to requests from the public, and its core mission will continue to be to provide support to the Congress. Within 60 days of enactment of this act CRS, in consultation with the Library of Congress, shall provide to the relevant oversight Committees, including the House and Senate Appropriations Committees, a plan for making these reports available by the end of Fiscal Year 2018, as well as any associated cost estimates.

Congressional Research Service Modernization: Included in the agreement is $4,000,000 to begin modernization of CRS's mission-specific information systems to increase efficiency of the office while protecting confidentiality of congressional data.

Supporting Areas of High Congressional Demand: The agreement includes $753,000 for eight additional support staff to handle routine requests, allowing senior staff to focus on more highly analytical research.

BOOKS FOR THE BLIND AND PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement includes $51,498,000 for salaries and expenses.

National Library Service: The National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (NLS) has been headquartered for over 50 years in a privately leased building in Northwest, Washington, D.C. which is in need of substantial renovations to meet program requirements. Library of Congress and NLS leadership have expressed a desire to move the headquarters closer to the Library's main campus. NLS believes being in closer proximity to the Library will improve management efficiencies by integrating into existing Library infrastructure, reduce support service costs, reduce lease costs, and enhance various program synergies. Available office space exists at the Government Publishing Office (GPO) to meet NLS's needs. NLS, GPO, and the Architect of the Capitol are directed to study the feasibility of this move and provide cost estimates to their committees of oversight.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

The agreement includes provisions regarding reimbursable and revolving funds, updates to revolving fund returns to allow the Library of Congress to accept fees for services currently provided, allowing the Library of Congress to accept gifts of goods and services, providing coverage for Library of Congress employees under the Congressional Accountability Act, and providing equal access to non-confidential Congressional Research Service products.

GOVERNMENT PUBLISHING OFFICE

CONGRESSIONAL PUBLISHING

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

The agreement includes $79,528,000 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 $29,000,000.

GOVERNMENT PUBLISHING OFFICE

BUSINESS OPERATIONS REVOLVING FUND

The agreement includes $8,540,000.

GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement includes $578,916,653 in direct appropriations for salaries and expenses of the Government Accountability Office (GAO). In addition, $23,800,000 is available from offsetting collections. The agreement provides $6,000,000 for information technology projects and $4,000,000 for facility management and services projects. The agreement also provides for statutory authority related to property management.

Inspector General Reports: With the creation of Oversight.gov, which compiles non-confidential Inspector General (IG) reports from agencies across the Federal Government, the agreement no longer requires the report requested in Senate Report 115–137 and House Report 115–199 for GAO to examine the availability of such reports by individual IG offices.

OPEN WORLD LEADERSHIP CENTER TRUST FUND

The agreement includes $5,600,000.

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; limitation on transfers; and guided tours of the Capitol.

DIVISION I -- LEGISLATIVE BRANCH APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2018
(Amounts in Thousands)

	FY 2017 Enacted	FY 2018 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs. FY 2017	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	---	---
President Pro Tempore Emeritus of the Senate	---	---	15	+15	+15
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	192	+15	+15
Representation Allowances for the Majority and Minority Leaders	28	28	28	---	---
Total, Expense allowances and representation	205	205	220	+15	+15

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(Amounts in Thousands)

	FY 2017 Enacted	FY 2018 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs. FY 2017	Final Bill vs. Request
Salaries, Officers and Employees					
Office of the Vice President	2,417	2,480	2,417	---	-63
Office of the President Pro Tempore	723	743	723	---	-20
Office of the President Pro Tempore Emeritus	---	---	309	+309	+309
Offices of the Majority and Minority Leaders	5,256	5,390	5,256	---	-134
Offices of the Majority and Minority Whips	3,359	3,449	3,359	---	-90
Committee on Appropriations	15,142	15,142	15,142	---	---
Conference committees	3,316	3,402	3,316	---	-86
Offices of the Secretaries of the Conference of the Majority and the Conference of the Minority	817	839	817	---	-22
Policy committees	3,386	3,476	3,386	---	-90
Office of the Chaplain	437	450	437	---	-13
Office of the Secretary	24,772	25,771	25,132	+360	-639
Office of the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper	70,900	73,090	78,565	+7,665	+5,475
Offices of the Secretaries for the Majority and Minority	1,810	1,810	1,810	---	---
Agency contributions and related expenses 3/	49,952	54,488	54,198	+4,246	-290
Total, Salaries, officers and employees	182,287	190,530	194,867	+12,580	+4,337
Office of the Legislative Counsel of the Senate					
Salaries and expenses	5,809	6,115	6,115	+306	---
Office of Senate Legal Counsel					
Salaries and expenses	1,120	1,147	1,147	+27	---

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(Amounts in Thousands)

	FY 2017 Enacted	FY 2018 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs. FY 2017	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: Expense allowances	28	28	28	---	---
Contingent Expenses of the Senate					
Inquiries and investigations	133,265	135,799	133,265	---	-2,534
Expenses of United States Senate Caucus on International Narcotics Control	508	520	508	---	-12
Secretary of the Senate	10,250	10,536	7,036	-3,214	-3,500
Financial Management Information System Modernization	---	---	3,500	+3,500	+3,500
Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate	126,535	131,573	130,076	+3,541	-1,497
Miscellaneous items	20,870	18,870	18,870	-2,000	---
Senators' Official Personnel and Office Expense Account	390,000	452,635	424,000	+34,000	-28,635
Official Mail Costs					
Expenses	300	300	300	---	---
Total, Contingent expenses of the Senate	681,728	750,233	717,555	+35,827	-32,678
Total, Senate	871,177	948,258	919,932	+48,755	-28,326

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	FY 2017 Enacted	FY 2018 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs. FY 2017	Final Bill vs. Request
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES					
Payment to Widows and Heirs of Deceased Members of Congress (FY17 PL 114-223, Sec.142)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	562,632	567,000	562,632	---	-4,368

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	FY 2017 Enacted	FY 2018 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs. FY 2017	Final Bill vs. Request
Committee Employees					
Standing Committees, Special and Select	127,053	129,062	127,053	---	-2,009
Committee on Appropriations (including studies and investigations)	23,271	23,226	23,226	-45	---
Subtotal, Committee employees	150,324	152,288	150,279	-45	-2,009
Salaries, Officers and Employees					
Office of the Clerk	26,268	28,421	27,945	+1,677	-476
Office of the Sergeant at Arms	15,505	18,076	20,505	+5,000	+2,429
Office of the Chief Administrative Officer	117,165	133,635	132,865	+15,700	-770
Office of the Inspector General	4,963	5,037	4,968	+5	-69
Office of General Counsel	1,444	1,492	1,492	+48	---
Office of the Parliamentarian	1,999	2,037	2,037	+38	---
Office of the Law Revision Counsel of the House	3,167	3,261	3,209	+42	-52
Office of the Legislative Counsel of the House	8,979	9,437	9,937	+958	+500
Office of Interparliamentary Affairs	814	816	814	---	-2
Other authorized employees	1,183	584	584	-599	---
Subtotal, Salaries, officers and employees	181,487	202,796	204,356	+22,869	+1,560

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	FY 2017 Enacted	FY 2018 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs. FY 2017	Final Bill vs. Request
Allowances and Expenses					
Supplies, materials, administrative costs and Federal tort claims	3,625	3,625	3,625	---	---
Official mail for committees, leadership offices, and administrative offices of the House	190	190	190	---	---
Government contributions	245,334	251,630	233,040	-12,294	-18,590
Business Continuity and Disaster Recovery	16,217	16,186	16,186	-31	---
Transition activities	2,084	2,273	2,273	+189	---
Wounded Warrior program	2,500	2,500	2,750	+250	+250
Office of Congressional Ethics	1,658	1,699	1,670	+12	-29
Miscellaneous items	720	722	720	---	-2
Subtotal, Allowances and expenses	272,328	278,825	260,454	-11,874	-18,371
Total, House of Representatives (discretionary)	1,189,049	1,223,187	1,199,999	+10,950	-23,188
Total, House of Representatives (mandatory)	174	---	174	---	+174
JOINT ITEMS					
Joint Economic Committee	4,203	4,203	4,203	---	---
Joint Committee on Taxation	10,095	11,169	11,169	+1,074	---

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Office of the Attending Physician					
Medical supplies, equipment, expenses, and allowances.	3,838	3,838	3,838	---	---
Office of Congressional Accessibility Services					
Salaries and expenses.....	1,429	1,444	1,444	+15	---
Total, Joint items.....	19,565	20,654	20,654	+1,089	---
CAPITOL POLICE					
Salaries.....	325,300	347,096	351,700	+26,400	+4,604
General expenses.....	68,000	75,211	74,800	+6,800	-411
Total, Capitol Police.....	393,300	422,307	426,500	+33,200	+4,193
OFFICE OF COMPLIANCE					
Salaries and expenses.....	3,959	4,056	4,959	+1,000	+903
CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE					
Salaries and expenses.....	46,500	49,945	49,945	+3,445	---

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ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL (AOC)					
Capital Construction and Operations	92,957	98,360	93,478	+521	-4,882
Capitol building	32,584	54,898	45,300	+12,716	-9,598
Capitol grounds	12,826	14,279	13,333	+507	-946
Senate office buildings	88,406	110,037	101,614	+13,208	-8,423
House of Representatives buildings:					
House office buildings	185,731	176,948	197,294	+11,563	+20,346
House Historic Buildings Revitalization Trust Fund	17,000	10,000	10,000	-7,000	---
Capitol Power Plant	95,646	117,205	115,694	+20,048	-1,511
Offsetting collections	-9,000	-9,000	-9,000	---	---
Subtotal, Capitol Power Plant	86,646	108,205	106,694	+20,048	-1,511
Library buildings and grounds	47,080	121,182	74,873	+27,793	-46,309
Capitol police buildings, grounds and security	20,033	54,177	34,249	+14,216	-19,928
Botanic Garden	14,067	13,400	13,800	-267	+400
Capitol Visitor Center	20,557	21,470	21,470	+913	---
Total, Architect of the Capitol	617,887	782,956	712,105	+94,218	-70,851

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LIBRARY OF CONGRESS					
Salaries and expenses	457,017	504,260	477,017	+20,000	-27,243
Authority to spend receipts	-6,350	-6,350	-6,350	---	---
Subtotal, Salaries and expenses	450,667	497,910	470,667	+20,000	-27,243
Copyright Office, Salaries and expenses	68,825	77,709	72,011	+3,186	-5,698
Authority to spend receipts	-39,548	-38,864	-41,305	-1,757	-2,441
Prior year unobligated balances	-6,179	-7,429	-2,260	+3,919	+5,169
Subtotal, Copyright Office	23,098	31,416	28,446	+5,348	-2,970
Congressional Research Service, Salaries and expenses	107,945	119,279	119,279	+11,334	---
Books for the blind and physically handicapped, Salaries and expenses	50,248	52,815	51,498	+1,250	-1,317
Copyright Office funding flexibility information technology (Sec.1103(b))(CBO estimate)	---	2,000	---	---	-2,000
Total, Library of Congress	631,958	703,420	669,890	+37,932	-33,530

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GOVERNMENT PUBLISHING OFFICE					
Congressional publishing	79,736	79,528	79,528	-208	---
Public Information Programs of the Superintendent of Documents, Salaries and expenses	29,500	29,000	29,000	-500	---
Government Publishing Office Business Operations Revolving Fund	7,832	8,540	8,540	+708	---
Total, Government Publishing Office	117,068	117,068	117,068	---	---
GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE					
Salaries and expenses	567,856	614,478	602,717	+34,861	-11,761
Offsetting collections	-23,350	-23,800	-23,800	-450	---
Total, Government Accountability Office	544,506	590,678	578,917	+34,411	-11,761
OPEN WORLD LEADERSHIP CENTER TRUST FUND					
Payment to the Open World Leadership Center (OWLC) Trust Fund	5,600	5,800	5,600	---	-200

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JOHN C. STENNIS CENTER FOR PUBLIC SERVICE TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT					
Stennis Center for Public Service.....	430	430	430	---	---
ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS					
Scorekeeping adjustment (CBO estimate) 2/.....	-1,000	---	-2,000	-1,000	-2,000
OTHER APPROPRIATIONS					
FURTHER ADDITIONAL SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR DISASTER RELIEF REQUIREMENTS ACT, 2018					
Government Accountability Office, Salaries and expenses (FY2018 PL115-123, Title IX) (emergency)...	---	---	14,000	+14,000	+14,000
Total, Other Appropriations.....	---	---	14,000	+14,000	+14,000

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OTHER SCOREKEEPING ADJUSTMENTS					
AOC House Office Buildings Fund (PL114-254)(CBO estimate).....	---	-4,000	-4,000	-4,000	---
Less emergency appropriations.....	---	---	-14,000	-14,000	-14,000
Grand total (including scorekeeping adjustments)	4,440,173	4,864,759	4,700,173	+260,000	-164,586
Discretionary.....	(4,439,999)	(4,864,759)	(4,699,999)	(+260,000)	(-164,760)
Mandatory 1/.....	(174)	---	(174)	---	(+174)

1/ FY2017 funds provided in Continuing Appropriations Act, 2017 (Public Law 114-223)
2/ FY2017 is Sec. 175 of Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2017 (Public Law 114-254). FY2018 is Div D, Sec.101(a)(9) of Continuing Appropriations Act, 2018 (Public Law 115-56)

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RECAPITULATION					
Senate	871,177	948,258	919,932	+48,755	-28,326
House of Representatives (discretionary)	1,189,049	1,223,187	1,199,999	+10,950	-23,188
House of Representatives (mandatory) 1/	174	---	174	---	+174
Joint Items	19,565	20,654	20,654	+1,089	---
Capitol Police	393,300	422,307	426,500	+33,200	+4,193
Office of Compliance	3,959	4,056	4,959	+1,000	+903
Congressional Budget Office	46,500	49,945	49,945	+3,445	---
Architect of the Capitol	617,887	782,956	712,105	+94,218	-70,851
Library of Congress	631,958	703,420	669,890	+37,932	-33,530
Government Publishing Office	117,068	117,068	117,068	---	---
Government Accountability Office	544,506	590,678	578,917	+34,411	-11,761
Open World Leadership Center	5,600	5,800	5,600	---	-200
Stennis Center for Public Service	430	430	430	---	---
Administrative Provisions 2/	-1,000	---	-2,000	-1,000	-2,000
Other Scorekeeping adjustments	---	-4,000	-4,000	-4,000	---
Grand total	4,440,173	4,864,759	4,700,173	+260,000	-164,586
Discretionary	(4,439,999)	(4,864,759)	(4,699,999)	(+260,000)	(-164,760)
Mandatory 1/	(174)	---	(174)	---	(+174)
Other Appropriations (emergency)	---	---	14,000	+14,000	+14,000

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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, $923,994,000, to remain available until September 30, 2022: *Provided*, That, of this amount, not to exceed $101,470,000 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, $1,553,275,000, to remain available until September 30, 2022: *Provided*, That, of this amount, not to exceed $219,069,000 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

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, $1,543,558,000, to remain available until September 30, 2022: *Provided*, That, of this amount, not to exceed $97,852,000 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, $2,811,513,000, to remain available until September 30, 2022: *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, not to exceed $210,717,000 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 the Director of the Missile Defense Agency shall provide quarterly reports to the congressional defense committees on the construction timeline and obligations for the Poland Aegis Ashore complex.

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, $220,652,000, to remain available until September 30, 2022: *Provided*, That, of the amount, not to exceed $16,271,000 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, $171,491,000, to remain available until September 30, 2022: *Provided*, That, of the amount, not to exceed $18,000,000 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 obliga-

tions 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, $83,712,000, to remain available until September 30, 2022: *Provided*, That, of the amount, not to exceed $6,887,000 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, $95,271,000, to remain available until September 30, 2022: *Provided*, That, of the amount, not to exceed $24,430,000 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, $73,535,000, to remain available until September 30, 2022: *Provided*, That, of the amount, not to exceed $4,725,000 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: *Provided further,* That, the Chief of the Air Force Reserve shall take immediate action to address unfunded military construction requirements for access control points and security issues at Air Force Reserve facilities.

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 acquisi-

tion 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, $177,932,000, to remain available until expended.

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), $310,000,000, 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, $182,662,000, to remain available until September 30, 2022: *Provided*, That none of the funds provided under this heading for family housing construction may be expended for family housing improvements on Kwajalein Atoll until the Secretary of the Army certifies to the congressional defense committees that the new housing units represent the best value to the taxpayer and that no reasonable alternatives exist at a lower cost.

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, $348,907,000.

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, $83,682,000, to remain available until September 30, 2022.

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, $328,282,000.

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, $85,062,000, to remain available until September 30, 2022.

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, $318,324,000.

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, $59,169,000.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

FAMILY HOUSING IMPROVEMENT FUND

For the Department of Defense Family Housing Improvement Fund, $2,726,000, to remain available until expended, for family housing initiatives undertaken pursuant to section 2883 of title 10, United States Code, providing alternative means of acquiring and improving military family housing and supporting facilities.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

MILITARY UNACCOMPANIED HOUSING IMPROVEMENT FUND

For the Department of Defense Military Unaccompanied Housing Improvement Fund, $623,000, to remain available until expended, for unaccompanied housing initiatives undertaken pursuant to section 2883 of title 10, United States Code, providing alternative means of acquiring and improving military unaccompanied housing and supporting facilities.

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 com-

plied 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 March 2011, 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.

SEC. 125. For an additional amount for the accounts and in the amounts specified, to remain available until September 30, 2022:

"Military Construction, Army", $93,800,000, of which $25,000,000 is for planning and design;

"Military Construction, Navy and Marine Corps", $202,130,000, of which $25,000,000 is for planning and design;

"Military Construction, Air Force", $138,100,000, of which $25,000,000 is for planning and design;

"Military Construction, Army National Guard", $113,500,000, of which $20,000,000 is for planning and design;

"Military Construction, Air National Guard", $52,000,000, of which $20,000,000 is for planning and design;

"Military Construction, Army Reserve", $76,000,000, of which $20,000,000 is for planning and design; and

"Military Construction, Air Force Reserve", $64,100,000, of which $20,000,000 is for planning and design:

Provided, That such funds may only be obligated to carry out construction projects identified in the respective military department's unfunded priority list for fiscal year 2018 submitted to Congress: *Provided further*, That such projects are subject to authorization prior to obligation and expenditure of funds to carry out construction: *Provided further*, That not later than 30 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the military department concerned, or his or her designee, shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress an expenditure plan for funds provided under this section.

(RESCISSIONS OF FUNDS)

SEC. 126. Of the unobligated balances available to the Department of Defense from prior appropriation Acts, the following funds are hereby rescinded from the following accounts in the amounts specified:

"NATO Security Investment Program", $25,000,000; and

"Family Housing Construction, Army", $18,000,000:

Provided, That no amounts may be rescinded from amounts that were designated by the Congress for Overseas Contingency Operations/Global War on Terrorism or as an emergency requirement pursuant to a concurrent resolution on the budget or the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, as amended.

SEC. 127. 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.

SEC. 128. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to carry out the closure or realignment of the United States Naval Station, Guantánamo Bay, Cuba.

SEC. 129. 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. 130. All amounts appropriated to "Department of Defense—Military Construction, Defense-Wide" pursuant to the authorization of appropriations in section 2403 of Public Law 115–91, as specified for fiscal year 2018 in the funding table in section 4601 of that Act, shall be immediately available and allotted to contract for the full scope of authorized projects.

SEC. 131. For an additional amount for "Military Construction, Army", for the Defense Access Road Program, $20,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That amounts made available under this section may not be obligated or expended until the Secretary of the Army submits to the Committees on Appropriations of the Senate and House of Representatives a detailed expenditure plan 30 days after enactment of this Act.

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, $95,768,462,000, to remain available until expended and to become available on October 1, 2018: *Provided*, That not to exceed $17,882,000 of the amount made available for fiscal year 2019 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, $11,832,175,000, to remain available until expended and to become available on October 1, 2018: *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, $121,529,000, to remain available until expended, of which $109,090,000 shall become available on October 1, 2018.

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 2018, 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, $178,626,000.

VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION LOANS PROGRAM ACCOUNT

For the cost of direct loans, $30,000, 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 $2,356,000.

In addition, for administrative expenses necessary to carry out the direct loan program, $395,000, which may be paid to the appropriation 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, $1,163,000.

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, $2,910,000,000: *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 10 percent shall remain available until September 30, 2019.

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), monthly assistance allowances authorized by section 322(d) of title 38, United States Code, grants authorized by section 521A of title 38, United States Code, and administrative expenses necessary to carry out sections 322(d) and 521A of title 38, United States Code, and hospital care and medical services authorized by section 1787 of title 38, United States Code; $1,962,984,000, which shall be in addition to funds previously appropriated under this heading that became available on October 1, 2017; and, in addition, $49,161,165,000, plus reimbursements, shall become available on October 1, 2018, and shall remain available until September 30, 2019: *Provided*, That, of the amount made available on October 1, 2018, under this heading, $1,400,000,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2020: *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 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 prosthetics designed specifically for female veterans.

MEDICAL COMMUNITY CARE

For necessary expenses for furnishing health care to individuals pursuant to chapter 17 of title 38, United States Code, at non-Department facilities, $419,176,000, which shall be in addition to funds previously appropriated under this heading that became available on October 1, 2017; and, in addition, $8,384,704,000, plus reimbursements, shall become available on October 1, 2018, and shall remain available until September 30, 2019: *Provided*, That, of the amount made available on October 1, 2018, under this heading, $2,000,000,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2022.

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.), $100,000,000, which shall be in addition to funds previously appropriated under this heading that became available on

October 1, 2017; and, in addition, $7,239,156,000, plus reimbursements, shall become available on October 1, 2018, and shall remain available until September 30, 2019: *Provided*, That, of the amount made available on October 1, 2018, under this heading, $100,000,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2020.

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; $707,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2019, which shall be in addition to funds previously appropriated under this heading that became available on October 1, 2017; and, in addition, $5,914,288,000, plus reimbursements, shall become available on October 1, 2018, and shall remain available until September 30, 2019: *Provided*, That, of the amount made available on October 1, 2018, under this heading, $250,000,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2020.

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, $722,262,000, plus reimbursements, shall remain available until September 30, 2019: *Provided*, That the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall ensure that sufficient amounts appropriated under this heading are available for prosthetic research specifically for female veterans, and for 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, $306,193,000, of which not to exceed 10 percent shall remain available until September 30, 2019.

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, $335,891,000, of which not to exceed 10 percent shall remain available until September 30, 2019: *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, $161,048,000, of which not to exceed 10 percent shall remain available until September 30, 2019.

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, $4,055,500,000, plus reimbursements: *Provided,* That $1,230,320,000 shall be for pay and associated costs, of which not to exceed 5 percent shall remain available until September 30, 2019: *Provided further,* That $2,496,650,000 shall be for operations and maintenance, of which not to exceed 5 percent shall remain available until September 30, 2019: *Provided further,* That $328,530,000 shall be for information technology systems development, and shall remain available until September 30, 2019: *Provided further,* That amounts made available for information technology systems development 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 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 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 the funds made available under this heading for information technology systems development 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).

VETERANS ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORD

For activities related to implementation, preparation, development, interface, management, rollout, and maintenance of a Veterans Electronic Health Record system, including contractual costs associated with operations authorized by section 3109 of title 5, United States Code, and salaries and expenses of employees hired under titles 5 and 38, United States Code, $782,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2020: *Provided*, That the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress quarterly reports detailing obligations, expenditures, and deployment implementation by facility: *Provided further*, That the funds provided in this account shall only be available to the Office of the Deputy Secretary, to be administered by that Office.

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.), $164,000,000, of which not to exceed 10 percent shall remain available until September 30, 2019.

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, $512,430,000, of which $432,430,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2022, 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 contracting officers who manage specific major construction projects, and funds provided for the purchase, security, and maintenance 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 that has not been notified to Congress through the budgetary process or that has not been approved by the Congress through statute, joint resolution, or in the explanatory statement accompanying such Act and presented to the President at the time of enrollment: *Provided further*, That funds made available under this heading for fiscal year 2018, for each approved project shall be obligated: (1) by the awarding of a construction documents contract by September 30, 2018; and (2) by the awarding of a construction contract by September 30, 2019: *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, $117,300,000 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, $342,570,000, to remain available until September 30, 2022, 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, $110,000,000, 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, $45,000,000, to remain available until expended.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 201. Any appropriation for fiscal year 2018 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 2018, in this or any other Act, under the "Medical Services", "Medical Community Care", "Medical Support and Compliance", and "Medical Facilities" accounts may be transferred among the accounts: *Provided*, That any transfers among the "Medical Services", "Medical Community Care", 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: *Pro-*

vided further, That any transfers among the "Medical Services", "Medical Community Care", 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 2017.

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 2018, 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 in-

surance 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 2018 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 2018 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, the Office of Employment Discrimination Complaint Adjudication, the Office of Accountability and Whistleblower Protection, and the Office of Diversity and Inclusion for all services provided at rates which will recover actual costs but not to exceed $47,668,000 for the Office of Resolution Management, $3,932,000 for the Office of Employment Discrimination Complaint Adjudication, $17,620,000 for the Office of Accountability and Whistleblower Protection, and $2,973,000 for the Office of Diversity and Inclusion: *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.

SEC. 211. 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. 212. 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. 213. 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. 214. 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 the "Medical Services" and "Medical Community Care" accounts to remain available until expended for the purposes of these accounts.

SEC. 215. The Secretary of Veterans Affairs may enter into agreements with Federally Qualified Health Centers in the State of Alaska and Indian tribes and tribal organizations which are party to the Alaska Native Health Compact with the Indian Health Service, to provide healthcare, including behavioral health and dental care, to veterans in rural Alaska. 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 which are not within the boundaries of the municipality of Anchorage or the Fairbanks North Star Borough.

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 216. 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. 217. 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 paragraph entitled "Quarterly reporting", under the heading "General Administration" in the joint explanatory statement accompanying Public Law 114–223.

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 218. Amounts made available under the "Medical Services", "Medical Community Care", "Medical Support and Compliance", "Medical Facilities", "General Operating Expenses, Veterans Bene-

fits Administration", "Board of Veterans Appeals", "General Administration", and "National Cemetery Administration" accounts for fiscal year 2018 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.

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 219. Of the amounts appropriated to the Department of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 2018 for "Medical Services", "Medical Community Care", "Medical Support and Compliance", "Medical Facilities", "Construction, Minor Projects", and "Information Technology Systems", up to $297,137,000, 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 222 of title II of division A of Public Law 114–223 is repealed.

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 220. Of the amounts appropriated to the Department of Veterans Affairs which become available on October 1, 2018, for "Medical Services", "Medical Community Care", "Medical Support and Compliance", and "Medical Facilities", up to $306,378,000, 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.

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 221. 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): *Provided*, That, notwithstanding section 1704(b)(3) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010 (Public Law 111–84; 123 Stat. 2573), amounts transferred to the Joint Department of Defense—Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Facility Demonstration Fund shall remain available until expended.

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 222. Of the amounts available in this title for "Medical Services", "Medical Community Care", "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.

SEC. 223. 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.

SEC. 224. 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. 225. 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. 226. 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 quarterly report containing performance measures and data from each Vet-

erans Benefits Administration Regional Office: *Provided*, That, at a minimum, the report shall include the direction contained in the section entitled "Disability claims backlog", under the heading "General Operating Expenses, Veterans Benefits Administration" in the joint explanatory statement accompanying Public Law 114–223: *Provided further*, That the report shall also include information on the number of appeals pending at the Veterans Benefits Administration as well as the Board of Veterans Appeals on a quarterly basis.

SEC. 227. 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. 228. 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.

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 229. 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 2018 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 2018, 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. 230. Amounts made available for the Department of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 2018, 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 of that request.

SEC. 231. The Secretary of Veterans Affairs may not reprogram funds among major construction projects or programs if such instance of reprogramming will exceed $7,000,000, unless such reprogramming is approved by the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress.

SEC. 232. (a) The Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall ensure that the toll-free suicide hotline under section 1720F(h) of title 38, United States Code—

(1) provides to individuals who contact the hotline immediate assistance from a trained professional; and

(2) adheres to all requirements of the American Association of Suicidology.

(b)(1) None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to enforce or otherwise carry out any Executive action that prohibits the Secretary of Veterans Affairs from appointing an individual to occupy a vacant civil service position, or establishing a new civil service position, at the Department of Veterans Affairs with respect to such a position relating to the hotline specified in subsection (a).

(2) In this subsection—

(A) the term "civil service" has the meaning given such term in section 2101(1) of title 5, United States Code; and

(B) the term "Executive action" includes—

(i) any Executive order, presidential memorandum, or other action by the President; and

(ii) any agency policy, order, or other directive.

SEC. 233. None of the funds in this or any other Act may be used to close Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) hospitals, domiciliaries, or clinics, conduct an environmental assessment, or to diminish healthcare services at existing Veterans Health Administration medical facilities located in Veterans Integrated Service Network 23 as part of a planned realignment of VA services until the Secretary provides to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress a report including the following elements:

(1) a national realignment strategy that includes a detailed description of realignment plans within each Veterans Integrated Services Network (VISN), including an updated Long Range Capital Plan to implement realignment requirements;

(2) an explanation of the process by which those plans were developed and coordinated within each VISN;

(3) a cost versus benefit analysis of each planned realignment, including the cost of replacing Veterans Health Administration services with contract care or other outsourced services;

(4) an analysis of how any such planned realignment of services will impact access to care for veterans living in rural or highly rural areas, including travel distances and transportation costs to access a VA medical facility and availability of local specialty and primary care;

(5) an inventory of VA buildings with historic designation and the methodology used to determine the buildings' condition and utilization;

(6) a description of how any realignment will be consistent with requirements under the National Historic Preservation Act; and

(7) consideration given for reuse of historic buildings within newly identified realignment requirements: *Provided,* That, this provision shall not apply to capital projects in VISN 23, or any other VISN, which have been authorized or approved by Congress.

SEC. 234. Section 8109(b) of title 38, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in paragraph (2), by striking "and" at the end;

(2) in paragraph (3), by striking the period and inserting "; and"; and

(3) by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

"(4) notwithstanding subsection (a) of section 1344 of title 31, may use a passenger carrier (as such term is defined in subsection (h)(1) of such section) to transport such an employee between a parking facility and the medical facility of the Department at which the employee works.".

SEC. 235. None of the funds made available to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs by this or any other Act may be obligated or expended in contravention of the "Veterans Health Administration Clinical Preventive Services Guidance Statement on the Veterans Health Administration's Screening for Breast Cancer Guidance" published on May 10, 2017, as issued by the Veterans Health Administration National Center for Health Promotion and Disease Prevention.

SEC. 236. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the amounts appropriated or otherwise made available to the Department of Veterans Affairs for the "Medical Services" account may be used to provide—

(1) fertility counseling and treatment using assisted reproductive technology to a covered veteran or the spouse of a covered veteran; or

(2) adoption reimbursement to a covered veteran.

(b) In this section:

(1) The term "service-connected" has the meaning given such term in section 101 of title 38, United States Code.

(2) The term "covered veteran" means a veteran, as such term is defined in section 101 of title 38, United States Code, who has a service-connected disability that results in the inability of the veteran to procreate without the use of fertility treatment.

(3) The term "assisted reproductive technology" means benefits relating to reproductive assistance provided to a member of the Armed Forces who incurs a serious injury or illness on

active duty pursuant to section 1074(c)(4)(A) of title 10, United States Code, as described in the memorandum on the subject of "Policy for Assisted Reproductive Services for the Benefit of Seriously or Severely Ill/Injured (Category II or III) Active Duty Service Members" issued by the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs on April 3, 2012, and the guidance issued to implement such policy, including any limitations on the amount of such benefits available to such a member except that—

(A) the time periods regarding embryo cryopreservation and storage set forth in part III(G) and in part IV(H) of such memorandum shall not apply; and

(B) such term includes embryo cryopreservation and storage without limitation on the duration of such cryopreservation and storage.

(4) The term "adoption reimbursement" means reimbursement for the adoption-related expenses for an adoption that is finalized after the date of the enactment of this Act under the same terms as apply under the adoption reimbursement program of the Department of Defense, as authorized in Department of Defense Instruction 1341.09, including the reimbursement limits and requirements set forth in such instruction.

(c) Amounts made available for the purposes specified in subsection (a) of this section are subject to the requirements for funds contained in section 508 of division H of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2017 (Public Law 115–31).

(RESCISSION OF FUNDS)

SEC. 237. Of the unobligated balance of funds made available in the sixth proviso under the heading "Department of Veterans Affairs—Veterans Health Administration—Medical Services" in title II of Division J of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2016 (Public Law 114–113), $751,000,000 is hereby rescinded.

SEC. 238. 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.

SEC. 239. Section 842 of Public Law 109–115 shall not apply to conversion of an activity or function of the Veterans Health Administration, Veterans Benefits Administration, or National Cemetery Administration to contractor performance by a business concern that is at least 51 percent owned by one or more Indian tribes as defined in section 5304(e) of title 25, United States Code, or one or more Native Hawaiian Organizations as defined in section 637(a)(15) of title 15, United States Code.

SEC. 240. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, in consultation with the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of Labor, shall discontinue using Social Security account numbers to identify individuals in all information systems of the Department of Veterans Affairs as follows:

(1) For all veterans submitting to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs new claims for benefits under laws administered by the Secretary, not later than 5 years after the date of the enactment of this Act.

(2) For all individuals not described in paragraph (1), not later than 8 years after the date of the enactment of this Act.

(b) The Secretary of Veterans Affairs may use a Social Security account number to identify an individual in an information system of the Department of Veterans Affairs if and only if the use of such number is required to obtain information the Secretary requires from an information system that is not under the jurisdiction of the Secretary.

SEC. 241. For funds provided to the Department of Veterans Affairs for each of fiscal year 2018 and 2019 for "Medical Services", section 239 of Division A of Public Law 114–223 shall apply.

SEC. 242. 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.

(RESCISSIONS OF FUNDS)

SEC. 243. (a) Of the unobligated balance of funds made available through September 30, 2018, under the heading "Construction, Major Projects" in division J of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2014 (Public Law 113–76), $10,000,000 is hereby rescinded.

(b) For an additional amount for "Construction, Major Projects", $10,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2023.

(c) Of the unobligated balance of funds made available through September 30, 2019, under the heading "Construction, Major Projects" in division I of the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015 (Public Law 113–235), $410,000,000 is hereby rescinded.

(d) For an additional amount for "Construction, Major Projects", $410,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024.

SEC. 244. Of the funds provided to the Department of Veterans Affairs for each of fiscal year 2018 and fiscal year 2019 for "Medical Services", funds may be used in each year to carry out and expand the child care program authorized by section 205 of Public Law 111–163, notwithstanding subsection (e) of such section.

SEC. 245. (a) Section 204(c) of the Department of Veterans Affairs Health Care Programs Enhancement Act of 2001 (Public Law 107–135; 38 U.S.C. 1710 note) is amended—

(1) by inserting "(1)" before "The program"; and

(2) by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

"(2) The program shall be carried out at not fewer than two medical centers or clinics in each Veterans Integrated Service Network by not later than December 31, 2019, and at not fewer than 50 percent of all medical centers in each Veterans Integrated Service Network by not later than December 31, 2021.".

(b)(1) Paragraph (6) of section 1701 of title 38, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new subparagraph:

"(H) Chiropractic services.".

(2) Paragraph (8) of such section is amended by inserting "chiropractic," after "counseling,".

(3) Paragraph (9) of such section is amended—

(A) by redesignating subparagraphs (F) through (K) as subparagraphs (G) through (L), respectively; and

(B) by inserting after subparagraph (E) the following new subparagraph (F):

"(F) chiropractic examinations and services;".

SEC. 246. (a) PILOT PROGRAM.—The Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall carry out a pilot program to provide educational assistance to certain former members of the Armed Forces for education and training as physician assistants of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

(b) ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUALS.—An individual is eligible to participate in the pilot program if the individual—

(1) has medical or military health experience gained while serving as a member of the Armed Forces;

(2) has received a certificate, associate degree, baccalaureate degree, master's degree, or postbaccalaureate training in a science relating to health care; or

(3) has participated in the delivery of healthcare services or related medical services, including participation in military training relating to the identification, evaluation, treatment, and prevention of diseases and disorders.

(c) DURATION.—The pilot program shall be carried out during the 5-year period beginning on the date that is 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act.

(d) SELECTION.—

(1) The Secretary shall select eligible individuals under subsection (b) to participate in the pilot program.

(2) In selecting individuals to participate in the pilot program under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall give priority to individuals who agree to be employed as a physician assistant for the Veterans Health Administration at a medical facility of the Department located in a community that—

(A) is designated as a medically underserved population under section 330(b)(3)(A) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 254b(b)(3)(A)); and

(B) is in a State with a per capita population of veterans of more than 5 percent according to the National Center for Veterans Analysis and Statistics and the United States Census Bureau.

(e) EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE.—In carrying out the pilot program, the Secretary shall provide educational assistance to individuals participating in the pilot program, including through the use of scholarships, to cover the costs to such individuals of obtaining a master's degree in physician assistant studies or a similar master's degree.

(f) PERIOD OF OBLIGATED SERVICE.—The Secretary shall enter into an agreement with each individual participating in the pilot program in which such individual agrees to be employed as a physician assistant for the Veterans Health Administration for a period of obligated service to be determined by the Secretary.

(g) BREACH.—An individual who participates in the pilot program and fails to satisfy the period of obligated service under subsection (f) shall be liable to the United States, in lieu of such obligated service, for the amount that has been paid or is payable to or on behalf of the individual under the pilot program, reduced by the proportion that the number of days served for completion of the period of obligated service bears to the total number of days in the period of obligated service of such individual.

(h) REPORT.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, in collaboration with the Secretary of Labor, the Secretary of Defense, and the Secretary of Health and Human Services, shall submit to Congress a report on the pilot program's effectiveness of helping to meet the shortage of physician assistants employed by the Department.

SEC. 247. For funds provided to the Department of Veterans Affairs for each of fiscal year 2018 and 2019, section 248 of Division A of Public Law 114–223 shall apply.

SEC. 248. (a) The Secretary of Veterans Affairs may use amounts appropriated or otherwise made available in this title to ensure that the ratio of veterans to full-time employment equivalents within any program of rehabilitation conducted under chapter 31 of title 38, United States Code, does not exceed 125 veterans to one full-time employment equivalent.

(b) Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit to Congress a report on the programs of rehabilitation conducted under chapter 31 of title 38, United States Code, including—

(1) an assessment of the veteran-to-staff ratio for each such program; and

(2) recommendations for such action as the Secretary considers necessary to reduce the veteran-to-staff ratio for each such program.

SEC. 249. None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available in this title may be used by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to enter into an agreement related to resolving a dispute or claim with an individual that would restrict in any way the individual from speaking to members of Congress or their staff on any topic not otherwise prohibited from disclosure by Federal law or required by Executive Order to be kept secret in the interest of national defense or the conduct of foreign affairs.

SEC. 250. For funds provided to the Department of Veterans Affairs for each of fiscal year 2018 and 2019, section 258 of Division A of Public Law 114–223 shall apply.

SEC. 251. (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 2402(a) of title 38, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

"(10) Any individual—

"(A) who—

"(i) was naturalized pursuant to section 2(1) of the Hmong Veterans' Naturalization Act of 2000 (Public Law 106–207; 8 U.S.C. 1423 note); and

"(ii) at the time of the individual's death resided in the United States.".

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by subsection (a) shall apply with respect to an individual dying on or after the date of the enactment of this Act.

SEC. 252. The Secretary may carry out a 2-year pilot program making grants to nonprofit veterans services organizations recognized by the Secretary in accordance with section 5902 of title 38, United States Code, to upgrade, through construction and repair, VSO community facilities into health and wellness centers and to promote and expand complementary and integrative wellness programs: *Provided*, That no single grant may exceed a total of $500,000: *Provided further*, That the Secretary may not provide more than 20 grants during the 2-year pilot program: *Provided further*, That the recipient of a grant under this section may not use the grant to purchase real estate or to carry out repair of facilities leased by the recipient or to construct facilities on property leased by the recipient: *Provided further*, That the Secretary ensures that the grant recipients use grant funds to construct or repair facilities located in at least 10 different geographic locations in economically depressed areas or areas designated as highly rural that are not in close proximity to Department of Veterans Affairs medical centers: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall report to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress no later than 180 days after enactment of this Act, on the grant program established under this section.

SEC. 253. None of the funds appropriated in this or any other Act for "Grants for Construction of State Extended Care Facilities" may be used to award grants for applications included in priority one of the priority list for the first time which have been assigned a higher priority ranking for fiscal year 2018 than unfunded applications which met the eligibility requirements defined in section 8135(c) of title 38, United States Code, in fiscal year 2017 and continue to meet those requirements in fiscal year 2018: *Provided*, That the Secretary may award grants for new applications in fiscal year 2018 for projects that did not meet eligibility requirements defined in section 8135(c) of title 38, United States Code, in fiscal year 2017 only after applications which met priority one eligibility requirements in fiscal year 2017 and continue to meet those requirements defined in section 8135(c) of title 38, United States Code, have been funded: *Provided further*, That nothing in this section shall preclude the Secretary from assigning a higher priority ranking or funding a grant application to correct conditions that threaten the life or safety of patients which meet the criteria laid out in section 8135(c) of title 38, United States Code.

SEC. 254. None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act may be used to conduct research using canines unless: the scientific objectives of the study can only be met by research with canines; the study has been directly approved by the Secretary; and the study is consistent with the revised Department of Veterans Affairs canine research policy document released on December 18, 2017: *Provided*, That not later than 180 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress a detailed report outlining under what circumstances canine research may be needed if there are no other alternatives, how often it was used during

that time period, and what protocols are in place to determine both the safety and efficacy of the research.

SEC. 255. For an additional amount for the Department of Veterans Affairs, $2,000,000,000 to remain available until expended, for infrastructure improvements, including new construction, and in addition to amounts otherwise made available in this act for such purpose, of which:

(1) $1,000,000,000 shall be for "Veterans Health Administration—Medical Facilities" to be used for non-recurring maintenance;

(2) $425,000,000 shall be for "Departmental Administration—Construction, Minor Projects"; and,

(3) $575,000,000 shall be for "Departmental Administration—Grants for Construction of State Extended Care Facilities";

Provided, That the additional amounts appropriated for the purposes of non-recurring maintenance and minor construction may be used to carry out critical life-safety projects identified in the Department's annual facility condition assessments; sustainment projects; modernization projects; infrastructure repair; renovations at existing Veterans Health Administration medical centers and outpatient clinics; and projects included in the Strategic Capital Investment Process plan: *Provided further*, That the additional amounts appropriated under this section may not 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 detailed expenditure plan, including project descriptions and costs, for any non-recurring maintenance, minor construction or State extended care facility project being funded with the additional amounts made available in this administrative provision.

SEC. 256. Subsection (d) of section 504 of the Veterans' Benefits Improvement Act of 1996 (Public Law 104–275; 38 U.S.C. 5101 note), as amended, is further amended to read as follows:

"(c) SOURCE OF FUNDS.—Expenses of carrying out the pilot program under this section, including payments for pilot program examination travel and incidental expenses under the terms and conditions set forth by 38 U.S.C. 111, shall be reimbursed to the accounts available for the general operating expenses of the Veterans Benefits Administration and information technology systems from amounts available to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs for payment of compensation and pensions.".

SEC. 257. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to charge a veteran a fee for a veterans identification card pursuant to section 5706(c) of title 38, United States Code.

SEC. 258. (a) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter II of chapter 17 of title 38, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

"§ 1712I. Mental and behavioral health care for certain former members of the Armed Forces

"(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall furnish to former members of the Armed Forces described in subsection (b)—

"(1) an initial mental health assessment; and

"(2) the mental healthcare or behavioral healthcare services authorized under this chapter that are required to treat the mental or behavioral health care needs of the former service members, including risk of suicide or harming others.

"(b) ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUALS.—A former member of the Armed Forces described in this subsection is an individual who—

"(1) is a former member of the Armed Forces, including the reserve components;

"(2) while serving in the active military, naval, or air service, was discharged or released therefrom under a condition that is not honorable but not—

"(A) a dishonorable discharge; or

"(B) a discharge by court-martial;

"(3) is not otherwise eligible to enroll in the health care system established by section 1705 of this title; and

"(4)(A)(i) served in the Armed Forces for a period of more than 100 cumulative days; and

"(ii) was deployed in a theater of combat operations, in support of a contingency operation, or in an area at a time during which hostilities are occurring in that area during such service, including by controlling an unmanned aerial vehicle from a location other than such theater or area; or

"(B) while serving in the Armed Forces, was the victim of a physical assault of a sexual nature, a battery of a sexual nature, or sexual harassment (as defined in section 1720D(f) of this title).

"(c) NON-DEPARTMENT CARE.—(1) In furnishing mental or behavioral health care services to an individual under this section, the Secretary may provide such mental or behavioral health care services at a non-Department facility if—

"(A) in the judgment of a mental health professional employed by the Department, the receipt of mental or behavioral health care services by that individual in facilities of the Department would be clinically inadvisable; or

"(B) facilities of the Department are not capable of furnishing such mental or behavioral health care services to that individual economically because of geographical inaccessibility.

"(2) The Secretary shall carry out paragraph (1) pursuant to section 1703 of this title or any other provision of law authorizing the Secretary to enter into contracts or agreements to furnish hospital care and medical services to veterans at non-Department facilities.

"(d) SETTING AND REFERRALS.—In furnishing mental and behavioral health care services to individuals under this section, the Secretary shall—

"(1) seek to ensure that such services are furnished in settings that are therapeutically appropriate, taking into account the circumstances that resulted in the need for such services; and

"(2) provide referral services to assist former members who are not eligible for services under this chapter to obtain services from sources outside the Department.

"(e) INFORMATION.—The Secretary shall provide information on the mental and behavioral health care services available under this section. Efforts by the Secretary to provide such information—

"(1) shall include notification of each eligible individual described in subsection (b) about the eligibility of the individual for covered mental and behavioral health care under this section not later than the later of—

"(A) 180 days after the date of the enactment of the Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2018; or

"(B) 180 days after the date on which the individual was discharged or released from the active military, naval, or air service;

"(2) shall include availability of a toll-free telephone number (commonly referred to as an 800 number);

"(3) shall ensure that information about the mental health care services available under this section—

"(A) is revised and updated as appropriate;

"(B) is made available and visibly posted at appropriate facilities of the Department; and

"(C) is made available to State veteran agencies and through appropriate public information services; and

"(4) shall include coordination with the Secretary of Defense seeking to ensure that members of the Armed Forces and individuals who are being separated from active military, naval, or air service are provided appropriate information about programs, requirements, and procedures for applying for mental health care services under this section.

"(f) ANNUAL REPORTS.—(1) Not less frequently than once each year, the Secretary shall submit to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs of the Senate and the Committee on Veterans' Affairs of the House of Representatives a report on the mental and behavioral health care services provided under this section.

"(2) Each report submitted under paragraph (1) shall include, with respect to the year preceding the submittal of the report, the following:

"(A) The number of eligible individuals who were furnished mental or behavioral health care services under this section, disaggregated by the number of men who received such services and the number of women who received such services.

"(B) The number of individuals who requested an initial mental health assessment under subsection (a)(1).

"(C) Such other information as the Secretary considers appropriate.".

(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections at the beginning of chapter 17 of title 38, United States Code, is amended by inserting after the item relating to section 1720H the following new item:

"1720I. Mental and behavioral health care for certain former members of the Armed Forces.".

SEC. 259. (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 53 of title 38, United States Code, is amended by inserting after section 5303A the following new section:

"§ 5303B. Character of service determinations

"(a) DETERMINATION.—The Secretary shall establish a process by which an individual who served in the Armed Forces and was dis-

charged or dismissed therefrom may seek a determination from the Secretary with respect to whether such discharge or release was under a condition that bars the right of such individual to a benefit under the laws administered by the Secretary based upon the period of service from which discharged or dismissed.

"(b) PROVISION OF INFORMATION.—If the Secretary determines under subsection (a) that an individual is barred to a benefit under the laws administered by the Secretary, the Secretary shall provide to such individual information regarding the ability of the individual to address such condition, including pursuant to section 5303 of this title and chapter 79 of title 10.".

(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections at the beginning of such chapter is amended by inserting after the item relating to section 5303A the following new item:

"5303B. Character of service determinations.".

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 $42,000 for official reception and representation expenses; and insurance of official motor vehicles in foreign countries, when required by law of such countries, $79,000,000, 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

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

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, $33,600,000: *Provided*, That, of the amount, up to $800,000 may be transferred to the General Services Administration for planning and design of a courthouse, to include a feasibility study: *Provided further*, That $2,580,000 shall be available for the purpose of providing financial assistance as described and in accordance with the process and re-

porting 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 $2,000 for official reception and representation expenses, $80,800,000, of which not to exceed $15,000,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2020. 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.

CONSTRUCTION

For necessary expenses for planning and design and construction at Arlington National Cemetery and Soldiers' and Airmen's Home National Cemetery, $167,000,000, to remain available until expended, for planning and design and construction associated with the Southern Expansion project at Arlington National Cemetery.

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, $22,000,000 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

OVERSEAS CONTINGENCY OPERATIONS

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, ARMY

For an additional amount for "Military Construction, Army", $146,100,000, to remain available until September 30, 2022, for projects outside of 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.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, NAVY AND MARINE CORPS

For an additional amount for "Military Construction, Navy and Marine Corps", $33,248,000, to remain available until September 30, 2022, for projects outside of 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.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, AIR FORCE

For an additional amount for "Military Construction, Air Force" $546,352,000, to remain available until September 30, 2022, for projects outside of 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.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, DEFENSE-WIDE

For an additional amount for "Military Construction, Defense-Wide", $24,300,000, to remain available until September 30, 2022, for projects outside of 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.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

SEC. 401. Each amount designated in this Act 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 shall be available only if the President subsequently so designates all such amounts and transmits such designations to the Congress.

SEC. 402. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary of Defense is directed to provide the congressional defense committees a future years defense program for funds appropriated to the Department of Defense for construction projects related to European Reassurance Initiative and European Deterrence Initia-

tive beginning in fiscal year 2018 and each subsequent fiscal year that funding is requested for either initiative. Further, the Secretary of Defense is directed to submit the future years defense program with each fiscal year budget submission.

TITLE V

GENERAL PROVISIONS

SEC. 501. 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. 502. 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. 503. 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. 504. 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. 505. 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. 506. 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. 507. (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. 508. (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. 509. 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. 510. 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. 511. 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. 512. (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, 2018".

[CLERK'S NOTE: Reproduced below is the material relating to division J contained in the Explanatory Statement regarding H.R. 1625, the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2018.[1]]

DIVISION J—MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, VETERANS AFFAIRS, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2018

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 2018. Unless otherwise noted, reference to the House and Senate reports are to House Report 115–188 and Senate Report 115–130. The language set forth in House Report 115–188 and Senate Report 115–130 should be complied with and carry the same emphasis as the language included in the joint explanatory statement, unless specifically addressed to the contrary in this joint explanatory statement. While repeating some report language for emphasis, this joint 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 no later than 60 days after enactment of this Act. All other reporting deadlines not specifically directed by this joint explanatory statement are to be met.

TITLE I

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Bid Savings.—Cost variation notices required by 10 U.S.C. 2853 continue to demonstrate the Department of Defense continues to have bid savings on previously appropriated military construction projects. Therefore, the agreement includes rescissions to the NATO Security Investment Program and Army Family Housing 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.

Naval Shipyard Modernization.—On February 12, 2018 the Secretary of the Navy transmitted a Shipyard Infrastructure Optimization Plan as directed by Senate Report 115–130 accompanying the fiscal year 2018 Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act. The report seeks to, among other requirements, assess existing facilities for efficiencies and address future infrastructure requirements at public shipyards and

[1] The Explanatory Statement was submitted for printing in the Congressional Record on March 22, 2018 by Mr. Frelinghuysen of New Jersey, Chairman of the House Committee on Appropriations. The Statement appears on page H2800 of Book III.

includes a master plan for each shipyard, including, but not limited to, capital equipment and facility investment requirements. These first steps taken by the Department of the Navy to identify gaps are important and the Secretary of the Navy is urged to adequately prioritize public shipyard infrastructure, in particular dry dock and shore infrastructure needs to support critical maintenance of surface and submarine fleets.

Coastal Erosion and Sea-Level Rise.—Sea level rise and flooding on facilities, particularly at DOD's coastal military installations, both in the United States and overseas continue to have harmful impacts. In a report to Congress in January 2018 regarding the security implications of climate-related risks, the Department noted it had conducted a preliminary screening-level assessment to determine installation vulnerabilities to climate-related security risks with the goal of identifying serious vulnerabilities and developing necessary adaptation strategies. The report identified numerous installations that experienced climate-related effects affecting, among others, airfield operations, transportation, and energy infrastructure, as well as training facilities. However, the Department has not developed a comprehensive adaptation approach, nor has it provided estimated costs associated with implementing such a strategy. Therefore, the Comptroller General is directed to undertake a study of DOD's progress in developing a means to account for potentially damaging weather in project design, and to report to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress no later than 180 days after enactment of this Act. At a minimum, the Comptroller General should answer the following questions: (1) What is known about the historical and projected costs for facilities maintenance and repair beyond expected repair costs of DOD infrastructure stemming from damage or degradation caused by sea level rise and weather effects associated with climate change; (2) What best practices has DOD adopted for incorporating climate change adaptation into the design of military construction or facilities sustainment, restoration, or modernization projects; and (3) To what extent has DOD developed a systematic process for ensuring climate change or severe weather effects are accounted for in the design of military construction and facilities sustainment, modernization, or restoration projects.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, ARMY

The agreement provides $923,994,000 for Military Construction, Army. Within this amount, the agreement provides $101,470,000 for study, planning, design, architect and engineer services, and host nation support. The agreement also provides an additional $10,000,000 to supplement unspecified minor military construction.

Sunflower Army Ammunition Plant.—The U.S. Army is currently managing the environmental remediation of the Sunflower Army Ammunition Plant (SFAAP) property in excess of 9,000 acres in DeSoto, Kansas, which was conveyed to Sunflower Redevelopment, LLC (SRL) through the Army and the General Services Administration on August 3, 2005. Ten years after the conveyance, on October 29, 2015, the Army reinforced its responsibility in writing, "the Army is committed to programming the necessary resources to carry out a long-term clean-up and has, for execution in fiscal year

2016, awarded several services contracts for the short-term requirements." The Army further wrote it would "issue competitively sourced clean-up contracts, with Army oversight to ensure its Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liabilities Act (CERCLA) § 120(h) obligation at Sunflower." The Army confirmed its intention "to conduct in-depth coordination with Sunflower Redevelopment, LLC (SRL) to ensure SRL's redevelopment priorities are synchronized with the Army managed clean-up activities." However, the Army has neglected to communicate regularly with SRL and far less than the in-depth coordination commitment made by the Army. The Army is conducting ongoing risk assessments of contaminated portions of SFAAP and is directed to work in consultation and coordination with SRL to ensure transparency. The findings and recommendations of such assessments should receive approval from State and Federal regulators regarding allowable levels of contaminants including, but not limited to, pesticides, asbestos or other contaminants subject to remediation for commercial use of the property. The Secretary of the Army is directed to deliver the assessment and brief the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress on its findings and to provide a plan that ensures SRL's redevelopment priorities are synchronized with Army managed cleanup activities.

Badger Army Ammunition Plant.—In 2011, an Army Feasibility Study concluded that an offsite drinking water treatment system was needed as part of a comprehensive groundwater cleanup remedy for the former Badger Army Ammunition Plant (BAAP). Accordingly, in 2015, the Town of Merrimac, Wisconsin, designed and approved a sanitation district required by the Army to support such a system, and as recently as May 2016, the Army noted in writing that "design of the municipal drinking water system has been initiated." Recently, however, the Army reversed its plans to construct and operate the drinking water system. This decision, its potential to delay the provision of clean drinking water to homes near the site, and the Army's lack of public communication regarding the decision is concerning.

Therefore, the Army is directed to conduct required human health risk assessments expeditiously, and if needed, use expedited contracting authorities. Additionally, the Army should hold regular public meetings to update and engage with local stakeholders and integrate local priorities in its remediation plans. Furthermore, within 90 days of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Army shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress a report and provide a corresponding briefing regarding the Army's rationale and process for approving plans to construct and operate a drinking water system and its subsequent decision to terminate such plans, as well as the Army's completed and planned actions for environmental restoration at the site.

Conveyance of property.—The Army is proposing to convey 17.1 acres of land known as Shenandoah Square and the 126 existing housing units to raise capital to improve other military housing owned by private entities. Under the proposed action, the existing 126 housing units would be demolished to allow for the construction of high-density residential housing. The residents have expressed concern about the displacement from Shenandoah Square

as it is in one of the most expensive housing markets in the country and the uncertainty about the affordability of new potential housing on the site. Therefore, the Department of the Army is urged to explore all possible alternatives to a conveyance of Shenandoah Square, including a sublease of the property to an entity that can better develop affordable housing on the property.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, NAVY AND MARINE CORPS

The agreement provides $1,553,275,000 for Military Construction, Navy and Marine Corps. Within this amount, the agreement provides $219,069,000 for study, planning, design, architect and engineer services. The agreement also provides an additional $10,000,000 to supplement unspecified minor military construction.

Marine Corps fire stations.—The Marine Corps has been neglecting fire station new construction and renovation over the years and funding for military construction of new stations has been deferred to the out years of budget submissions. Many of the fire stations are deteriorating and antiquated, creating significant life, safety, and health concerns. Therefore, the Secretary of the Navy is directed to prioritize funding for fire stations in a much timelier manner and submit to the congressional defense committees a list of how those requirements will be incorporated into their construction requests for the out years. Fire stations are valuable assets that should be maintained in a manner that will ensure appropriate response time and their vital role in protecting U.S. national security assets on military installations.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, AIR FORCE

The agreement provides $1,543,558,000 for Military Construction, Air Force. Within this amount, the agreement provides $97,852,000 for study, planning, design, architect and engineer services. The agreement also provides an additional $10,000,000 to supplement unspecified minor military construction.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, DEFENSE-WIDE

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

The agreement provides $2,811,513,000 for Military Construction, Defense-Wide. Within this amount, the agreement provides $210,717,000 for study, planning, design, architect and engineer services, an increase of $35,000,000. The agreement also provides an additional $10,000,000 to supplement unspecified minor military construction.

Army Corps of Engineers projects within the Defense Health Agency.—The Army Corps of Engineers (the Corps) has an extremely large portfolio including executing Defense Health Agency (DHA) construction projects. There is great concern for cost overruns and poor execution of Corps projects. The Corps currently has 45 active DHA construction projects underway worldwide where there is a definitive need for effective and efficient project management. Therefore, the Acting Director of the Facilities Division within DHA is directed to provide quarterly reports to the congressional defense committees on the progress of all hospital construction

projects to include any settlements that have been reached for contractor error or project management deficiencies.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, ARMY NATIONAL GUARD

The agreement provides $220,652,000 for Military Construction, Army National Guard. Within this amount, the agreement provides $16,271,000 for study, planning, design, architect and engineer services. The agreement also provides an additional $10,000,000 to supplement unspecified minor military construction.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, AIR NATIONAL GUARD

The agreement provides $171,491,000 for Military Construction, Air National Guard. Within this amount, the agreement provides $18,000,000 for study, planning, design, architect and engineer services. The agreement also provides an additional $10,000,000 to supplement unspecified minor military construction.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, ARMY RESERVE

The agreement provides $83,712,000 for Military Construction, Army Reserve. Within this amount, the agreement provides $6,887,000 for study, planning, design, architect and engineer services. The agreement also provides an additional $10,000,000 to supplement unspecified minor military construction.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, NAVY RESERVE

The agreement provides $95,271,000 for Military Construction, Navy Reserve. Within this amount, the agreement provides $24,430,000 for study, planning, design, architect and engineer services, an increase of $20,000,000. The agreement also provides an additional $10,000,000 to supplement unspecified minor military construction.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, AIR FORCE RESERVE

The agreement provides $73,535,000 for Military Construction, Air Force Reserve. Within this amount, the agreement provides $4,725,000 for study, planning, design, architect and engineer services. The agreement also provides an additional $10,000,000 to supplement unspecified minor military construction.

NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANIZATION SECURITY INVESTMENT PROGRAM

The agreement provides $177,932,000 for the North Atlantic Treaty Organization Security Investment Program, an increase of $23,932,000.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE BASE CLOSURE ACCOUNT

The agreement provides $310,000,000 for the Department of Defense Base Closure Account, an increase of $54,133,000 above the request. The additional funding is for the Department to accelerate environmental remediation at installations closed under previous Base Realignment and Closure rounds.

Accelerated cleanup.—The agreement includes additional funding to accelerate environmental remediation at installations closed dur-

ing previous Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) rounds. Priority should be given to those sites with newly identified radiological cleanup cost. There are many factors hindering the cleanup of BRAC sites. However, strategic investments can lead to quicker clean-ups and faster turnover of DOD property to the local community. Therefore, the Department is directed to submit to the congressional defense committees a spend plan for the additional BRAC funds not later than 30 days after enactment of this Act.

Perfluorinated chemicals.—Perfluorinated chemical (PFC) contaminants linked to a firefighting agent formerly used by the DOD have been identified in water systems near military installations closed during previous Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) rounds. Identification, testing, response, and prevention activities are ongoing and will require significant attention in future budget requests. Therefore, the Secretary of the Air Force is urged to prioritize PFC-contaminated sites when considering BRAC cleanup project funding requested through this account and to move forwards with short- and long-term remediation efforts as expeditiously as possible.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

FAMILY HOUSING

FAMILY HOUSING CONSTRUCTION, ARMY

The agreement provides $182,662,000 for Family Housing Construction, Army.

FAMILY HOUSING OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, ARMY

The agreement provides $348,907,000 for Family Housing Operation and Maintenance, Army.

FAMILY HOUSING CONSTRUCTION, NAVY AND MARINE CORPS

The agreement provides $83,682,000 for Family Housing Construction, Navy and Marine Corps.

FAMILY HOUSING OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, NAVY AND MARINE CORPS

The agreement provides $328,282,000 for Family Housing Operation and Maintenance, Navy and Marine Corps.

FAMILY HOUSING CONSTRUCTION, AIR FORCE

The agreement provides $85,062,000 for Family Housing Construction, Air Force.

FAMILY HOUSING OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, AIR FORCE

The agreement provides $318,324,000 for Family Housing Operation and Maintenance, Air Force.

FAMILY HOUSING OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, DEFENSE–WIDE

The agreement provides $59,169,000 for Family Housing Operation and Maintenance, Defense-Wide.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

FAMILY HOUSING IMPROVEMENT FUND

The agreement provides $2,726,000 for the Department of Defense Family Housing Improvement Fund.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

MILITARY UNACCOMPANIED HOUSING IMPROVEMENT FUND

The agreement provides $623,000 for the Department of Defense Military Unaccompanied Housing Improvement Fund.

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 Program.

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 provision also requires an annual report on the expenditures of each quarters.

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 providing additional planning and design and construction funds for various Military Construction accounts.

The agreement includes section 126 rescinding funds from prior Appropriation Acts from various accounts.

The agreement includes section 127 defining the congressional defense committees.

The agreement includes section 128 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 realignment 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.

The agreement includes section 129 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 130 directing all amounts appropriated to "Military Construction, Defense-Wide" be immediately available and allotted for the full scope of authorized projects.

The agreement include section 131 providing additional funding for Defense Access Roads.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION
(AMOUNTS IN THOUSANDS)

	BUDGET REQUEST	FINAL BILL
ALABAMA		
ARMY		
FORT RUCKER		
TRAINING SUPPORT FACILITY	38,000	38,000
ALASKA		
AIR FORCE		
EIELSON AFB		
F-35A ADAL CONVENTIONAL MUNITIONS FACILITY	2,500	2,500
F-35A AGE FACILITY / FILLSTAND	21,000	21,000
F-35A CONSOLIDATED MUNITIONS ADMIN FACILITY	27,000	27,000
F-35A EXTEND UTILIDUCT TO SOUTH LOOP	48,000	48,000
F-35A OSS/WEAPONS/INTEL FACILITY	11,800	11,800
F-35A R-11 FUEL TRUCK SHELTER	9,600	9,600
F-35A SATELLITE DINING FACILITY	8,000	8,000
REPAIR CENTRAL HEAT/POWER PLANT BOILER PH 4	41,000	41,000
ARIZONA		
ARMY		
DAVIS-MONTHAN AFB		
GENERAL INSTRUCTION BUILDING	22,000	22,000
FORT HUACHUCA		
GROUND TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT BUILDING	30,000	30,000
NAVY		
YUMA		
ENLISTED DINING FACILITY & COMMUNITY BLDGS	36,358	36,358
CALIFORNIA		
ARMY		
FORT IRWIN		
LAND ACQUISITION	3,000	3,000
NAVY		
BARSTOW		
COMBAT VEHICLE REPAIR FACILITY	36,539	36,539
CAMP PENDLETON		
AMMUNITION SUPPLY POINT UPGRADE	61,139	61,139
LEMOORE		
F/A 18 AVIONICS REPAIR FACILITY REPLACEMENT	60,828	60,828
MIRAMAR		
AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE HANGAR (INC 2)	39,600	39,600
TWENTYNINE PALMS		
POTABLE WATER TREATMENT/BLENDING FACILITY	55,099	55,099
AIR FORCE		
TRAVIS AFB		
Note: Budget request is under worldwide unspecified Air Force. The Secretary of the Air Force determined the specific projects and costs after the submission.		
AIRCRAFT 3-BAY MAINTENANCE HANGAR	---	107,000
ALTER B811 CORROSION CONTROL HANGAR	---	7,700
ALTER B181/185/187 SQUAD OPS/AMU	---	---
ADAL D14 FUEL CELL HANGAR	---	---
DEFENSE-WIDE		
CAMP PENDLETON		
AMBULATORY CARE CENTER REPLACEMENT	26,400	26,400
SOF MARINE BATTALION COMPANY/TEAM FACILITIES	9,958	9,958
SOF MOTOR TRANSPORT FACILITY EXPANSION	7,284	7,284
CORONADO		
SOF BASIC TRAINING COMMAND	96,077	96,077
SOF LOGISTICS SUPPORT UNIT ONE OPS FAC. #3	46,175	46,175
SOF SEAL TEAM OPS FACILITY	66,218	66,218
SOF SEAL TEAM OPS FACILITY	50,265	50,265

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	BUDGET REQUEST	FINAL BILL
AIR NATIONAL GUARD		
MARCH AFB		
TFI CONSTRUCT RPA FLIGHT TRAINING UNIT	15,000	15,000
ARMY RESERVE		
FALLBROOK		
ARMY RESERVE CENTER	36,000	36,000
NAVY RESERVE		
LEMOORE		
NAVAL OPERATIONAL SUPPORT CENTER	17,330	17,330
COLORADO		
ARMY		
FORT CARSON		
AMMUNITION SUPPLY POINT	21,000	21,000
BATTLEFIELD WEATHER FACILITY	8,300	8,300
AIR FORCE		
BUCKLEY AIR FORCE BASE		
SBIRS OPERATIONS FACILITY	38,000	38,000
FORT CARSON, COLORADO		
13 ASOS EXPANSION	13,000	13,000
U.S. AIR FORCE ACADEMY		
AIR FORCE CYBERWORX	30,000	30,000
DEFENSE-WIDE		
SCHRIEVER AFB		
AMBULATORY CARE CENTER/DENTAL ADD./ALT	10,200	10,200
AIR NATIONAL GUARD		
PETERSON AFB		
SPACE CONTROL FACILITY	8,000	8,000
CONNECTICUT		
AIR NATIONAL GUARD		
BRADLEY IAP		
CONSTRUCT BASE ENTRY COMPLEX	7,000	7,000
DELAWARE		
ARMY NATIONAL GUARD		
NEW CASTLE		
COMBINED SUPPORT MAINTENANCE SHOP	36,000	36,000
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA		
NAVY		
NSA WASHINGTON		
ELECTRONICS SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY LABORATORY	37,882	37,882
WASHINGTON NAVY YARD AT/FP	60,000	---
FLORIDA		
ARMY		
EGLIN AFB		
MULTIPURPOSE RANGE COMPLEX	18,000	18,000
NAVY		
MAYPORT		
ADVANCED WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT	74,994	74,994
MISSILE MAGAZINES	9,824	9,824
AIR FORCE		
EGLIN AFB		
F-35A ARMAMENT RESEARCH FAC ADDITION (B614)	8,700	8,700
LONG-RANGE STAND-OFF ACQUISITION FAC	38,000	38,000
MACDILL AFB		
KC-135 BEDDOWN OG/MXG HQ	8,100	8,100
DEFENSE-WIDE		
EGLIN AFB		
SOF SIMULATOR FACILITY	5,000	5,000
UPGRADE OPEN STORAGE YARD	4,100	4,100
HURLBURT FIELD		
SOF COMBAT AIRCRAFT PARKING APRON	34,700	34,700

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(AMOUNTS IN THOUSANDS)

	BUDGET REQUEST	FINAL BILL
SOF SIMULATOR & FUSELAGE TRAINER FACILITY	11,700	11,700
AIR FORCE RESERVE		
PATRICK AFB		
GUARDIAN ANGEL FACILITY	25,000	25,000
GEORGIA		
ARMY		
FORT BENNING		
TRAINING SUPPORT FACILITY	28,000	28,000
FORT GORDON		
ACCESS CONTROL POINT	33,000	33,000
AUTOMATION-AIDED INSTRUCTIONAL BUILDING	18,500	18,500
AIR FORCE		
ROBINS AFB		
COMMERCIAL VEHICLE VISITOR CONTROL FACILITY	9,800	9,800
DEFENSE-WIDE		
FORT GORDON		
BLOOD DONOR CENTER REPLACEMENT	10,350	10,350
NAVY RESERVE		
FORT GORDON		
NAVAL OPERATIONAL SUPPORT CENTER	17,797	17,797
HAWAII		
ARMY		
FORT SHAFTER		
COMMAND AND CONTROL FACILITY, INCR 3	90,000	90,000
NAVY		
JOINT BASE PEARL HARBOR-HICKAM		
SEWER LIFT STATION & RELIEF SEWER LINE	73,200	73,200
KANEOHE BAY		
LHD PAD CONVERSIONS MV-22 LANDING PADS	19,012	19,012
WAHIAWA		
COMMUNICATIONS/CRYPTO FACILITY	65,864	65,864
DEFENSE-WIDE		
KUNIA		
NSAH KUNIA TUNNEL ENTRANCE	5,000	5,000
AIR FORCE RESERVE		
JOINT BASE PEARL HARBOR-HICKAM		
CONSOLIDATED TRAINING FACILITY	5,500	5,500
IDAHO		
ARMY NATIONAL GUARD		
ORCHARD TRAINING AREA		
DIGITAL AIR/GROUND INTEGRATION RANGE	22,000	22,000
INDIANA		
ARMY		
CRANE ARMY AMMUNITION PLANT		
SHIPPING AND RECEIVING BUILDING	24,000	24,000
KANSAS		
AIR FORCE		
MCCONNELL AFB		
COMBAT ARMS FACILITY	17,500	17,500
KENTUCKY		
AIR NATIONAL GUARD		
LOUISVILLE IAP		
ADD/ALTER RESPONSE FORCES FACILITY	9,000	9,000
MAINE		
NAVY		
KITTERY		
PAINT, BLAST, AND RUBBER FACILITY	61,692	61,692

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(AMOUNTS IN THOUSANDS)

	BUDGET REQUEST	FINAL BILL
ARMY NATIONAL GUARD		
PRESQUE ISLE		
NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER	17,500	17,500
MARYLAND		
AIR FORCE		
JOINT BASE ANDREWS		
PAR LAND ACQUISITION	17,500	17,500
PRESIDENTIAL AIRCRAFT RECAP COMPLEX	254,000	124,884
DEFENSE-WIDE		
BETHESDA NAVAL HOSPITAL		
MEDICAL CENTER ADDITION/ALTERATION INCR 2	123,800	123,800
FORT MEADE		
NSAW RECAPITALIZE BUILDING #2 INCR 3	313,968	313,968
ARMY NATIONAL GUARD		
SYKESVILLE		
NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER	19,000	19,000
MASSACHUSETTS		
AIR FORCE		
HANSCOM AFB		
VANDENBERG GATE COMPLEX	11,400	11,400
AIR FORCE RESERVE		
WESTOVER ARB		
INDOOR SMALL ARMS RANGE	10,000	10,000
MINNESOTA		
ARMY NATIONAL GUARD		
ARDEN HILLS		
NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER	39,000	39,000
MISSOURI		
DEFENSE-WIDE		
FORT LEONARD WOOD		
BLOOD PROCESSING CENTER REPLACEMENT	11,941	11,941
HOSPITAL REPLACEMENT	250,000	100,000
ST LOUIS		
NEXT NGA WEST (N2W) COMPLEX	381,000	200,000
AIR NATIONAL GUARD		
ROSECRANS MEMORIAL AIRPORT		
REPLACE COMMUNICATIONS FACILITY	10,000	10,000
NEVADA		
AIR FORCE		
NELLIS AFB		
RED FLAG 5TH GEN FACILITY ADDITION	23,000	23,000
VIRTUAL WARFARE CENTER OPERATIONS FACILITY	38,000	38,000
NEW JERSEY		
AIR FORCE		
JOINT BASE MCGUIRE-DIX-LAKEHURST		
Note: Budget request is under worldwide unspecified Air Force. The Secretary of the Air Force determined the specific projects and costs after the submission.		
2-BAY GENERAL PURPOSE MIX HANGAR	---	72,000
ADAL B2324 REGIONAL MAINTENANCE TRAINING FACILITY	---	18,000
ALTER APRON AND FUEL HYDRANT	---	17,000
ALTER BUILDINGS FOR OPS AND TFI AMU-AMXS	---	9,000
ADAL B1816 FOR SUPPLY	---	6,900
ADAL B2319 FOR BOOM OPERATOR TRAINER	---	6,100
ALTER FACILITIES FOR MAINTENANCE	---	5,800
AEROSPACE GROUND EQUIPMENT STORAGE	---	4,100
ADAL B3209 FOR FUSELAGE TRAINER	---	3,300

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	BUDGET REQUEST	FINAL BILL
ADD TO B1837 FOR BODY TANKS STORAGE	---	2,300
ADAL 1749 FOR ATGL AND LIST SERVICING	---	2,000
NAVY RESERVE		
JOINT BASE MCGUIRE-DIX-LAKEHURST		
AIRCRAFT APRON, TAXIWAY & SUPPORT FACILITIES	11,573	11,573
NEW MEXICO		
AIR FORCE		
CANNON AFB		
DANGEROUS CARGO PAD RELOCATE CATM	42,000	42,000
HOLLOMAN AFB		
RPA FIXED GROUND CONTROL STATION FACILITY	4,250	4,250
DEFENSE-WIDE		
CANNON AFB		
SOF C-130 AGE FACILITY	8,228	8,228
ARMY NATIONAL GUARD		
LAS CRUCES		
NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER ADDITION	8,600	8,600
NEW YORK		
ARMY		
U.S. MILITARY ACADEMY		
CEMETERY	22,000	22,000
AIR NATIONAL GUARD		
HANCOCK FIELD		
ADD TO FLIGHT TRAINING UNIT, BUILDING 641	6,800	6,800
NORTH CAROLINA		
NAVY		
CAMP LEJEUNE		
BACHELOR ENLISTED QUARTERS	37,983	37,983
WATER TREATMENT PLANT REPLACEMENT HADNOT PT	65,784	65,784
CHERRY POINT MARINE CORPS AIR STATION		
F-35B VERTICAL LIFT FAN TEST FACILITY	15,671	15,671
DEFENSE-WIDE		
CAMP LEJEUNE		
AMBULATORY CARE CENTER ADDITION/ALTERATION	15,300	15,300
AMBULATORY CARE CENTER/DENTAL CLINIC	21,400	21,400
AMBULATORY CARE CENTER/DENTAL CLINIC	22,000	22,000
SOF HUMAN PERFORMANCE TRAINING CENTER	10,800	10,800
SOF MOTOR TRANSPORT MAINTENANCE EXPANSION	20,539	20,539
FORT BRAGG		
SOF HUMAN PERFORMANCE TRAINING CTR	20,260	20,260
SOF SUPPORT BATTALION ADMIN FACILITY	13,518	13,518
SOF TACTICAL EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE FACILITY	20,000	20,000
SOF TELECOMM RELIABILITY IMPROVEMENTS	4,000	4,000
SEYMOUR JOHNSON AFB		
CONSTRUCT TANKER TRUCK DELIVERY SYSTEM	20,000	20,000
AIR FORCE RESERVE		
SEYMOUR JOHNSON AFB		
KC-46A ADAL FOR ALT MISSION STORAGE	6,400	6,400
NORTH DAKOTA		
AIR FORCE		
MINOT AFB		
INDOOR FIRING RANGE	27,000	27,000

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	BUDGET REQUEST	FINAL BILL
OHIO		
AIR NATIONAL GUARD		
TOLEDO EXPRESS AIRPORT		
NORTHCOM - CONSTRUCT ALERT HANGAR	15,000	15,000
OKLAHOMA		
AIR FORCE		
ALTUS AFB		
KC-46A FTU FUSELAGE TRAINER PHASE 2	4,900	4,900
OREGON		
AIR NATIONAL GUARD		
KLAMATH FALLS IAP		
CONSTRUCT CORROSION CONTROL HANGAR	10,500	10,500
CONSTRUCT INDOOR RANGE	8,000	8,000
SOUTH CAROLINA		
ARMY		
FORT JACKSON		
RECEPTION BARRACKS COMPLEX, PH1	60,000	60,000
SHAW AFB		
MISSION TRAINING COMPLEX	25,000	25,000
DEFENSE-WIDE		
SHAW AFB		
CONSOLIDATE FUEL FACILITIES	22,900	22,900
SOUTH DAKOTA		
AIR NATIONAL GUARD		
JOE FOSS FIELD		
AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE SHOPS	12,000	12,000
TENNESSEE		
AIR NATIONAL GUARD		
MCGHEE-TYSON AIRPORT		
REPLACE KC-135 MAINTENANCE HANGAR AND SHOPS	25,000	25,000
TEXAS		
ARMY		
CAMP BULLIS		
VEHICLE MAINTENANCE SHOP	13,600	13,600
FORT HOOD		
BATTALION HEADQUARTERS COMPLEX	37,000	37,000
AIR FORCE		
JOINT BASE SAN ANTONIO		
AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL TOWER	10,000	10,000
BMT CLASSROOMS/DINING FACILITY 4	38,000	38,000
BMT RECRUIT DORMITORY 7	90,130	90,130
CAMP BULLIS DINING FACILITY	18,500	18,500
DEFENSE-WIDE		
FORT BLISS		
BLOOD PROCESSING CENTER	8,300	8,300
HOSPITAL REPLACEMENT INCR 8	251,330	251,330
NAVY RESERVE		
FORT WORTH		
KC130-J EACTS FACILITY	12,637	12,637
UTAH		
AIR FORCE		
HILL AFB		
UTTR CONSOLIDATED MISSION CONTROL CENTER	28,000	28,000
DEFENSE-WIDE		
HILL AFB		
REPLACE POL FACILITIES	20,000	20,000

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	BUDGET REQUEST	FINAL BILL
AIR FORCE RESERVE		
HILL AFB		
ADD/ALTER LIFE SUPPORT FACILITY	3,100	3,100
VIRGINIA		
ARMY		
FORT BELVOIR		
SECURE ADMIN/OPERATIONS FACILITY, INCR 3	14,124	14,124
JOINT BASE LANGLEY-EUSTIS		
AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTIONAL BLDG	34,000	34,000
JOINT BASE MYER-HENDERSON		
SECURITY FENCE	20,000	20,000
NAVY		
DAM NECK		
ISR OPERATIONS FACILITY EXPANSION	29,262	29,262
JOINT EXPEDITIONARY BASE LITTLE CREEK - STORY		
ACU-4 ELECTRICAL UPGRADES	2,596	2,596
NORFOLK		
CHAMBERS FIELD MAGAZINE RECAP PH 1	34,665	34,665
PORTSMOUTH		
SHIP REPAIR TRAINING FACILITY	72,990	72,990
YORKTOWN		
BACHELOR ENLISTED QUARTERS	36,358	36,358
DEFENSE-WIDE		
JOINT EXPEDITIONARY BASE LITTLE CREEK - STORY		
SOF SATEC RANGE EXPANSION	23,000	23,000
NORFOLK		
REPLACE HAZARDOUS MATERIALS WAREHOUSE	18,500	18,500
PENTAGON		
PENTAGON CORR B PEDESTRIAN ACCESS CONTROL PT	8,140	8,140
S.E. SAFETY TRAFFIC AND PARKING IMPROVEMENTS	28,700	28,700
SECURITY UPDATES	13,260	13,260
PORTSMOUTH		
REPLACE HARARDOUS MATERIALS WAREHOUSE	22,500	22,500
ARMY NATIONAL GUARD		
FORT PICKETT		
TRAINING AIDS CENTER	4,550	4,550
WASHINGTON		
ARMY		
JOINT BASE LEWIS-MCCHORD		
CONFINEMENT FACILITY	66,000	66,000
YAKIMA		
FIRE STATION	19,500	19,500
NAVY		
INDIAN ISLAND		
MISSILE MAGAZINES	44,440	44,440
ARMY NATIONAL GUARD		
TURNWATER		
NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER	31,000	31,000
WISCONSIN		
ARMY RESERVE		
FORT MCCOY		
AT/MOB DINING FACILITY	13,000	13,000
WYOMING		
AIR FORCE		
F. E. WARREN AFB		
CONSOLIDATED HELO/TRF OPS/AMU AND ALERT FAC	62,000	62,000
CONUS CLASSIFIED		
DEFENSE-WIDE		
CLASSIFIED LOCATION		
BATTALION COMPLEX, PH 1	64,364	64,364

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	BUDGET REQUEST	FINAL BILL
AUSTRALIA		
AIR FORCE		
DARWIN		
APR - BULK FUEL STORAGE TANKS	76,000	76,000
DJIBOUTI		
NAVY		
CAMP LEMONIER		
AIRCRAFT PARKING APRON EXPANSION	13,390	---
GERMANY		
ARMY		
STUTTGART		
EIC: COMMISSARY	40,000	40,000
WIESBADEN		
EIC: ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING	43,000	43,000
DEFENSE-WIDE		
RHINE ORDNANCE BARRACKS		
MEDICAL CENTER REPLACEMENT INCR 7	106,700	106,700
SPANGDAHLEM AB		
SPANGDAHLEM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL REPLACEMENT	79,141	79,141
STUTTGART		
ROBINSON BARRACKS ELEM. SCHOOL REPLACEMENT	46,609	46,609
GREECE		
NAVY		
SOUDA BAY		
STRATEGIC AIRCRAFT PARKING APRON EXPANSION	22,045	22,045
DEFENSE-WIDE		
SOUDA BAY		
CONSTRUCT HYDRANT SYSTEM	18,100	18,100
GUAM		
NAVY		
JOINT REGION MARIANAS		
AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE HANGAR #2	75,233	75,233
CORROSION CONTROL HANGAR	66,747	66,747
MALS FACILITIES	49,431	49,431
NAVY-COMMERCIAL TIE-IN HARDENING	37,180	37,180
WATER WELL FIELD	56,088	56,088
DEFENSE-WIDE		
ANDERSEN AFB		
CONSTRUCT TRUCK LOAD & UNLOAD FACILITY	23,900	23,900
AIR FORCE RESERVE		
JOINT REGION MARIANAS		
RESERVE MEDICAL TRAINING FACILITY	5,200	5,200
ITALY		
AIR FORCE		
AVIANO AB		
GUARDIAN ANGEL OPERATIONS FACILITY	27,325	---
DEFENSE-WIDE		
SIGONELLA		
CONSTRUCT HYDRANT SYSTEM	22,400	---
VICENZA		
VICENZA HIGH SCHOOL REPLACEMENT	62,406	62,406
JAPAN		
NAVY		
IWAKUNI		
KC130J ENLISTED AIRCREW TRAINER FACILITY	21,860	21,860
DEFENSE-WIDE		
IWAKUNI		
CONSTRUCT BULK STORAGE TANKS PH 1	30,800	30,800

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	BUDGET REQUEST	FINAL BILL
KADENA AB		
SOF MAINTENANCE HANGAR	3,972	3,972
SOF SPECIAL TACTICS OPERATIONS FACILITY	27,573	27,573
OKINAWA		
REPLACE MOORING SYSTEM	11,900	11,900
SASEBO		
UPGRADE FUEL WHARF	45,600	45,600
TORRI COMMO STATION		
SOF TACTICAL EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE FACILITY	25,323	25,323
YOKOTA AB		
AIRFIELD APRON	10,800	10,800
HANGAR/AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE UNIT	12,034	12,034
OPERATIONS AND WAREHOUSE FACILITIES	8,590	8,590
SIMULATOR FACILITY	2,189	2,189
KOREA		
ARMY		
KUNSAN AB		
UNMANNED AERIAL VEHICLE HANGAR	53,000	53,000
MARIANA ISLANDS		
AIR FORCE		
TINIAN		
APR LAND ACQUISITION	12,900	12,900
PUERTO RICO		
DEFENSE-WIDE		
PUNTA BORINQUEN		
RAMEY UNIT SCHOOL REPLACEMENT	61,071	61,071
ARMY RESERVE		
AGUADILLA		
ARMY RESERVE CENTER	12,400	12,400
QATAR		
AIR FORCE		
AL UDEID		
CONSOLIDATED SQUADRON OPERATIONS FACILITY	15,000	---
TURKEY		
ARMY		
TURKEY VARIOUS		
FORWARD OPERATING SITE	6,400	---
AIR FORCE		
INCIRLIK AB		
DORMITORY	25,997	---
UNITED KINGDOM		
AIR FORCE		
ROYAL AIR FORCE FAIRFORD		
EIC RC-135 INFRASTRUCTURE	2,150	2,150
EIC RC-135 INTEL AND SQUAD OPS FACILITY	38,000	38,000
EIC RC-135 RUNWAY OVERRUN RECONFIGURATION	5,500	5,500
ROYAL AIR FORCE LAKENHEATH		
CONSOLIDATED CORROSION CONTROL FACILITY	20,000	20,000
F-35A 6-BAY HANGAR	24,000	24,000
F-35A F-15 PARKING	10,800	10,800
F-35A FIELD TRAINING DETACHMENT FACILITY	12,492	12,492
F-35A FLIGHT SIMULATOR FACILITY	22,000	22,000
F-35A INFRASTRUCTURE	6,700	6,700
F-35A SQUADRON OPERATIONS AND AMU	41,000	41,000
DEFENSE-WIDE		
MENWITH HILL STATION		
RAFMH MAIN GATE REHABILITATION	11,000	11,000

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	BUDGET REQUEST	FINAL BILL
NATO SECURITY INVESTMENT PROGRAM	154,000	177,932
WORLDWIDE UNSPECIFIED		
ARMY		
HOST NATION SUPPORT	28,700	28,700
MINOR CONSTRUCTION	31,500	41,500
PLANNING AND DESIGN	72,770	72,770
NAVY		
PLANNING AND DESIGN	219,069	219,069
MINOR CONSTRUCTION	23,842	33,842
AIR FORCE		
KC-46A MAIN OPERATING BASE 4	269,000	---
Note: The recommended funding is provided under Travis Air Force Base, CA and Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, NJ as determined by the Secretary of the Air Force.		
PLANNING AND DESIGN	97,852	97,852
MINOR CONSTRUCTION	31,400	41,400
DEFENSE-WIDE		
CONTINGENCY CONSTRUCTION	10,000	---
ENERGY RESILIENCE CONSERVATION INVESTMENT PROGRAM	150,000	165,000
PLANNING AND DESIGN		
DEFENSE WIDE	23,500	48,500
DEFENSE HEALTH AGENCY	40,220	40,220
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE DEPENDENT EDUCATION	26,147	26,147
DEFENSE INFORMATION SYSTEMS AGENCY	1,150	1,150
DEFENSE LOGISTICS AGENCY	23,012	23,012
ERCIP	---	10,000
NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY	20,000	20,000
SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND	39,746	39,746
WASHINGTON HEADQUARTERS SERVICE	1,942	1,942
SUBTOTAL, PLANNING AND DESIGN	1,109,850	910,850
UNSPECIFIED MINOR CONSTRUCTION		
DEFENSE-WIDE	3,000	13,000
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE DEPENDENT EDUCATION	8,000	8,000
DEFENSE HEALTH AGENCY	10,000	10,000
DEFENSE LOGISTICS AGENCY	2,039	2,039
JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF	11,490	11,490
MISSILE DEFENSE AGENCY	3,000	3,000
NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY	3,000	3,000
SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND	7,384	7,384
SUBTOTAL, UNSPECIFIED MINOR CONSTRUCTION	47,913	57,913
ARMY NATIONAL GUARD		
PLANNING AND DESIGN	16,271	16,271
MINOR CONSTRUCTION	16,731	26,731
AIR NATIONAL GUARD		
PLANNING AND DESIGN	18,000	18,000
MINOR CONSTRUCTION	17,191	27,191
ARMY RESERVE		
PLANNING AND DESIGN	6,887	6,887
MINOR CONSTRUCTION	5,425	15,425

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION
(AMOUNTS IN THOUSANDS)

	BUDGET REQUEST	FINAL BILL
NAVY RESERVE		
PLANNING AND DESIGN	4,430	24,430
MINOR CONSTRUCTION	1,504	11,504
AIR FORCE RESERVE		
PLANNING AND DESIGN	4,725	4,725
MINOR CONSTRUCTION	3,610	13,610
FAMILY HOUSING, ARMY		
GEORGIA		
FORT GORDON		
FAMILY HOUSING NEW CONSTRUCTION	6,100	6,100
MASSACHUSETTS		
NATICK SOLDIER SUPPORT CENTER (28 UNITS)	21,000	21,000
KOREA		
CAMP HUMPHRIES		
FAMILY HOUSING NEW CONSTRUCTION Inc 2	34,402	34,402
KWAJALEIN		
FAMILY HOUSING NEW CONSTRUCTION (22 UNITS)	31,000	31,000
GERMANY		
SOUTH CAMP VILSECK		
FAMILY HOUSING NEW CONSTRUCTION (36 UNITS)	22,445	22,445
CONSTRUCTION IMPROVEMENTS - BAUMHOLDER (96 UNITS)	34,156	34,156
ITALY		
PLANNING AND DESIGN	33,559	33,559
SUBTOTAL, CONSTRUCTION	182,662	182,662
OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE		
UTILITIES ACCOUNT	60,251	60,251
SERVICES ACCOUNT	8,930	9,106
MANAGEMENT ACCOUNT	37,089	37,089
MISCELLANEOUS ACCOUNT	400	400
FURNISHINGS ACCOUNT	12,816	12,816
LEASING	148,538	150,644
MAINTENANCE OF REAL PROPERTY	57,708	57,708
PRIVATIZATION SUPPORT COSTS	20,893	20,893
SUBTOTAL, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE	346,625	348,907
FAMILY HOUSING, NAVY AND MARINE CORPS		
MARIANA ISLANDS		
NSA ANDERSON		
REPLACEMENT HOUSING PHASE II	40,875	40,875
BAHRAIN		
SW ASIA		
CONSTRUCTION OF ON-BASE GENERAL FLAG OFFICER QUARTERS	2,138	2,138
CONSTRUCTION IMPROVEMENTS	36,251	36,251
PLANNING AND DESIGN	4,418	4,418
SUBTOTAL, CONSTRUCTION	83,682	83,682
OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE		
UTILITIES ACCOUNT	62,167	62,167

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION
(AMOUNTS IN THOUSANDS)

	BUDGET REQUEST	FINAL BILL
SERVICES ACCOUNT	15,649	15,649
MANAGEMENT ACCOUNT	50,989	50,989
MISCELLANEOUS ACCOUNT	336	336
FURNISHINGS ACCOUNT	14,529	14,529
LEASING	61,921	61,921
MAINTENANCE OF REAL PROPERTY	95,104	95,104
PRIVATIZATION SUPPORT COSTS	27,587	27,587
SUBTOTAL, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE	328,282	328,282
FAMILY HOUSING, AIR FORCE		
CONSTRUCTION IMPROVEMENTS	80,617	80,617
PLANNING AND DESIGN	4,445	4,445
SUBTOTAL, CONSTRUCTION	85,062	85,062
OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE		
UTILITIES ACCOUNT	47,504	47,504
MANAGEMENT ACCOUNT	53,464	53,464
SERVICES ACCOUNT	13,517	13,517
FURNISHINGS ACCOUNT	29,424	29,424
MISCELLANEOUS ACCOUNT	1,839	1,839
LEASING	16,818	16,818
MAINTENANCE	134,189	134,189
PRIVATIZATION SUPPORT COSTS	21,569	21,569
SUBTOTAL, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE	318,324	318,324
FAMILY HOUSING, DEFENSE-WIDE		
OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE		
NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY		
UTILITIES	268	268
FURNISHING	407	407
LEASING	12,390	12,390
MAINTENANCE OF REAL PROPERTY	655	655
DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE AGENCY		
UTILITIES	4,100	4,100
FURNISHINGS	641	641
LEASING	39,716	39,716
DEFENSE LOGISTICS AGENCY		
UTILITIES	86	86
FURNISHINGS	6	6
SERVICES	14	14
MANAGEMENT	319	319
MAINTENANCE OF REAL PROPERTY	567	567
SUBTOTAL, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE	59,169	59,169
DOD MILITARY UNACCOMPANIED HOUSING IMPROVEMENT FUND	623	623
DOD FAMILY HOUSING IMPROVEMENT FUND	2,726	2,726
BASE REALIGNMENT AND CLOSURE		
BASE REALIGNMENT AND CLOSURE ACCOUNT	255,867	310,000
MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, ARMY	---	93,800
MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, NAVY AND MARINE CORPS	---	202,130
MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, AIR FORCE	---	138,100
MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, ARMY NATIONAL GUARD	---	113,500
MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, AIR NATIONAL GUARD	---	52,000
MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, ARMY RESERVE	---	76,000
MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, AIR FORCE RESERVE	---	64,100

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION
(AMOUNTS IN THOUSANDS)

	BUDGET REQUEST	FINAL BILL
DEFENSE ACCESS ROADS PROGRAM (SEC. 131).....	---	20,000
RESCISSIONS FROM PRIOR YEAR UNOBLIGATED BALANCES		
NATO SECURITY INVESTMENT PROGRAM.....	---	-25,000
FAMILY HOUSING CONSTRUCTION, ARMY.....	---	-18,000

TITLE II

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

VETERANS BENEFITS ADMINISTRATION

COMPENSATION AND PENSIONS

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

The agreement provides $95,768,462,000 for Compensation and Pensions in advance for fiscal year 2019. Of the amount provided, not more than $17,882,000 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.

READJUSTMENT BENEFITS

The agreement provides $11,832,175,000 for Readjustment Benefits in advance for fiscal year 2019.

VETERANS INSURANCE AND INDEMNITIES

The agreement provides $109,090,000 for Veterans Insurance and Indemnities in advance for fiscal year 2019, as well as an additional $12,439,000 for fiscal year 2018.

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 $178,626,000 shall be available for administrative expenses.

VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION LOANS PROGRAM ACCOUNT

The agreement provides $30,000 for the cost of direct loans from the Vocational Rehabilitation Loans Program Account, plus $395,000 to be paid to the appropriation for General Operating Expenses, Veterans Benefits Administration. The agreement provides for a direct loan limitation of $2,356,000.

As indicated in the House report, the Secretary is directed to provide the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress ("the Committees"') options to support greater utilization of the Home Loan Program in locations with a large veteran population and competitive housing markets.

NATIVE AMERICAN VETERAN HOUSING LOAN PROGRAM ACCOUNT

The agreement provides $1,163,000 for administrative expenses of the Native American Veteran Housing Loan Program Account.

GENERAL OPERATING EXPENSES, VETERANS BENEFITS ADMINISTRATION

The agreement provides $2,910,000,000 for General Operating Expenses, Veterans Benefits Administration and makes available not to exceed 10 percent of this funding until the end of fiscal year

2019. The agreement provides $66,000,000 above the request and intends that the increase be used for the Veterans Claims Intake Program; additional claims and appellate staff; increased staff for the Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment program; and overtime payments, as necessary.

Equitable relief.—As described in the House report, the Secretary is directed to continue to grant or extend equitable relief to eligible veterans initially deemed eligible in instances of administrative error.

Compensation claims for Camp Lejeune contaminated water veterans.—There is concern regarding the lack of consistency in the Department's handling of disability compensation claims for veterans, former reservists, and former National Guard members who served at Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune for no less than 30 days (consecutive or nonconsecutive) between August 1, 1953 and December 31, 1987. VA established a presumption of service connection for eight diseases associated with exposure to contaminants in the water supply at Camp Lejeune during that period. The Department made the decision to subject nonpresumptive Camp Lejeune Contaminated Water (CLCW) exposure claims to a higher level of scrutiny than is applied to other exposure claims and did so without providing notice or an opportunity for public comment. In addition, no other toxic exposure claims require a positive medical opinion to warrant service connection. The evidentiary burden VA requires for CLCW nonpresumptive exposure claims is significantly greater than the standard used for Agent Orange or any other exposure claims. Furthermore, there currently exists a wealth of "competent medical evidence" specific to diseases related to exposure to contaminated water at Camp Lejeune, as published by the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR), the Institute of Medicine (IoM), and other government-sanctioned medical experts. Nevertheless, the Department's same Clinical Subject Matter Experts (SMEs), who provide medical opinions, have routinely rejected ATSDR and IoM's findings without providing any justification or explanation for doing so.

The Department is directed to conduct a Special Focus Review for the CLCW claims process and submit the results of the review to the Committees no later than 180 days after enactment of this Act. The report should also address the lack of consistency for CLCW claims as compared to other non-presumptive and exposure claims, as well as answer the following questions: (1) Why did the Department determine it was necessary to "create a process that fell outside of the traditional Compensation and Pension (C&P) examination process'" for Camp Lejeune exposure claims? (2) The Department has stated that "SMEs are required to be familiar with the study of Environmental & Occupational Medicine and Toxicology due to the specialized nature of these claims." (a) Explain what the Department means by "the specialized nature of these claims." (b) Explain how and why this process differs from the C&P examination process for Agent Orange or other exposure claims. (c) What are the educational, practical, or other requirements that a VHA employee must meet in order to qualify as a "Subject Matter Expert" who can adjudicate Camp Lejeune Contaminated Water claims? (3) What justification did the Department use to require a

positive medical opinion to warrant service connection for every single non-presumptive claim for CLCW veterans? (a) What evidence is there to demonstrate the necessity of establishing such a process? (b) What evidence is there to demonstrate the impact that such extraordinary evidentiary requirements have had on the processing of CLCW exposure claims? (4) What percentage of non-presumptive claims (VA wide) are currently referred to VHA Clinical SMEs for a medical opinion? (5) Why does the Department require an evidentiary standard greater than "competent medical evidence" for CLCW claims? (6) Does the Department consider the ATSDR and IoM reports on diseases associated with exposure to contaminated water at Camp Lejeune to be "competent medical evidence?" (a) If so, why has the Department refused to accept these findings as sufficient medical evidence to establish a nexus of service connection? (b) If not, why does the Department apply a different definition of "competent medical evidence" to CLCW claims than it applies to Agent Orange claims? (7) Is there any other type of claim for which the Department requires a positive medical opinion from a VHA clinical Subject Matter Expert on each claim?

VETERANS HEALTH ADMINISTRATION

OVERVIEW

As described in the Senate report, the Secretary is directed to establish relationships with personnel divisions at the Departments of Defense (DOD) and Homeland Security to enable rapid hiring by the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) of separating service members.

MEDICAL SERVICES

The agreement provides $49,161,165,000 in advance for fiscal year 2019 for Medical Services and makes $1,400,000,000 of the advance available through fiscal year 2020. The agreement also provides $1,962,984,000 for fiscal year 2018 in addition to the advance appropriation provided last year.

Given that there may be significant unfunded liabilities created by the winding down of the Choice Act, the agreement continues to include bill language in section 229 permitting the transfer of funding from multiple VA appropriations accounts to Medical Services to address unfunded needs.

The agreement includes bill language requiring the Secretary to ensure that sufficient amounts are available for the acquisition of prosthetics designed specifically for female veterans.

Allocations.—At the beginning of fiscal year 2018, without public notice, the Department considered fundamentally changing the manner in which Medical Services allocations were made to the Veterans Integrated Service Networks (VISNs). Specifically, consideration was being given to converting almost $1,000,000,000 of Specific Purpose funding to General Purpose funding. After consultation with Congress regarding the unknown and potentially serious impacts the conversion could have to programs, such as the successful Housing and Urban Development-Veterans Affairs Supportive Services program, the Department ceased implementation and determined that conversion to General Purpose funding would

not go forward in fiscal year 2018. In order to provide for transparency and ensure Congressional oversight and deliberation, in the future, the VA is directed to consult with the Committees on Appropriations and the Committees on Veterans Affairs of both Houses of Congress before any attempt is made to change the manner in which funding allocations are made to the field, and to propose these types of changes in an annual budget submission.

Opioid abuse.—The agreement provides the estimated $329,953,000 VA will spend on inpatient and outpatient treatment, methadone and other pharmacy-related costs related to opioid abuse; $55,821,000 to continue to implement opioid safety initiatives outlined as part of the Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Act; and $48,778,000 for the Justice Outreach and Prevention program. In addition to these amounts, the agreement also includes $270,000,000 for the Office of Rural Health's Rural Health Initiative, which funds several pilot projects aimed at treating and preventing opioid abuse, including projects focused on alternatives to opioid-centered pain management in rural, highly rural, and remote areas. In addition to the funding levels described above, all directives regarding opioid prevention, treatment, safety, and drug monitoring programs in both Senate Report 115–130 and House Report 115–188 shall be complied with.

Overmedication.—As indicated in the Senate report, and in addition to the funding levels highlighted for opioid abuse above, the agreement provides $500,000 for the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine to conduct an assessment of the potential overmedication of veterans during fiscal years 2010 to 2017 that led to suicides, deaths, mental disorders, and combat-related traumas.

Mental health.—The agreement provides the full budget request for all VA mental health services and programs of $8,385,202,000, with an additional $10,000,000 provided for the Veterans Crisis Line, an additional $22,002,000 above the request provided for the National Centers for Posttraumatic Stress Disorder, and an additional $10,000,000 to the Clay Hunt pilot programs. The agreement includes $40,000,000 for the National Centers and $99,044,000 for the Veterans Crisis Line. The additional Clay Hunt funding will provide new funding to each pilot site to incorporate best practices and funding for new pilot sites in highly rural areas. Overall, the agreement includes $186,128,000 for suicide prevention outreach.

Staffing shortages.—As indicated in the Senate report, VA is directed to ensure that the brain bank and the consultation program for providers, particularly in rural areas, have the appropriate number of full-time staff.

Suicide hotline.—The agreement includes bill language in section 232 that was contained in the House bill which requires certain professional standards for the suicide hotline. As indicated in the House report, the Secretary is urged to develop a basic training protocol for all VA employees who deal with veterans in crisis, not only those who staff the suicide hotline, as well as community providers who deal with veterans.

Women's health.—While VA has made efforts to address the needs of female veterans, many still often report feeling unrecognized and underappreciated. To better assist female veterans and

increase their knowledge of the services and benefits to which they are entitled, the agreement provides $512,000,000 for gender-specific healthcare, which is $20,000,000 above the fiscal year 2018 budget estimate. Furthermore, the Secretary should make it a top priority to increase female veterans' access and utilization of VA benefits and services. There are several areas where VA could improve the quality of life for female veterans. One area that needs improvement is access to mental healthcare services. Many female veterans are faced with disabling mental health issues when they leave active duty. Therefore, VA is directed to renew its focus on improving access to mental health services for female veterans and to work to ensure that female veterans' psychological needs are met. In addition to mental healthcare access, VA must ensure that VA facilities can meet the needs of female veterans. Currently, women make up 15 percent of the active military and are a growing segment of the veteran population. According to the 1990 Census, there were 1.2 million women veterans. By the next census in 2000, that number increased to 1.6 million, with 1.74 million at the end of the fiscal year 2010, and it is projected to increase to 1.9 million in 2020. However, even with this growth in the female veteran population, numerous VA facilities are still primarily designed to meet the needs of male veterans. Consequently, the agreement directs VA to describe the locations where VA facilities do not meet the standards established in 2010 specifically for healthcare services for female veterans. Also, VA is further directed to create a master plan to address issues at the locations that do not meet the established standards for female veterans. This report shall be submitted no later than 180 days after enactment of this Act.

Rural healthcare.—The agreement provides $270,000,000 for the Office of Rural Health (ORH) and the Rural Health Initiative, which is $20,000,000 above the President's request. As included in the Senate report, the Department is directed to conduct an agency-wide assessment of its rural and highly rural workforce to identify geographic areas where staffing needs exist. The Committees support the Department's expansive use of telehealth for medical services and encourage VA to strive to be even more innovative, more expansive, and more connected in this area, especially as the technique has proven particularly helpful in mental health and primary care health delivery. The agreement includes $1,348,883,000 for telehealth services, which is $5,000,000 above the budget request. The additional funding should be used to further expand telehealth capacity and services in rural and remote areas. The agreement directs no less than $4,000,000 toward a pilot program to train veterans in agricultural vocations while also tending to behavioral and mental health needs with behavioral healthcare services and treatments from licensed providers at no fewer than three locations, as instructed in the Senate report.

Long-term care.—The agreement provides $8,821,657,000 as requested for long-term care, including $6,073,862,000 for institutional care and $2,747,795,000 for non-institutional care. As indicated in the Senate report, VA is directed to meet its fiscal year 2018 non-institutional care request as originally proposed in the advance Medical Services appropriation if that care is not provided through the Choice program. In order to improve budgetary over-

sight of non-institutional care programs, the Department is directed to meet the reporting requirements included in Senate Report 115–130.

Headache centers of excellence.—The agreement provides $10,000,000 for the creation of headache centers of excellence, as described in the Senate report.

Veterans centers.—The agreement provides $258,483,000 for readjustment counseling at Vet Centers, which is $15,000,000 above the budget request. As described in the Senate report, within this amount, $2,500,000 is allocated to develop a program to partner with organizations that provide outdoor experiences for veterans as part of a continuum of care to treat combat-related injuries, including those related to behavioral health. The Department is also directed to continue to work to expand Vet Centers and readjustment services at areas across the country that currently lack access.

Caregivers program.—The agreement provides $839,828,000 for the caregivers program, which is the same as the original fiscal year 2018 request and $235,889,000 above the revised 2018 request. The Department is instructed to provide quarterly reports on obligations for the caregivers program, with a full explanation of any inability to obligate the original 2018 request.

Dental care.—As part of VA's comprehensive medical benefits package, certain eligible veterans also qualify for dental care benefits. In some instances, VA is authorized to provide extensive dental care, while in other cases treatment may be limited. In order to better understand the full array of services provided, and the locations in which they are provided, the Department is directed to submit a report to the Committees no later than 60 days after enactment of this Act, describing the types of services provided to eligible veterans, as well as a list of on-site dental clinics by location and medical center. The report should also include any implementation plans to expand on-sight dental care, particularly in States in which there are currently no services offered by VA or which have no on-site VA dental clinics.

Homeless assistance programs.—The agreement provides $1,747,784,000 for homeless assistance programs, which includes $340,000,000 for the homeless supportive services for low income veterans and families, a level which is $20,000,000 above the request.

Housing and Urban Development-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (HUD-VASH).—The agreement includes full funding for the HUD-VASH program. However, if additional new vouchers are issued in fiscal year 2018 by the Department of Housing and Urban Development for the HUD/VASH program. VA is directed to increase funding for this program above the budget estimate to ensure adequate staffing levels exist to manage the increased workload. Further, the Department is directed to submit to the Committee on Appropriations no later than 30 days after enactment of this Act the amount above the budget estimate that has been made available for this purpose.

High-cost areas.—There is a need for an examination of the effects of rapidly rising rents in urban areas across the nation and strategies to create and retain affordable housing options for veterans. Avoiding the displacement of veterans and their families in

these communities should be a top priority at the Department. Therefore, the Secretary is directed, in consultation with the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, to submit a report detailing the best practices and recommendations to address the displacement of lower-income veterans who are long-time residents in urban areas when there is a loss of affordable housing due to high rental cost. This report shall be submitted to the Committees no later than 180 days after enactment of this Act.

Curing Hepatitis C within the veteran population.—The Department should be commended on its successful efforts to treat almost 100,000 veterans. Since VA has been successful in negotiating lower prices for the drugs used to cure hepatitis C, it has obligated less funding than anticipated. Therefore, the agreement includes a rescission (Section 237) and reappropriation (within the Medical Services account) of $751,000,000 to prevent the funding already provided from lapsing. The Department is directed to continue to aggressively fund the Hepatitis C program consistent with its fiscal year 2018 budget request.

Hepatitis C screening.—There is a cohort of veterans who are more difficult to screen, engage, and treat for hepatitis C, due to factors such as the inability to adhere to therapy, psychosocial determinants, unstable or uncontrolled medical comorbidities, and enrollment barriers and challenges. The Department is directed to improve hepatitis C screening rates in traditional and non-traditional settings, including increasing the utilization of innovative strategies like point-of-care testing and public health outreach. The Department is directed to submit a report to the Committees no later than 120 days after enactment of this Act on VA's efforts to facilitate this directive.

Incorrect reporting of laboratory tests.—According to press reports, in February 2018, at least 8 veterans in the Miami area were given incorrect lab results indicating that they did not test positive for the presence of human immunodeficiency virus (HIV), when in fact they did have the virus and needed treatment. The VA Inspector General is directed to provide a report to the Committees describing how the incident at the Miami VA hospital occurred and who was responsible. This report shall be submitted no later than 180 days after enactment of this Act. The agreement further directs that the Government Accountability Office (GAO) provide a report to the Committees that examines VA's HIV testing policy, including the use of the latest technologies, and how this policy is implemented at a sample of VA hospitals. This report shall be submitted no later than 180 days after enactment of this Act.

Hospice care for veterans.—As described in the House and Senate reports, the Department is directed to conduct a study on the feasibility of implementing hospice care protocols tailored to the unique needs of combat veterans, with special emphasis on the needs of Vietnam veterans.

Intimate Partner Violence Program.—The agreement provides $17,000,000 for the Intimate Partner Violence Program within the Medical Services account, which is the base level of funding for the program and the amount identified in the Senate report.

Colorectal cancer screening.—The Department is directed to offer all 7 colorectal cancer screening strategies recommended by the

United States Preventive Services Task Force and adopted by the National Committee for Quality Assurance Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set measures, which are used by more than 90 percent of U.S. health plans to measure performance. The Department is directed to report to the Committees within 90 days of enactment of this Act if it determines that it is unable to comply with this directive.

National Veteran Sports Program.—The agreement provides $16,965,000 for the National Veterans Sports Program, with $2,000,000 designated for veterans monthly assistance allowances; $9,000,000 for the Adaptive Sports Grants Program; and $5,965,000 for support of national veterans sports and special events programs like the Paralympics. The agreement includes necessary bill language within the Medical Services account to permit VHA to carry out the Office's activities.

Equine therapy.—The Adaptive Sports Program awards small grants for equine therapy, mostly for physical disabilities. An additional $1,000,000 above the request is provided to the Adaptive Sports Program to encourage VA to increase its use of Adaptive Sports Program grants for equine therapy for mental health issues, given the promising results reported using equine therapy for veterans with posttraumatic stress disorder.

Burn pits.—The agreement provides $5,000,000 for the purpose of implementing the recommendations included in National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine's assessment to improve the VA open burn pit registry.

Specialized and modular prosthetics.—As referenced in the House report, the field of specialized and modular prosthetics is evolving at a faster pace than VA has been able to match. There is concern that VA does not have an effective, streamlined model of service for specialized or innovative modular prosthetics, unlike both the DOD and the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, which have begun to explore this field. Therefore, the agreement directs VA to conduct comparative analyses of prosthetic manufacturing processes and determine whether it has the capacity to use the "best of breed" manufacturing processes in cases where it directly produces the prosthesis. This report shall be submitted to the Committees no later than 90 days after enactment of this Act.

Proposed prosthetics regulation.—VA has included a provision in its proposed regulation on prosthetic and rehabilitative items and services that may limit veterans' choice in obtaining prosthetic, orthotic and other rehabilitative services. The regulation appears to give the Department sole authority to choose the provider of the services, contrary to the current practice of giving veterans a choice in these services. VA is encouraged to reconsider this issue as it develops its final regulation.

Partnerships with community providers.—The Department is encouraged to establish a pilot program within the Veterans Health Administration (VHA) to support a partnership between community health centers, other health providers, and higher education institutions for the purpose of providing education, training, and placement of veterans into health professions. No later than 60 days after enactment of this Act, the Department is directed to

submit a report to the Committees outlining the feasibility and advisability of establishing such a pilot program.

Demand profile.—The creation of a demand profile of VA healthcare needs across the country would be important to inform the proper balance between VA and non-VA care covered by the Department at VA and non-VA facilities. The Department is directed to establish a demand profile for each of the healthcare services furnished by VA and submit the findings to the Committees no later than twelve months after enactment of this Act. VA is directed to use the demand profile to inform the capability and capacity of any non-Department healthcare services provided. Each demand profile shall include the following information: (1) the number of requests for the healthcare service; (2) the number of appointments for the receipt of the healthcare service, disaggregated by appointments at VA facilities and appointments with non-Department healthcare providers; (3) the capacity of the Department to provide the healthcare service at VA facilities; and (4) an assessment of the extent to which the Department needs to use non-Department healthcare providers to provide healthcare services.

Chiropractic services.—The agreement includes $5,000,000 for the chiropractic programs to be developed under the authority of sec. 245.

MEDICAL COMMUNITY CARE

The agreement provides $8,384,704,000 in advance fiscal year 2019 funding for Medical Community Care, with $2,000,000,000 available through fiscal year 2022. The agreement also provides $419,176,000 for fiscal year 2018 in addition to the advance appropriation provided last year.

Due to the timing of reconciliation between obligations, authorizations, and the number of those authorizations filled through private providers, VA's accounting procedure has led to the de-obligation of funds past the life of the budget authority, leading to the expiration of millions of dollars that could have been applied to veterans healthcare programs. Therefore, the agreement provides extended availability to aid the Department in ensuring that it can obligate all appropriations within this account before expiration.

MEDICAL SUPPORT AND COMPLIANCE

The agreement provides $7,239,156,000 in advance for fiscal year 2019 for Medical Support and Compliance and makes $100,000,000 of the advance funding available through fiscal year 2020. The agreement also provides $100,000,000 for fiscal year 2018 in addition to the advance appropriation provided last year.

MEDICAL FACILITIES

The agreement provides $5,914,288,000 in advance for fiscal year 2019 for Medical Facilities, as well as $707,000,000 in fiscal year 2018 funding, which is in addition to the advance funding provided last year and is made available for two years. Of the advance funding, $250,000,000 is made available through fiscal year 2020.

In addition, $1,000,000,000 is provided for non-recurring maintenance in section 255 to be available until expended. The funding is to be used to correct deficiencies identified in the VA's facilities assessments reports as well as to supplement base funding provided within this Medical Facilities account.

Bakersfield outpatient clinic.—The lengthy period VA has taken to lease a new outpatient clinic in Bakersfield, CA pursuant to Public Law 111–82 is concerning. Outpatient clinics greatly reduce the need for veterans to travel long distances for care by providing reliable medical services closer to a veteran's home. The new outpatient clinic would replace the Bakersfield community-based outpatient clinic and would provide expanded primary care and mental health services while offering a range of specialty care clinics. This project would simultaneously increase veterans' access to healthcare locally as well as reduce the caseload at other facilities in the VA Greater Los Angeles Healthcare System. While VA received congressional authorization for the project in fiscal year 2010 and has allocated funding for it, the project has been delayed for years and is still in the acquisition phase. The Department is urged to expedite the project in light of the urgent need for expanded healthcare services. The Secretary is directed to report to the Committees no later than 60 days after enactment of this Act on past actions and the future plan forward, including the timeline for this project, and to provide periodic progress reports to the Committees every 120 days. These periodic progress reports shall include an explanation of any changes to: (1) the project's status; (2) the expected cost of the lease; and (3) the projected completion date.

MEDICAL AND PROSTHETIC RESEARCH

The agreement provides $722,262,000 for Medical and Prosthetic Research, available until September 30, 2019. Bill language is included to ensure that the Secretary allocates adequate funding for research on gender-appropriate prosthetics and toxic exposures.

Exoskeleton research.—As indicated in the Senate report, VA is directed to study the efficacy of exoskeletons in the rehabilitation of patients who have suffered a stroke or traumatic brain injury.

Cancer moonshot.—As indicated in the Senate report, the Department is urged to include skin cancer as a subject of its efforts to provide targeted cancer treatments to veterans through genomic science.

Rare cancers.—The disproportionate impact of rare cancers on veterans, the number of rare cancers affecting veterans that are understudied and misunderstood, and inadequate treatment options for rare cancers are concerning. Therefore, the Department is instructed to provide a report to the Committees within 90 days of enactment of this Act for each of the last five years: the prevalence rate of rare cancers among veterans; the types of treatments being provided to veterans specifically for rare cancers; any studies on rare cancers conducted by the Department; the Department's expenditures on the treatment of rare cancers; the Department's programs dedicated to addressing rare cancers among veterans; and recommendations on ways the Department can enhance rare cancer treatments for veterans.

Exposure to Agent Orange by certain Navy veterans.—As described in the Senate report, beginning in 2002, a revised VA interpretation of the Agent Orange Act of 1991 (Public Law 102–4) has prevented "Blue Water" Navy veterans who served in the Navy outside of the riverine and coastal areas from collecting benefits unless they could prove that they stepped onto land or that their ship entered the internal river system of the Republic of Vietnam. However, a growing body of research supports the resumption of the presumption of exposure for these veterans. Subsequently, the Secretary has testified before the House Veterans Affairs Committee that he believes these veterans should be extended the presumption of exposure. The Department is directed to submit a report to the Committees no later than 180 days after enactment of this Act evaluating each of the U.S. and non-U.S. studies on Agent Orange exposure and any additional relevant material. The report should also include any justification for the continued exclusion policy or, in the alternative, detail the intent, along with associated milestones, for lifting the exclusion policy.

NATIONAL CEMETERY ADMINISTRATION

The agreement provides $306,193,000 for the National Cemetery Administration (NCA). Of the amount provided, not to exceed 10 percent is available until September 30, 2019.

Burial rights for Hmong veterans.—The agreement includes section 251 permitting burial in a National Cemetery Administration national cemetery for any Hmong veterans naturalized pursuant to the Hmong Veterans' Naturalization Act of 2000, who served on behalf of the United States during the Vietnam War, and who were residing in the United States at the time of the individual's death. The Department is instructed to conduct an analysis of the number of surviving Hmong veterans who served in Vietnam on behalf of the United States and who would not be eligible for burial in a VA national cemetery under the provisions of section 251. This analysis should be submitted to the Committees no later than 180 days after enactment of this Act.

Deferred maintenance.—Given the weaknesses in the Facilities Condition Assessment currently used by NCA, as described in the House report, NCA is encouraged to pilot in one region the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Sustainment Management System (SMS). The procurement of the SMS is available to VA without cost. The SMS provides automated, predictive modeling that may provide more accurate data to model future maintenance needs. Since other groups within VA also currently use the Facilities Condition Assessment, this pilot may provide a useful test to see if the SMS has utility department-wide. VA is directed to inform the Committees of its plans to pilot the SMS, including the region chosen, the expected cost, and planned start date and duration of the pilot. If VA determines it is unable to conduct the pilot, it is directed to report to the Committees the reasons why.

DEPARTMENTAL ADMINISTRATION

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

The agreement provides $335,891,000 for General Administration. Of the amount provided, not to exceed 10 percent is available for obligation until September 30, 2019. The agreement continues to include bill language permitting the transfer of funds from this account to General Operating Expenses, Veterans Benefits Administration.

Recording of obligations.—VA is in the process of changing its accounting for obligations for healthcare services purchased from non-VA providers. Up to this time, such obligations have been recorded at the time the health care services were authorized. Obligations were later adjusted after healthcare services were rendered, and VA received a claim for payment, VA evaluated the claim to ensure that it was allowable, and VA approved the claim for payment. Because of the lag in the time between the date services were rendered and the date a claim was processed, approved and paid, approximately 75 percent of the preliminary fiscal year 2017 obligations were based on VA's "best estimate" of services that a veteran might or might not receive. This is because the amount of VA's final liability was contingent on the veteran seeking health care services and the type and length of services that were provided by the non-VA provider. The proposed accounting change will mean that obligations will be recorded at the time claims are processed and approved, thereby eliminating the uncertainty regarding the actual total obligations against the program. The Department believes that this change in obligation procedure will improve program management and the ability to forecast and justify budget requirements. The Committees concur with the VA proposal, noting the Comptroller General has opined in the past that VA could determine whether the government should accept liability for non-VA health care claims following a review and approval process and record obligations upon approval. This proposal matches the system DOD uses for its non-Department healthcare claims.

Staff vacancies.—As indicated in the Senate report, VA is directed to use funds provided by this Act to fill its staff vacancies and to report monthly on its progress in doing so.

Financial management system.—The agreement includes $10,800,000 in this account, as well as $83,000,000 in the Information Technology Systems account for development of a new financial management system. The VA agreement to use the Department of Agriculture's Federal Shared Services financial management system has broken down and VA is trying to use the contracts USDA had set up to reconstruct the financial management system it had anticipated acquiring through USDA. It is concerning that VA is trying to move forward alone, given the disastrous outcomes of its two previous attempts to create a modern financial management system. VA is directed to provide a report to the Committees within 60 days of enactment of this Act that describes the components that will be included in its planned financial manage-

ment system, such as acquisition, the cost of the contracts and staffing that VA has acquired from USDA, the annual and total costs of the project, and its timeline and performance benchmarks. The report should also include a description of interim steps the Department is taking to improve the timeliness of payments made to healthcare providers and vendors while the FMS is being developed. Upon submission of this report, VA is directed to provide the Committees on a quarterly basis a report that compares actual progress on the financial management system to the performance benchmarks and timeline provided in the first report.

Inconsistencies in contracting policy after the Kingdomware decision.—VA issued guidance to implement the Kingdomware decision of June 2016, which held that the VA "must use the Rule of Two when awarding contracts, even when the Department will otherwise meet its annual minimum contracting goals" and that it must be applied to Federal Supply Schedule purchase orders. The VA guidance outlined ways to identify potential vendors and evaluate their capabilities. However, there is concern that VA's guidance is being interpreted inconsistently across the VISNs. In some VISNs, option years are not being exercised as anticipated, but instead, are being re-bid to satisfy the "Rule of Two" retroactively based on a misinterpretation of the Supreme Court's ruling.

A report by the GAO (GAO–17–748) highlighted similar concerns. The GAO report identified significant inconsistencies between national policies set by the VA and implementation of those policies at the regional and local levels. The report emphasized that VA has not established a process for systematically ensuring that local policies are aligned with national policies.

To ensure veterans' continued access to quality care, VA is urged to issue additional guidance to provide a standard set of criteria for contracting officers to evaluate veteran-owned providers' capabilities and to take steps to ensure their implementation in a consistent manner across the VISNs, in alignment with the GAO's recommendations, especially with regard to option years.

BOARD OF VETERANS APPEALS

The agreement provides $161,048,000 for the Board of Veterans Appeals (BVA), of which not to exceed 10 percent shall remain available until September 30, 2019. Funding above the budget request is to be used to assist in streamlining the appeals process, with the new authorities provided by Congress. Bill language continues to be included in section 230 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.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

The agreement provides $4,055,500,000 for Information Technology (IT) Systems. The agreement identifies separately in bill language the funding available for pay ($1,230,320,000); operations and maintenance ($2,496,650,000); and systems development

($328,530,000). The agreement makes not to exceed 5 percent of pay and of operations and maintenance funding available until the end of fiscal year 2019; not to exceed 5 percent of operations and maintenance funding available until the end of fiscal year 2019, and all IT systems development funding available until the end of fiscal year 2019.

The agreement includes $63,404,000 in information technology funding for the Veterans Benefits Management System which processes disability claims; $7,500,000 for the BVA claims appeals modernization effort; $83,000,000 for development of a new VA financial management system; and $340,000,000 for the Office of Information Security.

The agreement continues language prohibiting the obligation of IT development funding until VA submits a certification of the amounts to be obligated, in part or in full, for each development project.

The agreement continues language permitting funding to be transferred among the three IT subaccounts, subject to approval from the Committees.

The agreement continues language providing that funding may be transferred among development projects or to new projects subject to the Committees' approval.

The agreement continues language indicating that no development project may be increased or decreased by more than $1,000,000 prior to receiving approval of the Committees or a period of 30 days has elapsed.

The agreement provides funding for IT development for the projects and in the amounts specified in the following table:

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

(in thousands of dollars)

Project	Agreement
VLER Health	10,000
VistA Module Enhancements	9,000
Veterans Benefits Management System (VBMS)	59,904
Virtual Lifetime Electronic Record (VLER)	20,968
Veteran Customer Experience (formerly VRM)	58,473
Other IT Systems Development	170,185
Total, All Development	$328,530

This table is intended to serve as the Department's approved list of development projects; any requested changes are subject to reprogramming requirements.

Expenditure plan.—The Department is directed to continue to provide a fiscal year 2018 IT expenditure plan to the Committees upon enactment of this Act. This plan should be in the same format as the table above.

VETERANS ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORD

The agreement provides $782,000,000 for activities related to the development and rollout of a new VA electronic health record, the associated contractual costs, and the salaries and expenses of employees hired under titles 5 and 38, United States Code. Because this is a very substantial new effort, the timing of obligation of

funding is uncertain. As a result, the agreement makes these funds available for three years.

This account is intended to be the single source of funding within VA for the electronic health record effort. There is no authority for funds from other VA accounts to be transferred to this account or for funds from this account to be transferred to other accounts. Consistent with the effort to centralize financial management of the development of the electronic health record, the Department is directed to place top management of the project at the headquarters level above either the VHA or the Office of Information Technology, such as in the Office of the Deputy Secretary.

The bill language for this account requires the Secretary to submit a report quarterly to the Committees detailing obligations, expenditures, and deployment strategy by facility. In addition, GAO is directed to perform quarterly performance reviews of the VA electronic health record deployment so that the Committees are kept abreast of important issues such as cost and operational capability. It is expected that this quarterly reporting will avail the Committees and VA with timely information to properly oversee this effort and address important issues.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

The agreement provides $164,000,000 for the Office of Inspector General (OIG). Of the amount provided, not to exceed 10 percent is available for obligation until September 30, 2019.

CONSTRUCTION, MAJOR PROJECTS

The agreement provides $512,430,000 for Construction, Major Projects, which is the same as the budget request. The agreement makes this funding available for five years, except that $80,000,000 is made available until expended.

External project management.—The agreement continues the bill language requiring that large VA construction projects be managed by a non-VA government entity. Of the total provided, $117,300,000 for VHA 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. Funding is 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 single large VHA project affected by this provision is in Livermore, California.

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. Since the provision in the annual appropriations bill is also contained in permanent authorizing law, in future years, this provision will not be included in the appropriations bill.

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):	
Livermore, CA, realignment and closure of the Livermore campus	$117,300
Advance Planning and Design Fund:	
various locations	57,500
Asbestos: various locations	7,500
Major Construction Staff: various locations	27,500
Hazardous Waste: various locations	15,000
Judgment Fund: various locations	10,000
Non-Dept. Fed. Entity Project Management Support	16,730
Total, VHA	251,530
National Cemetery Admin. (NCA):	
Sacramento, CA: gravesite expansion	35,000
Bushnell, FL: gravesite expansion and cemetery improvement sites	51,500
Elwood, IL: gravesite expansion, Phase 3	35,000
Calverton, NY: gravesite expansion	50,000
Phoenix, AZ: gravesite expansion	31,900
Bridgeville, PA: gravesite expansion , Phase 3	39,000
Advance Planning and Design Fund	8,500
NCA Land Acquisition Fund	5,000
Total, NCA	255,900
General Admin.:	
Staff Offices Advance Planning Fund	5,000
Total, Construction Major Projects	$512,430

West Los Angeles, California seismic corrections.—VA removed six buildings from the scope of the West Los Angeles, California seismic corrections project to be addressed through the Enhanced Use Lease supportive housing program. In the fiscal year 2018 budget submission, VA advised that details would be provided on how the remaining funding appropriated for the West LA project would be used. VA's most urgent need is to address Building 300, the Regional Food Services Facility, which is critical for providing quality service to vulnerable inpatient veterans. The Regional Food Services Facility is currently housed in a 65 year old, seismically at-risk facility potentially impacting food quality and safety, and placing veterans at risk. Renovation of Building 300 was originally included in the scope of the major project, but VA has determined that new construction would be more cost-effective than the originally planned renovation. The new Food Services facility will be efficient, purpose-built, and centrally located adjacent to the inpatient facility. VA has estimated that the total cost for new construction of the approximately 25,000 gross square foot Food Services facility is $35,000,000. VA is directed to utilize $35,000,000 of the remaining funds from the West Los Angeles, California Seismic Corrections major construction project for construction of the Food Service facility. Further, it is expected that the vacated Building 300 site will be used to support the Department's stated goal of developing at least 1,200 housing units on the campus by 2026. VA is directed to provide to the Committees no later than 60 days after enactment of this Act an estimated schedule for completion of the Food Services facility.

Strategic Capital Investment Plan (SCIP).—It is appreciated that VA has consulted with the Committees and will be modifying its future capital budget and long term capital plan, with its submission to include a clearer presentation of its capital needs, by year,

over the next five years. In addition, VA will make improvements to the congressional justification to make it a more usable and understandable document. This additional information will provide more clarity on VA's future capital plans. An example of a presentation that accurately reflects the priority projects from the SCIP that will actually be funded in the request is the "Active Development Major Construction Projects'" on page 8.2 11 of Volume 4 of the fiscal year 2018 justification volumes. VA is encouraged to place such charts in a more prominent place in the justifications. VA is also encouraged to ensure that the funds requested for projects (major, minor, leases, and non-recurring maintenance) that are presented in congressional justification documents are in fact allocated to those projects for execution. VA is directed to report quarterly on the allocation and execution of such funds for the identified projects and clearly identify any changes.

Vacant and underutilized buildings and structures.—In June 2017, the Secretary announced plans to initiate disposal or reuse actions for 430 vacant buildings in VA's real property inventory in order to decrease the maintenance of buildings VA does not need and reinvest the savings. The Secretary also announced a review of 784 non-vacant but underutilized buildings. While the Department's initiative to review the utility of VA property is commendable, the process by which the list of buildings and structures was created was not transparent. The Department is directed to submit a report to the Committees no later than 90 days after enactment of this Act that includes the following elements: (1) an explanation of the process and methodology used to determine, record, and validate which buildings and structures in VA's real property portfolio are vacant, mostly vacant, or underutilized, and their physical condition; (2) an explanation of the process by which those property disposal analyses and plans were developed and coordinated with, and within, each VISN; (3) a cost-benefit analysis of the Department's ongoing real property disposal plans, both in terms of this immediate disposal action, and in aggregate; (4) a discussion of the impact of historic designations of buildings and structures on the Department's ability to manage its real property portfolio; and (5) a certification that the disposal of these identified properties will have no significant adverse impact on the Department's ability to provide health care and benefits for veterans.

National realignment strategy.—It is understood the Department, as part of a national realignment strategy of VA services, will continue to reevaluate and scrutinize the utility of facilities and property as well as the healthcare services available at VA facilities and available through non-Department healthcare providers. The Department is prohibited from diminishing healthcare services at existing VHA medical facilities as part of a planned realignment of VA services until the Secretary provides justification to the Committees.

CONSTRUCTION, MINOR PROJECTS

The agreement provides $342,570,000 for Construction, Minor Projects. The agreement makes this funding available for five years. Included within the total is $193,610,000 for the Veterans Health Administration; $97,950,000 for the National Cemetery Ad-

ministration; $29,895,000 for the Veterans Benefits Administration; and $21,115,000 for General Administration—Staff Offices.

In addition, $425,000,000 is provided for minor construction projects in section 255 to remain available until expended.

Expenditure plan.—The agreement includes a directive for the Department to provide an expenditure plan no later than 30 days after the enactment of this Act. This expenditure plan shall include a complete list of minor construction projects to be supported with the fiscal year 2018 appropriation. The plan shall be updated six months and twelve months after enactment.

GRANTS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF STATE EXTENDED CARE FACILITIES

The agreement provides $110,000,000 for Grants for Construction of State Extended Care Facilities, to remain available until expended.

The agreement includes in section 253 a provision ensuring that the priority order for eligible and approved, but unfunded, State projects in 2017 is not disrupted by priority designated for approved 2018 projects.

The agreement includes section 255 which provides an additional $575,000,000 for grants for construction of State extended care facilities to be available until expended. This funding, coupled with the base funding of $110,000,000 and fiscal year 2017 carryover should be sufficient to support the entire existing backlog of approved State applications.

VA is encouraged to prioritize the needs of rural States in its allocation of funding for State homes by: (1) including consideration of rural mileage access in its "great need for beds to be established" at a State home; (2) considering the unique needs of small States with a single facility; and (3) prioritizing large rural States where veterans may live hundreds of miles from the nearest facility.

GRANTS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF VETERANS CEMETERIES

The agreement provides $45,000,000 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 the transfer of funds among the three mandatory accounts.

The agreement includes section 202 allowing for the transfer of funds among the four 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, the Office of Employment Discrimination Complaint Adjudication, the Office of Accountability and Whistleblower Protection, and the Office of Diversity and Inclusion can charge other offices of the Department for services provided.

The agreement includes section 211 requiring the Department to collect third-party payer information for persons treated for a non-service-connected disability.

The agreement includes section 212 allowing for the use of enhanced-use leasing revenues for Construction, Major Projects and Construction, Minor Projects.

The agreement includes section 213 outlining authorized uses for Medical Services funds.

The agreement includes section 214 allowing for funds deposited into the Medical Care Collections Fund to be transferred to the Medical Services and Medical Community Care accounts.

The agreement includes section 215 which allows Alaskan veterans to use medical facilities of the Indian Health Service or tribal organizations.

The agreement includes section 216 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 217 requiring the Secretary to submit financial status quarterly reports for each of the Administrations in the Department. The specific data requested is similar to that requested in the fiscal year 2016 conference report.

The agreement includes section 218 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 10 percent of the funding appropriated to the account in this Act.

The agreement includes section 219 providing up to $297,137,000 of fiscal year 2018 funds for transfer to the Joint DOD–VA Medical Facility Demonstration Fund.

The agreement includes section 220 which permits $306,378,000 of fiscal year 2019 medical care funding provided in advance to be transferred to the Joint DOD–VA Medical Facility Demonstration Fund.

The agreement includes section 221 which authorizes transfers from the Medical Care Collections Fund to the Joint DOD–VA Medical Facility Demonstration Fund.

The agreement includes section 222 which transfers at least $15,000,000 from VA medical accounts to the DOD–VA Health Care Sharing Incentive Fund.

The agreement includes section 223 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 224 requiring that the Department notify the Committees of bid savings in a major construction project of at least $5,000,000, or 5 percent, whichever is less, 14 days prior to the obligation of the bid savings and their anticipated use.

The agreement includes section 225 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 226 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. It also requires a quarterly report on the number of appeals pending at the Veterans Benefits Administration and the Board of Veterans Appeals.

The agreement includes section 227 requiring VA to notify the Committees 15 days prior to any staff office relocations within VA of 25 or more fulltime-equivalent staff.

The agreement includes section 228 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 229 permitting the transfer to the Medical Services account of fiscal year discretionary 2018 funds appropriated in this Act or available from advance fiscal year 2018 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 230 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 231 prohibiting the Secretary from reprogramming funds in excess of $7,000,000 among major construction projects or programs unless the reprogramming is approved by the Committees.

The agreement includes section 232 mandating certain professional standards for the veterans crisis hotline.

The agreement includes section 233 restricting funds from being used to close medical facilities in the absence of a national realignment strategy.

The agreement includes section 234 modifying current law to permit VA hospitals to use shuttle buses for employees so that patients can use the closer parking lots.

The agreement includes section 235 requiring VA to use the mammography screening guidelines announced by the Secretary on May 10, 2017.

The agreement includes section 236 allowing the use of Medical Services funding for assisted reproductive technology treatment and adoption reimbursement for veterans and their spouses if the veteran has a service-connected disability that results in being unable to procreate without such fertility treatment.

The agreement includes section 237 which provides a rescission of $751,000,000. This funding is reappropriated in the Medical Services account to extend its availability.

The agreement includes section 238 prohibiting any funds from being used in a manner that is inconsistent with statutory limitations on outsourcing.

The agreement includes section 239 pertaining to limitations on Indian- or Native Hawaiian-owned businesses contracting with VA.

The agreement includes section 240 directing the elimination over a series of years of the use of social security numbers in VA programs.

The agreement includes section 241 referencing the provision in the 2017 appropriations Act pertaining to certification of marriage and family therapists.

The agreement includes section 242 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 243 which rescinds and reappropriates Major Construction funding for eight projects to extend its availability.

The agreement includes section 244 permitting funding to be used in fiscal years 2018 and 2019 to carry out and expand the child care pilot program authorized by section 205 of Public Law 111–163.

The agreement includes section 245 creating a pilot program for chiropractic services.

The agreement includes section 246 creating a pilot program for training veterans to become physician assistants.

The agreement includes section 247 which includes a reference to a provision in the 2017 appropriations Act identifying information which may be used to verify the status of coastwise merchant seamen who served during World War II for the purposes of eligibility for medals, ribbons, or other military decorations.

The agreement includes section 248 permitting the Secretary to use appropriated funds to ensure particular ratios of veterans to full-time employment equivalents within any VA program of rehabilitation.

The agreement includes section 249 prohibiting VA from using funds to enter into an agreement to resolve a dispute or claim with an individual that would restrict the individual from speaking to

members of Congress or their staff on any topic, except those required to be kept secret in the interest of national defense or the conduct of foreign affairs.

The agreement includes section 250 referencing language in the 2017 appropriations Act requiring certain data to be included in budget justifications for Major Construction projects.

The agreement includes section 251 permitting Hmong veterans who served in Vietnam and were naturalized pursuant to the Hmong Veterans' Naturalization Act of 2000 to be buried in VA national cemeteries.

The agreement includes section 252 creating a 2 year pilot program to make grants to veterans service organizations to upgrade their facilities to become health and wellness centers.

The agreement includes section 253 ensuring that the priority order for eligible and approved, but unfunded, State projects in 2017 is not disrupted by priority designated for approved 2018 projects.

The agreement includes section 254 prohibiting the use of canines in VA research unless: the scientific objectives of the study can only be met by using canines; the study has been directly approved by the Secretary; and the study is consistent with the revised VA canine research policy document released in December 2017.

The agreement includes section 255 providing $2,000,000,000 to be available until expended for VA infrastructure needs, of which $1,000,000,000 is for Medical Facilities for non-recurring maintenance; $425,000,000 is for Minor Construction; and $575,000,000 is for Grants for Construction of State Extended Care Facilities. This funding is not made available until VA provides and the Committees approve a detailed expenditure plan.

The agreement includes section 256 clarifying that payment for the costs of contract disability examinations shall be financed within the Compensation and Pensions account.

The agreement includes section 257 prohibiting funds to be used to charge a veteran for a veterans identification card.

The agreement includes section 258 related to the eligibility of veterans for certain medical services with other than honorable discharges. The two criteria that the veteran must meet to be eligible for these medical services are as follows: 1) veterans who have served 100 days in uniform and were deployed to a combat zone; or 2) veterans who are victims of sexual assault/sexual harassment.

The agreement includes section 259 regarding the process for a veteran to appeal the character of his or her service determination.

TITLE III

RELATED AGENCIES

AMERICAN BATTLE MONUMENTS COMMISSION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement includes $79,000,000 for Salaries and Expenses of the American Battle Monuments Commission (ABMC), an increase of $3,900,000 to support World War I anniversary activities.

FOREIGN CURRENCY FLUCTUATIONS ACCOUNT

The agreement includes such sums as necessary for the Foreign Currency Fluctuations Account. However, due to favorable exchange rates, no funds are expected to be required in fiscal year 2018.

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR VETERANS CLAIMS

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement includes $33,600,000 for Salaries and Expenses for the United States Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE—CIVIL

CEMETERIAL EXPENSES, ARMY

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement includes $80,800,000 for Cemeterial Expenses, Army Salaries and Expenses. Within that amount, up to $15,000,000 in funding is available until September 30, 2020.

CONSTRUCTION

The agreement provides $167,000,000 for planning and design and construction of Southern Expansion to remain available until expended.

ARMED FORCES RETIREMENT HOME

TRUST FUND

The agreement includes a total of $64,300,000 for the Armed Forces Retirement Home (AFRH), as requested, but does not provide the funds in the manner requested. The agreement directs that $42,300,000 be derived from the Trust Fund and $22,000,000 be provided from the General Fund to support AFRH operations.

Trust Fund Solvency.—There continues to be a belief that both legislative and administrative actions are necessary to improve Trust Fund solvency, eliminate AFRH's reliance on the General Fund, and maintain the high-quality services provided to AFRH residents. While there is still concern about the path forward, DOD is directed to continue working with AFRH to take appropriate administrative action and to develop and submit proposed authorizing language that addresses the issue of Trust Fund solvency.

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.

TITLE IV

OVERSEAS CONTINGENCY OPERATIONS

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

The agreement includes title IV, Overseas Contingency Operations, for military construction projects related to the Global War on Terrorism and the European Deterrence/Reassurance Initiative.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, ARMY

The agreement includes $146,100,000 for "Military Construction, Army", for planning and design and construction in support of Overseas Contingency Operations and the European Deterrence/Reassurance Initiative.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, NAVY AND MARINE CORPS

The agreement includes $33,248,000 for "Military Construction, Navy and Marine Corps", for planning and design and construction in support of Overseas Contingency Operations and the European Deterrence/Reassurance Initiative.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, AIR FORCE

The agreement includes $546,352,000 for "Military Construction, Air Force", for planning and design and construction in support of Overseas Contingency Operations and the European Deterrence/Reassurance Initiative.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, DEFENSE-WIDE

The agreement includes $24,300,000 for "Military Construction, Defense-Wide", for planning and design and construction in support of Overseas Contingency Operations and the European Deterrence/Reassurance Initiative.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

The agreement includes section 401 which provides the contingent emergency designation for the Overseas Contingency Operations accounts.

The agreement includes section 402 which requires the Department of Defense to provide a future year defense program for European Deterrence/Reassurance Initiative to the congressional defense committees.

OVERSEAS CONTINGENCY OPERATIONS
(AMOUNTS IN THOUSANDS)

	BUDGET REQUEST	FINAL BILL
TITLE IV		
FY 2018 OVERSEAS CONTINGENCY OPERATIONS		
OVERSEAS CONTINGENCY OPERATIONS		
CUBA		
ARMY		
GUANTANAMO BAY NAVAL STATION		
BARRACKS	115,000	115,000
WORLDWIDE UNSPECIFIED		
ARMY		
PLANNING AND DESIGN	9,000	9,000
AIR FORCE		
PLANNING AND DESIGN	41,500	41,500
DJIBOUTI		
NAVY		
CAMP LEMONIER		
AIRCRAFT PARKING APRON EXPANSION	---	13,390
ITALY		
AIR FORCE		
AVIANO AB		
GUARDIAN ANGEL OPERATIONS FACILITY	---	27,325
DEFENSE-WIDE		
SIGONELLA		
CONSTRUCT HYDRANT SYSTEM	---	22,400
JORDAN		
AIR FORCE		
MUWAFFAQ SALTI AIR BASE		
MUWAFFAQ SALTI AIR BASE	143,000	---
AIRFIELD PAVEMENTS	---	52,735
ISR SHELTERS	---	10,000
CAS REVETMENTS/SUN SHADES	---	11,168
DORMITORY	---	8,003
CARGO MARSHALLING YARD FACILITY	---	1,034
SUPPORTING FACILITIES/UTILITIES	---	60,060
QATAR		
AIR FORCE		
AL UDEID		
CONSOLIDATED SQUADRON OPERATIONS FACILITY	---	15,000
TURKEY		
ARMY		
TURKEY VARIOUS		
FORWARD OPERATING SITES	---	6,400
AIR FORCE		
INCIRLIK AB		
RELOCATE BASE MAIN ACCESS CONTROL POINT	14,600	14,600
REPLACE PERIMETER FENCE	8,100	8,100
DORMITORY	---	25,997
TOTAL, OVERSEAS CONTINGENCY OPERATIONS	331,200	441,712
EUROPEAN DETERRENCE / REASSURANCE INITIATIVE		
ESTONIA		
AIR FORCE		
AMARI AIR BASE		
POL CAPACITY PHASE II	4,700	4,700
TACTICAL FIGHTER AIRCRAFT PARKING APRON	9,200	9,200

OVERSEAS CONTINGENCY OPERATIONS
(AMOUNTS IN THOUSANDS)

	BUDGET REQUEST	FINAL BILL
HUNGARY		
AIR FORCE		
KECSKEMET AIR BASE		
AIRFIELD UPGRADES	12,900	12,900
CONSTRUCT PARALLEL TAXIWAY	30,000	30,000
INCREASE POL STORAGE CAPACITY	12,500	12,500
ICELAND		
AIR FORCE		
KEFLAVIK		
AIRFIELD UPGRADES	14,400	14,400
LATVIA		
AIR FORCE		
LIELVARDE AIR BASE		
EXPAND STRATEGIC RAMP PARKING	3,850	3,850
LUXEMBOURG		
AIR FORCE		
SANEM		
ECAOS DEPLOYABLE AIRBASE SYSTEM STORAGE	67,400	67,400
NORWAY		
AIR FORCE		
RYGGE		
REPLACE/EXPAND QUICK REACTION ALERT PAD	10,300	10,300
ROMANIA		
AIR FORCE		
CAMP TURZII		
UPGRADE UTILITIES INFRASTRUCTURE	2,950	2,950
SLOVAKIA		
AIR FORCE		
MALACKY		
AIRFIELD UPGRADES	4,000	4,000
INCREASE POL STORAGE CAPACITY	20,000	20,000
SLIAC AIRPORT		
AIRFIELD UPGRADES	22,000	22,000
WORLDWIDE UNSPECIFIED		
ARMY		
PLANNING AND DESIGN	15,700	15,700
NAVY		
PLANNING AND DESIGN	18,500	19,858
AIR FORCE		
PLANNING AND DESIGN	56,630	56,630
DEFENSE-WIDE		
SOCOM		
PLANNING AND DESIGN	1,900	1,900
TOTAL, EUROPEAN DETERRENCE / REASSURANCE INITIATIVE	306,930	308,288

NOTE: FUNDING FOR CERTAIN MILITARY CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS IN DJIBOUTI, ITALY, QATAR, AND TURKEY WAS REQUESTED IN TITLE I AND PROVIDED IN TITLE IV OCO.

TITLE V

GENERAL PROVISIONS

The agreement includes section 501 prohibiting the obligation of funds in this Act beyond the current fiscal year unless expressly so provided.

The agreement includes section 502 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 503 encouraging all Departments to expand their use of "E-Commerce."

The agreement includes section 504 specifying the congressional committees that are to receive all reports and notifications.

The agreement includes section 505 prohibiting the transfer of funds to any instrumentality of the United States Government without authority from an appropriations Act.

The agreement includes section 506 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 507 requiring all reports submitted to Congress to be posted on official web sites of the submitting agency.

The agreement includes section 508 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 509 prohibiting the use of funds for the payment of first-class air travel by an employee of the executive branch.

The agreement includes section 510 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 511 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 512 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, 2018
(Amounts in thousands)

	FY 2017 Enacted	FY 2018 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs FY 2017	Final Bill vs Request
TITLE I - DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE					
Military Construction, Army	513,459	920,394	923,994	+410,535	+3,600
Military Construction, Navy and Marine Corps	1,021,580	1,616,665	1,553,275	+531,695	-63,390
Hurricane Supplemental (P.L. 115-123) (Emergency)	---	201,636	201,636	+201,636	---
Total	1,021,580	1,818,301	1,754,911	+733,331	-63,390
Military Construction, Air Force	1,491,058	1,738,796	1,543,558	+52,500	-195,238
Military Construction, Defense-Wide	2,025,444	3,114,913	2,811,513	+786,069	-303,400
Additional Funds (P.L. 115-96) (Emergency)	---	200,000	200,000	+200,000	---
Total	2,025,444	3,314,913	3,011,513	+986,069	-303,400
Total, Active components	5,051,541	7,792,404	7,233,976	+2,182,435	-558,428
Military Construction, Army National Guard	232,930	210,652	220,652	-12,278	+10,000
Hurricane Supplemental (P.L. 115-123) (Emergency)	---	519,345	519,345	+519,345	---
Subtotal	232,930	729,997	739,997	+507,067	+10,000
Military Construction, Air National Guard	143,957	161,491	171,491	+27,534	+10,000
Military Construction, Army Reserve	68,230	73,712	83,712	+15,482	+10,000
Military Construction, Navy Reserve	38,597	65,271	95,271	+56,674	+30,000

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	FY 2017 Enacted	FY 2018 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs FY 2017	Final Bill vs Request
Military Construction, Air Force Reserve	188,950	63,535	73,535	-115,415	+10,000
Total, Reserve components	672,664	1,094,006	1,164,006	+491,342	+70,000
North Atlantic Treaty Organization Security Investment Program	177,932	154,000	177,932	---	+23,932
Department of Defense Base Closure Account	240,237	255,867	310,000	+69,763	+54,133
Total, Military Construction	6,142,374	9,296,277	8,885,914	+2,743,540	-410,363
Emergency appropriations	---	(920,981)	(920,981)	(+920,981)	---
Family Housing Construction, Army	157,172	182,662	182,662	+25,490	---
Family Housing Operation and Maintenance, Army	325,995	346,625	348,907	+22,912	+2,282
Family Housing Construction, Navy and Marine Corps	94,011	83,682	83,682	-10,329	---
Family Housing Operation and Maintenance, Navy and Marine Corps	300,915	328,282	328,282	+27,367	---
Family Housing Construction, Air Force	61,352	85,062	85,062	+23,710	---
Family Housing Operation and Maintenance, Air Force	274,429	318,324	318,324	+43,895	---
Family Housing Operation and Maintenance, Defense-Wide	59,157	59,169	59,169	+12	---
DoD Military Unaccompanied Housing Improvement Fund	---	623	623	+623	---
Department of Defense Family Housing Improvement Fund	3,258	2,726	2,726	-532	---
Total, Family Housing	1,276,289	1,407,155	1,409,437	+133,148	+2,282

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	FY 2017 Enacted	FY 2018 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs FY 2017	Final Bill vs Request
ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS					
Military Construction, Army (Sec. 126) (rescission)...	-29,602	---	---	+29,602	---
Military Construction, Air Force (Sec. 127) (rescission).....	-51,460	---	---	+51,460	---
Military Construction, Defense-Wide (Sec. 126) (rescission).....	-141,600	---	---	+141,600	---
Military Construction, Defense-Wide - Planning and Design (Sec. 127).....	-30,000	---	---	+30,000	---
Military Construction, Army (Sec. 125).....	40,500	---	93,800	+53,300	+93,800
Military Construction, Navy and Marine Corps (Sec. 125).....	227,099	---	202,130	-24,969	+202,130
Military Construction, Air National Guard (Sec. 125)..	---	---	52,000	+52,000	+52,000
Military Construction, Army National Guard (Sec. 125).	67,500	---	113,500	+46,000	+113,500
Military Construction, Army Reserve (Sec. 125).....	30,000	---	76,000	+46,000	+76,000
NATO Security Investment Program (Sec. 127) (rescission).....	-30,000	---	---	+30,000	---
42 USC 3374 (Sec. 128).....	-25,000	---	---	+25,000	---
Military Construction, Air Force (Sec. 125).....	149,500	---	138,100	-11,400	+138,100
Military Construction, Air National Guard (Sec. 125)..	11,000	---	---	-11,000	---
Military Construction, Navy and Marine Corps (Sec. 126).....	89,400	---	---	-89,400	---
Military Construction, Air Force Reserve (Sec. 125)...	---	---	64,100	+64,100	+64,100
NATO Security Investment Program (Sec. 126).....	---	---	-25,000	-25,000	-25,000
Family Housing Construction, Army (Sec. 126).....	---	---	-18,000	-18,000	-18,000

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(Amounts in thousands)

	FY 2017 Enacted	FY 2018 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs FY 2017	Final Bill vs Request
Defense Access Roads Program (Sec. 131)	---	---	20,000	+20,000	+20,000
Total, Administrative Provisions	307,337	---	716,630	+409,293	+716,630
Appropriations	(614,999)	---	(759,630)	(+144,631)	(+759,630)
Rescissions	(-307,662)	---	(-43,000)	(+264,662)	(-43,000)
Total, title I, Department of Defense	7,726,000	10,703,432	11,011,981	+3,285,981	+308,549
Appropriations	(8,033,662)	(9,782,451)	(10,134,000)	(+2,100,338)	(+351,549)
Rescissions	(-307,662)	---	(-43,000)	(+264,662)	(-43,000)
Emergency appropriations	---	(920,981)	(920,981)	(+920,981)	---
Total, title I less emergency appropriations	7,726,000	9,782,451	10,091,000	+2,365,000	+308,549
TITLE II - DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS					
Veterans Benefits Administration					
Compensation and pensions:					
Advance from prior year	(86,083,128)	(90,119,449)	(90,119,449)	(+4,036,321)	---
Subtotal, current year	86,083,128	90,119,449	90,119,449	+4,036,321	---

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	FY 2017 Enacted	FY 2018 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs FY 2017	Final Bill vs Request
Advance appropriation, FY 2019	90,119,449	95,768,462	95,768,462	+5,649,013	---
Readjustment benefits:					
Advance from prior year	(16,340,828)	(13,708,648)	(13,708,648)	(-2,632,180)	---
Subtotal	16,340,828	13,708,648	13,708,648	-2,632,180	---
Advance appropriation, FY 2019	13,708,648	11,832,175	11,832,175	-1,876,473	---
Veterans insurance and indemnities:					
Advance from prior year	(91,920)	(107,899)	(107,899)	(+15,979)	---
Current year request	16,605	12,439	12,439	-4,166	---
Subtotal	108,525	120,338	120,338	+11,813	---
Advance appropriation, FY 2019	107,899	109,090	109,090	+1,191	---
Veterans housing benefit program fund:					
(Limitation on direct loans)	(500)	(500)	(500)	---	---
Administrative expenses	198,856	178,626	178,626	-20,230	---
Vocational rehabilitation loans program account	36	30	30	-6	---
(Limitation on direct loans)	(2,517)	(2,356)	(2,356)	(-161)	---
Administrative expenses	389	395	395	+6	---
Native American veteran housing loan program account	1,163	1,163	1,163	---	---

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	FY 2017 Enacted	FY 2018 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs FY 2017	Final Bill vs Request
General operating expenses, VBA	2,856,160	2,844,000	2,910,000	+53,840	+66,000
Total, Veterans Benefits Administration	107,009,205	110,746,380	110,812,380	+3,803,175	+66,000
Appropriations	(3,073,209)	(3,036,653)	(3,102,653)	(+29,444)	(+66,000)
Advance appropriations, FY 2019	(103,935,996)	(107,709,727)	(107,709,727)	(+3,773,731)	---
Advances from prior year appropriations	(102,515,876)	(103,935,996)	(103,935,996)	(+1,420,120)	---
Veterans Health Administration					
Medical services:					
Advance from prior year	(51,673,000)	(44,886,554)	(44,886,554)	(-6,786,446)	---
Current year request /1	1,078,993	1,031,808	1,962,984	+883,991	+931,176
Supplemental funding for opioid abuse prevention (P.L. 115-31) /2	50,000	---	---	-50,000	---
Medical Services (Sec. 217) (rescission)	-7,246,181	---	---	+7,246,181	---
Hurricane Supplemental (P.L. 115-123) (Emergency)	---	11,075	11,075	+11,075	---
Subtotal	45,555,812	45,929,437	46,860,613	+1,304,801	+931,176
Advance appropriation, FY 2019	44,886,554	49,161,165	49,161,165	+4,274,611	---

1/ $2.1 billion in emergency funding for Medical Services purposes was appropriated in H.J. Res. 124 in addition to these funds

2/ Funding for opioid abuse prevention was included

	FY 2017 Enacted	FY 2018 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs FY 2017	Final Bill vs Request
in the FY17 supplemental. In FY18, it is provided within the amount recommended by the Committee					
Medical community care:					
Advance from prior year	---	(9,409,118)	(9,409,118)	(+9,409,118)	---
Current year request	7,246,181	254,000	419,176	-6,827,005	+165,176
Subtotal	7,246,181	9,663,118	9,828,294	+2,582,113	+165,176
Advance appropriation, FY 2019	9,409,118	8,384,704	8,384,704	-1,024,414	---
Medical support and compliance:					
Advance from prior year	(6,524,000)	(6,654,480)	(6,654,480)	(+130,480)	---
Current year request	---	284,397	100,000	+100,000	-184,397
Hurricane Supplemental (P.L. 115-123) (Emergency)	---	3,209	3,209	+3,209	---
Subtotal	6,524,000	6,942,086	6,757,689	+233,689	-184,397
Advance appropriation, FY 2019	6,654,480	7,239,156	7,239,156	+584,676	---
Medical facilities:					
Advance from prior year	(5,074,000)	(5,434,880)	(5,434,880)	(+360,880)	---
Current year request	247,668	1,079,795	707,000	+459,332	-372,795
Hurricane Supplemental (P.L. 115-123) (Emergency)	---	75,108	75,108	+75,108	---
Subtotal	5,321,668	6,589,783	6,216,988	+895,320	-372,795

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	FY 2017 Enacted	FY 2018 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs FY 2017	Final Bill vs Request
Advance appropriation, FY 2019	5,434,880	5,914,288	5,914,288	+479,408	---
Medical and prosthetic research	675,366	640,000	722,262	+46,896	+82,262
Medical care cost recovery collections:					
Offsetting collections	-2,637,000	-2,507,000	-2,507,000	+130,000	---
Appropriations (indefinite)	2,637,000	2,507,000	2,507,000	-130,000	---
Subtotal	---	---	---	---	---
DoD-VA Joint Medical Funds (transfers out)	(-274,731)	(-297,137)	(-297,137)	(-22,406)	---
DoD-VA Joint Medical Funds (by transfer)	(274,731)	(297,137)	(297,137)	(+22,406)	---
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	68,437,059	74,078,705	74,700,127	+6,263,068	+621,422
Appropriations	(2,052,027)	(3,290,000)	(3,911,422)	(+1,859,395)	(+621,422)
(By transfer)	(289,731)	(312,137)	(312,137)	(+22,406)	---
Emergency appropriations	---	(89,392)	(89,392)	(+89,392)	---
Advance appropriations, FY 2019	(66,385,032)	(70,699,313)	(70,699,313)	(+4,314,281)	---
Advances from prior year appropriations	(63,271,000)	(66,385,032)	(66,385,032)	(+3,114,032)	---
National Cemetery Administration					
National Cemetery Administration	286,193	306,193	306,193	+20,000	---

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(Amounts in thousands)

	FY 2017 Enacted	FY 2018 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs FY 2017	Final Bill vs Request
Departmental Administration					
General administration	345,391	346,891	335,891	-9,500	-11,000
Board of Veterans Appeals	156,096	155,596	161,048	+4,952	+5,452
Information technology systems	4,278,259	4,055,500	4,055,500	-222,759	---
Elect. health record modern	---	---	782,000	+782,000	+782,000
Office of Inspector General	160,106	159,606	164,000	+3,894	+4,394
Construction, major projects	528,110	512,430	512,430	-15,680	---
Construction, minor projects	372,069	342,570	342,570	-29,499	---
Hurricane Supplemental (P.L. 115-123) (Emergency)	---	4,088	4,088	+4,088	---
Subtotal	372,069	346,658	346,658	-25,411	---
Grants for construction of State extended care facilities	90,000	90,000	110,000	+20,000	+20,000
Grants for the construction of veterans cemeteries	45,000	45,000	45,000	---	---
Total, Departmental Administration	5,975,031	5,711,681	6,512,527	+537,496	+800,846
Emergency appropriations	---	(4,088)	(4,088)	(+4,088)	---
Appropriations	(5,975,031)	(5,707,593)	(6,508,439)	(+533,408)	(+800,846)
Administrative Provisions					
JIF rescission	-40,000	---	---	+40,000	---
General rescission	-169,000	---	---	+169,000	---
General reduction	-23,000	---	---	+23,000	---

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	FY 2017 Enacted	FY 2018 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs FY 2017	Final Bill vs Request
Mandatory disability exams language (Sec. 256)	---	40,000	25,000	+25,000	-15,000
Medical services (Sec. 237) (rescission)	---	---	-751,000	-751,000	-751,000
VA deferred maintenance (Sec. 255)	---	---	2,000,000	+2,000,000	+2,000,000
Construction, major projects:					
Sec. 243(a) rescission	---	---	-10,000	-10,000	-10,000
Sec. 243(b) reappropriation	---	---	10,000	+10,000	+10,000
Sec. 243(c) rescission	---	---	-410,000	-410,000	-410,000
Sec. 243(d) reappropriation	---	---	410,000	+410,000	+410,000
Total. Administrative Provisions	-232,000	40,000	1,274,000	+1,506,000	+1,234,000
Total, title II	181,475,488	190,882,959	193,605,227	+12,129,739	+2,722,268
Appropriations	(11,363,460)	(12,380,439)	(15,853,707)	(+4,490,247)	(+3,473,268)
Reappropriations	---	---	(420,000)	(+420,000)	(+420,000)
Emergency appropriations	---	(93,480)	(93,480)	(+93,480)	---
Rescissions	(-209,000)	---	(-1,171,000)	(-962,000)	(-1,171,000)
(By transfer)	(289,731)	(312,137)	(312,137)	(+22,406)	---
Advance Appropriations, FY 2019:					
Mandatory	(103,935,996)	(107,709,727)	(107,709,727)	(+3,773,731)	---
Discretionary	(66,385,032)	(70,699,313)	(70,699,313)	(+4,314,281)	---
Advances from prior year appropriations:					
Mandatory	(102,515,876)	(103,935,996)	(103,935,996)	(+1,420,120)	---
Discretionary	(63,271,000)	(66,385,032)	(66,385,032)	(+3,114,032)	---

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	FY 2017 Enacted	FY 2018 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs FY 2017	Final Bill vs Request
(Limitation on direct loans)	(3,017)	(2,856)	(2,856)	(-161)	---
Discretionary	(77,522,887)	(83,160,793)	(85,883,061)	(+8,360,174)	(+2,722,268)
Advances from prior year less FY 2019 advances	(-3,114,032)	(-4,314,281)	(-4,314,281)	(-1,200,249)	---
Net discretionary	(74,408,855)	(78,753,032)	(81,475,300)	(+7,066,445)	(+2,722,268)
Mandatory	(103,952,601)	(107,722,166)	(107,722,166)	(+3,769,565)	---
Advances from prior year less FY 2019 advances	(-1,420,120)	(-3,773,731)	(-3,773,731)	(-2,353,611)	---
Net mandatory	(102,532,481)	(103,948,435)	(103,948,435)	(+1,415,954)	---
Total mandatory and discretionary	176,941,336	182,701,467	185,423,735	+8,482,399	+2,722,268
TITLE III - RELATED AGENCIES					
American Battle Monuments Commission					
Salaries and expenses	75,100	75,100	79,000	+3,900	+3,900
Total, American Battle Monuments Commission	75,100	75,100	79,000	+3,900	+3,900
U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims					
Salaries and expenses	30,945	33,608	33,600	+2,655	-8

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	FY 2017 Enacted	FY 2018 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs FY 2017	Final Bill vs Request
Department of Defense - Civil					
Cemeterial Expenses, Army					
Salaries and expenses	70,800	70,800	80,800	+10,000	+10,000
Construction	---	---	167,000	+167,000	+167,000
Total, Cemeterial Expenses, Army	70,800	70,800	247,800	+177,000	+177,000
Armed Forces Retirement Home - Trust Fund					
Operation and maintenance	41,300	41,300	41,300	---	---
Capital program	1,000	1,000	1,000	---	---
Payment from General Fund	22,000	22,000	22,000	---	---
Total, Armed Forces Retirement Home	64,300	64,300	64,300	---	---
Total, title III	241,145	243,808	424,700	+183,555	+180,892
TITLE IV - OVERSEAS CONTINGENCY OPERATIONS					
Overseas Contingency Operations					
Army	---	124,000	130,400	+130,400	+6,400
Additional funding for planning and design (P.L. 115-31)	39,500	---	---	-39,500	---

DIVISION J, MILITARY CONSTRUCTION AND VETERANS AFFAIRS, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2018
(Amounts in thousands)

	FY 2017 Enacted	FY 2018 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs FY 2017	Final Bill vs Request
Navy	38,409	---	13,390	-25,019	+13,390
Additional funding for construction (P.L. 115-31)	66,708	---	---	-66,708	---
Subtotal	105,117	---	13,390	-91,727	+13,390
Air Force	11,440	207,200	275,522	+264,082	+68,322
Additional funding for construction (P.L. 115-31)	93,000	---	---	-93,000	---
Subtotal	104,440	207,200	275,522	+171,082	+68,322
Defense-Wide	---	---	22,400	+22,400	+22,400
Army National Guard					
Additional funding for planning and design (P.L. 115-31)	12,000	---	---	-12,000	---
Air National Guard					
Additional funding for construction (P.L. 115-31)	13,000	---	---	-13,000	---
Army Reserve					
Additional funding for planning and design (P.L. 115-31)	10,000	---	---	-10,000	---
Navy Reserve					
Additional funding for construction (P.L. 115-31)	4,525	---	---	-4,525	---

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(Amounts in thousands)

	FY 2017 Enacted	FY 2018 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs FY 2017	Final Bill vs Request
Air Force Reserve					
Additional funding for planning and design (P.L. 115-31)	9,000	---	---	-9,000	---
Subtotal	297,582	331,200	441,712	+144,130	+110,512
European Deterrence / Reassurance Initiative					
Army	18,900	15,700	15,700	-3,200	---
Navy	21,400	18,500	19,858	-1,542	+1,358
Air Force	68,280	270,830	270,830	+202,550	---
Additional funding for planning and design (P.L. 115-31)	12,300	---	---	-12,300	---
Subtotal	80,580	270,830	270,830	+190,250	---
Defense-Wide	5,000	1,900	1,900	-3,100	---
Administrative Provision					
Military Construction, Air Force (Sec. 101, P.L. 115-31) (rescission)	-12,300	---	---	+12,300	---
Subtotal	113,580	306,930	308,288	+194,708	+1,358

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(Amounts in thousands)

	FY 2017 Enacted	FY 2018 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs FY 2017	Final Bill vs Request
Counterterrorism Support					
Air Force	8,571	---	---	-8,571	---
Total, title IV	419,733	638,130	750,000	+330,267	+111,870
Grand total	189,862,366	202,468,329	205,791,908	+15,929,542	+3,323,579
Appropriations	(19,638,267)	(22,406,698)	(26,412,407)	(+6,774,140)	(+4,005,709)
Reappropriations	---	---	(420,000)	(+420,000)	(+420,000)
Rescissions	(-516,662)	---	(-1,214,000)	(-697,338)	(-1,214,000)
Rescission of OCO	(-12,300)	---	---	(+12,300)	---
Emergency appropriations	---	(1,014,461)	(1,014,461)	(+1,014,461)	---
Advance appropriations, FY 2019	(170,321,028)	(178,409,040)	(178,409,040)	(+8,088,012)	---
Overseas contingency operations	(432,033)	(638,130)	(750,000)	(+317,967)	(+111,870)
Advances from prior year appropriations	(165,786,876)	(170,321,028)	(170,321,028)	(+4,534,152)	---
(By transfer)	(289,731)	(312,137)	(312,137)	(+22,406)	---
(Transfer out)	(-289,731)	(-312,137)	(-312,137)	(-22,406)	---
(Limitation on direct loans)	(3,017)	(2,856)	(2,856)	(-161)	---

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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, $5,744,440,000, of which up to $654,553,000 may remain available until September 30, 2019, and of which up to $1,380,752,000 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, $2,770,673,000, of which up to $476,879,000 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, $1,253,799,000.

(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, $794,561,000.

(4) SECURITY PROGRAMS.—For necessary expenses for security activities, $925,407,000, of which up to $903,873,000 is for Worldwide Security Protection.

(5) FEES AND PAYMENTS COLLECTED.—In addition to amounts otherwise made available under this heading—

(A) 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

(B) not to exceed $15,000, which shall be derived from reimbursements, surcharges, and fees for use of Blair House facilities.

(6) TRANSFER OF FUNDS, 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 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.

CAPITAL INVESTMENT FUND

For necessary expenses of the Capital Investment Fund, as authorized, $103,400,000, to remain available until expended.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector General, $77,629,000, notwithstanding section 209(a)(1) of the Foreign Service Act of 1980 (22 U.S.C. 3929(a)(1)), as it relates to post inspections: *Provided*, That of the funds appropriated under this heading, $11,644,000 may remain available until September 30, 2019.

EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL EXCHANGE PROGRAMS

For expenses of educational and cultural exchange programs, as authorized, $646,143,000, to remain available until expended, of which not less than $240,000,000 shall be for the Fulbright Program and not less than $111,360,000 shall be for Citizen Exchange Program, including $4,125,000 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 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 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, $30,890,000, to remain available until September 30, 2019.

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, $765,459,000, to remain available until expended, 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 of the United States Government.

In addition, for the costs of worldwide security upgrades, acquisition, and construction as authorized, $1,477,237,000, 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 2018.

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, as authorized, $7,885,000, to remain available until expended, 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 $2,440,856.

PAYMENT TO THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE IN TAIWAN

For necessary expenses to carry out the Taiwan Relations Act (Public Law 96–8), $31,963,000.

INTERNATIONAL CENTER, WASHINGTON, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Not to exceed $1,806,600 shall be derived from fees collected from other executive agencies for lease or use of facilities at the International Center in accordance with section 4 of the International Center Act (Public Law 90–553), and, in addition, as authorized by section 5 of such Act, $743,000, to be derived from the reserve authorized by such section, to be used for the purposes set out in that section.

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, $1,371,168,000: *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 June 1, 2018, and 30 days after the end of fiscal year 2018, the Secretary of State shall report to the Committees on Appropriations any credits attributable to the United States, including from the United Nations Tax Equalization Fund, and provide updated fiscal year 2018 and fiscal year 2019 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 regular budget, 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 attributable 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.

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, $414,624,000, of which 15 percent shall remain available until September 30, 2019: *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 or 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 sexual exploitation and abuse 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 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 funds shall be available for peacekeeping expenses unless the Secretary of State determines that United States 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 none of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available under this heading may be used for any United Na-

tions 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 June 1, 2018, and 30 days after the end of fiscal year 2018, the Secretary of State shall report to the Committees on Appropriations any credits attributable to the United States, including those resulting from United Nations peacekeeping missions or the United Nations Tax Equalization Fund, and provide updated fiscal year 2018 and fiscal year 2019 assessment costs including offsets from available credits: *Provided further*, That any such credits shall only be available for United States assessed contributions to United Nations peacekeeping missions, 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 attributable 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.

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, $48,134,000.

CONSTRUCTION

For detailed plan preparation and construction of authorized projects, $29,400,000, 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), $13,258,000: *Provided,* That of the amount provided under this heading for the International Joint Commission, up to $500,000 may remain available until September 30, 2019, 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, $46,356,000: *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, $797,986,000: *Provided*, That in addition to amounts otherwise available for such purposes, up to $34,508,000 of the amount appropriated under this heading may remain available until expended for satellite transmissions and Internet freedom programs, of which not less than $13,800,000 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 BBG shall notify the Committees on Appropriations within 15 days of any determination by the BBG 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, $9,700,000, 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.), $37,884,000, to remain available until September 30, 2019, 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, 2018, 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, 2018, 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 there-

of, 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 note), all interest and earnings accruing to the Israeli Arab Scholarship Fund on or before September 30, 2018, 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, $675,000, 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, 2018: *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 (USCIRF), as authorized by title II of the International Religious Freedom Act of 1998 (22 U.S.C. 6431 et seq.), $4,500,000, to remain available until September 30, 2019, including not more than $4,000 for representation expenses: *Provided*, That prior to the obligation of $1,000,000 of the funds appropriated under this heading, the Commission shall consult with

the appropriate congressional committees on the steps taken to implement the recommendations of the Independent Review of USCIRF Mission Effectiveness that was conducted pursuant to the United States Commission on International Religious Freedom Reauthorization Act of 2015 (Public Law 114–71), and such funds shall be subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations.

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 (22 U.S.C. 3001 et seq.), $2,579,000, including not more than $4,000 for representation expenses, to remain available until September 30, 2019.

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, 2019.

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, 2019: *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 2018 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, $1,189,609,000, of which up

to $178,441,000 may remain available until September 30, 2019: *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, 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, $197,100,000, 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, $72,800,000, of which up to $10,920,000 may remain available until September 30, 2019, 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, $3,020,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2019, and which shall be apportioned directly to the United States Agency for International Development: *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; (7) programs to prevent, prepare for, and respond to, unanticipated and emerging global health threats; and (8) 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, 2022, 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), 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 clauses (i) and (vi) of section 202(d)(4)(A) of the United States Leadership Against HIV/AIDS, Tuberculosis, and Malaria Act of 2003 (22 U.S.C. 7622) shall be applied with respect to such funds made available for fiscal years 2015 through 2018 by substituting "2004" for "2009": *Provided further*, That up to 5 per-

cent of the aggregate amount of funds made available to the Global Fund in fiscal year 2018 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, $3,000,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2019.

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, $2,696,534,000, 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, 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 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, as authorized by sections 256 and 635 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, up to $55,000,000 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 funds provided as a gift that are used for purposes of this paragraph shall be subject to prior consultation with, and the regular notification procedures of, the Committees on Appropriations: *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 cost, including if the cost results in a negative subsidy, 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 $1,750,000,000.

In addition, for administrative expenses to carry out credit programs administered by USAID, $10,000,000, 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, 2020.

ECONOMIC SUPPORT FUND

For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions of chapter 4 of part II of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, $1,816,731,000, to remain available until September 30, 2019.

DEMOCRACY FUND

For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 for the promotion of democracy globally, including to carry out the purposes of section 502(b)(3) and (5) of Public Law 98–164 (22 U.S.C. 4411), $150,375,000, to remain available until September 30, 2019, which shall be made available for the Human Rights and Democracy Fund of the Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor, Department of State: *Provided*, That funds appropriated under this heading that are made available to the National Endowment for Democracy and its core institutes are in addition to amounts otherwise available by this Act for such purposes: *Provided further*, That the Assistant Secretary for Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor, Department of State, shall consult with the Committees on Appropriations prior to the obligation of funds appropriated under this paragraph.

For an additional amount for such purposes, $65,125,000, to remain available until September 30, 2019, which 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), $750,334,000, to remain available until September 30, 2019, 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 (22 U.S.C. 5801) and section 3(c) of Public Law 101–179 (22 U.S.C. 5402), in addition to funds otherwise available for such purposes: *Provided*, That funds appropriated by this Act under the headings "Global Health Programs", "Economic Support Fund", and "International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement" 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, $927,802,000, 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 $7,500,000 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)), $1,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That amounts in excess of the limitation contained in paragraph (2) of such section shall be transferred to, and merged with, funds made available by this Act under the heading "Migration and Refugee Assistance".

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 $5,500,000 is for the Office of Inspector General, to remain available until September 30, 2019: *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), $905,000,000, 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 (MCC): *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 2018: *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 MCC Chief Executive Officer 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 MCC 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 MCC 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 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, 2019: *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 the African Development Foundation Act (title V of Public Law 96–533; 22 U.S.C. 290h et seq.), $30,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2019, 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 (22 U.S.C. 290h–3(a)(2)), 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 appropriate congressional committees 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 out-

side the United States Treasury and retain any interest earned on such accounts, in furtherance of the purposes of the African Development Foundation 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, $30,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2020: *Provided*, That amounts made available under this heading may be made available to contract for services as described in section 129(d)(3)(A) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, without regard to the location in which such services are performed.

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, $950,845,000, to remain available until September 30, 2019: *Provided*, 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 such 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 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, $655,467,000, to remain available until September 30, 2019, to carry out the provi-

sions 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 funds made available under this heading for the Nonproliferation and Disarmament Fund shall be made 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 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, $212,712,000: *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 $31,000,000 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, $110,875,000, of which up to $11,000,000 may remain available until September 30, 2019: *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, $5,671,613,000: *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 which 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 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 inter-

national 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 $950,000,000 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 2018 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 (Public Law 93–188; 87 Stat. 713), $339,000,000: *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, $139,575,000, to remain available until expended.

CONTRIBUTION TO THE INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

For payment to the International Development Association by the Secretary of the Treasury, $1,097,010,000, 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, $47,395,000, 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, $32,418,000, 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, $171,300,000, 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, $30,000,000, to remain available until expended.

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, $5,700,000, of which up to $855,000 may remain available until September 30, 2019.

PROGRAM ACCOUNT

The Export-Import 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 9104 of title 31, United States Code, as may be necessary in carrying out the pro-

gram 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 $110,000,000, of which up to $16,500,000 may remain available until September 30, 2019: *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 (Public Law 79–173) and the Federal Credit Reform Act of 1990, 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 2018 in excess of obligations, up to $10,000,000 shall become available on September 1, 2018, and shall remain available until September 30, 2021.

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 $79,200,000: *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 as authorized by section 234 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, $20,000,000, to be derived by transfer from the Overseas Private Investment Corporation Noncredit Account, to remain available until September 30, 2020: *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 so obligated in fiscal year 2018 remain available for disbursement through 2026; funds obligated in fiscal year 2019 remain available for disbursement through 2027; and funds obligated in fiscal year 2020 remain available for disbursement through 2028: *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, $79,500,000, to remain available until September 30, 2019: *Provided*, 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 2018 or any previous fiscal year, disaggregated by fiscal year: *Provided*, That the report required by this section shall be submitted not later than 30 days after the end of each fiscal quarter and 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 INFORMATION.—The Secretary of State shall promptly inform the Committees on Appropriations of each instance in which a Federal department or agency is delinquent in providing the full amount of funding required by section 604(e) of the Secure Embassy Construction and Counterterrorism Act of 1999 (22 U.S.C. 4865 note).

(b) EXCEPTION.—Notwithstanding paragraph (2) of section 604(e) of the Secure Embassy Construction and Counterterrorism Act of 1999 (title VI of division A of H.R. 3427, as enacted into law by section 1000(a)(7) of Public Law 106–113 and contained in appendix G of that Act), as amended by section 111 of the Department of State Authorities Act, Fiscal Year 2017 (Public Law 114–323), a project to construct a 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 2018 costs of providing new United States diplo-

matic 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 contribution of the Department of State for this purpose: *Provided*, That funds appropriated by this Act that are made available for departments and agencies of the United States Government shall be made available for the Capital Security Cost Sharing Program and the Maintenance Cost Sharing Program at levels not less than the prior fiscal year.

(d) CONSULTATION AND NOTIFICATION.—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 United States diplomatic facilities during fiscal year 2018, 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 115–253 and Senate Report 114–290: *Provided further*, That any such notification for a new diplomatic facility justified to the Committees on Appropriations in the Congressional Budget Justification, Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs, Fiscal Year 2018, 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) INTERIM AND TEMPORARY FACILITIES ABROAD.—

(1) SECURITY VULNERABILITIES.—Funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Embassy Security, Construction, and Maintenance" may be made available, following consultation with the appropriate congressional committees, to address security vulnerabilities at interim and temporary United States diplomatic 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.

(2) CONSULTATION.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the opening, closure, or any significant modification to an interim or temporary United States 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.

(f) TRANSFER OF FUNDS 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 this Act may be transferred to, and merged with, funds appropriated 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.

(g) SOFT TARGETS.—Funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Embassy Security, Construction, and Maintenance" may be made available for security upgrades to soft targets, including schools, recreational facilities, and residences used by United States diplomatic personnel and their dependents, except that the amount made available for such purposes shall be a minimum of $10,000,000.

(h) SECURE RESUPPLY AND MAINTENANCE.—The Secretary of State may not grant final approval for the construction of a new facility or substantial construction to improve or expand an existing facility in the United States by or for the Government of the People's Republic of China until the Secretary certifies and reports to the appropriate congressional committees that an agreement has been concluded between the Governments of the United States and the People's Republic of China that permits secure resupply, maintenance, and new construction of United States Government facilities in the People's Republic of China.

(i) NEW EMBASSY COMPOUND KINSHASA.—Of the funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Peacekeeping Operations" that are made available for the central Government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo, 25 percent shall be withheld from obligation until the Secretary of State certifies and reports to the Committees on Appropriations that such Government has fully vacated the property purchased by the United States in Kinshasa for the construction of a New Embassy Compound.

(j) 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 2018.

(2) Within 45 days of enactment of this Act and every 4 months thereafter until September 30, 2019, the Secretary of State shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations a report on the new Mexico City Embassy, New Delhi Embassy,

and Beirut Embassy projects: *Provided*, That such report shall include, for each of the projects—

(A) a detailed breakout of the project factors that formed the basis of the initial cost estimate used to justify such project to the Committees on Appropriations, as described under the heading "Embassy Security, Construction, and Maintenance" in House Report 115–253;

(B) a comparison of the current project factors as compared to the project factors submitted pursuant to subparagraph (A) of this subsection, and an explanation of any changes; and

(C) the impact of currency exchange rate fluctuations on project costs.

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 authorities 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.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE MANAGEMENT

SEC. 7006. (a) FINANCIAL SYSTEMS IMPROVEMENT.—Funds appropriated by this Act for the operations of the Department of State under the headings "Diplomatic and Consular Programs" and "Capital Investment Fund" shall be made available to implement the recommendations contained in the Foreign Assistance Data Review Findings Report (FADR) and the Office of Inspector General (OIG) report entitled "Department Financial Systems Are Insufficient to Track and Report on Foreign Assistance Funds": *Provided*, That not later than 45 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations an update to the plan required under section 7006 of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2017 (division J of Public Law 115–31) for implementing the FADR and OIG recommendations: *Provided further*, That such funds may not be obligated for enhancements to, or expansions of, the Budget System Modernization Financial System, Central Resource Management System, Joint Financial Management System, or Foreign Assistance Coordination and Tracking System until such updated plan is submitted to the Committees on Appropriations: *Provided further*, That such funds may not be obligated for new, or expansion of existing, ad hoc electronic systems to track commitments, obligations, or expenditures of funds unless the Secretary of State, following consultation with the Chief Information Officer of the Department of State, has reviewed and certified that such new system or expansion is consistent with the FADR and OIG recommendations.

(b) 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 the Congressional Budget Justification, Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs, Fiscal Year 2018: *Provided*, That the amounts for such service centers shall be the amounts included in such budget justification, 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 prior to increasing the percentage charged to Department of State bureaus and offices for procurement-related activities, the Secretary of State shall include the proposed increase in the Department of State budget justification or, at least 60 days prior to the increase, provide the Committees on Appropriations a justification for such increase, including a detailed assessment of the cost and benefit of the services provided by the procurement fee: *Provided further*, That Federal agency components may only pay for Working Capital Fund services that are consistent with the purpose and authorities of such components: *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.

(c) CERTIFICATION.—

(1) Not later than 45 days after the initial obligation of funds appropriated under titles III and IV of this Act that are made available to a Department of State bureau or office with responsibility for the management and oversight of such funds, the Secretary of State shall certify and report to the Committees on Appropriations, on an individual bureau or office basis, that such bureau or office is in compliance with Department and Federal financial and grants management policies, procedures, and regulations, as applicable.

(2) When making a certification required by paragraph (1), the Secretary of State shall consider the capacity of a bureau or office to—

(A) account for the obligated funds at the country and program level, as appropriate;

(B) identify risks and develop mitigation and monitoring plans;

(C) establish performance measures and indicators;

(D) review activities and performance; and

(E) assess final results and reconcile finances.

(3) If the Secretary of State is unable to make a certification required by paragraph (1), the Secretary shall submit a plan and timeline detailing the steps to be taken to bring such bureau or office into compliance.

(4) The report accompanying a certification required by paragraph (1) shall include the requirements contained under this section in the explanatory statement described in section 4 (in the matter preceding division A of this consolidated Act).

(d) REPORT ON SOLE SOURCE AWARDS.—Not later than December 31, 2018, the Secretary of State shall submit a report to the appropriate congressional committees detailing all sole-source awards made by the Department of State during the previous fiscal year

in excess of $2,000,000: *Provided*, That such report should be posted on the Department of State Web site.

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 OF FUNDS AUTHORITY

SEC. 7009. (a) DEPARTMENT OF STATE AND BROADCASTING BOARD OF GOVERNORS.—

(1) DEPARTMENT OF STATE.—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) BROADCASTING BOARD OF GOVERNORS.—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) TREATMENT AS REPROGRAMMING.—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 AGENCIES.—Not to exceed 5 percent of any appropriation, other than for administrative expenses made available for fiscal year 2018, 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 OF FUNDS BETWEEN AGENCIES.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—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) ALLOCATION AND TRANSFERS.—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) NOTIFICATION.—Any agreement entered into by the United States Agency for International Development 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 or prior Acts making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs under the headings "Global Health Programs", "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) TRANSFER OF FUNDS BETWEEN ACCOUNTS.—None of the funds made available under titles II through V of this Act may be obligated under an appropriations 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 OF FUNDS.—Any agreement for the transfer or allocation of funds appropriated by this Act or prior Acts making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations and related programs, 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 pro-

vision 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, 2017 (division J of Public Law 115–31) 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 CERTAIN OPERATIONAL EXPENSES

SEC. 7010. (a) FIRST-CLASS TRAVEL.—None of the funds made available by this Act may be used for first-class travel by employees of United States Government departments and agencies funded by this Act in contravention of section 301–10.122 through 301–10.124 of title 41, Code of Federal Regulations.

(b) COMPUTER NETWORKS.—None of the funds made available by this Act for the operating expenses of any United States Government department or agency may be used to establish or maintain a computer network for use by such department or agency unless such network has filters designed to block access to sexually explicit Web sites: *Provided*, That nothing in this subsection shall limit the use of funds necessary for any Federal, State, tribal, or local law enforcement agency, or any other entity carrying out the following activities: criminal investigations, prosecutions, and adjudications; administrative discipline; and the monitoring of such Web sites undertaken as part of official business.

(c) PROHIBITION ON PROMOTION OF TOBACCO.—None of the funds made available by this Act should 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.

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 by 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 For-

eign 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 the availability of funds pursuant to the previous proviso shall not be applicable to such funds until the Secretary of State submits the report required under section 7011 of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2016 (division K of Public Law 114–113): *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, 2018, 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 consultation 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 and the Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development shall expeditiously seek to negotiate amendments to existing bilateral agreements, as necessary, to conform with this requirement.

(b) NOTIFICATION AND REIMBURSEMENT OF FOREIGN TAXES.—An amount equivalent to 200 percent of the total taxes assessed during fiscal year 2018 on funds appropriated by this Act and prior Acts

making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs by a foreign government or entity against United States assistance programs, either directly or through grantees, contractors, and subcontractors, shall be withheld from obligation from funds appropriated for assistance for fiscal year 2019 and for prior fiscal years and allocated for the central government of such country or for the West Bank and Gaza program, as applicable, if, not later than September 30, 2019, such taxes have not been reimbursed: *Provided*, That the Secretary of State shall report to the Committees on Appropriations by such date on the foreign governments and entities that have not reimbursed such taxes, including any amount of funds withheld pursuant to this subsection.

(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 foreign government 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) IN GENERAL.—The provisions of this section shall not apply to any foreign government or entity that assesses such taxes if the Secretary of State reports to the Committees on Appropriations that—

(A) such foreign government or entity 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) CONSULTATION.—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 foreign government or entity.

(f) IMPLEMENTATION.—The Secretary of State shall issue and update 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) BILATERAL AGREEMENT.—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.

(2) TAXES AND TAXATION.—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.—Not later than 90 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State, in consultation with the heads of other relevant agencies of the United States Government, shall submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations on the requirements contained under this section in the explanatory statement described in section 4 (in the matter preceding division A of this consolidated Act).

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 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 prior Acts making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs to the departments and agencies funded by this Act that remain available for obligation in fiscal year 2018, 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 departments and agencies funded by this Act, shall be available for obligation to—

(1) create new programs;

(2) suspend or eliminate a program, project, or activity;

(3) close, suspend, open, or reopen a mission or post;

(4) create, close, reorganize, downsize, 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 prior Acts making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs, to the departments and agencies funded under titles I and II of this Act that remain available for obligation in fiscal year 2018, or provided from any accounts in the Treasury of the United States derived by the collection of fees available to the department and agency 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 of such obligation: *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 vehi-

cles, 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 notwithstanding 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) DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE PROGRAMS AND FUNDING NOTIFICATIONS.—

(1) PROGRAMS.—None of the funds appropriated by this Act or prior Acts making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs may be made available to support or continue any program initially funded under any authority of title 10, United States Code, or any Act making or authorizing appropriations for the Department of Defense, unless the Secretary of State, in consultation with the Secretary of Defense and in accordance with the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations, submits a justification to such Committees that includes a description of, and the estimated costs associated with, the support or continuation of such program.

(2) FUNDING.—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 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, Philippines, 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) TRUST FUNDS.—Funds appropriated or otherwise made available in title III of this Act and prior Acts making funds available for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs that are made available for a trust fund held by an international financial institution as defined by section 7034(r)(3) of this Act shall be subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations: *Provided*, That such notification shall include the information specified under this section in the explanatory statement described in section 4 (in the matter preceding division A of this consolidated Act).

(h) OTHER PROGRAM NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENT.—

(1) DIPLOMATIC AND CONSULAR PROGRAMS.—Funds appropriated under title I of this Act under the heading "Diplomatic and Consular Programs" that are made available for a pilot program for lateral entry into the Foreign Service shall be subject to prior consultation with, and the regular notification procedures of, the Committees on Appropriations.

(2) OTHER PROGRAMS.—Funds appropriated by this Act that are made available for the following programs and activities shall be subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations—

(A) The Global Engagement Center, except that the Secretary of State shall consult with the appropriate congressional committees prior to submitting such notification;

(B) The Power Africa initiative, or any successor program;

(C) Community-based police assistance conducted pursuant to the authority of section 7049 of this Act;

(D) Programs to counter foreign fighters and extremist organizations, pursuant to section 7073(a) of this Act;

(E) The Relief and Recovery Fund;

(F) The Global Security Contingency Fund; and

(G) Programs to end modern slavery.

(i) 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.

(j) REQUIREMENT TO INFORM, COORDINATE, AND CONSULT.—

(1) The Secretary of State shall promptly inform the appropriate congressional committees of each instance in which funds appropriated by this Act for assistance for Iraq, Libya, Somalia, and Syria, the Counterterrorism Partnership Fund, the Relief and Recovery Fund, and to counter extremism and foreign fighters abroad, have been diverted or destroyed, to include the type and amount of assistance, a description of the incident and parties involved, and an explanation of the response of the Department of State or USAID, as appropriate:

Provided, That the Secretary shall ensure such funds are coordinated with, and complement, the programs of other United States Government departments and agencies and international partners in such countries and on such activities.

(2) The Secretary of State shall consult with the Committees on Appropriations at least seven days prior to informing a government of, or publically announcing a decision on, the suspension of assistance to a country or a territory from funds appropriated by this Act or prior Acts making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs.

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, shall remain available for obligation until September 30, 2019: *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 AND REPORTS

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 Congress in the report required by section 653(a) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961.

(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 4 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 Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, no deviations authorized by subsection (b) may take place until submission of such report.

(d) EXCEPTIONS.—

(1) Subsections (a) and (b) shall not apply to—

(A) amounts designated for "International Military Education and Training" in the respective tables included in the explanatory statement described in section 4 (in the matter preceding division A of this consolidated Act); and

(B) funds for which the initial period of availability has expired.

(2) The authority in subsection (b) to deviate below amounts designated in the respective tables included in the explanatory statement described in section 4 (in the matter preceding division A of this consolidated Act) shall not apply to the table included under the heading "Global Health Programs" in such explanatory statement.

(e) REPORTS.—The Secretary of State and the USAID Administrator, as appropriate, shall submit the reports required, in the manner described, in House Report 115–253, Senate Report 115–152, and the explanatory statement described in section 4 (in the matter preceding division A of this consolidated Act), unless directed otherwise in such explanatory statement.

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, and—

(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 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 Administration 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 interest 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 interest.

(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 (8 U.S.C. 1189).

(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 (22 U.S.C. 2412), section 15 of the State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 (22 U.S.C. 2680), section 313 of the Foreign Relations Authorization Act, Fiscal Years 1994 and 1995 (22 U.S.C. 6212), 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", "Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia", 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 after the enactment of this Act, as required by section 653(a) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 or as modified pursuant to section 7019 of this Act.

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 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) REPORT.—The USAID Administrator shall report as part of the congressional budget justification 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 Explanatory 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 such 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 2018, 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; 7 U.S.C. 1721 et seq.): *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 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) REPORT.—In addition to the requirements of subsection (a)(1), the USAID Administrator shall report to the appropriate congressional committees not later than 45 days after the end of fiscal year 2018 on all awards subject to limited or no competition for local entities: *Provided*, That such report shall 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 2018.

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 45 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations on steps taken in fiscal year 2017 by the United States executive directors and the international financial institutions consistent with this subsection compared to the previous fiscal year.

(b) SAFEGUARDS.—

(1) 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.

(2) The Secretary of the Treasury should instruct the United States executive director of each international financial institution to vote against loans or other financing for projects unless such projects—

(A) provide for accountability and transparency, including the collection, verification and publication of beneficial ownership information related to extractive industries and on-site monitoring during the life of the project;

(B) will be developed and carried out in accordance with best practices regarding environmental conservation; cultural protection; and empowerment of local populations, including free, prior and informed consent of affected indigenous communities;

(C) do not provide incentives for, or facilitate, forced displacement; and

(D) do not partner with or otherwise involve enterprises owned or controlled by the armed forces.

(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 from any such financial institution: *Provided*, That not later than 45 days after

enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations on steps taken in fiscal year 2017 by the United States executive directors and the international financial institutions consistent with this subsection compared to the previous fiscal year.

(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 (8 U.S.C. 1189);

(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 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 2019 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 every 6 months thereafter until September 30, 2019, 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 by the government of 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 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) INELIGIBILITY.—

(A) 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 shall 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) NETWORKS OF CORRUPTION.—If the Secretary of State has credible information of networks of corruption involving the participation of, or support from, a senior official in a country that receives assistance funded by this Act under titles III or IV, the Secretary shall update the report on such networks required by section 7031(d) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2017 (division J of Public Law 115–31).

(e) 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 ex-

traction 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 the amendments made by such section, 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.

(f) 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) IN GENERAL.—Of the funds appropriated by this Act under the headings "Development Assistance", "Economic Support Fund", "Democracy Fund", "Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia", and "International Narcotics Control

and Law Enforcement", not less than $2,308,517,000 shall be made available for democracy programs.

(2) PROGRAMS.—Of the funds made available for democracy programs pursuant to paragraph (1), the Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor, Department of State, shall administer an amount not less than the amount administered in fiscal year 2017 under the headings "Economic Support Fund" and "Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia".

(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, 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, 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) 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.

(g) COUNTRY STRATEGY REVIEWS.—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—

(1) specific goals and objectives for such program, including a specific plan and timeline to measure impacts;

(2) 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

(3) the funding requirements to initiate and sustain such program in fiscal year 2018 and subsequent fiscal years, as appropriate:

Provided, That for the purposes of this subsection, the term "nondemocratic or democratic transitioning country" shall have the same meaning as in section 2104(6) of the ADVANCE Democracy Act of 2007.

(h) COMMUNICATION AND REPORTS.—

(1) 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.

(2) REPORTS.—

(A) FUNDING INSTRUMENTS.—Not later than September 30, 2018, 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 Appropriations Act, 2017 (division J of Public Law 115–31), which shall include funding level, account, program sector and subsector, and a brief summary of purpose.

(B) PROGRAM CHANGES.—The Secretary of State or the USAID Administrator, as appropriate, shall report to the appropriate congressional committees 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.

(i) PROTECTION OF CIVIL SOCIETY ACTIVISTS AND JOURNALISTS.—

(1) PLAN.—Not later than 120 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a diplomatic and programmatic action

plan to support and protect civil society activists and journalists who have been threatened, harassed, or attacked for peacefully exercising their rights of free expression, association, or assembly: *Provided*, That the Assistant Secretary for Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor (DRL), Department of State, shall develop such action plan in coordination with the relevant bureaus and offices of the Department of State and USAID.

(2) FUNDS.—Of the funds appropriated by this Act under the headings "Economic Support Fund" and "Democracy Fund", not less than $10,000,000 shall be made available for programs and activities to implement the action plan described in paragraph (1): *Provided*, That such funds may only be made available following consultation with the Committees on Appropriations: *Provided further*, That such funds shall be allocated to, and administered by, DRL and relevant bureaus and offices of the Department of State and USAID, and are in addition to amounts otherwise made available for such purposes.

INTERNATIONAL RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

SEC. 7033. (a) INTERNATIONAL RELIGIOUS FREEDOM OFFICE AND SPECIAL ENVOY TO PROMOTE RELIGIOUS FREEDOM.—

(1) OPERATIONS.—Funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Diplomatic and Consular Programs" shall be made available for the Office of International Religious Freedom, Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor, Department of State, 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), including for support staff at not less than the amounts specified for such offices in the table under such heading in the explanatory statement described in section 4 (in the matter preceding division A of this consolidated Act).

(2) CURRICULUM.—Funds appropriated under the heading "Diplomatic and Consular Programs" and designated for the Office of International Religious Freedom shall be made available for the development and implementation of an international religious freedom curriculum in accordance with section 708(a)(2) of the Foreign Service Act of 1980 (22 U.S.C. 4028(a)(2)).

(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, 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.—Of the funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Economic Support Fund", not less than $10,000,000 shall be made avail-

able 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, including victims of genocide designated by the Secretary of State and other groups that have suffered crimes against humanity and ethnic cleansing, to—

(A) facilitate the implementation of an immediate, coordinated, and sustained response to provide humanitarian assistance;

(B) enhance protection of conflict victims, including those facing a dire humanitarian crisis and severe persecution because of their faith or ethnicity; and

(C) improve access to secure locations for obtaining humanitarian and resettlement services.

(4) TRANSITIONAL JUSTICE, RECONCILIATION, AND REINTEGRATION PROGRAMS.—Of the funds appropriated by this Act that are made available for the Relief and Recovery Fund, not less than $5,000,000 shall be made available to support transitional justice, reconciliation, and reintegration programs for vulnerable and persecuted religious minorities, including in the Middle East and North Africa regions: *Provided*, That such funds shall be matched, to the maximum extent practicable, from sources other than the United States Government.

(5) RESPONSIBILITY FOR 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 programs related to international religious freedom, including reporting on the condition of vulnerable and persecuted religious groups.

(d) ATROCITIES PREVENTION.—Of the funds appropriated by this Act under the headings "Economic Support Fund" and "International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement", not less than $5,000,000 shall be made available for programs to prevent atrocities, including to implement recommendations of the Atrocities Prevention Board: *Provided*, That the Under Secretary for Civilian Security, Democracy, and Human Rights, Department of State, shall be responsible for providing the strategic policy direction for, and policy oversight of, funds made available pursuant to this subsection to the Bureaus of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs and Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor, Department of State: *Provided further*, That such funds shall be subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations.

(e) FUNDING CLARIFICATION.—Funds made available pursuant to subsections (b) and (d) are in addition to amounts otherwise made available for such purposes.

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 2018.

(4) FORENSIC ASSISTANCE.—

(A) Of the funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Economic Support Fund", not less than $8,000,000 shall be made available for forensic anthropology assistance related to the exhumation and identification of victims of war crimes, crimes against humanity, and genocide, which shall be administered by the Assistant Secretary for Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor, Department of State: *Provided*, That such funds shall be in addition to funds made available by this Act and prior Acts making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs for assistance for countries.

(B) Of the funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement", not less than $6,000,000 shall be made available for DNA forensic technology programs to combat human trafficking in Central America and Mexico.

(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 2018.

(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 2017, by country and purpose of assistance, under the headings "Peacekeeping Operations", "International Military Education and Training", and "Foreign Military Financing Program".

(8) FOREIGN MILITARY SALES AND FOREIGN MILITARY FINANCING PROGRAM.—

(A) AVAILABILITY.—Funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Foreign Military Financing Program" for the general costs of administering military assistance and sales shall be made available to increase the efficiency and effectiveness of programs authorized by Chapter 2 of the Arms Export Control Act: *Provided*, That prior to the obligation of funds for such purposes, the Secretary of State shall consult with the Committees on Appropriations.

(B) QUARTERLY STATUS REPORT.—Following the submission of the quarterly report required by section 36 of Public Law 90–629 (22 U.S.C. 2776), the Secretary of State, in coordination with the Secretary of Defense, shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations a status report that contains the information described under the heading "Foreign Military Financing Program" in House Report 115–253.

(9) VETTING REPORT.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—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) FORM.—The report required by this paragraph shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may be accompanied by a classified annex.

(10) 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.

(11) 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.

(12) COMBAT CASUALTY CARE.—

(A) Consistent with the objectives of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 and the Arms Export Control Act, funds appropriated by this Act under the headings "Peacekeeping Operations" and "Foreign Military Financing Program" shall be made available for combat casualty training and equipment.

(B) The Secretary of State shall offer combat casualty care training and equipment as a component of any package of lethal assistance funded by this Act with funds appropriated under the headings "Peacekeeping Operations" and "Foreign Military Financing Program": *Provided*, That the requirement of this paragraph shall apply to a country in conflict, unless the Secretary determines that such country has in place, to the maximum extent practicable, functioning combat casualty care treatment and equipment that meets or exceeds the standards recommended by the Committee on Tactical Combat Casualty Care: *Provided further*, That any such training and equipment for combat casualty care shall be made available through an open and transparent process.

(c) WORLD FOOD PROGRAMME.—

(1) CONTRIBUTION.—Funds managed by the Bureau for Democracy, Conflict, and Humanitarian Assistance, United States Agency for International Development, 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.

(2) PROGRAM TO LEVERAGE ADDITIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS.—Funds appropriated by this Act shall be made available to leverage additional contributions for the World Food Programme from sources other than the United States Government: *Provided*, That the Secretary of State shall consult with the Committees on Appropriations on implementation of this paragraph.

(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 De-

partment 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 the Foreign Relations Authorization Act, Fiscal Year 1979 (22 U.S.C. 2656d), including to facilitate collaboration with indigenous communities, and up to $1,000,000 may be made available for grants to carry out the activities of the Cultural Antiquities Task Force.

(4) INNOVATION.—The USAID Administrator 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 2018: *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.

(5) EXCHANGE VISITOR PROGRAM.—None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to modify the Exchange Visitor Program administered by the Department of State to implement the Mutual Educational and Cultural Exchange Act of 1961, as amended, (Public Law 87–256; 22 U.S.C. 2451 et seq.), except through the formal rulemaking process pursuant to the Administrative Procedures Act and notwithstanding the exceptions to such rulemaking process in such Act: *Provided*, That funds made available for such purpose shall only be made available after consultation with, and subject to the regular notification procedures of, the Committees on Appropriations, regarding how any proposed modification would affect the public diplomacy goals of, and the estimated economic impact on, the United States.

(6) REPORT.—The report required by section 502(d) of the Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (division N of Public Law 115–31; 22 U.S.C. 254a note) shall be provided to the Committees on Appropriations.

(e) PARTNER VETTING.—The Secretary of State and USAID Administrator may initiate a partner vetting program to mitigate the risk of diversion of foreign assistance, or make significant modifications to any existing partner vetting program, only following consultation with the Committees on Appropriations: *Provided*, That the Secretary and Administrator should provide a direct vetting option for prime awardees in any partner vetting program initiated after the date of the enactment of this Act.

(f) CONTINGENCIES.—During fiscal year 2018, 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) CULTURAL PRESERVATION PROJECT DETERMINATION.—None of the funds appropriated in titles I and III of this Act may be used for the preservation of religious sites unless the Secretary of State or the USAID Administrator, as appropriate, 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.

(i) TRANSFER OF FUNDS 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 2018, 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) AUTHORITY TO COUNTER EXTREMISM.—Funds made available by this Act under the heading "Economic Support Fund" to counter extremism may be made available notwithstanding any other provision of law restricting assistance to foreign countries, except sections 502B and 620A of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961: *Provided*, That the use of the authority of this subsection shall be subject to prior consultation with the appropriate congressional committees, and the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations.

(k) 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 2018.

(l) 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, 2018" for "September 30, 2010".

(2) 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, 2018.

(3) 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, 2018" for "October 1, 2010" in subparagraph (B).

(4) 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) shall remain in effect through September 30, 2018.

(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 (Public Law 111–32)) 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.

(5) 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 2017" and inserting "2017, and 2018"; and

(ii) in subsection (e), by striking "2017" each place it appears and inserting "2018"; and

(B) in section 599E (8 U.S.C. 1255 note) in subsection (b)(2), by striking "2017" and inserting "2018".

(6) 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, 2018.

(7) 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 "2018" and inserting "2019".

(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 2018" and inserting "2018, and 2019".

(8) 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 be in effect for facilities in Afghanistan through September 30, 2018, except that the notification and reporting requirements contained in such section shall include the Committees on Appropriations.

(m) MONITORING AND EVALUATION.—Funds appropriated by this Act that are available for monitoring and evaluation of assistance under the headings "Development Assistance", "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, as appropriate, require implementing partners that receive funds under such headings to establish procedures for regularly collecting and responding to such feedback, inform the Department of State and USAID of such procedures, and report to the Department of State and USAID on actions taken in response to the feedback received: *Provided further*, 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.

(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 108–447) 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 Appropriation Act, 2005 (Public Law 108–447) 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) LOANS 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 Egypt, Jordan, Iraq, Tunisia, and Ukraine, 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, Jordan, 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, 2028.

(3) DESIGNATION REQUIREMENT.—Funds made available pursuant to paragraph (1) from prior Acts making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs that were previously 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 are designated by the Congress for Overseas Contingency Operations/Global War on Terrorism pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(ii) of such Act.

(4) CONSULTATION AND NOTIFICATION.—Funds made available pursuant to the authorities of 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) LOCAL WORKS.—

(1) The "Small Grants Program" established pursuant to section 7080 of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2015 (division J of Public Law 113–235) shall hereafter be referred to as "Local Works".

(2) Of the funds appropriated by this Act under the headings "Development Assistance", "Economic Support Fund", and "Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia", not less than $47,000,000 shall be made available for Local Works pursuant to section 7080 of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2015 (division J of Public Law 113–235), which may remain available until September 30, 2022.

(3) For the purposes of section 7080 of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2015 (division J 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 from USAID over the previous 5 fiscal years: *Provided*, That departments or centers of such educational institutions may be considered individually in determining such eligibility.

(q) DEPARTMENT OF STATE INSPECTOR GENERAL WAIVER AUTHORITY.—The Inspector General of the Department of State may waive the provisions of subsections (a) through (d) of section 824 of the Foreign Service Act of 1980 (22 U.S.C. 4064) on a case-by-case basis for an annuitant reemployed by the Inspector General on a temporary basis, subject to the same constraints and in the same manner by which the Secretary of State may exercise such waiver authority pursuant to subsection (g) of such section.

(r) DEFINITIONS.—

(1) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES.—Unless otherwise defined in this Act, for purposes of this Act the term "appropriate congressional committees" means the Committees on Appropriations and Foreign Relations of the Senate and the

Committees on Appropriations and Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives.

(2) FUNDS APPROPRIATED BY THIS ACT AND PRIOR ACTS.—Unless otherwise defined in this Act, for purposes of this Act the term "funds appropriated by this Act and prior Acts making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs" means funds that remain available for obligation, and have not expired.

(3) INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS.—In this Act "international financial institutions" means 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) SOUTHERN KORDOFAN REFERENCE.—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.

(5) USAID.—In this Act, the term "USAID" means the United States Agency for International Development.

(6) SPEND PLAN.—In this Act, the term "spend plan" means a plan for the uses of funds appropriated for a particular entity, country, program, purpose, or account and which shall include, at a minimum, a description of—

(A) realistic and sustainable goals, criteria for measuring progress, and a timeline for achieving such goals;

(B) amounts and sources of funds by account;

(C) how such funds will complement other ongoing or planned programs; and

(D) implementing partners, to the maximum extent practicable.

(7) CLARIFICATION.—In this Act, the terms "Assistant Secretary" and "Under Secretary" shall include individuals appointed by the President and confirmed by the Senate to serve in such designated positions, as well as individuals serving in acting capacities or performing functions pursuant to alter ego delegations with such designated "Assistant Secretary" and "Under Secretary" positions.

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, including 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 Jerusalem 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 2018, 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—

(A) the purpose of recognizing or otherwise honoring individuals who commit, or have committed acts of terrorism; and

(B) any educational institution located in the West Bank or Gaza that is named after an individual who the Secretary of State determines has committed an act 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) OVERSIGHT 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 $1,000,000 may be used by the Office of Inspector General of the United States Agency for International Development for audits, investigations, 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 2018 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 $112,500,000 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 for Egyptian students with high financial need to attend not-for-profit institutions of higher education: *Provided*, That such funds shall 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".

(C) LIMITATION.—None of the funds appropriated by this Act and prior Acts making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs under the heading "Economic Support Fund" may be made available for a contribution, voluntary or otherwise, to the "Civil Associations and Foundations Support Fund", or any similar fund, established pursuant to Law 70 on Associations and Other Foundations Working in the Field of Civil Work published in the Official Gazette of Egypt on May 29, 2017.

(3) FOREIGN MILITARY FINANCING PROGRAM.—

(A) CERTIFICATION.—Of the funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Foreign Military Financing Program", up to $1,300,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2019, may be made available for assistance for Egypt: *Provided*, 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 $300,000,000 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 sustained and 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, human rights defenders, 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;

(v) investigate and prosecute cases of extrajudicial killings and forced disappearances; and

(vi) provide regular access for United States officials to monitor such assistance in areas where the assistance is used:

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, and including an assessment of the compliance of the Government of Egypt with United Nations Security Council Resolution 2270 and other such resolutions regarding North Korea: *Provided*, That the report required by this paragraph shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may be accompanied by a classified annex.

(4) OVERSIGHT REQUIREMENT.—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.

(5) CONSULTATION REQUIREMENT.—Not later than 90 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State 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 section 7041(c)(2) 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 2018.

(3) REPORTS.—

(A) SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT.—The Secretary of State shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations the semi-annual report required by section 135 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2160e(d)(4)), as added by section 2 of the Iran Nuclear Agreement Review Act of 2015 (Public Law 114–17).

(B) SANCTIONS REPORT.—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 providing significant support for the development of a ballistic missile by the Government of Iran after October 1, 2015, including shipping and financing, 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 and security, and for stabilization programs, including in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq and other areas impacted by the conflict in Syria, and among religious and ethnic minority populations in Iraq: *Provided*, That such assistance shall be provided in accordance with the Constitution of Iraq: *Provided further*, That funds appropriated by this Act under the headings "International Disaster Assistance" and "Migration and Refugee Assistance" should be made available for assistance for the Kurdistan Region of Iraq to address the needs of internally displaced persons and refugees: *Provided further*, That the Secretary of State shall consult with the Committees on Appropriations prior to obligating funds made available for the Kurdistan Region of Iraq.

(2) 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 perma-

nent basing rights agreement between the United States and Iraq.

(d) JORDAN.—Of the funds appropriated by this Act under titles III and IV, not less than $1,525,000,000 shall be made available for assistance for Jordan, of which: not less than $1,082,400,000 shall be made available under the heading "Economic Support Fund", of which not less than $745,100,000 shall be made available for budget support for the Government of Jordan; and not less than $425,000,000 shall be made available under the heading "Foreign Military Financing Program".

(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 (8 U.S.C. 1189).

(2) CONSULTATION.—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 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, 2018: *Provided further*, That any notification submitted pursuant to such sections shall include any funds specifically intended for lethal military equipment.

(f) LIBYA.—

(1) FUNDING.—Funds appropriated by titles III and IV of this Act shall be made available for assistance for Libya for pro-

grams to strengthen governing institutions and civil society, improve border security, and promote stability in Libya, and for activities to address the humanitarian needs of the people of Libya: *Provided*, That section 7015(j) of this Act regarding notification of assistance diverted or destroyed shall apply to funds made available for assistance for 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 certifies and 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.—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.

(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 USAID Administrator, 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 2017.

(h) REFUGEE ASSISTANCE IN NORTH AFRICA.—Not later than 45 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State, after consultation with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and the Executive Director of the World Food Programme, shall submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations describing steps taken to strengthen monitoring of the delivery of humanitarian assistance provided for refugees in North Africa, including

any steps taken to ensure that all vulnerable refugees are receiving such assistance.

(i) NORTH AFRICA STRATEGY.—Not later than 60 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State, in consultation with the Secretary of Defense, shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a strategy for United States engagement in North Africa, which shall include detailed information on how diplomatic engagement and assistance will be prioritized for such region, including to address economic and security needs.

(j) RELIEF AND RECOVERY FUND.—

(1) FUNDS AND TRANSFER AUTHORITY.—Of the funds appropriated by this Act under the headings "Economic Support Fund", "International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement", "Nonproliferation, Anti-terrorism, Demining and Related Programs", "Peacekeeping Operations", and "Foreign Military Financing Program", not less than $500,000,000 shall be made available for the Relief and Recovery Fund for assistance for areas liberated from, at risk from, or under the control of, the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria, other terrorist organizations, or violent extremist organizations in the Middle East and Africa, including for stabilization assistance for vulnerable ethnic and religious minority communities affected by conflict: *Provided*, That such funds are in addition to amounts otherwise made available for such purposes and to amounts specifically designated in this Act or in the explanatory statement described in section 4 (in the matter preceding division A of this consolidated Act) for assistance for countries: *Provided further*, That such funds appropriated under such headings may be transferred to, and merged with, funds appropriated under such headings: *Provided further*, That such transfer authority is in addition to any other transfer authority provided by this Act or any other Act, and is subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations.

(2) TRANSITIONAL JUSTICE.—Of the funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement" that are made available for the Relief and Recovery Fund, not less than $5,000,000 shall be made available for programs to promote accountability in Iraq and Syria for genocide, crimes against humanity, and war crimes, which shall be in addition to any other funds made available by this Act for such purposes: *Provided*, That such programs shall include components to develop local investigative and judicial skills, and to collect and preserve evidence and maintain the chain of custody of evidence, including for use in prosecutions: *Provided further*, That such funds shall be administered by the Special Coordinator for the Office of Global Criminal Justice, Department of State: *Provided further*, That funds made available by this paragraph shall only be made available on an open and competitive basis.

(3) COST-MATCHING BASIS.—Funds appropriated pursuant to paragraph (1) shall be made available to the maximum extent practicable on a cost-matching basis from sources other than the United States Government.

(k) 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, to the extent practicable and notwithstanding any other provision of law, for non-lethal assistance to address the needs of civilians affected by conflict in Syria, and programs that seek to—

(A) establish local governance in Syria that is representative, inclusive, and accountable;

(B) empower women through political and economic programs, and address the psychosocial needs of women and their families in Syria and neighboring countries;

(C) develop and implement political processes that are democratic, transparent, and strengthen the rule of law;

(D) further the legitimacy and viability of the Syrian opposition, including local government structures in Syria and through cross-border programs;

(E) develop and sustain civil society and independent media in Syria;

(F) promote stability and 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) expand the role of women in negotiations to end the violence and in any political transition in Syria;

(I) assist Syrian refugees whose education has been interrupted by the ongoing conflict to complete higher education requirements at universities and other academic institutions in the region, and through distance learning;

(J) assist vulnerable populations in Syria and in neighboring countries;

(K) protect and preserve the cultural identity of the people of Syria as a counterbalance to extremism, particularly those living in neighboring countries and among youth;

(L) protect and preserve cultural heritage sites in Syria, particularly those damaged and destroyed by extremists;

(M) counter extremism in Syria; and

(N) facilitate the return of displaced persons to liberated areas in Syria.

(2) DEMINING AND UNEXPLODED ORDNANCE CLEARANCE.—Funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Nonproliferation, Anti-terrorism, Demining and Related Programs" for assistance for Syria shall be made available for demining and unexploded ordnance clearance programs.

(3) STRATEGY AND SYRIAN ORGANIZATIONS.—Funds appropriated by this Act that are made available for assistance for Syria pursuant to the authority of this subsection—

(A) 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 the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2014 (division K of Public Law 113–76); and

(B) shall be made available, on an open and competitive basis, to continue a program to strengthen the capability of Syrian civil society organizations to address the immediate and long-term needs of the Syrian people in Syria in a manner that supports the sustainability of such organizations in implementing Syrian-led humanitarian and development programs: *Provided*, That funds made available by this paragraph shall be administered by the Bureau for Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor, Department of State.

(4) LIMITATION.—None of the funds appropriated by this Act for assistance for Syria may be made available for a project or activity that supports or otherwise legitimizes the Government of Iran, foreign terrorist organizations (as designated pursuant to section 219 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1189)), or a proxy of Iran in Syria.

(5) MONITORING, OVERSIGHT, CONSULTATION, AND NOTIFICATION.—

(A) 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.

(B) Section 7015(j) of this Act regarding the notification of assistance diverted or destroyed shall apply to funds made available for assistance for Syria.

(C) 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.

(l) TUNISIA.—Of the funds appropriated under titles III and IV of this Act, not less than $165,400,000 shall be made available for assistance for Tunisia.

(m) 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 out-

side 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) initiated or actively supported an ICC investigation against Israeli nationals 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, the Palestine Liberation Organization, and any successor or affiliated organizations with such entities 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 2018 prior to the obligation of funds for the Palestinian Authority.

(4) SECURITY REPORT.—The reporting requirements 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.

(5) INCITEMENT REPORT.—Not later than 90 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State shall submit a report to the appropriate congressional committees detailing steps taken by the Palestinian Authority to counter incitement of violence against Israelis and to promote peace and coexistence with Israel.

AFRICA

SEC. 7042. (a) AFRICAN GREAT LAKES REGION ASSISTANCE RESTRICTION.—Funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "International Military Education and Training" for the central government of a country in the African Great Lakes region may be made available only for Expanded International Military Education and Training and professional military education until the Secretary of State determines and reports to the Committees on Appropriations that such government is not facilitating or otherwise participating in destabilizing activities in a neighboring country, including aiding and abetting armed groups.

(b) 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 for individuals displaced by Boko Haram violence; and

(2) may be made available for counterterrorism programs to combat Boko Haram.

(c) 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.

(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 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 Ethiopia only if such projects are developed and carried out in accordance with the requirements of section 7029(b)(2) of this Act.

(2) CONSULTATION.—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) REPORT.—Not later than 45 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations the report under this subsection in the explanatory statement described in section 4 (in the matter preceding division A of this consolidated Act).

(e) LAKE CHAD BASIN COUNTRIES.—Funds appropriated by this Act that are made available for assistance for Cameroon, Chad, Niger, and Nigeria should be made available, following consultation with the Committees on Appropriations, for—

(1) democracy programs, including to protect freedom of expression, association, assembly, and religion, including support for independent journalists, civil society, and democratic political parties;

(2) assistance for governments of such countries to strengthen accountability and the rule of law, including within the security forces; and

(3) health and development programs.

(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 of 2009 (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) MALAWI.—Of the funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Development Assistance", not less than $56,000,000 shall be made available for assistance for Malawi, of which up to $10,000,000 shall be made available for higher education programs.

(h) SOUTH SUDAN.—

(1) STRATEGY UPDATE.—Not later than 60 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State, in consultation with the USAID Administrator, shall submit an update to the strategy required in section 7042(i) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2017 (division J of Public Law 115–31).

(2) CERTIFICATION.—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 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;

(F) establish democratic institutions;

(G) establish accountable military and police forces under civilian authority; and

(H) investigate and prosecute individuals credibly alleged to have committed gross violations of human rights, including at the Terrain compound in Juba, South Sudan on July 11, 2016.

(3) EXCLUSIONS.—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 and mutual arrangements related to such Agreement.

(4) CONSULTATION.—Prior to the initial obligation of funds made available for the central Government of South Sudan pursuant to paragraphs (3)(B) and (C), the Secretary of State shall consult with the Committees on Appropriations on the intended uses of such funds, steps taken by such government to advance or implement a peace agreement, and progress made by the Government of South Sudan in meeting the requirements in paragraph (2).

(i) SUDAN.—

(1) LIMITATIONS.—

(A) ASSISTANCE.—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.

(B) LOANS.—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.

(2) EXCLUSIONS.—The limitations of paragraph (1) 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, mutual arrangements related to post-referendum issues associated with such Agreement, or any other internationally recognized viable peace agreement in Sudan.

(j) ZIMBABWE.—

(1) INSTRUCTION.—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) LIMITATION.—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) BURMA.—

(1) BILATERAL ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE.—

(A) ECONOMIC SUPPORT FUND.—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) USES.—Funds appropriated under title III of this Act for assistance for Burma—

(i) shall be made available to strengthen civil society organizations in Burma and for programs to strengthen independent media;

(ii) 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";

(iii) shall be made available for programs to promote ethnic and religious tolerance and to combat gender-based violence, including in Rakhine, Shan, Kachin, and Karen states;

(iv) shall be made available to promote rural economic development in Burma, including through microfinance programs;

(v) shall be made available to increase opportunities for foreign direct investment by strengthening the rule of law, transparency, and accountability;

(vi) shall be made available for programs to investigate and document allegations of ethnic cleansing and other gross violations of human rights committed against the Rohingya people in Rakhine state at not less than the amount specified for such programs in the table under this subsection in the explanatory

statement described in section 4 (in the matter preceding division A of this consolidated Act): *Provided*, That such funds shall be made available for civil society organizations in Bangladesh and Burma for such purposes: *Provided further*, That prior to the obligation of such funds, the Assistant Secretary for Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor, Department of State, shall ensure the establishment of a standard documentation format and documentation procedures for use by such organizations, and shall identify an appropriate repository for such information: *Provided further*, That such sums shall be in addition to funds otherwise made available for such purposes;

(vii) shall be made available for programs to investigate and document allegations of gross violations of human rights committed in Burma, particularly in areas of conflict: *Provided*, That such funds shall be made available for civil society and international organizations, including those in countries bordering Burma, at not less than the amount specified for such programs in the table under this subsection in the explanatory statement described in section 4 (in the matter preceding division A of this consolidated Act);

(viii) shall be made available to support the implementation of the August 2017 Final Report of the Advisory Commission on Rakhine State entitled "Towards a Peaceful, Fair and Prosperous Future for the People of Rakhine";

(ix) may not be made available to any individual or organization if the Secretary of State has credible information that such individual or organization has committed a gross violation of human rights, including against Rohingya and other minority groups, or that advocates violence against ethnic or religious groups or individuals in Burma;

(x) may not be made available to any organization or entity controlled by the armed forces of Burma;

(xi) may be made available 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

(xii) may only be made available for programs to support the return of Rohingya, Karen, and other refugees and internally displaced persons to their locations of origin or preference in Burma if such returns are voluntary and consistent with international law.

(C) REGIONAL PROGRAMS.—Funds appropriated under title III of this Act shall be made available for regional programs to address violent extremism, which shall be administered by the Mission Director of the Regional Development Mission for Asia, USAID.

(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 are developed and carried out in accordance with the requirements of section 7029(b)(2) of this Act.

(4) CERTIFICATION AND WAIVER.—

(A) Notwithstanding any provision of this subsection, of the funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Economic Support Fund" that are made available for assistance for Burma, 15 percent may not be obligated until the Secretary of State certifies and reports to the Committees on Appropriations that the Government of Burma—

(i) has terminated military cooperation with North Korea;

(ii) is respecting human rights and the rule of law, including the arrest and prosecution of journalists and two Kachin pastors in December 2016;

(iii) is revising, updating, or repealing colonial-era and other oppressive laws that are used in such prosecutions, including the Unlawful Associations Act; and

(iv) is credibly investigating the murder of U Ko Ni, and is taking steps to protect and defend the security and safety of other activists.

(B) The Secretary of State may waive the requirements of this paragraph if the Secretary determines and reports to the Committees on Appropriations that do so is in the national interest.

(5) PROGRAMS, POSITION, AND RESPONSIBILITIES.—

(A) Any new program or activity in Burma initiated in fiscal year 2018 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 2018.

(C) The United States Chief of Mission in Burma, in consultation with the Assistant Secretary for Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor, Department of State, shall be responsible for democracy and human rights programs in Burma.

(b) CAMBODIA.—

(1) ASSISTANCE.—

(A) None of the funds appropriated by this Act that are made available for assistance for the Government of Cambodia may be obligated or expended unless the Secretary of State certifies and reports to the Committees on Appro-

priations that such Government is taking effective steps to—

(i) strengthen regional security and stability, particularly regarding territorial disputes in the South China Sea and the enforcement of international sanctions with respect to North Korea; and

(ii) respect the rights and responsibilities enshrined in the Constitution of the Kingdom of Cambodia as enacted in 1993, including through the—

(I) restoration of the civil and political rights of the opposition Cambodia National Rescue Party, media, and civil society organizations;

(II) restoration of all elected officials to their elected offices; and

(III) release of all political prisoners, including journalists, civil society activists, and members of the opposition political party.

(B) Funds appropriated under title III of this Act for assistance for Cambodia shall be made available for—

(i) democracy programs, including research and education programs associated with the Khmer Rouge in Cambodia, except that no funds for such purposes may be made available to the Extraordinary Chambers in the Court of Cambodia; and

(ii) programs in the Khmer language to counter the influence of the People's Republic of China in Cambodia.

(2) VISA RESTRICTION.—Funds appropriated under title I of this Act shall be made available to continue to implement the policy announced by the Department of State on December 6, 2017, to restrict the issuance of visas to enter the United States to individuals involved in undermining democracy in Cambodia, including the family members of such individuals, as appropriate: *Provided*, That not later than 30 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State shall submit a report to the appropriate congressional committees describing the implementation of such policy.

(c) NORTH KOREA.—

(1) CYBERSECURITY.—None of the funds appropriated by this Act and prior Acts making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs may be made available for assistance for the central government of a country the Secretary of State determines and reports to the appropriate congressional committees engages in significant transactions contributing materially to the malicious cyber-intrusion capabilities of the Government of North Korea: *Provided*, That the Secretary of State shall submit the report required by section 209 of the North Korea Sanctions and Policy Enhancement Act of 2016 (Public Law 114–122; 22 U.S.C. 9229), as amended, to the Committees on Appropriations in the manner described in subparagraph (2)(A) of such section: *Provided further*, That the Secretary of State may waive the application of the restriction in this paragraph with respect to assistance for the central government of a country if the Sec-

retary determines and reports to the appropriate congressional committees that to do so is important to the national security interest of the United States, including a description of such interest served.

(2) BROADCASTS.—Funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "International Broadcasting Operations" shall be made available to maintain broadcasting hours into North Korea at levels not less than the prior fiscal year.

(3) REFUGEES.—Funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Migration and Refugee Assistance" should be made available for assistance for refugees from North Korea, including protection activities in the People's Republic of China and other countries in Asia.

(4) HUMAN RIGHTS PROMOTION, DATABASE, AND LIMITATION ON USE OF FUNDS.—

(A) HUMAN RIGHTS PROMOTION.—Of the funds appropriated by this Act under the headings "Economic Support Fund" and "Democracy Fund", not less than $8,000,000 shall be made available for the promotion of human rights in North Korea: *Provided*, That such funds shall be administered by the Assistant Secretary for Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor, Department of State: *Provided further*, That the authority of section 7032(b) of this Act shall apply to such funds.

(B) DATABASE.—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).

(C) LIMITATION.—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.

(d) PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA.—

(1) LIMITATION ON USE OF FUNDS.—None of the funds appropriated under the heading "Diplomatic and Consular Programs" 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) AUTHORITY AND NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENT.—

(A) AUTHORITY.—The uses of funds made available by this Act for the promotion of democracy in the PRC, except for funds made available under subsection (f), shall be the responsibility of the Assistant Secretary for Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor, Department of State.

(B) NOTIFICATION.—Funds appropriated by this Act that are made available for trilateral programs conducted with the PRC shall be subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations.

(e) PHILIPPINES.—Funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement" may be made available for counternarcotics assistance for the Philippine National Police only if the Secretary of State determines and reports to the Committees on Appropriations that the Government of the Philippines has adopted and is implementing a counternarcotics strategy that is consistent with international human rights standards, including investigating and prosecuting individuals who are credibly alleged to have ordered, committed, or covered up extrajudicial killings and other gross violations of human rights in the conduct of counternarcotics operations: *Provided*, That the limitation of this paragraph shall not apply to funds made available for drug demand reduction or maritime programs, or to support for the development of such counternarcotics strategy following consultation with the appropriate congressional committees.

(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) TIBET AUTONOMOUS REGION.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, of the funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Economic Support Fund", not less than $8,000,000 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 Tibet Autonomous Region and in other Tibetan communities in China.

(B) INDIA AND NEPAL.—Of the funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Economic Support Fund", not less than $6,000,000 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.

(C) TIBETAN GOVERNANCE.—Of the funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Economic Support Fund", not less than $3,000,000 shall be made available for programs to strengthen the capacity of Tibetan institutions and governance.

(g) VIETNAM.—

(1) DIOXIN REMEDIATION.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, of the funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Economic Support Fund", not less than $20,000,000 shall be made available for activities related to the 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.—Of the funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Development Assistance", not less than $10,000,000 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 or cognitive or developmental disabilities.

SOUTH AND CENTRAL ASIA

SEC. 7044. (a) AFGHANISTAN.—

(1) 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, including government entity, if the Secretary of State has credible information that such individual, organization, or entity is involved in corrupt practices, illicit narcotics production or trafficking, or a violation of human rights;

(ii) cannot be sustained, as appropriate, by the Government of Afghanistan or another Afghan entity;

(iii) is not regularly accessible for the purposes of conducting effective oversight in accordance with applicable Federal statutes and regulations;

(iv) initiates any new, major infrastructure development; or

(v) is conducted in areas where project and resource disbursement monitoring cannot be performed, unless

the Secretary of State, in consultation with the Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development, 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 describing such interest, including how such project or activity does not legitimize the Taliban or other extremist organizations.

(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 or other incentive-based programs;

(iii) the Government of Afghanistan is implementing laws and policies to govern democratically and protect the rights of individuals, civil society, and the media;

(iv) the Government of Afghanistan is taking consistent steps to protect and advance the rights of women and girls in Afghanistan;

(v) the Government of Afghanistan is effectively implementing a whole-of-government, anti-corruption strategy that has been endorsed by the High Council on Rule of Law and Anti-Corruption, as agreed to at the Brussels Conference on Afghanistan in October 2016, and is prosecuting individuals alleged to be involved in corrupt or illegal activities in Afghanistan;

(vi) 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, including in areas under the control of the Taliban or other extremist organizations;

(vii) the necessary policies and procedures are in place to ensure Government of Afghanistan compliance with section 7013 of this Act, "Prohibition on Taxation of United States Assistance"; and

(viii) the Government of Afghanistan is publicly reporting its national budget, including revenues and expenditures.

(C) WAIVER.—The Secretary of State 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 of the requirements of subparagraph (B) cannot be met.

(D) PROGRAMS.—Funds appropriated by this Act that are made available for assistance for Afghanistan shall be made available—

(i) for programs that protect and strengthen 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 organizations, to the maximum extent practicable;

(ii) for programs in South and Central Asia to expand linkages between Afghanistan and countries in the region; and

(iii) to assist the Government of Afghanistan to develop transparent budgetary processes, including executing a consistently applied system of legitimate revenue generation and expenditure.

(E) TAXATION.—None of the funds appropriated by this Act for assistance for Afghanistan may be made available for direct government-to-government assistance unless the Secretary of State certifies and reports to the Committees on Appropriations that—

(i) the United States Government and the Government of Afghanistan have in place the agreements necessary to ensure compliance with the principles set forth in section 7013 of this Act; and

(ii) United States companies and organizations that are implementing United States assistance programs in Afghanistan in a manner consistent with United States laws and regulations are not subjected by the Government of Afghanistan to taxes or other fees in contravention of the agreements referenced in clause (i), and are not subjected to retaliation by the Government of Afghanistan for the nonpayment of such taxes or fees imposed in the past: *Provided*, That not later than 90 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations an assessment of the dollar value of improper taxes or fees levied by such government against such companies and organizations in fiscal year 2017.

(2) 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 paragraph (1)(B)(i): *Provided*, That not later than 6 months after the submission of such report and every 6 months thereafter until September 30, 2019, 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.

(3) 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 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 for assistance for Afghanistan.

(4) 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) NEPAL.—

(1) ASSISTANCE.—Not less than $121,480,000 of the funds appropriated by this Act under the headings "Global Health Programs", "Economic Support Fund", "International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement", and "Nonproliferation, Antiterrorism, Demining and Related Programs" shall be made available for assistance for Nepal, including for earthquake recovery and reconstruction programs.

(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 laws of war, and the Nepal Army is cooperating fully with civilian judicial authorities in such cases.

(c) PAKISTAN.—

(1) INTERNATIONAL SECURITY ASSISTANCE.—

(A) LIMITATION.—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) CONSULTATION.—Not later than 30 days after enactment of this Act, and prior to the submission of the report

required by section 653(a) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, the Secretary of State shall consult with the Committees on Appropriations on the amount of funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Foreign Military Financing Program" that is anticipated to be subject to the January 2018 policy decision of the United States to suspend security assistance for Pakistan: *Provided*, That the Secretary shall promptly inform the appropriate congressional committees in writing of any changes to such policy, the justification for such changes, and the progress made by the Government of Pakistan in meeting the counterterrorism objectives described under this section in the explanatory statement described in section 4 (in the matter preceding division A of this consolidated Act).

(C) REPROGRAMMING.—Funds appropriated by this Act and prior Acts making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs under the heading "Foreign Military Financing Program" for assistance for Pakistan that are withheld from obligation or expenditure by the Department of State may be reprogrammed by the Secretary of State, except that no such funds may be reprogrammed that are required to complete payment on existing and previously approved contracts: *Provided*, That such reprogramming shall be subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations.

(2) BILATERAL ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE REPORT.—Prior to the obligation of funds made available by this Act under the heading "Economic Support Fund" for assistance for the central Government of Pakistan, the Secretary of State shall submit a report to the appropriate congressional committees detailing—

(A) the amount of financing and other support, if any, provided by the Government of Pakistan to schools supported by, affiliated with, or run by the Taliban or any domestic or foreign terrorist organization in Pakistan;

(B) the extent of cooperation by such government in issuing visas in a timely manner for United States visitors, including officials and representatives of nongovernmental organizations, engaged in assistance and security programs in Pakistan; and

(C) the extent to which such government is providing humanitarian organizations access to detainees, internally displaced persons, and other Pakistani civilians affected by conflict in Pakistan and the region.

(3) AUTHORITY AND USES OF FUNDS.—

(A) Funds appropriated by this Act for assistance for Pakistan may be made available notwithstanding any other provision of law, except for section 620M of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961.

(B) Funds appropriated by this Act for assistance for Pakistan that are made available for infrastructure projects shall be implemented in a manner consistent with section 507(6) of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2467(6)).

(C) The authorities 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) regarding scholarships for women shall apply to funds appropriated by this Act for assistance for Pakistan, following consultation with the Committees on Appropriations.

(D) Funds appropriated by this Act under the headings "Economic Support Fund" and "Nonproliferation, Anti-terrorism, Demining and Related Programs" that are made available for assistance for Pakistan shall be made available to interdict precursor materials from Pakistan to Afghanistan that are used to manufacture improvised explosive devices and for agriculture extension programs that encourage alternative fertilizer use among Pakistani farmers to decrease the dual use of fertilizer in the manufacturing of improvised explosive devices.

(E) Funds appropriated by this Act for assistance for Pakistan shall be made available for border security programs, following consultation with the Committees on Appropriations.

(F) Funds appropriated by title III of this Act shall be made available for programs to promote democracy in Pakistan.

(4) WITHHOLDING.—Of the funds appropriated under titles III and IV 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.

(5) 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: *Provided*, That the Secretary shall inform the Committees on Appropriations of such steps in a timely manner.

(d) SRI LANKA.—

(1) BILATERAL ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE.—Of the funds appropriated under title III of this Act, not less than $35,000,000 shall be made available for assistance for Sri Lanka for economic development and democracy 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—

(A) repealing laws that do not comply with international standards for arrest and detention by security forces, and ensuring that any successor legislation meets such standards;

(B) increasing accountability and transparency in governance;

(C) investigating allegations of arbitrary arrest and torture, and supporting a credible justice mechanism in compliance with United Nations Human Rights Council Resolution (A/HCR/30/L.29) of October 2015;

(D) returning military occupied private lands in former conflict zones to their rightful owners or compensating those whose land was confiscated without due process, which includes legal steps and surveys to determine proper title to disputed lands, and which is in addition to steps taken during the previous calendar year;

(E) establishing a functioning office of missing persons and assisting its investigations of cases of missing persons from Sri Lanka's internal armed conflicts, and publishing lists of all persons who surrendered to such Government after the end of the civil war in May 2009; and

(F) substantially reducing the presence of the armed forces in former conflict zones and implementing a plan for restructuring and reducing the size of the armed forces to adopt a peacetime role that contributes to post-conflict reconciliation and regional security.

(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) not to exceed $500,000 under the heading "Foreign Military Financing Program" may only be made available for programs to support humanitarian and disaster response preparedness and maritime security; and

(B) funds under the heading "Peacekeeping Operations" may only be made available for training and equipment related to international peacekeeping operations, and only if the Government of Sri Lanka is taking effective steps to bring to justice Sri Lankan peacekeeping troops who have engaged in sexual exploitation and abuse.

(e) REGIONAL PROGRAMS.—

(1) CROSS BORDER PROGRAMS.—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) SECURITY AND JUSTICE PROGRAMS.—Funds appropriated by this Act that are made available for assistance for countries in South and Central Asia shall be made available to accelerate the recruitment and enhance the retention and professionalism of women in the judiciary, police, and other security forces.

LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

SEC. 7045. (a) 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 $615,000,000 may be made available for assistance for countries in Central America to implement the United States Strategy for Engagement in Central America (the Strategy): *Provided*, 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 an updated multi-year spend plan as described under this subsection in the explanatory statement described in section 4 (in the matter preceding division A of this consolidated Act).

(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, except for funds made available for the International Commission against Impunity in Guatemala or the Mission to Support the Fight against Corruption and Impunity in 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—

(i) informing its citizens of the dangers of the journey to the southwest border of the United States;

(ii) combating human smuggling and trafficking;

(iii) improving border security, including preventing illegal migration, human smuggling and trafficking, and trafficking of illicit drugs and other contraband; and

(iv) cooperating 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 for asylum, 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—

(i) working cooperatively with an autonomous, publicly accountable entity to provide oversight of the Plan of the Alliance for Prosperity in the Northern Triangle in Central America (the Plan);

(ii) combating corruption, including investigating and prosecuting current and former government officials credibly alleged to be corrupt;

(iii) implementing 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) implementing a policy to ensure 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) countering the activities of criminal gangs, drug traffickers, and organized crime;

(vi) investigating and prosecuting in the civilian justice system government personnel, including military and police personnel, who are credibly alleged to have violated human rights, and ensuring that such personnel are cooperating in such cases;

(vii) cooperating with commissions against corruption and impunity and with regional human rights entities;

(viii) supporting programs to reduce poverty, expand education and vocational training for at-risk youth, create jobs, and promote equitable economic growth, particularly in areas contributing to large numbers of migrants;

(ix) implementing a plan that includes goals, benchmarks, and timelines to create a professional, accountable civilian police force and end the role of the military in internal policing, and make such plan available to the Department of State;

(x) protecting the right of political opposition parties, journalists, trade unionists, human rights defenders, and other civil society activists to operate without interference;

(xi) increasing government revenues, including by implementing tax reforms and strengthening customs agencies; and

(xii) resolving commercial disputes, including the confiscation of real property, between United States entities and such government.

(4) DETERMINATIONS AND IMPACT ON ASSISTANCE.—

(A) INSUFFICIENT PROGRESS.—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): *Provided*, That if the Secretary determines and reports to the appropriate congressional committees that sufficient progress has not been made by such government in meeting such requirements, the Secretary shall suspend, in whole or in part, assistance for such government for programs supporting such requirement, and shall notify the appropriate congressional committees in writing of such action: *Provided further*, That the Secretary may resume such assistance if the Secretary determines and reports to such committees that corrective measures have been taken by such government.

(B) EXTRAORDINARY PROGRESS.—The Secretary of State may, notwithstanding section 7019 of this Act, increase assistance for El Salvador, Guatemala, or Honduras if the Secretary determines and reports to the appropriate congressional committees that the central government of such country has made extraordinary progress in meeting the requirements of paragraphs (3)(A) and (3)(B): *Provided*, That such increase shall be provided in the amounts designated as Award for Extraordinary Progress in the table under this section in the explanatory statement described in section 4 (in the matter preceding division A of this consolidated Act): *Provided further*, That such determination may be made for not more than one country and following the submission of the reports for such country submitted pursuant to paragraphs (3)(A) and (3)(B).

(C) CHANGE IN NATIONAL GOVERNMENT.—Not later than 90 days following a change of national government in El Salvador, Guatemala, or Honduras, the Secretary of State shall determine whether or not such government is meeting the requirements of paragraphs (3)(A) and (3)(B) and submit a report to the appropriate congressional committees detailing the reasons for such determination: *Provided*, That if the Secretary determines that such government is not meeting such requirements, then the Secretary shall suspend, in whole or in part, assistance for such central government until such time as such determination and report can be made.

(D) REPROGRAMMING.—

(i) Assistance suspended pursuant to subparagraphs (A) or (C) may be reprogrammed if the Secretary of State determines that corrective measures have not been taken.

(ii) If the Secretary is unable to make a determination pursuant to subparagraph (B) within 180 days after enactment of this Act, amounts designated under such subparagraph may be reprogrammed.

(iii) Any reprogramming made pursuant to clauses (i) or (ii) shall only be made available for assistance for other countries in Latin America and the Caribbean and shall be subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations.

(5) CONSULTATION.—The Secretary of State shall consult with the Committees on Appropriations not less than 14 days prior to submitting any certification made pursuant to subsection (a)(3) and any suspension or reprogramming made pursuant to subsection (a)(4).

(6) LIMITATION.—None of the funds made available by this subsection for assistance for countries in Central America may be made available for direct government-to-government assistance or for major infrastructure projects.

(b) COLOMBIA.—

(1) ASSISTANCE.—Of the funds appropriated by this Act under titles III and IV, not less than $391,253,000 shall be

made available for assistance for Colombia, including to support the efforts of the Government of Colombia to—

(A) conduct a unified campaign against narcotics trafficking, organizations designated as foreign terrorist organizations pursuant to section 219 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1189), and other criminal or illegal armed groups: *Provided*, That aircraft supported by funds made available by this Act and prior Acts making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs may be used to transport personnel and supplies involved in drug eradication and interdiction, including security for such activities, and to provide transport in support of alternative development programs and investigations by civilian judicial authorities;

(B) enhance security and stability in Colombia and the region;

(C) strengthen and expand governance, the rule of law, and access to justice throughout Colombia;

(D) promote economic and social development, including by improving access to areas impacted by conflict through demining programs; and

(E) implement a peace agreement between the Government of Colombia and illegal armed groups, in accordance with constitutional and legal requirements in Colombia:

Provided, That such funds shall be subject to prior consultation with, and the regular notification procedures of, the Committees on Appropriations.

(2) LIMITATION.—None of the funds appropriated by this Act or prior Acts making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs that are made available for assistance for Colombia may be made available for payment of reparations to conflict victims or compensation to demobilized combatants associated with a peace agreement between the Government of Colombia and illegal armed groups.

(3) PRE-OBLIGATION REQUIREMENTS.—Prior to the initial obligation of funds made available pursuant to paragraph (1), the Secretary of State, in consultation with the USAID Administrator, shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations an updated multi-year spend plan as described under this subsection in the explanatory statement described in section 4 (in the matter preceding division A of this consolidated Act).

(4) APPORTIONMENT AND TRANSFER.—Funds made available by this Act under the heading "Economic Support Fund" for assistance for Colombia shall be apportioned directly to USAID, except that not less than $7,000,000 of such funds 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.

(5) COUNTERNARCOTICS.—Of the funds made available by this Act under the headings "Economic Support Fund" and "International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement" for counternarcotics assistance for Colombia, 25 percent may be obligated only after the Secretary of State certifies and reports

to the Committees on Appropriations that the Government of Colombia has reduced overall illicit drug cultivation, production, and trafficking.

(6) HUMAN RIGHTS.—Of the funds made available by this Act under the heading "Foreign Military Financing Program" for assistance for Colombia, 20 percent may be obligated only in accordance with the conditions set forth under section 7045 in Senate Report 115–152.

(7) EXCEPTIONS.—The limitations of paragraphs (5) and (6) shall not apply to funds made available for aviation instruction and maintenance, and maritime and riverine security programs.

(c) HAITI.—

(1) CERTIFICATION.—Funds appropriated by this Act under the headings "Development Assistance" and "Economic Support Fund" that are made available for assistance for Haiti 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 such government is taking effective steps, which are in addition to steps taken since the certification and report submitted during the prior year, if applicable, to—

(A) strengthen the rule of law in Haiti, including by—

(i) selecting judges in a transparent manner based on merit;

(ii) reducing pre-trial detention;

(iii) respecting the independence of the judiciary; and

(iv) improving governance by implementing reforms to increase transparency and accountability, including through the penal and criminal codes;

(B) combat corruption, including by implementing the anti-corruption law enacted in 2014 and prosecuting corrupt officials;

(C) increase government revenues, including by implementing tax reforms, and increasing expenditures on public services; and

(D) resolve commercial disputes between United States entities and the Government of Haiti.

(2) 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) VENEZUELA.—Of the funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Economic Support Fund", not less than $15,000,000 shall be made available for programs to promote democracy and the rule of law in Venezuela.

EUROPE AND EURASIA

SEC. 7046. (a) ASSISTANCE.—

(1) GEORGIA.—Of the funds appropriated by this Act under titles III and IV, not less than $105,325,000 shall be made available for assistance for Georgia.

(2) UKRAINE.—Of the funds appropriated by this Act under titles III and IV, not less than $420,700,000 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 such 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 the previous proviso, the Secretary 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 (22 U.S.C. 5812 note) shall not apply to—

(1) activities to support democracy or assistance under title V of the FREEDOM Support Act (22 U.S.C. 5851 et seq.) 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 (Public Law 79–173); or

(6) humanitarian assistance.

(d) TURKEY.—None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to facilitate or support the sale of defense articles or defense services to the Turkish Presidential Protection Directorate (TPPD) under chapter 2 of the Arms Export Control Act (22 U.S.C. 2761 et seq.), unless the Secretary of State determines and reports to the appropriate congressional committees that members of the TPPD named in the July 17, 2017 indictment by the Superior Court of the District of Columbia have returned to the United States to stand trial in connection with the offenses contained in such indictment or have otherwise been brought to justice: *Provided*, That the limitation in this paragraph shall not apply to the use of funds made available by this Act for border security purposes, for North Atlantic Treaty Organization or coalition operations, or to enhance the protection of United States officials and facilities in Turkey.

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) RESTRICTIONS.—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 determines and 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;

(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; and

(C) effectively implementing and enforcing policies and procedures on the appropriate use of travel funds, including restrictions on first class and business class travel.

(2) WAIVER.—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) RESTRICTIONS ON UNITED STATES DELEGATIONS.—None of the funds made available by 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) RESTRICTIONS ON CONTRIBUTIONS.—None of the funds made available by 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, commission, 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) WAIVER.—The Secretary of State may waive the restriction in this subsection 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, including a description of the national interest served.

(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 such Council is taking significant steps to remove Israel as a permanent agenda item and ensure integrity in the election of members to such Council: *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 and ensure integrity in the election of members to such Council: *Provided further*, That the Secretary of State shall report to the Committees on Appropriations not later than September 30, 2018, 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 and ensure integrity in the election of members to such Council.

(d) UNITED NATIONS RELIEF AND WORKS AGENCY.—Prior to the initial obligation of funds for the United Nations Relief and Works Agency (UNRWA), and 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 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) PROHIBITION OF PAYMENTS TO UNITED NATIONS MEMBERS.—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.

(f) CAPITAL PROJECTS.—None of the funds made available by this Act may be used for the design, renovation, or construction of the United Nations Headquarters in New York: *Provided*, That any operating plan submitted pursuant to this Act for funds made available under the heading "Contributions to International Organizations" shall include information on capital projects, as described under such heading in House Report 115–253.

(g) 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 2018 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.

(h) SEXUAL EXPLOITATION AND ABUSE IN PEACEKEEPING OPERATIONS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Funds appropriated by this Act shall be made available to implement section 301 of the Department of State Authorities Act, Fiscal Year 2017 (Public Law 114–323).

(2) WITHHOLDING OF FUNDS.—The Secretary of State should withhold assistance to any unit of the security forces of a foreign country if the Secretary has credible information that such unit has engaged in sexual exploitation or abuse, including while serving in a United Nations peacekeeping operation, until the Secretary determines that the government of such country is taking effective steps to bring the responsible members of such unit to justice and to prevent future incidents: *Provided*, That the Secretary shall promptly notify the government of each country subject to any withholding of assistance pursuant to this paragraph, and shall notify the appropriate congressional committees of such withholding not later than 10 days after a determination to withhold such assistance is made: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall, to the maximum extent practicable, assist such government in bringing the responsible members of such unit to justice.

(3) TRANSFER OF FUNDS.—Of the funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Economic Support Fund", not less than $1,000,000 shall be transferred to, and merged with, funds appropriated under the heading "International Organizations and Programs" for the United Nations Office of the Special Coordinator on Improving the UN Response to Sexual Exploitation and Abuse: *Provided*, That such transfer authority shall be exercised not later than 60 days after enactment of this Act.

(i) ADDITIONAL AVAILABILITY.—Funds appropriated under titles I and V of this Act which are returned or not made available due to the implementation of subsection (a) or the second proviso under the heading "Contributions for International Peacekeeping Activities" of such title shall remain available for obligation until September 30, 2019.

(j) NATIONAL SECURITY INTEREST WITHHOLDING.—

(1) WITHHOLDING.—The Secretary of State shall withhold 5 percent of the funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Contributions to International Organizations" for a specialized agency or other entity of the United Nations if the Secretary, in consultation with the United States Ambassador to the United Nations, determines and reports to the Committees on Appropriations that such agency or entity has taken an official action that is against the national security interest of the United States or an ally of the United States, including Israel.

(2) RELEASE OF FUNDS.—The Secretary of State, in consultation with the United States Ambassador to the United Nations, may release funds withheld pursuant to paragraph (1) if the Secretary determines and reports to the Committees on Appro-

priations that such agency or entity is taking steps to address the action that resulted in the withholding of such funds.

(3) REPROGRAMMING.—Should the Secretary of State be unable to make a determination pursuant to paragraph (2) regarding the release of withheld funds, such funds may be reprogrammed for other purposes under the heading "Contributions to International Organizations".

(4) WAIVER.—The Secretary of State, following consultation with the Committees on Appropriations, may waive the requirements of this subsection if the Secretary determines that to do so in the national interest.

COMMUNITY-BASED POLICE ASSISTANCE

SEC. 7049. 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.

DISABILITY PROGRAMS

SEC. 7050. (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 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.

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, COORDINATION, AND USE

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.

(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) AUTHORITY.—The uses of aircraft purchased or leased by the Department of State and the United States Agency for International Development 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 in connection with 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) SCOPE.—The requirement and authorities of this subsection shall only apply to aircraft, the primary purpose of which is the transportation of personnel.

(d) AIRCRAFT OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE.—To the maximum extent practicable, the costs of operations and maintenance, including fuel, of aircraft funded by this Act shall be borne by the recipient country.

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, 2017".

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; 22 U.S.C. 2151a note).

CONTINUOUS SUPERVISION AND GENERAL DIRECTION OF ECONOMIC AND MILITARY ASSISTANCE

SEC. 7056. (a) Under the direction of the President, the Secretary of State shall be responsible for the continuous supervision and general direction of economic assistance, law enforcement and justice sector assistance, military assistance, and military education and training programs, including but not limited to determining whether there shall be a military assistance (including civic action) or a military education and training program for a country and the value thereof, to the end that such programs are effectively integrated both at home and abroad and the foreign policy of the United States is best served thereby.

(b) Consistent with section 481(b) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, the Secretary of State shall be responsible for coordinating all assistance provided by the United States Government to support international efforts to combat illicit narcotics production or trafficking: *Provided*, That the provision of assistance by the Department of Defense which is comparable to assistance that may be made available by this Act under the heading "International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement" shall be provided in a man-

ner consistent with the requirements of section 333(b) of title 10, United States Code, as added by section 1241 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (Public Law 114–328).

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 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 (22 U.S.C. 3948 and 3949).

(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, 2019.

(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 (22 U.S.C. 3949), 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; 7 U.S.C. 1721 et seq.), 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; 7 U.S.C. 1721 et seq.), 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 2018 pursuant to the application of any other provision contained in this or any other Act.

(c) CONTAGIOUS INFECTIOUS DISEASE OUTBREAKS.—

(1) EXTRAORDINARY MEASURES.—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 appropriated by this Act under the headings "Global Health Programs", "Development Assistance", "International Disaster Assistance", "Complex Crises Fund", "Economic Support Fund", "Democracy Fund", "Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia", "Migration and Refugee Assistance", and "Millennium Challenge Corporation" may be made available to combat such infectious disease or public health emergency, and may be transferred to, and merged with, funds appropriated under such headings for the purposes of this paragraph.

(2) CONSULTATION AND NOTIFICATION.—Funds made available by this subsection shall be subject to prior consultation with the appropriate congressional committees, and the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations.

(3) GLOBAL HEALTH SECURITY.—Not later than 180 days after enactment of this Act, a global health security strategy shall be submitted to the appropriate congressional committees in the manner described under this section in the explanatory statement described in section 4 (in the matter preceding division A of this consolidated Act).

(d) REPURPOSED FUNDS.—(1) Of the unobligated balances available under the heading "Bilateral Economic Assistance" in title IX of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Pro-

grams Appropriations Act, 2015 (division J of Public Law 113–235)—

(A) $35,000,000 shall be made available for the Emergency Reserve Fund established pursuant to section 7058(c)(1) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2017 (division J of Public Law 115–31): *Provided*, That such funds may only be made available if the USAID Administrator determines and reports to the Committees on Appropriations that it is in the national interest to respond to an emerging health threat that poses severe threats to human health;

(B) $100,000,000 shall be for programs to accelerate the capabilities of targeted countries to prevent, detect, and respond to infectious disease outbreaks; and

(C) $10,000,000 shall be made available for support of a multi-partner trust fund or other multilateral efforts to assist communities in Haiti affected by cholera resulting from the United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti: *Provided*, That prior to the obligation of such funds, the Secretary of State shall ensure that mechanisms are in place for monitoring, oversight, and control of such funds: *Provided further*, That such funds shall be subject to prior consultation with, and the regular notification procedures of, the Committees on Appropriations.

(2) Funds made available pursuant to this subsection are in addition to funds otherwise made available for such purposes.

(3) Funds made available pursuant to this subsection under the headings "Global Health Programs" and "International Disaster Assistance" may be transferred to, and merged with, funds made available under such headings: *Provided*, That such transfer authority is in addition to any other transfer authority provided by law.

(4) The amounts repurposed under this subsection are 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 and shall be available only if the President subsequently so designates all such amounts and transmits such designations to the Congress.

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", "Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia", 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.

(e) WOMEN AND GIRLS AT RISK FROM EXTREMISM.—

(1) ASSISTANCE.—Of the funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Economic Support Fund", not less than $15,000,000 shall be made available to support women and girls who are at risk from extremism and conflict, and for activities to—

(A) empower women and girls to counter extremism;

(B) address the needs of women and girls adversely impacted by extremism and conflict;

(C) document crimes committed by extremists against women and girls, and support investigations and prosecutions of such crimes, as appropriate;

(D) increase the participation and influence of women in formal and informal political processes and institutions at the local level and within traditional governing structures;

(E) support reconciliation programs between impacted minority, religious, and ethnic groups and the broader community;

(F) develop and implement legal reforms and protections for women and girls at the national and local government levels; and

(G) create and sustain networks for women and girls to collectively safeguard their rights on a regional basis.

(2) CLARIFICATION AND NOTIFICATION.—Funds made available pursuant to paragraph (1)—

(A) are in addition to amounts otherwise available by this Act for such purposes; and

(B) shall be made available following consultation with, and subject to the regular notification procedures of, the Committees on Appropriations.

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 shall be made available for assistance for basic education, and such funds may be made available notwithstanding any other provision of law that restricts assistance to foreign countries: *Provided*, That such funds should be used to implement the 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: *Provided further*, That such funds may also be used for secondary education activities: *Provided further*, That the USAID Administrator, following consultation with the Committees on Appropriations, may reprogram such funds between countries.

(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 quarterly basis until September 30, 2019: *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 $87,500,000 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 $235,000,000 shall be made available for assistance for higher education: *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: *Provided further*, That of such amount, not less than $35,000,000 shall be made available for human and institutional capacity building partnerships between higher education institutions in the United States and developing countries, of which not less than $15,000,000 shall be for new partnerships which should be competed and awarded not later than one year after enactment of this Act: *Provided further*, That not later than 45 days after enactment of this Act, the USAID Administrator shall consult with the Committees on Appropriations on the proposed uses of funds for such partnerships.

(b) DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS.—Of the funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Development Assistance", not less than $28,000,000 shall be made available for the American Schools and Hospitals Abroad program, and not less than $12,000,000 shall be made available for cooperative development programs of USAID.

(c) ENVIRONMENT PROGRAMS.—

(1) AUTHORITY AND NOTIFICATION.—

(A) 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, to support environment programs.

(B) Funds made available pursuant to this subsection shall be subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations.

(C) None of the funds in this Act are appropriated or otherwise made available for a contribution, grant, or any other payment for the Green Climate Fund.

(2) CONSERVATION PROGRAMS AND LIMITATIONS.—

(A) Of the funds appropriated under title III of this Act, not less than $269,000,000 shall be made available for biodiversity conservation programs.

(B) Not less than $90,664,000 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 appropriate congressional committees that to do so is in the national security interest 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 landscapes programs.

(d) FOOD SECURITY AND AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT.—Of the funds appropriated by title III of this Act, not less than $1,000,600,000 shall be made available for food security and agricultural development programs to carry out the purposes of the Global Food Security Act of 2016 (Public Law 114–195), of which not less than $315,960,000 shall be made available for the Bureau for Food Security, USAID, including not less than $55,000,000 for the Feed the Future Innovation Labs: *Provided*, That funds may be made available for a contribution as authorized by section 3202 of the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 (Public Law 110–246), as amended by section 3206 of the Agricultural Act of 2014 (Public Law 113–79).

(e) MICROENTERPRISE AND MICROFINANCE.—Of the funds appropriated by this Act, not less than $265,000,000 shall be made available for microenterprise and microfinance development programs for the poor, especially women.

(f) PROGRAMS TO COMBAT TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS.—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 $65,000,000 shall be made available for activities to combat trafficking in persons internationally, of which not less than $40,000,000 shall be from funds made available under the heading "International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement": *Provided*, That funds appropriated by this Act that are made available for programs to end modern slavery shall be in addition to funds made available by this subsection to combat trafficking in persons.

(g) RECONCILIATION PROGRAMS.—Of the funds appropriated by this Act under the headings "Economic Support Fund" and "Development Assistance", not less than $30,000,000 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:

Provided further, That such funds shall be administered by the Office of Conflict Management and Mitigation, USAID.

(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 $15,000,000 shall be made available to support initiatives by local communities in developing countries to build and maintain safe latrines.

OVERSEAS PRIVATE INVESTMENT CORPORATION

SEC. 7061. (a) TRANSFER OF FUNDS.—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: *Provided 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, 2018.

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.

INSPECTORS GENERAL

SEC. 7063. (a) PROHIBITION ON USE OF FUNDS.—None of the funds appropriated by this Act may be used to deny an Inspector General funded under this Act timely access to any records, documents, or other materials available to the department or agency of the United States Government over which such Inspector General has responsibilities under the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.), or to prevent or impede the access of such Inspector General to such records, documents, or other materials, under any provision of law, except a provision of law that expressly refers to such Inspector General and expressly limits the right of access of such Inspector General.

(b) TIMELY ACCESS.—A department or agency of the United States Government covered by this section shall provide its Inspector General access to all records, documents, and other materials in a timely manner.

(c) COMPLIANCE.—Each Inspector General covered by this section shall ensure compliance with statutory limitations on disclosure

relevant to the information provided by the department or agency over which that Inspector General has responsibilities under the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.).

(d) REPORT.—Each Inspector General covered by this section shall report to the Committees on Appropriations within 5 calendar days of any failure by any department or agency of the United States Government to provide its Inspector General access to all requested records, documents, and other materials.

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. 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.

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 "Non-

proliferation, 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 interest 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.

JOINT STRATEGIC PLAN, BUDGET, AND TRANSITIONS

SEC. 7069. (a) JOINT STRATEGIC PLAN AND BUDGET.—Not later than 180 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State and the Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development shall jointly submit to the Committees on Appropriations a five year budget estimate that details by each fiscal year the funds necessary to implement, by agency, each of the four goals identified in the "Joint Strategic Plan for the Department of State and the United States Agency for International Development, FY 2018–2022" (Joint Strategic Plan), required by section 306 of title 5, United States Code, and published on February 12, 2018: *Provided*, That the Secretary and the Administrator shall inform the appropriate congressional committees not later than September 30, 2018 of any changes to the Joint Strategic Plan.

(b) STRATEGIC TRANSITIONS.—

(1) The USAID Administrator shall regularly consult with the appropriate congressional committees and development stakeholders on efforts to transition nations from assistance recipients to enduring diplomatic, economic, and security partners: *Provided*, That such consultations shall include the guiding principles and metrics being developed to support such ef-

forts, and any other matters related to the implementation plan required in paragraph (2).

(2) Not later than 180 days after enactment of this Act, the USAID Administrator shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees an implementation plan on country transitions from assistance that includes—

(A) the conditions and related benchmarks under which countries may transition from assistance provided by this Act and subsequent Acts making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs;

(B) the actions required by USAID to facilitate or support country efforts toward such transition, including consultation with civil society, other donors, multilateral organizations, and implementing partners;

(C) a description of the costs and number of personnel associated with strategic transitions, including investments to increase public and private domestic resource mobilization; and

(D) the plans to ensure post-transition development progress.

COUNTERING RUSSIAN INFLUENCE AND AGGRESSION

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) ANNEXATION OF CRIMEA.—

(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 or other territory in Ukraine: *Provided*, That except as otherwise provided in subsection (a), the Secretary may waive the restriction on assistance required by this paragraph if the Secretary determines and reports 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 or other territory in Ukraine;

(B) the facilitation, financing, or guarantee of United States Government investments in Crimea or other territory in Ukraine under the control of Russian-backed separatists, if such activity includes the participation of Russian Government officials, or other Russian owned or controlled financial entities; or

(C) assistance for Crimea or other territory in Ukraine under the control of Russian-backed separatists, 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 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 determines and reports to the Committees on Appropriations that the Government of Ukraine has reestablished sovereignty over Crimea and other territory in Ukraine under the control of Russian-backed separatists.

(c) OCCUPATION OF THE GEORGIAN TERRITORIES OF ABKHAZIA AND TSKHINVALI REGION/SOUTH OSSETIA.—

(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 recognized the independence of, or has established diplomatic relations with, the Russian occupied Georgian territories of Abkhazia and Tskhinvali Region/South Ossetia: *Provided*, That the Secretary shall publish on the Department of State Web site a list of any such central governments in a timely manner: *Provided further*, That the Secretary may waive the restriction on assistance required by this paragraph if the Secretary determines and reports to the Committees on Appropriations 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 to support the Russian occupation of the Georgian territories of Abkhazia and Tskhinvali Region/South Ossetia.

(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 any loan, credit, or guarantee) for any program that violates the sovereignty and territorial integrity of Georgia.

(d) ASSISTANCE TO COUNTER INFLUENCE AND AGGRESSION.—

(1) Of the funds appropriated by this Act under the headings "Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia", "International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement", "International Military Education and Training", and "Foreign Military Financing Program", not less than $250,000,000 shall be made available to carry out the purposes of the Countering Russian Influence Fund, as authorized by section 254 of the Countering Russian Influence in Europe and Eurasia Act of 2017 (Public Law 115–44; 22 U.S.C. 9543), and programs to enhance the capacity of law enforcement and security forces in countries in Europe and Eurasia and strengthen security cooperation between such countries and the United States and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, as appropriate.

(2) Funds appropriated by this Act and made available 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.

(e) DEMOCRACY PROGRAMS.—Funds appropriated by this Act shall be made available to support democracy programs 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).

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 (the Fund), to remain available for obligation until September 30, 2020: *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.

STABILITY AND DEVELOPMENT IN REGIONS IMPACTED BY EXTREMISM AND CONFLICT

SEC. 7073. (a) COUNTERING FOREIGN FIGHTERS AND EXTREMIST ORGANIZATIONS.—Funds appropriated under titles III and IV of this Act shall be made available for programs and activities to counter and defeat violent extremism and foreign fighters abroad, consistent with the strategy required by section 7073(a)(1) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2017 (division J of Public Law 115–31): *Provided*, That the Secretary of State shall ensure such programs are coordinated with and complement the efforts of other United States Government agencies and international partners, and that information gained through the conduct of such programs is shared in a timely manner with relevant departments and agencies of the United States Government, other international partners, and the appropriate congressional committees, as appropriate.

(b) COUNTRIES IMPACTED BY SIGNIFICANT REFUGEE POPULATIONS OR INTERNALLY DISPLACED PERSONS.—

(1) USES OF FUNDS.—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—

(A) expand and improve host government social services and basic infrastructure to accommodate the needs of such populations and persons;

(B) alleviate the social and economic strains placed on host communities, including through programs to promote livelihoods, vocational training, and formal and informal education;

(C) improve coordination of such assistance in a more effective and sustainable manner; and

(D) leverage increased assistance from donors other than the United States Government for central governments and local communities in such countries:

Provided, That the Secretary of State shall periodically inform the appropriate congressional committees of the amounts and specific uses of funds made available for the purposes of this subsection.

(2) CONCESSIONAL FINANCE FACILITY.—Funds appropriated under title III of this Act under the heading "Economic Support Fund" may be made available for the Concessional Finance Facility of the World Bank to provide financing to support refugees and host communities: *Provided*, That such funds shall be in addition to funds made available for bilateral assistance in the report required by section 653(a) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, and may only be made available subject to prior consultation with the Committees on Appropriations.

(c) FRAGILE STATES AND EXTREMISM.—Funds appropriated by this Act shall be made available for the purposes of section 7080 of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2017 (division J of Public Law 115–31), subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations.

ENTERPRISE FUNDS

SEC. 7074. (a) NOTIFICATION.—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 AND REORGANIZATION 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 2018, 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 congressional budget justification funding levels, 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, as appropriate, shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations a spend plan for funds made available by this Act, for—

(A) assistance for Afghanistan, Iraq, Lebanon, Pakistan, and the West Bank and Gaza;

(B) assistance made available pursuant to section 7070(d) of this Act to counter Russian influence and aggression, except that such plan shall be on a country-by-country basis;

(C) Power Africa and the regional security initiatives listed under this section in Senate Report 115–152: *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

(D) democracy programs, programs to support section 7073(a) of this Act, and sectors enumerated in subsections (a), (c), (d), (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.

(3) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), up to 10 percent of the funds contained in a spend plan required by this subsection may be obligated prior to the submission of such spend plan if the Secretary of State or the USAID Administrator, as appropriate, determines that the obligation of such funds is necessary to avoid significant programmatic disruption: *Provided*, That not less than seven days prior to such obligation, the Secretary or Administrator, as appropriate, shall consult with the Committees on Appropriations on the justification for such obligation and the proposed uses of such funds.

(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 2017 under the heading "Development Credit Authority".

(d) CLARIFICATION.—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 2019: *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.

(c) RECORDS MANAGEMENT.—

(1) LIMITATION.—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" and "Capital Investment Fund" 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).

(2) DIRECTIVES.—The Secretary of State and USAID Administrator shall—

(A) 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;

(B) use funds appropriated by this Act under the headings "Diplomatic and Consular Programs" and "Capital Investment Fund" in title I, and "Operating Expenses" and "Capital Investment Fund" 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;

(C) direct departing employees that all Federal records generated by such employees, including senior officials, belong to the Federal Government; and

(D) significantly improve the response time for identifying and retrieving Federal records, including requests made pursuant to section 552 of title 5, United States Code (commonly known as the "Freedom of Information Act").

(3) REPORT.—Not later than 45 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) any updates or modifications made to 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 since the submission to the Committees on Appropriations of the report required by section 7077(c)(3) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2017 (division J of Public Law 115–31);

(B) the extent to which each agency is in compliance with applicable Federal records management statutes, regulations, and policies, including meeting Directive goal 1.2 of the Managing Government Records Directive (M–12–18) by December 31, 2017; and

(C) any steps taken since the submission of the report referenced in subparagraph (A) 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 recommendation 1 made by the Office of Inspector General (OIG), Department of State, in the January 2016 Evaluation of the Department of State's FOIA Process for Requests Involving the Office of the Secretary (ESP-16-01);

(iv) reduce the backlog of Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and Congressional oversight requests, and measurably improve the response time for answering such requests; and

(v) strengthen cyber security measures to mitigate vulnerabilities, including those resulting from the use of personal email accounts or servers outside the .gov domain, improve the process to identify and remove inactive user accounts, update and enforce guidance related to the control of national security information, and implement the recommendations of the corresponding reports of the OIG as detailed under this section in House Report 115–253 and contained in other relevant reports issued by the OIG.

(4) OPERATING PLANS.—The operating plans required by section 7076(a) of this Act for funds appropriated under the headings listed in paragraph (1) shall include funds planned for—

(A) implementing the recommendations of the OIG reports referenced in clauses (iii) and (v); and

(B) measurably reducing the FOIA and Congressional oversight requests backlog.

GLOBAL INTERNET FREEDOM

SEC. 7078. (a) FUNDING.—Of the funds available for obligation during fiscal year 2018 under the headings "International Broadcasting Operations", "Economic Support Fund", "Democracy Fund", and "Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia", not less

than $55,500,000 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 interest 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.—

(1) Funds appropriated by this Act under the headings "Economic Support Fund", "Democracy Fund", and "Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia" that are made available pursuant to subsection (a) shall be—

(A) coordinated with other democracy programs funded by this Act under such headings, and shall be incorporated into country assistance and democracy promotion strategies, as appropriate;

(B) for programs to implement the May 2011, International Strategy for Cyberspace; the Department of State International Cyberspace Policy Strategy required by section 402 of the Cybersecurity Act of 2015 (division N of Public Law 114–113); 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);

(C) 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;

(D) 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 Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Broadcasting Board of Governors (BBG), shall coordinate any such research and development programs 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

(E) made available only after the Assistant Secretary for Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor, Department of State, concurs that such funds are allocated consistent with—

(i) the strategies referenced in subparagraph (B) of this paragraph;

(ii) best practices regarding security for, and oversight of, Internet freedom programs; and

(iii) sufficient resources and support for the development and maintenance of anti-censorship technology and tools.

(2) Funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "International Broadcasting Operations" that are made available pursuant to subsection (a) shall be—

(A) made available only for tools and techniques to securely develop and distribute BBG digital content; facilitate audience access to such content on Web sites that are censored; coordinate the distribution of BBG digital content to targeted regional audiences; and to promote and distribute such tools and techniques, including digital security techniques;

(B) coordinated with programs funded by this Act under the heading "International Broadcasting Operations", and shall be incorporated into country broadcasting strategies, as appropriate;

(C) coordinated by the BBG CEO to provide Internet circumvention tools and techniques for audiences in countries that are strategic priorities for the BBG and in a manner consistent with the BBG Internet freedom strategy; and

(D) made available for the research and development of new tools or techniques authorized in paragraph (A) only after the BBG CEO, in consultation with the Secretary of State and other relevant United States Government departments and agencies, evaluates the risks and benefits of such new tools or techniques, and establishes safeguards to minimize the use of such new tools or techniques for illicit purposes.

(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 CEO 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.

IMPACT ON JOBS IN THE UNITED STATES

SEC. 7079. 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 Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2010 (division F of Public Law 111–117);

(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.

UNITED STATES CITIZENS AND NATIONALS UNLAWFULLY OR WRONGFULLY DETAINED ABROAD

SEC. 7080. (a) REVIEW.—The Special Presidential Envoy for Hostage Affairs, in consultation with the Assistant Secretary for Consular Affairs, Department of State, shall review the practices of United States consular officers regarding assistance for citizens and nationals of the United States who are detained in countries where the Department of State's Country Reports on Human Rights Practices indicate that arbitrary arrest or the denial of due process is common, or the judicial system is not independent or is susceptible to corruption, to—

(1) assess whether consular officers routinely seek to determine if—

(A) the detained individual has presented credible information of factual innocence to United States officials;

(B) credible information exists that the individual is detained solely or substantially because he or she is a citizen or national of the United States;

(C) credible information exists that the individual is being detained as a result of exercising his or her right to freedom of expression, association, assembly, or religion;

(D) credible information exists that the individual has been detained arbitrarily and denied due process or a fair trial;

(E) independent nongovernmental organizations or journalists have raised concerns about the innocence or the conditions of confinement of the detained individual;

(F) the detained individual has presented credible information that his or her detention is a pretext; and

(G) the individual is detained in inhumane conditions; and

(2) identify what, if any, diplomatic or other actions are taken by the Department on behalf of a detained individual if the consular officer determines that the answer to any of the questions specified in paragraph (1) is affirmative.

(b) RECOMMENDATIONS, GUIDANCE, AND REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after enactment of this Act and after completion of the review required under subsection (a), the Special Presidential Envoy for Hostage Affairs, after consultation with the Assistant Secretary for Consular Affairs, Department of State, shall—

(1) provide recommendations to the Secretary of State for modifying the guidance concerning the arrest and detention of United States citizens abroad in the Foreign Affairs Manual and Foreign Affairs Handbook to better assist the Department of State in identifying cases where such detention is unlawful or wrongful and to enhance diplomatic engagements with foreign governments and other actions on behalf of such citizens and nationals; and

(2) submit a report to the appropriate congressional committees detailing the findings of the review required pursuant to subsection (a) and the recommendations provided pursuant to paragraph (1) of this subsection.

REORGANIZATION AND REDESIGN

SEC. 7081. (a) OVERSIGHT.—

(1) PRIOR CONSULTATION.—Funds appropriated by this Act and prior Acts making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs may not be used to implement a reorganization, redesign, or other plan described in paragraph (2) by the Department of State, the United States Agency for International Development, or any other Federal department, agency, or organization funded by this Act without prior consultation by the head of such department, agency, or organization with the appropriate congressional committees.

(2) DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITIES.—Pursuant to paragraph (1), a reorganization, redesign, or other plan shall include any action to—

(A) expand, eliminate, consolidate, or downsize covered departments, agencies, or organizations, including bureaus and offices within or between such departments, agencies, or organizations, including the transfer to other agencies

of the authorities and responsibilities of such bureaus and offices;

(B) expand, eliminate, consolidate, or downsize the United States official presence overseas including at bilateral, regional, and multilateral diplomatic facilities and other platforms; and

(C) expand or reduce the size of the Civil Service, Foreign Service, eligible family member, and locally employed staff workforce of the Department of State and USAID from the on-board levels as of December 31, 2017: *Provided*, That not less than 30 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State and the USAID Administrator shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees such on-board levels.

(3) NOTIFICATION.—Funds made available by this Act and prior Acts making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs that are made available for the activities described in paragraph (2) shall be subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations: *Provided*, That any such notification submitted to such Committees shall include a detailed justification for any proposed action, including the information specified under this section in the explanatory statement described in section 4 (in the matter preceding division A of this consolidated Act).

(4) OPERATING PLANS.—Operating plans submitted pursuant to section 7076(a) of this Act shall detail, as applicable, amounts for the bureaus, offices, and organizations detailed under this section in the explanatory statement described in section 4 (in the matter preceding division A of this consolidated Act).

(b) ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS.—

(1) PERSONNEL.—

(A) 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 appropriate congressional committees detailing the personnel requirements necessary to implement the December 2017 "National Security Strategy of the United States" and the February 2018 "Joint Strategic Plan for the Department of State and the United States Agency for International Development, FY 2018–2022".

(B) Not later than 30 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State and the USAID Administrator shall each submit to the appropriate congressional committees an analysis and justification for the reduction of Department of State and USAID personnel during calendar year 2017, to include an explanation of how such reductions support the missions of each agency.

(C) Not later than 60 days after enactment of this Act and every 60 days thereafter until September 30, 2019, the Secretary of State, in the case of the Department of State, and the USAID Administrator, in the case of USAID, shall report to the appropriate congressional committees on the on-board personnel levels, hiring, and attrition of the Civil

Service, Foreign Service, eligible family member, and locally employed staff workforce of the Department of State and USAID, as appropriate, on an operating unit-by-operating unit basis.

(2) ADMINISTRATION OF FUNDS.—Funds appropriated by this Act—

(A) under the heading "Migration and Refugee Assistance" shall be administered by the Assistant Secretary for Population, Refugees, and Migration, Department of State; and

(B) that are made available for the Office of Global Women's Issues shall be administered by the United States Ambassador-at-Large for Global Women's Issues.

(3) INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PLATFORM.—

(A) None of the funds appropriated in title I of this Act under the heading "Administration of Foreign Affairs" may be made available for a new major information technology investment without the concurrence of the Chief Information Officer, Department of State.

(B) In complying with the requirements of this paragraph, the Chief Information Officer, Department of State, shall consider whether a new major information technology investment—

(i) is consistent with the Department Information Technology Strategic Plan;

(ii) maintains consolidated control over enterprise IT functions or improves operational maintenance;

(iii) improves Department of State resiliency to a cyber-attack;

(iv) reduces Department of State IT costs over the long-term; and

(v) is in accordance with the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR), including FAR Part 6 regarding competition requirements.

(C) Not later than 45 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State shall submit a report to the appropriate congressional committees detailing the conclusions and recommendations from the Information Technology (IT) Platform Planning workstream of the Department of State redesign initiative.

(4) REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT MISSION FOR ASIA.—Funds appropriated by this Act and made available for the Regional Development Mission for Asia, USAID, in the table included under title II of the explanatory statement described in section 4 (in the matter preceding division A of this consolidated Act) shall be subject to section 7019 of this Act.

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 2018, $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 op-

eration 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.

MULTILATERAL DEVELOPMENT BANK REPLENISHMENTS

SEC. 7083. (a) The Asian Development Bank Act (22 U.S.C. 285 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

"SEC. 36. ELEVENTH REPLENISHMENT.

"(a) The United States Governor of the Bank is authorized to contribute, on behalf of the United States, $189,580,000 to the eleventh replenishment of the resources of the Fund, subject to obtaining the necessary appropriations.

"(b) In order to pay for the United States contribution provided for in subsection (a), there are authorized to be appropriated, without fiscal year limitation, $189,580,000 for payment by the Secretary of the Treasury.".

(b) The International Development Association Act (22 U.S.C. 284 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

"SEC. 30. EIGHTEENTH REPLENISHMENT.

"(a) The United States Governor of the International Development Association is authorized to contribute on behalf of the United States $3,291,030,000 to the eighteenth replenishment of the resources of the Association, subject to obtaining the necessary appropriations.

"(b) In order to pay for the United States contribution provided for in subsection (a), there are authorized to be appropriated, with-

out fiscal year limitation, $3,291,030,000 for payment by the Secretary of the Treasury.".

(c) The African Development Fund Act (22 U.S.C. 290g et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

"SEC. 225. FOURTEENTH REPLENISHMENT.

"(a) The United States Governor of the Fund is authorized to contribute on behalf of the United States $513,900,000 to the fourteenth replenishment of the resources of the Fund, subject to obtaining the necessary appropriations.

"(b) In order to pay for the United States contribution provided for in subsection (a), there are authorized to be appropriated, without fiscal year limitation, $513,900,000 for payment by the Secretary of the Treasury.".

RESCISSIONS

(INCLUDING RESCISSION OF FUNDS)

SEC. 7084. (a) Of the unobligated balances available to the President under the heading "Development Assistance", as identified by Treasury Appropriation Fund Symbol 72 X 1021, $23,766,000 are rescinded.

(b) Of the unobligated balances available under the heading "Export and Investment Assistance, Export-Import Bank of the United States" for carryover under the heading "Receipts Collected" in the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2015 (division J of Public Law 113–235), $10,000,000 are rescinded.

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", $2,975,971,000, to remain available until September 30, 2019, of which $2,376,122,000 is for Worldwide Security Protection and shall remain available until expended: *Provided*, That the Secretary of State may transfer up to $5,000,000 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 subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations: *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", $68,100,000, to remain available until September 30, 2019, of which $54,900,000 shall be for the Special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction (SIGAR) for reconstruction oversight: *Provided*, That printing and reproduction costs of SIGAR shall not exceed amounts for such costs during fiscal year 2017: *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", $71,778,000, to remain available until expended, 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", $96,240,000: *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", $967,456,000, to remain available until September 30, 2019: *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", $158,067,000, to remain available until September 30, 2019: *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.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

For an additional amount for "Office of Inspector General", $2,500,000, to remain available until September 30, 2019: *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", $1,588,778,000, 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", $62,043,000, 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", $2,152,122,000, to remain available until September 30, 2019: *Pro-*

vided, 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, $2,431,198,000, 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", $417,951,000, to remain available until September 30, 2019: *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", $220,583,000, to remain available until September 30, 2019: *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", $325,213,000, to remain available until September 30, 2019: *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.

FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE PRESIDENT

FOREIGN MILITARY FINANCING PROGRAM

For an additional amount for "Foreign Military Financing Program", $460,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2019: *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 2018.

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.

COUNTERTERRORISM PARTNERSHIPS FUND

SEC. 8003. Funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Nonproliferation, Anti-terrorism, Demining and Related Programs" shall be made available for the Counterterrorism Partnerships Fund for programs in areas liberated from, under the influence of, or adversely affected by, the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria or other terrorist organizations: *Provided*, That such areas shall include the Kurdistan Region of Iraq: *Provided further*, That prior to the obligation of funds made available pursuant to this section, the Secretary of State shall take all practicable steps to ensure that mechanisms are in place for monitoring, oversight, and control of such funds: *Provided further*, That section 7015(j) of this Act regarding notification of assistance diverted or destroyed shall apply to funds made available for the Counterterrorism Partnerships Fund: *Provided further*, That funds made available pursuant to this section shall be subject to prior consultation with the appropriate congressional committees, and the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations.

TRANSFER OF FUNDS

SEC. 8004. (a) TRANSFER OF FUNDS BETWEEN ACCOUNTS.—

(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 Re-

lated Programs", "Peacekeeping Operations", and "Foreign Military Financing Program" may be transferred to, and merged with, funds appropriated by this title under such headings.

(b) GLOBAL SECURITY CONTINGENCY FUND.—Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, not to exceed $7,500,000 from funds appropriated under the headings "International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement", "Peacekeeping Operations", and "Foreign Military Financing Program" by this title in this Act may be transferred to, and merged with, funds previously made available under the heading "Global Security Contingency Fund".

(c) LIMITATION.—The transfer authority provided in subsection (a) may only be exercised to address contingencies.

(d) NOTIFICATION.—The transfer authority provided by this section 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.

This division may be cited as the "Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2018".

[CLERK'S NOTE: Reproduced below is the material relating to division K contained in the Explanatory Statement regarding H.R. 1625, the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2018.[1]]

DIVISION K—DEPARTMENT OF STATE, FOREIGN OPERATIONS, AND RELATED PROGRAMS APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2018

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. 115–253 (House report) accompanying H.R. 3362 (House bill) and S. Rept. 115–152 (Senate report) accompanying S. 1780 (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 language in such reports unless expressly provided herein. Language expressing an opinion or making an observation in the House or Senate reports represents the view of the respective committee unless specifically endorsed in this explanatory statement. 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.

Reports required to be submitted pursuant to the Act, including reports required by this explanatory statement and the House and Senate reports, may not be consolidated to include responses to multiple requirements in a single report, except following consultation with the Committees on Appropriations.

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.

Section 7019 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, unless otherwise provided for in the Act, 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. The section also includes limited authority to deviate from such specified amounts and continues language similar to prior years including exceptions to the application of the requirements of such section for amounts designated in tables included in this explanatory statement for International Military Education and

[1] The Explanatory Statement was submitted for printing in the Congressional Record on March 22, 2018 by Mr. Frelinghuysen of New Jersey, Chairman of the House Committee on Appropriations. The Statement appears on page H2841 of Book III.

Training and Global Health Programs, and funds for which the initial period of availability has expired.

Proposed deviations from tables in titles I and II in this explanatory statement are subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations, unless an exception or deviation authority is specifically provided herein.

For the purposes of the Act, the term "regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations" means such Committees are notified not less than 15 days in advance of the initial obligation of funds.

For purposes of the Act, the term "prior consultation" shall mean a pre-decisional engagement between a relevant Federal agency and the Committees on Appropriations during which such Committees are provided a meaningful opportunity to provide relevant facts and opinions to inform the use of funds; the development, content, or conduct of a program or activity; or a decision to be taken.

In meeting the requirements of section 7076(e) of the Act, the Department of State and the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) shall include in congressional budget justifications (CBJs) the 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 also directed to include in CBJs the information included in the Introduction of the Senate report under Congressional Budget Request and Justifications, as applicable.

The Department of State, USAID, and other agencies funded by the Act are directed to notify the Committees on Appropriations of: (1) reprogrammings of funds, as required by sections 7015 and 7019 of the Act, at the most detailed level of the CBJ, the Act, or this explanatory statement; (2) significant departures in funding from the CBJ or the 653(a) report to be submitted 30 days after enactment of the Act; and (3) plans for restructuring the department or agency involving funding or staffing changes in accordance with section 7081 of the Act.

CBJ documents, and operating and spend plans, shall not suffice for purposes of satisfying special notification requirements contained in the Act.

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 the Act. Such funds are intended to address the extraordinary costs of operations and assistance in countries in conflict and areas of instability and violence, particularly in the Middle East, South Asia, and Africa; security, stabilization, and peacekeeping programs; humanitarian activities; and counterterrorism and counterinsurgency efforts.

For purposes of the Act, the "term extremist organization" means the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria (ISIS); organizations affiliated with ISIS; a foreign organization that is determined to be engaged in terrorist activity, as defined in section 212(a)(3)(B) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1182); and other entities designated as foreign terrorist organizations pursuant to section 219 of such Act. The term "extremist" means an individual affiliated

with an extremist organization. The term "extremism" means the advocacy or use of violence by such organizations or individuals to achieve political or religious goals.

TITLE I

DEPARTMENT OF STATE AND RELATED AGENCY

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

ADMINISTRATION OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

The Act provides $9,054,019,000 for Administration of Foreign Affairs in this title, and an additional $3,115,849,000 in title VIII under this heading is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA. The Act includes a total of $6,071,348,000 for embassy security in this title and title VIII, as contained in the table below:

EMBASSY SECURITY

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Program/Activity	Budget Authority
Worldwide Security Protection	3,756,874
Embassy Security, Construction, and Maintenance	2,314,474
Total	6,071,348

DIPLOMATIC AND CONSULAR PROGRAMS

The Act provides $5,744,440,000 for Diplomatic and Consular Programs in this title, and an additional $2,975,971,000 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 $1,380,752,000 is for Worldwide Security Protection (WSP) and may remain available until expended; and $4,363,688,000 is for operations, of which $654,553,000 may remain available until September 20, 2019. Not later than September 1, 2018, the Secretary of State is directed to report to the Committees on Appropriations on projected amounts available for operations beyond fiscal year 2018 by category and bureau. Title VIII of the Act includes funds for embassy operations in Afghanistan, Pakistan, and Iraq and other areas of unrest.

Funds appropriated by the Act 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	2,770,673
Worldwide Security Protection	[476,879]
Overseas Programs	1,253,799
Diplomatic Policy and Support	794,561
Security Programs	925,407

DIPLOMATIC AND CONSULAR PROGRAMS—Continued

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Category	Budget Authority
Worldwide Security Protection	[903,873]
Total	5,744,440

BUREAU/OFFICE

(includes salary and bureau-managed funds)

Bureau of Administration	
Freedom of Information Act	[33,960]
Ambassadors Fund for Cultural Preservation	6,250
Cultural Antiquities Task Force	1,000
Bureau of Counterterrorism	
Office of Special Presidential Envoy for Hostage Affairs	[1,250]
Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor	42,020
Human Rights Vetting	[9,000]
Office of International Religious Freedom	[6,500]
of which, religious freedom curriculum development	[500]
Special Envoy to Promote Religious Freedom of Religious Minorities in the Near East and South Central Asia	[2,000]
Atrocities Prevention Training	[500]
Special Advisor for International Disability Rights	[445]
Bureau of European and Eurasian Affairs	
Office of the Special Envoy for Holocaust Issues	[634]
Bureau of Economic and Business Affairs	
Office of Terrorism Financing and Economic Sanctions Policy	[6,100]
Bureau of Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs	41,859
Office of the Legal Advisor	
Document Review Unit	[2,889]
Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons	13,822
Bureau of Political-Military Affairs	
Office of Weapons Removal and Abatement	[3,570]
Office of the Secretary	
Office of Global Women's Issues	[5,326]
Office of the Coordinator for Cyber Issues	[5,497]
Undersecretary for Civilian Security, Democracy, and Human Rights	[2,347]
Special Coordinator for Tibetan Issues	[1,000]
Ambassador at Large for Global Criminal Justice	[3,750]

Funds allocated for offices and programs under the bureaus listed in the table under this heading that exceed the 2018 CBJ levels for such offices and programs are in addition to funds otherwise made available for such bureaus.

The agreement includes sufficient funds to support public diplomacy programs at not less than the fiscal year 2017 level. In addition, the Secretary of State is directed to include projected funding levels for public diplomacy in the operating plan required by section 7076(a) of the Act.

Section 7034(h) of the Act continues a limitation on the use of funds for the preservation of religious sites as in prior fiscal years.

Section 7034(l)(1) of the Act extends for one year the Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative surcharge authority, which is the same extension of authority included in prior fiscal years.

Section 7034(l)(4) of the Act continues the Foreign Service overseas pay comparability authority, but, as in prior fiscal years, prohibits implementation of the third phase of the authority.

Assaults Abroad.—The Foreign Affairs Manual (FAM) sets forth authorities, responsibilities, and guidelines for assisting United States citizens and their families who are victims of sexual assaults and other crimes while traveling abroad. FAM chapter 7, section 1931.1 directs consular officers to "assist victims of crime abroad

and their families in receiving necessary services while still overseas", and to "assist victims in continuing those services in the United States if appropriate and desired. . ." The Secretary of State is directed to remind consular officers that they can lessen the effects of a crime on United States victims by the quality and timeliness of their response. The Secretary shall make officers aware of their obligation to expeditiously fulfill their responsibilities to crime victims set forth in FAM chapter 7, sections 1920 and 1930, including ascertaining the status of the police investigation into the incident and assisting victims in obtaining a copy of the police report, with translation if possible.

Chief of Mission Authority.—The Secretary of State shall exercise existing authorities to strengthen interagency coordination at United States diplomatic facilities abroad to gain greater visibility on all United States Government foreign assistance in a country and region, and to strengthen the authority of the Chief of Mission.

Conflict Stabilization Operations.—The agreement does not include the authority for the Bureau of Conflict and Stabilization Operations (CSO) to use funds made available under this heading for related reconstruction and stabilization grants and cooperative agreements. Funds are included under Economic Support Fund for CSO to support such activities, subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations.

Cultural Property.—The Cultural Properties Implementation Act requires each State Party seeking or participating in an MOU with the United States to take measures consistent with the Convention on the Means of Prohibiting and Preventing the Illicit Import, Export, and Transfer of Ownership of Cultural Property to protect its cultural patrimony. In carrying out section 303(f) of such Act and in lieu of the guidance in the House and Senate reports, the Cultural Property Advisory Committee should consider a State Party's expenditures on securing and inventorying cultural sites and museums among the criteria used to determine whether a State Party has taken such measures. The Secretary of State should review the feasibility of collecting and reporting on such measures taken by a State Party and be prepared to report on such review during the hearing process on the fiscal year 2019 budget request.

Eligible Family Member (EFM) Employment.—The agreement endorses the reporting directive under this heading in the Senate report concerning cost-savings associated with EFM employment at diplomatic facilities abroad.

Expanded Professional Associates Program.—The agreement provides funds under this heading for the Expanded Professional Associates Program equal to the prior fiscal year, and the Secretary of State shall consult with the Committees on Appropriations prior to implementing a significant deviation from such levels.

Foreign Affairs Security Training Center.—Not later than 45 days after enactment of the Act, the Secretary of State shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations a progress report on the Foreign Affairs Security Training Center project, which shall be updated semi-annually until the completion the completion of the project. The report shall include the requirements described under this heading in the House and Senate reports.

Global Engagement Center (GEC).—The agreement includes up to $20,000,000 for the GEC for countering foreign state propaganda and disinformation. Pursuant to section 7015(h)(2)(A) of the Act, the Secretary of State shall consult with the appropriate congressional committees on the intended use of such funds, including any funds transferred or requested to be transferred for such purposes from the Department of Defense, prior to submitting the notification required by such section. In addition, not later than 30 days after enactment of the Act, the Secretary shall submit the reports related to the GEC referenced under this heading in the Senate report.

Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons.—The agreement includes $13,822,000 for the Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons for support of activities and directives described in the House and Senate reports.

Review of Development Finance Activities.—The Secretary of State, in consultation with the USAID Administrator, the President of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation (OPIC), and the heads of other relevant Federal agencies, shall submit the review required under this heading in the House report not later than 90 days after enactment of the Act. The review shall also include recommendations for enhancing the effectiveness of such programs within the current organization of executive agencies, and a comparison of the advantages and disadvantages of all recommendations made in the review, including in relation to those proposed in the fiscal year 2019 budget request.

Workforce Diversity Initiatives.—Funds appropriated under this heading shall continue to be made available for support of workforce diversity initiatives, at levels commensurate with prior years, including for fellowships to promote diversity and excellence in the Foreign Service, such as the Charles B. Rangel International Affairs Program and the Thomas R. Pickering Foreign Affairs Fellowship Program.

Worldwide Aviation Support Services.—In lieu of the requirement in the Senate report for the Department of State OIG to submit a report on the Worldwide Aviation Support Services contract, the Assistant Secretary for International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs shall consult with the Committees on Appropriations, not later than 90 days after enactment of the Act, on steps taken by the Department of State to ensure the security and safety of aviation services performed under such contract, including in Afghanistan.

CAPITAL INVESTMENT FUND

The Act provides $103,400,000 for Capital Investment Fund, including $88,400,000 for improving and modernizing information technology platforms.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

The Act provides $77,629,000 for Office of Inspector General (OIG) in this title, of which $11,644,000 may remain available until September 30, 2019, and an additional $68,100,000 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 prior fiscal years.

In addition to the review required by this explanatory statement under section 7081, the OIG shall review the current status of the freeze on hiring, including EFM employment and lateral transfers, and assess the impact of such freeze during calendar year 2017 on: (1) the day-to-day function and mission of the Department of State, United States embassies, and consulates; (2) the safety, welfare, and morale of Department personnel; and (3) the personnel costs of the Department. The review shall also examine the impact of the suspension of EFM employment on embassy and consulate operations, and on other Federal agencies.

EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL EXCHANGE PROGRAMS

The Act provides $646,143,000 for Educational and Cultural Exchange Programs, of which not less than $240,000,000 is for the Fulbright Program and $111,360,000 is for the Citizen Exchange Program, of which not less than $4,125,000 is for the Congress-Bundestag Youth Exchange. Funds under this heading are allocated according to the following table:

EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL EXCHANGES

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Program/Activity	Budget Authority
Academic Programs:	
Fulbright Program	240,000
Global Academic Exchanges	63,176
Special Academic Exchanges	16,950
Benjamin Gilman International Scholarship Program	[12,550]
Subtotal	320,126
Professional and Cultural Exchanges:	
International Visitor Program	97,765
Citizen Exchange Program	111,360
Congress-Bundestag Youth Exchange	[4,125]
Special Professional and Cultural Exchanges	5,575
Subtotal	214,700
Special Initiatives:	
Young Leaders Initiatives	28,500
Countering State Disinformation and Pressure	12,000
Subtotal	40,500
Program and Performance	7,383
Exchanges Support	63,434
Total	646,143

The Secretary of State shall include in the operating plan required by section 7076(a) of the Act the information listed under this heading in the House and Senate reports.

Countering State Disinformation and Pressure.—The agreement includes $12,000,000 in additional funding to counter state-sponsored disinformation and hybrid threats, promote democracy, and support exchanges with countries facing state-sponsored disinformation and pressure campaigns, particularly in Europe and Eurasia. A portion of the funds shall be made available through a

process whereby the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, Department of State, solicits proposals from posts located in affected countries.

Fulbright Initiatives.—The agreement funds Fulbright program initiatives in Korea, the Baltic states and Finland, and Eastern Europe at not less than, and in a manner consistent with, fiscal year 2017.

Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs Staffing.—The Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, Department of State, which manages programs funded under this heading, is currently only staffed at 75 percent of its authorized personnel level. Understaffing hinders the effective implementation and oversight of such programs. The Secretary of State is directed to report to the Committees on Appropriations not later than 30 days after enactment of the Act on a plan to ensure adequate personnel levels to effectively implement and oversee the funds provided for exchanges, including a justification for any proposed reductions to staffing below the authorized level.

Citizen Exchange Program.—Funds made available for the Citizen Exchange Program are intended for the purposes described under this heading in the House report.

Special Academic and Professional and Cultural Exchanges.—The agreement includes funds to continue the Special Academic Exchanges and Special Professional and Cultural Exchanges described in the House and Senate reports, including the Benjamin Gilman International Scholarship Program and the Tibetan exchanges and fellowships.

The agreement includes $2,500,000 under this heading and $2,500,000 under Development Assistance for grants authorized by section 211 of the Vietnam Education Foundation Act of 2000, as amended.

REPRESENTATION EXPENSES

The Act provides $8,030,000 for Representation Expenses, subject to section 7020 of the Act.

PROTECTION OF FOREIGN MISSIONS AND OFFICIALS

The Act provides $30,890,000 for Protection of Foreign Missions and Officials.

Section 7034(i) of the Act continues the authority for the Secretary of State to transfer expired, unobligated balances from funds made available under Diplomatic and Consular Programs to this heading.

EMBASSY SECURITY, CONSTRUCTION, AND MAINTENANCE

The Act provides $2,242,696,000 for Embassy Security, Construction, and Maintenance in this title, of which $1,477,237,000 is for Worldwide Security Upgrades (WSU) and $765,459,000 is for other construction, operations, and maintenance. An additional $71,778,000 is provided in title VIII under this heading that is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA.

The agreement includes not less than $1,120,000,000 under this heading for the Department of State share of the Capital Security

and Maintenance Cost Sharing Programs, consistent with section 7004(c) of the Act. These funds, combined with an estimated $151,100,000 from consular fee revenue, bring the total Department of State share for such programs to $1,271,100,000.

The agreement includes funds for compound security upgrades and domestic renovations at not less than the fiscal year 2017 level.

Design Excellence.—The Secretary of State shall submit the report required under this heading in the Senate report regarding a review of the Department of State's embassy construction processes and the Excellence approach, which shall also include a summary of any changes to the Design Excellence/Excellence approach already implemented. Such report shall be submitted to the appropriate congressional committees not later than 180 days after enactment of the Act.

Diplomatic Facilities in Russia and Tunisia.—Not later than 45 days after the enactment of the Act, the Secretary of State shall consult with the Committees on Appropriations with respect to the funding directives for diplomatic facilities in Russia and Tunisia included in the Senate report.

EMERGENCIES IN THE DIPLOMATIC AND CONSULAR SERVICE

The Act provides $7,885,000 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 $31,963,000 for Payment to the American Institute in Taiwan.

INTERNATIONAL CENTER, WASHINGTON, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

The Act provides $743,000 for International Center, Washington, District of Columbia.

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 $1,371,168,000 for Contributions to International Organizations in this title, and an additional $96,240,000 in title VIII under this heading is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA.

Review of Contributions to International Organizations and Multilateral Entities.—In lieu of the requirement in the Senate report under this heading, the Secretary of State, in consultation with the heads of other relevant Federal agencies, shall submit a report to

the Committees on Appropriations not later than 90 days after enactment of the Act that includes: (1) a description of the current tools, methods, and resources, including personnel, employed by the Department of State, USAID, the Department of the Treasury, and other relevant Federal agencies, to assess the value of, and prioritize contributions to, international organizations and other multilateral entities; and (2) recommendations for the development of more effective tools and methods for evaluating United States participation in, and contributions to, such organizations and entities, including a review of the approach and methods specified in the Senate report.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR INTERNATIONAL PEACEKEEPING ACTIVITIES

The Act provides $414,624,000 for Contributions for International Peacekeeping Activities in this title, and an additional $967,456,000 in title VIII under this heading is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA.

Sufficient funds are provided in the agreement for United States contributions to peacekeeping missions at the statutory level of 25 percent. Funding for the United States share of the United Nations Support Office in Somalia is provided under Peacekeeping Operations in title VIII instead of under this heading.

INTERNATIONAL COMMISSIONS

INTERNATIONAL BOUNDARY AND WATER COMMISSION, UNITED STATES AND MEXICO

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The Act provides $48,134,000 for Salaries and Expenses.

CONSTRUCTION

The Act provides $29,400,000 for Construction.

AMERICAN SECTIONS, INTERNATIONAL COMMISSIONS

The Act provides $13,258,000 for American Sections, International Commissions, including $8,052,000 for the International Joint Commission, $2,304,000 for the International Boundary Commission, and $2,902,000 for the Border Environment Cooperation Commission, in the amounts and for the purposes specified under this heading in the Senate report.

In addition to the report required under this heading in the House report, not later than 60 days after enactment of the Act, the Secretary of State shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations a report detailing actions taken to date, and planned for the future, to engage the Government of Canada to jointly refer for research and study by the International Joint Commission the proposed deep geologic repository for nuclear waste in Kincardine, Ontario. The Secretary of State is directed to include in the report the diplomatic and legal steps the Department plans to take to address concerns about the protection of the Great Lakes water basin and to review alternatives for the proposed nuclear storage facility that will not place the health, safety, and economic security of residents of the Great Lakes basin at risk.

INTERNATIONAL FISHERIES COMMISSIONS

The Act provides $46,356,000 for International Fisheries Commissions. The agreement provides funding for the purposes specified under this heading in the Senate report and such funds are allocated according to the following table:

INTERNATIONAL FISHERIES COMMISSIONS

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Commission/Activity	Budget Authority
Great Lakes Fishery Commission	33,290
Lake Champlain Basin	[5,000]
Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission	1,750
Pacific Salmon Commission	3,685
International Pacific Halibut Commission	4,200
Other Marine Conservation Organizations	3,431
Total	46,356

RELATED AGENCY

BROADCASTING BOARD OF GOVERNORS

INTERNATIONAL BROADCASTING OPERATIONS

The Act provides $797,986,000 for International Broadcasting Operations.

Of the funds made available under this heading, up to $34,508,000 may remain available until expended for satellite transmissions and Internet freedom programs, of which not less than $13,800,000 is for Internet freedom and circumvention programs. In addition, $1,200,000 is included within funds provided for Radio Free Asia for the personnel costs associated with Internet freedom activities, bringing the total provided for such programs to not less than $15,000,000. The Broadcasting Board of Governors (BBG) is directed to include amounts planned for Internet freedom in fiscal year 2018 as part of the operating plan required by section 7076(a) of the Act and to describe the planned activities in the Internet freedom spend plan required by section 7078(c) of the Act.

Funds under this heading in the Act are allocated according to the following table:

INTERNATIONAL BROADCASTING OPERATIONS

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Entities/Grantees	Budget Authority
Federal Entities:	
International Broadcasting Bureau (IBB):	
IBB Operations	58,628
Internet Freedom	[13,800]
Office of Technology, Services, and Innovation	182,987
Voice of America	244,894
Office of Cuba Broadcasting	28,936
Subtotal	515,445
Independent Grantee Organizations:.	
Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty	126,821

INTERNATIONAL BROADCASTING OPERATIONS—Continued

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Entities/Grantees	Budget Authority
Radio Free Asia	44,173
Middle East Broadcasting Networks	111,547
Subtotal	282,541
Total	797,986

BROADCASTING CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

The Act provides $9,700,000 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 $37,884,000 for United States Institute of Peace.

CENTER FOR MIDDLE EASTERN-WESTERN DIALOGUE TRUST FUND

The Act provides $140,000 from interest and earnings from the Center for Middle Eastern-Western Dialogue Trust Fund.

EISENHOWER EXCHANGE FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

The Act provides $158,000 from interest and earnings from the Eisenhower Exchange Fellowship Program Trust Fund.

ISRAELI ARAB SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Act provides $65,000 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.

Not later than 45 days after enactment of the Act, the President of the National Endowment for Democracy (NED) is directed to submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations on the proposed uses of the funds provided under this heading on a regional and country basis. The report should include a description of programmatic goals for each region and country and how the planned use of funds will meet such goals. The NED President should consult with such Committees in advance of any significant deviation from the plans outlined in such report.

OTHER COMMISSIONS

COMMISSION FOR THE PRESERVATION OF AMERICA'S HERITAGE ABROAD

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The Act provides $675,000 for Commission for the Preservation of America's Heritage Abroad.

UNITED STATES COMMISSION ON INTERNATIONAL RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The Act provides $4,500,000 for United States Commission on International Religious Freedom (USCIRF), of which $1,000,000 is withheld from obligation until the Commission consults with the appropriate congressional committees on the steps taken to implement the recommendations of the Independent Review of USCIRF Mission Effectiveness that was conducted pursuant to the United States Commission on International Religious Freedom Reauthorization Act of 2015 (Public Law 114–71). Additionally, the funds withheld are subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations.

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 $1,189,609,000 for Operating Expenses in this title, of which $178,441,000 may remain available until September

30, 2019, and an additional $158,067,000 in title VIII under this heading is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA. Funds for certain programs under this heading are allocated according to the following table:

OPERATING EXPENSES

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Program/Mission	Budget Authority
Atrocities Prevention Training	250
USAID Advisor for Indigenous Peoples Issues	250
Regional Development Mission for Asia	16,500

Limited Competition.—The USAID Administrator shall submit the report required under this heading in the House report regarding limited competition not later than 45 days after the enactment of the Act.

Regional Development Mission for Asia.—The agreement provides $16,500,000 for the operating expenses of the Regional Development Mission for Asia (RDMA), including salaries and benefits and other direct costs, which is consistent with prior fiscal year levels. Any deviation in operations and personnel for RDMA, including any proposal for such deviation, shall be subject to the notification requirements of section 7019 of the Act.

The March 8, 2018 USAID OIG report entitled "USAID's Redesign Efforts Have Shifted Over Time" (Audit Report 9–000–18–003–P) raises questions about USAID's compliance with notification and reporting requirements mandated by law, and decision making processes regarding RDMA's Mission Management Assessment and the proposed closure of the Mission. While a review of RDMA is appropriate, particularly its role in supporting other missions in the region, the mishandling of this matter caused significant disruption to RDMA personnel, operations, and programs. The USAID Administrator is directed to review USAID actions regarding RDMA from November 2016 to the present, inform the appropriate congressional committees of specific findings and recommendations, and provide supporting documents. The review should include consultation with Department of State personnel at Embassy Bangkok.

The USAID Administrator shall consult with the Committees on Appropriations prior to informing any mission of a proposed closure.

Workforce Diversity Initiatives.—Funds appropriated under this heading shall continue to be made available for support of workforce diversity initiatives, at levels commensurate with prior years, including for fellowships to promote diversity and excellence in the Foreign Service, such as the Donald M. Payne International Development Graduate Fellowship Program.

CAPITAL INVESTMENT FUND

The Act provides $197,100,000 for Capital Investment Fund.

The agreement includes not less than $167,500,000 under this heading for USAID's share of the Capital Security and Mainte-

nance Cost Sharing Programs, consistent with section 7004(c) of the Act.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

The Act provides $72,800,000 for Office of Inspector General, of which $10,920,000 may remain available until September 30, 2019, and an additional $2,500,000 in title VIII under this heading is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA.

The Act provides up to $2,000,000 to support Office of Inspector General activities in the West Bank and Gaza: $1,000,000 is provided under this heading and up to $1,000,000 is provided pursuant to section 7039. The Act also provides an additional $2,800,000 under this heading to support Office of Inspector General activities in Afghanistan.

TITLE III

BILATERAL ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE

FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE PRESIDENT

GLOBAL HEALTH PROGRAMS

The Act provides $8,690,000,000 for Global Health Programs. Funds under this heading are allocated according to the following table and subject to section 7019 of the Act:

GLOBAL HEALTH PROGRAMS

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Program/Activity	Budget Authority
Maternal and Child Health	829,500
Polio	[51,500]
Maternal and Neonatal Tetanus	[1,000]
The GAVI Alliance	[290,000]
Nutrition (USAID)	125,000
Micronutrients	[33,000]
of which, Vitamin A	[22,500]
Iodine Deficiency Disorder	[2,500]
Vulnerable Children (USAID)	23,000
Blind Children	[3,500]
HIV/AIDS (USAID)	330,000
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)	1,188,550
Global Health Security	[72,550]
Malaria	[755,000]
Tuberculosis	[261,000]
of which, Global TB Drug Facility	[15,000]
Neglected Tropical Diseases	[100,000]
Total	8,690,000

Female Morbidity and Mortality.—Not later than 120 days after enactment of the Act, the USAID Administrator shall submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations on the leading causes of morbidity and mortality of females in low-income countries by age

group from infancy to older age, the cost of effectively addressing such causes, and an assessment of the quality and coverage of data in such countries on female morbidity and mortality.

Repurposed Funds.—Section 7058(d) of the Act repurposes funds from title IX of division J of Public Law 113–235 for specific purposes.

DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE

The Act provides $3,000,000,000 for Development Assistance. Funds for certain programs under this heading are allocated according to the following table and subject to section 7019 of the Act:

DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Global Programs	Budget Authority
Bureau for Food Security	315,960
Community Development Fund	[80,000]
Feed the Future Innovation Labs	[55,000]
Global Crop Diversity Trust	[15,000]
Combating child marriage	11,000
Development Innovation Ventures	23,000
Leahy War Victims Fund	13,500
Ocean Freight Reimbursement Program	1,500
Reconciliation Programs	18,000
Trade capacity building	10,000
USAID Advisor for Indigenous Peoples Issues	3,500
Victims of torture	12,000
Wheelchairs	5,000

Domestic Resource Mobilization.—Funds appropriated by the Act under title III should be made available for USAID to promote domestic resource mobilization consistent with the purposes identified in the House and Senate reports. The USAID Administrator shall consult with the Committees on Appropriations prior to the obligation of such funds, including on how eligibility for such assistance will be determined and how USAID, in consultation with other Federal agencies, will develop the objectives, monitor the implementation, and measure the outcomes of such assistance.

Food Security and Agricultural Development.—Funds provided to countries for food security and agricultural development should be made available at levels not less than the prior fiscal year, particularly for countries with high levels of food insecurity.

Higher Education.—The agreement includes funds for partnerships between higher education institutions in the United States and developing countries to be used for institutional capacity building, including $15,000,000 for new partnerships which should be competed and awarded not later than one year after enactment of the Act. Despite congressional directives in prior years, USAID has not sufficiently responded to the demand for higher education institutional capacity building. Programs should be designed to ensure that each partnership has sufficient resources and time to affect meaningful institutional change and should be awarded on an open and competitive basis. The USAID Administrator shall consult with the Committees on Appropriations on the proposed uses of funds made available for higher education partnerships.

Indigenous Peoples.—The USAID Administrator is directed to develop, in consultation with the heads of other relevant Federal agencies and indigenous peoples' organizations, a USAID policy to guide the Agency in effectively addressing the rights and needs of indigenous peoples in USAID programs, projects, and activities. The Administrator shall report to the Committees on Appropriations on progress in developing the policy not later than 90 days after enactment of the Act.

Latrines.—In lieu of the directive in the Senate report regarding latrines, the agreement provides funds to support initiatives by local communities in developing countries to build and maintain safe latrines.

Microenterprise and Microfinance.—Not later than 120 days after enactment of the Act, the USAID Administrator shall submit a report to the appropriate congressional committees on the extent to which microenterprise and microfinance programs have demonstrated sustainable improvements in the lives of the very poor or of those who are slightly above the poverty level in developing countries. The report shall further address, based on the latest evidence, the most effective approaches to economic empowerment of the poor in order to provide sustainable pathways out of poverty in such countries.

INTERNATIONAL DISASTER ASSISTANCE

The Act provides $2,696,534,000 for International Disaster Assistance in this title, and an additional $1,588,778,000 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 in this title, and an additional $62,043,000 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 in this title, 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 $55,000,000 limitation on funds that may be transferred from other programs in this title to Development Credit Authority. In addition, $10,000,000 is provided for administrative expenses, which may be transferred to, and merged with, Operating Expenses. A limitation of $1,750,000,000 is included on total loan principal.

ECONOMIC SUPPORT FUND

The Act provides $1,816,731,000 for Economic Support Fund in this title, and an additional $2,152,122,000 in title VIII under this heading is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA. Funds for certain programs under this heading are allocated according to the following table and subject to section 7019 of the Act:

ECONOMIC SUPPORT FUND

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Global Programs	Budget Authority
Ambassador-at-Large for Global Women's Issues	10,000
Conflict and Stabilization Operations	5,000
Disability Programs	7,500
Family Planning/Reproductive Health (USAID)	51,050
House Democracy Partnership	1,900
Organization of American States	9,000
Polio	7,500
Reconciliation Programs	12,000
Trade capacity building	10,000

The agreement provides funding to support the first through third organizational pillars of the Organization of American States. Within the total provided under this heading, $4,000,000 is for programs to strengthen democracy, and $5,000,000 is for programs to promote and protect human rights, of which not less than $500,000 is for the Office of the Special Rapporteur for Freedom of Expression. Such funds are subject to prior consultation with the Committees on Appropriations.

Programs that provide policy and technical training to information communication technology professionals from developing countries shall be continued at the fiscal year 2017 levels.

DEMOCRACY FUND

The Act provides $215,500,000 for Democracy Fund, of which $150,375,000 is for the Department of State Human Rights and Democracy Fund, including $5,000,000 to implement section 7032(i) of the Act, and $65,125,000 is for the USAID Center of Excellence for Democracy, Human Rights, and Governance.

The Assistant Secretary for Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor shall consult with the Committees on Appropriations on the uses of funds provided by the Act for the Human Rights and Democracy Fund that are above the fiscal year 2016 level.

A portion of funds appropriated by the Act under this heading may be used by the Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor (DRL), Department of State, and the Bureau for Democracy, Conflict, and Humanitarian Assistance, USAID, for costs associated with administering such funds.

ASSISTANCE FOR EUROPE, EURASIA AND CENTRAL ASIA

The Act provides $750,334,000 for Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia.

The agreement continues the notwithstanding authority provided in the prior year. Not later than 45 days after enactment of the

Act, the Secretary of State, in coordination with the USAID Administrator, shall submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations on the use of such authority during fiscal year 2017 to include: (1) a description of each use of such authority, including the activity, purpose, and dollar amount, if applicable; (2) the provision of law that was notwithstood; and (3) in the absence of such authority, the use of an alternative notwithstanding authority that would have achieved the same result. The report shall include such information with regard to hiring and personnel matters.

Baltic States.—Funds made available by the Act for the Countering Russian Influence Fund (CRIF) shall be made available for the Baltic states for cyber and democracy programs to counter Russian influence and aggression. The Secretary of State shall consult with the Committees on Appropriations on the uses of such funds.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

MIGRATION AND REFUGEE ASSISTANCE

The Act provides $927,802,000 for Migration and Refugee Assistance in this title, and an additional $2,431,198,000 in title VIII under this heading is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA.

Funds made available under this heading in the Act shall be administered in accordance with the directive in section 7081(b)(2)(A) of the Act.

Funds made available by the Act should be made available to address the needs of refugees from Venezuela in Colombia, including to reduce stress on Colombian health care and other social welfare systems.

UNITED STATES EMERGENCY REFUGEE AND MIGRATION ASSISTANCE FUND

The Act provides $1,000,000 for United States Emergency Refugee and Migration Assistance Fund. The agreement also directs the transfer to Migration and Refugee Assistance of any balances in the Fund that exceed the limitation in paragraph (2) of section 2(c) of the Migration and Refugee Assistance Act of 1962.

INDEPENDENT AGENCIES

PEACE CORPS

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

The Act provides $410,000,000 for Peace Corps.

MILLENNIUM CHALLENGE CORPORATION

The Act provides $905,000,000 for Millennium Challenge Corporation, including up to $105,000,000 for administrative expenses.

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.

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

The Act provides $30,000,000 for International Affairs Technical Assistance.

The operating and spend plans required under sections 7076(a) and (b) of the Act shall include estimated program and administrative costs by fiscal year of appropriation.

TITLE IV—INTERNATIONAL SECURITY ASSISTANCE

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

INTERNATIONAL NARCOTICS CONTROL AND LAW ENFORCEMENT

The Act provides $950,845,000 for International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement in this title, and an additional $417,951,000 in title VIII under this heading is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA. Funds for certain programs under this heading are allocated according to the following table and subject to section 7019 of the Act:

INTERNATIONAL NARCOTICS CONTROL AND LAW ENFORCEMENT

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Program/Activity	Budget Authority
Combating wildlife trafficking	50,000
Cybercrime and intellectual property rights	10,000
Demand reduction	12,500
International Law Enforcement Academy	27,000
Programs to end modern slavery	25,000

Combating Wildlife Trafficking.—Funds included to combat wildlife trafficking should be used to strengthen law enforcement capacity, further partnerships through regional and international cooperation, and provide site-based protection of wildlife. The Secretary of State shall continue to consult with the Committees on Appropriations on the use of aircraft for anti-poaching activities, including any demonstration projects started in the previous fiscal year.

Cybercrime and Intellectual Property Rights.—The agreement includes $10,000,000 to support the efforts of Federal agencies to build the capacity of partner nations to combat cybercrime and strengthen law enforcement in the area of intellectual property rights. Not later than 45 days after enactment of the Act and prior to the initial obligation of funds for such purposes, the Secretary of State is directed to submit a spend plan to the Committees on Appropriations for assistance planned under this heading.

International Organized Crime.—The agreement includes $27,000,000 to further the objectives of Executive Order 13773 on Enforcing Federal Law with Respect to Transnational Criminal Or-

ganizations and Preventing International Trafficking, which is in addition to funds made available for combating wildlife trafficking. Not later than 45 days after enactment of the Act and prior to the initial obligation of funds for such purposes, the Secretary of State is directed to submit a spend plan to the Committees on Appropriations for assistance planned under this heading.

Opioids.—The agreement supports Department of State programs to combat the production, trafficking, and sale of heroin, fentanyl, and other opioids. Not later than 90 days after enactment of the Act, the Secretary of State shall submit a report to the appropriate congressional committees that describes the specific activities undertaken or planned by the Department of State to stop the flow of opioids into the United States. The report shall also include relevant information on efforts by other Federal agencies implementing programs in foreign countries, and steps taken to achieve such goals by countries in which opioids are produced or trafficked.

NONPROLIFERATION, ANTI–TERRORISM, DEMINING AND RELATED PROGRAMS

The Act provides $655,467,000 for Nonproliferation, Anti-terrorism, Demining and Related Programs in this title, and an additional $220,583,000 in title VIII under this heading is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA. Funds for certain programs under this heading are allocated according to the following table and subject to section 7019 of the Act:

NONPROLIFERATION, ANTI-TERRORISM, DEMINING AND RELATED PROGRAMS

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Program/Activity	Budget Authority
Nonproliferation programs	292,300
Nonproliferation and Disarmament Fund	[30,000]
Export Control and Related Border Security	[60,000]
Global Threat Reduction	[70,000]
International Atomic Energy Agency	[94,800]
Anti-terrorism programs	344,750
Anti-terrorism Assistance	[182,000]
of which, airport and aviation security	[20,000]
Terrorist Interdiction Program	[36,000]
Counterterrorism financing	[12,500]
Counterterrorism Partnerships Fund	[114,250]
Conventional weapons destruction	189,000
Humanitarian demining	[151,500]

Airport and Aviation Security.—Not later than 45 days after enactment of the Act and prior to the initial obligation of funds for such purposes, the Secretary shall submit a spend plan to the Committees on Appropriations on the uses of such funds by country and program.

Conventional Weapons Destruction.—In lieu of the directives under this heading in the House and Senate reports, the Secretary of State shall conduct an assessment of programs funded under this heading and submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations not later than 90 days after enactment of the Act. For each country that receives $2,000,000 or more of assistance for conventional weapons destruction programs, the report shall include: (1)

an explanation of the United States national interest served; (2) the risk factors and casualty data associated with such weapons and their proposed removal; (3) the effectiveness of ongoing programs, including a description of how programs are evaluated; (4) short and long-term goals, graduation criteria, and associated metrics; (5) the cooperation of host governments in program implementation; (6) support for similar activities from sources other than the United States Government; and (7) the scale of the conventional weapons problem in such country that are intended to be addressed by such assistance. The Secretary of State shall consult with the Committees on Appropriations prior to conducting such assessment.

PEACEKEEPING OPERATIONS

The Act provides $212,712,000 for Peacekeeping Operations in this title, and an additional $325,213,000 in title VIII under this heading is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA. Funds under this heading are allocated according to the following table and subject to section 7019 of the Act:

PEACEKEEPING OPERATIONS

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Program/Activity	Budget Authority
Africa	326,825
Central African Republic	[8,000]
Democratic Republic of the Congo	[5,000]
Liberia	[1,000]
Somalia	[253,500]
South Sudan	[25,000]
Africa Regional	[34,325]
of which, Partnership for Regional East Africa Counterterrorism	[10,000]
of which, Africa Conflict Stabilization and Border Security	[8,400]
of which, Africa Military Education Program	[3,000]
of which, Africa Maritime Security Initiative	[2,000]
of which, Africa Regional Counterterrorism	[10,000]
Near East	31,000
Multinational Force and Observers	[31,000]
Political-Military Affairs	180,100
Defense Reform	[5,000]
Trans-Sahara Counterterrorism Partnership	[34,100]
Global Peacekeeping Operations Initiative	[61,000]
Total	537,925
of which, OCO	[325,213]

Congressional notifications submitted for funds made available under Peacekeeping Operations shall continue to include for each program 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 2017 and 2018 at the time of submission of such notification, on a country-by-country basis to the extent practicable.

Multinational Force and Observers.—Funds made available by the Act above the level of the United States contribution are intended to address ongoing force protection requirements and emerging needs to protect and sustain the Multinational Force and Observers mission in the Sinai.

FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE PRESIDENT

INTERNATIONAL MILITARY EDUCATION AND TRAINING

The Act provides $110,875,000 for International Military Education and Training, of which up to $11,000,000 may remain available until September 30, 2019.

The agreement includes $1,000,000 for Greece and not less than the fiscal year 2017 level for Malta. The agreement also includes $5,000,000 for the Countering Russian Influence Fund. The agreement does not provide funding under this heading for Nicaragua.

The Secretary of State is directed to submit the report described under this heading in the House report concurrently with the report required by section 7034(b)(7) of the Act.

FOREIGN MILITARY FINANCING PROGRAM

The Act provides $5,671,613,000 for Foreign Military Financing Program in this title, and an additional $460,000,000 in title VIII under this heading is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA.

Countering Russian Influence Fund.—Funds made available for the CRIF under this heading are provided to assist countries in Europe and Eurasia in enhancing the capacity of their security forces, including for the modernization of systems of North Atlantic Treaty Organization partners, such as Greece. The Secretary of State is directed to consult with the Committees on Appropriations on the proposed uses of such funds prior to the submission of the spend plan required by section 7076(b) of the Act.

Greece.—Not later than 30 days after enactment of the Act, the Secretary of State, in consultation with the Secretary of Defense, shall submit a report to the appropriate congressional committees detailing the proposed upgrades to the Greek F–16 fighter jet program and recommending specific actions to be taken to support such upgrades, including with funds made available under this heading.

TITLE V

MULTILATERAL ASSISTANCE

FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE PRESIDENT

INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND PROGRAMS

The Act provides $339,000,000 for International Organizations and Programs. Funds under this heading are allocated according to the following table and subject to section 7019 of the Act:

INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND PROGRAMS

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Programs	Budget Authority
International Chemicals and Toxins Programs	3,175
International Civil Aviation Organization	800
International Conservation Programs	7,000
International Development Law Organization	400

INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND PROGRAMS—Continued

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Programs	Budget Authority
International Maritime Organization	325
Montreal Protocol Multilateral Fund	31,000
Organization of American States Development Assistance Programs	500
Regional Cooperation Agreement on Combating Piracy and Armed Robbery Against Ships in Asia	50
UN Capital Development Fund	500
UN Children's Fund	137,500
of which, Combating female genital mutilation programs	[5,000]
UN Democracy Fund	3,000
UN Development Program	80,000
UN Environmental Programs	10,000
UN High Commissioner for Human Rights	8,500
of which, Honduras	[500]
of which, Colombia	[1,000]
UN Human Settlements Program	700
UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs	2,500
UN Population Fund	32,500
UN Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Sexual Violence in Conflict	1,750
UN Trust Fund to End Violence Against Women	1,000
UN Voluntary Fund for Technical Cooperation in the Field of Human Rights	1,150
UN Voluntary Fund for Victims of Torture	6,550
UN Women	8,500
World Meteorological Organization	1,000
World Trade Organization Technical Assistance	600
Total	339,000

INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

GLOBAL ENVIRONMENT FACILITY

The Act provides $139,575,000 for Global Environment Facility.

CONTRIBUTION TO THE INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

The Act provides $1,097,010,000 for Contribution to the International Development Association.

CONTRIBUTION TO THE ASIAN DEVELOPMENT FUND

The Act provides $47,395,000 for Contribution to the Asian Development Fund.

CONTRIBUTION TO THE AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK

The Act provides $32,418,000 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 $171,300,000 for Contribution to the African Development Fund.

CONTRIBUTION TO THE INTERNATIONAL FUND FOR AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT

The Act provides $30,000,000 for Contribution to the International Fund for Agricultural Development.

GLOBAL AGRICULTURE AND FOOD SECURITY PROGRAM

The Act does not include an appropriation for a contribution to the Global Agriculture Food Security Program (GAFSP), which has remaining balances available from prior appropriations Acts for such contribution. The Secretary of the Treasury shall continue the 2012 pledge to provide to GAFSP $1 for every $2 in contributions from other donors, utilizing such prior year balances.

TITLE VI

EXPORT AND INVESTMENT ASSISTANCE

EXPORT-IMPORT BANK OF THE UNITED STATES

INSPECTOR GENERAL

The Act provides $5,700,000 for Inspector General for the Export-Import Bank of the United States, of which $855,000 may remain available until September 30, 2019.

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

The Act provides $110,000,000 for Administrative Expenses for the Export-Import Bank of the United States, of which $16,500,000 may remain available until September 30, 2019.

OVERSEAS PRIVATE INVESTMENT CORPORATION

NONCREDIT ACCOUNT

The Act provides $79,200,000 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.

In lieu of the directive on monthly reports in the House report, OPIC shall submit the confidential annex on a quarterly basis for the current year to the Committees on Appropriations not later than 30 days after the end of each quarter, including the amounts of principal and subsidy obligated or deobligated by date and the remaining unobligated balances of resources and the statutory cap. This quarterly report is in addition to the annual confidential annex.

The efforts made by the OPIC President and the USAID Inspector General to successfully reach a long-term inter-agency agreement for continued oversight of OPIC are commendable. In support of such agreement, not less than $1,000,000 under this heading shall be allocated to reimburse the USAID OIG for costs for fiscal year 2018 oversight activities.

TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

The Act provides $79,500,000 for Trade and Development Agency.

TITLE VII

GENERAL PROVISIONS

The following general provisions are continued in the Act substantively unchanged from the fiscal year 2017 Act (division J of Public Law 115–31):

Section 7001. Allowances and Differentials
Section 7002. Unobligated Balances Report
Section 7003. Consulting Services
Section 7005. Personnel Actions
Section 7007. Prohibition Against Direct Funding for Certain Countries
Section 7008. Coups d'État
Section 7009. Transfer of Funds Authority
Section 7012. Limitation on Assistance to Countries in Default
Section 7014. Reservations of Funds
Section 7016. Notification on Excess Defense Equipment
Section 7018. Prohibition on Funding for Abortions and Involuntary Sterilization
Section 7020. Representation and Entertainment Expenses
Section 7021. Prohibition on Assistance to Governments Supporting International Terrorism
Section 7022. Authorization Requirements
Section 7023. Definition of Program, Project, and Activity
Section 7024. Authorities for the Peace Corps, Inter-American Foundation and United States African Development Foundation
Section 7025. Commerce, Trade and Surplus Commodities
Section 7026. Separate Accounts

The USAID Administrator is directed to include the report on local currency in the congressional budget justification pursuant to subsection (a)(5).

Section 7027. Eligibility for Assistance
Section 7028. Local Competition
Section 7029. International Financial Institutions
Section 7030. Debt-for-Development
Section 7035. Arab League Boycott of Israel
Section 7036. Palestinian Statehood
Section 7037. Restrictions Concerning the Palestinian Authority
Section 7038. Prohibition on Assistance to the Palestinian Broadcasting Corporation
Section 7040. Limitation on Assistance for the Palestinian Authority
Section 7047. War Crimes Tribunals
Section 7049. Community-Based Police Assistance
Section 7050. Disability Programs
Section 7051. International Conferences
Section 7052. Aircraft Transfer, Coordination, and Use

Section 7053. Parking Fines and Real Property Taxes Owed by Foreign Governments
Section 7054. Landmines and Cluster Munitions
Section 7055. Prohibition on Publicity or Propaganda
Section 7056. Continuous Supervision and General Direction of Economic and Military Assistance
Section 7057. United States Agency for International Development Management
Section 7061. Overseas Private Investment Corporation
Section 7062. Arms Trade Treaty
Section 7063. Inspectors General
Section 7064. Reporting Requirements Concerning Individuals Detained at Naval Station, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba
Section 7065. Multi-Year Pledges
Section 7066. Prohibition on the Use of Torture
Section 7067. Extradition

The Act continues the limitation on assistance for the central government of a country that refuses to extradite to the United States any individual indicted for a criminal offense for which the maximum penalty is life imprisonment without parole or for killing a law enforcement officer, as specified in a United States extradition request. The Secretary of State is directed to engage with foreign governments not covered by section 7067 of the Act, such as the Government of Cuba, to resolve cases of fugitives from justice, including persons sought by the United States Department of Justice for such crimes committed in the United States, such as Joanne Chesimard.

Section 7068. Commercial Leasing of Defense Articles
Section 7071. International Monetary Fund
Section 7072. Special Defense Acquisition Fund
Section 7074. Enterprise Funds
Section 7075. Use of Funds in Contravention of this Act
Section 7079. Impact on Jobs in the United States
Section 7082. United Nations Population Fund

The following general provisions are new or substantively modified from the fiscal year 2017 Act (division J of Public Law 115–31):

Section 7004. Diplomatic Facilities (Modified)

Subsection (c) includes a new requirement that funds appropriated by the Act that are made available for Federal agencies shall be made available for the Capital Security Cost Sharing Program and the Maintenance Cost Sharing Program at levels not less than the prior fiscal year.

Subsection (h) directs that the Secretary of State not grant final approval for the construction of a new facility or substantial construction to improve or expand an existing facility in the United States by or for the Government of the People's Republic of China (PRC) until the Secretary certifies that the PRC permits secure resupply, maintenance, and new construction of United States Government facilities in the PRC.

Subsection (i) conditions a portion of assistance for the Government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo until the Secretary of State certifies that such Government has vacated the property

purchased by the United States in Kinshasa for the construction of a New Embassy Compound.

Subsection (j) adds the New Delhi Embassy project to the reporting directive carried in prior years.

Section 7006. Department of State Management (Modified)

The report required in subsection (c) shall include a description of the criteria used by the Secretary of State to certify that an office or bureau is capable of managing and overseeing foreign assistance, and a brief description of the technical training required by the Department of State for personnel involved in such activities. The report should also include a summary of each open recommendation from the Department of State Office of Inspector General related to oversight and management of foreign assistance for such bureau or office and the respective timelines and actions planned to close such recommendations.

The plan and timeline required in paragraph (3) shall be submitted to the Committees on Appropriations.

Section 7010. Prohibition on Certain Operational Expenses (Modified)

Section 7011. Availability of Funds (Modified)

Section 7013. Prohibition on Taxation of United States Assistance (Modified)

The report required to be submitted by the Secretary of State pursuant to subsection (h) shall include a description of the steps taken by the Department of State and other relevant Federal agencies to comply with the requirements of this section. The report shall include rules, regulations, and policy guidance issued and updated pursuant to subsection (f).

Section 7015. Notification Requirements (Modified)

Trust Funds.—In lieu of the notification requirements in the House report for certain trust funds, notifications submitted pursuant to subsection (g), including for funds made available for the Women Entrepreneurs Finance Initiative, shall include the following information: (1) the office or bureau at the Department of the Treasury and USAID or the Department of State that will oversee programs and expenditures of the trust fund; (2) the Web site link to publicly available expenditures of the trust fund; (3) a copy of the administrative agreement between the international financial institution and the United States; and (4) whether direct government assistance will be provided by the trust fund and specific risk mitigation and anti-corruption steps are being taken by the trust fund.

Programs to End Modern Slavery.—The notification requirement for programs to end modern slavery in subsection (h)(2)(G) shall not apply to funds made available pursuant to section 7060(f).

Section 7017. Limitation on Availability of Funds for International Organizations and Programs (Modified)

Section 7019. Allocations and Reports (Modified)

The Act continues the requirement, with certain exceptions and in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Act, that amounts designated in the respective tables referenced in the explanatory statement accompanying the Act shall be made available

in such designated amounts and shall be the basis of the 653(a) report, where applicable.

Section 7031. Financial Management and Budget Transparency (Modified)

The waiver authority provided in subsection (c)(3) may only be exercised with respect to an individual.

Section 7032. Democracy Programs (Modified)

Funds.—The Act provides a total of not less than $2,308,517,000 for democracy programs. The spend plan required pursuant to section 7076(b) for such programs should include regions and global programs at not less than the following levels: $314,271,000 for Africa; $147,130,000 for East Asia and the Pacific; $218,141,000 for Europe and Eurasia; $280,111,000 for Near East; $517,426,000 for South and Central Asia; $551,245,000 for Western Hemisphere; and $280,193,000 for global programs. Funds made available for democracy programs in Africa are also designated in the Other Assistance for Africa table under section 7042 of this explanatory statement.

Funds made available pursuant to this section are not intended for attribution to other sector or program directives included in the Act.

Authority.—The Secretary of State and USAID Administrator shall only apply the authority of subsection (b) to funds attributed to democracy programs pursuant to subsection (a) and to funds made available to the NED.

Current Practices.—For the purposes of subsection (f), the term civil society includes the program area Independent Media and Free Flow of Information.

Not later than September 30, 2018, the USAID Administrator shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a report on the use of acquisition and assistance instruments for democracy programs, which shall include: (1) the assessment being conducted by USAID as a result of the recommendation of the United States Government Accountability Office report GAO–18–136 Democracy Assistance; and (2) an assessment of implementation of the Amplifying Guidance for Democracy, Human Rights, and Governance programs.

Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor, Department of State.—Subsection (a)(2) provides that DRL shall administer not less than the amount of democracy funds made available by the Act under Economic Support Fund and Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia as DRL administered in fiscal year 2017.

In order to more accurately track funds administered by DRL, including funds made available for specific directives, the Secretary of State shall identify in the 653(a) report the amount of funds, at the country or program level, as appropriate, to be administered by DRL under Economic Support Fund, Democracy Fund, and Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia.

Protection of Civil Society Activists and Journalists.—Subsection (i) requires an action plan to address how diplomatic engagement and foreign assistance will be used in a proactive and consistent manner to support and protect members of civil society, including

democratic activists, human rights and environmental defenders, and independent journalists who have been threatened, harassed, or attacked for exercising their rights of free expression, association, or assembly. DRL shall develop the plan in coordination with other relevant bureaus and offices of the Department of State and USAID, and in consultation with representatives of civil society and independent media organizations whose members have been threatened, harassed, or attacked. The action plan should include an analysis of current programs that work with civil society actors in restrictive environments to increase their protection, provide legal assistance and emergency training, and identify gaps where greater support and protection are possible.

Funds made available pursuant to this subsection are in addition to amounts allocated for such purposes in fiscal year 2017. Prior to the obligation of such funds, the Secretary of State shall consult with the Committees on Appropriations on: (1) the proposed allocations by bureau and office; and (2) proposed activities to implement the plan, including to enhance the security of such activists and journalists, support the enactment of laws to protect fundamental freedoms and the rights of civil society and independent media organizations to operate, and increase public awareness about the legitimate role of such organizations in society.

Section 7033. International Religious Freedom (Modified)

The Act provides not less than $25,000,000 for international religious freedom programs, including to protect vulnerable and persecuted religious minorities. Transitional justice programs should support the efforts of entities, including nongovernmental organizations, to assist in addressing crimes of genocide, crimes against humanity, or war crimes, including in Iraq, Syria, Sri Lanka, and Burma.

Pursuant to subsection (d), funds for atrocities prevention shall be derived in the following manner: $2,500,000 under Economic Support Fund and $2,500,000 under International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement.

The agreement includes not less than $1,000,000 for programs to combat anti-Semitism abroad.

Section 7034. Special Provisions (Modified)

The Secretary of State has not submitted several reports required by section 7034(b)(8) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2017 (division J of Public Law 115–31). The Secretary of State is directed to submit such reports not later than 30 days after the enactment of the Act.

The agreement does not include a requirement for the Secretary of State to withhold assistance to the central government of a country if the Secretary determines that such government has engaged in, planned, or facilitated unconventional attacks against United States personnel stationed abroad. However, the Secretary shall regularly brief the appropriate congressional committees on embassy security matters, including unconventional attacks, as appropriate.

Of the funds made available pursuant to subsection (b)(4)(A), funds shall be made available for such programs in Colombia, El Salvador, Guatemala, Iraq, Sri Lanka, and Syria.

In addition to the directives in subsection (k), and with respect to the implementation of section 203(a)(2) of Public Law 110–457, the Secretary of State shall consider the following as sufficient to determine that a diplomatic mission "tolerated such actions": the failure to provide a replacement passport within a reasonable period of time to a T-visa recipient; the existence of multiple concurrent civil suits against members of the diplomatic mission; or the failure to satisfy a civil judgment against an employee of the diplomatic mission.

Subsection (o)(2) includes Egypt, Jordan, and Tunisia.

Subsection (p) renames the Small Grants Program as Local Works. The USAID Administrator is directed to comply with the directives under the heading Local Sustainable Awards Program (LSAP) in this section and under the heading Local Sustainable Development Officers under Operating Expenses in the Senate report, except that each reference to LSAP and to the Small Grants Program shall be considered a reference to Local Works.

Section 7039. Assistance for the West Bank and Gaza (Modified)

For the purposes of subsection (c)(1)(A), the prohibition shall include any funds provided to family members of Palestinians who commit or have committed acts of terrorism if the purpose of providing such funds is to recognize or otherwise honor the individual who commits or has committed such acts.

Section 7041. Middle East and North Africa (Modified)

Egypt.—Funds for Egypt are allocated according to the following table and subject to section 7019 of the Act:

EGYPT

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Account/Program	Budget Authority
Economic Support Fund	112,500
International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement	2,000
Nonproliferation, Anti-terrorism, Demining and Related Programs	3,000
International Military Education and Training	1,800
Foreign Military Financing Program	1,300,000
Total	1,419,300

The Act provides not less than $10,000,000 for Egyptian students with high financial need to attend not-for-profit institutions of higher education. Such institutions must meet standards equivalent to those required for United States institutional accreditation by a regional accrediting agency recognized by the United States Department of Education.

For the purpose of the certification required under subsection (a)(3)(A)(v), such cases include the murder of Giulio Regeni.

The agreement requires that an assessment of the Government of Egypt's compliance with United Nations Security Council Resolution 2270 and other such resolutions regarding North Korea be included in the report required to accompany any waiver exercised by the Secretary of State pursuant to subsection (a)(3)(B). Illicit

arms sales and trafficking are a source of significant revenue for the North Korean regime and present an increasing threat to United States national security and global stability.

Iraq.—Funds are made available to support American-style higher education institutions in Iraq, including in the Kurdistan region, on an open and competitive basis. American educational institutions play an important role in educating the next generation of leaders in the region, countering extremism, strengthening democracy, and encouraging economic opportunities. The Secretary of State or USAID Administrator, as appropriate, shall include funds allocated for this purpose in the spend plan submitted pursuant to section 7076(b) of the Act.

Jordan.—In addition to the amounts designated in the Act for Economic Support Fund and Foreign Military Financing Program for assistance for Jordan, the agreement includes not less than $13,600,000 under Nonproliferation, Anti-terrorism, Demining and Related Programs and not less than $4,000,000 under International Military Education and Training for assistance for Jordan.

Lebanon.—In meeting the reporting requirement on Lebanon in the House report under Foreign Military Financing Program, the Secretary of State shall also include an assessment of the capability and performance of the Lebanese Armed Forces over time in carrying out each of the purposes contained in subsection (e)(4).

Libya.—No funds were requested for lethal assistance for Libya, and none are provided in the Act. 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, as well as a detailed description of the vetting procedures used for recipients of any assistance made available by the Act for security forces.

Morocco.—Funds for Morocco are allocated according to the following table and subject to section 7019 of the Act:

MOROCCO

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Account	Budget Authority
Economic Support Fund	20,000
International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement	5,000
Nonproliferation, Anti-terrorism, Demining and Related Programs	1,500
International Military Education and Training	2,000
Foreign Military Financing Program	10,000
Total	38,500

Refugee Assistance in North Africa.—In lieu of the statements regarding United Nations Security Council Resolution 2351 in the House and Senate reports, subsection (h) includes a reporting requirement regarding the delivery of humanitarian assistance to refugees in North Africa.

Relief and Recovery Fund.—The agreement includes the following amounts for the Relief and Recovery Fund: $25,000,000 under International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement; $50,000,000 under Nonproliferation, Anti-terrorism, Demining and Related Programs; $80,000,000 under Peacekeeping Operations;

$75,000,000 under Foreign Military Financing Program; and $270,000,000 under Economic Support Fund, which includes funds for assistance for Libya, Syria, and Yemen. Not later than 45 days after enactment of the Act, and every 90 days thereafter until September 30, 2019, the Secretary of State and USAID Administrator shall submit a consolidated report to the Committees on Appropriations containing updated information on obligations and expenditures of such funds on a country and program basis.

Funds made available for the Relief and Recovery Fund shall be made available for stabilization assistance for vulnerable ethnic and religious minority communities affected by conflict. The Secretary of State and USAID Administrator should consider the stabilization needs of such communities in Iraq and Syria, such as in the Nineveh Plains, Tel Afar, and Sinjar areas of Iraq, when making decisions on the allocation of funds. Funds should also support programs that are locally-led and intended to promote sustainable development.

The Secretary of State shall consult with the Committees on Appropriations prior to exercising the transfer authority contained in subsection (j)(1). Funds made available pursuant to subsection (j)(2) are made available to support the efforts of entities, including nongovernmental organizations, to assist in addressing genocide, crimes against humanity, and war crimes in Iraq and Syria, including through programs to assist in the conduct of criminal investigations, to develop local investigative and judicial skills, and to collect and preserve evidence and the chain of custody of evidence. Funds made available pursuant to this subsection are in addition to funds under section 7033(b)(4).

The uses of funds for the Relief and Recovery Fund shall be made available in consultation with the Chief of Mission in a recipient country, if a diplomatic presence exists in such country.

Syria.—The agreement includes funds for non-lethal assistance programs to address the needs of civilians affected by conflict in Syria in a manner consistent with the prior fiscal year. Such funds are made available for programs in areas not controlled by the Government of Syria.

Tunisia.—The Act provides not less than $165,400,000 for assistance for Tunisia. Such funds are allocated according to the following table and subject to section 7019 of the Act:

TUNISIA

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Account/Program	Budget Authority
Economic Support Fund	79,000
International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement	13,000
Nonproliferation, Anti-terrorism, Demining and Related Programs	6,100
International Military Education and Training	2,300
Foreign Military Financing Program	65,000
Total	165,400

The Secretary of State and USAID Administrator, as appropriate, shall encourage the National Economic Strategic Dialogue to include discussion of governance reforms.

Of the funds appropriated by the Act for assistance for Tunisia, not less than $30,800,000 shall be made available for democracy and governance programs, including to support implementation of Tunisia's Law on Eliminating Violence Against Women.

Other Assistance for the Middle East and North Africa.—Funds for certain programs for the Middle East and North Africa are allocated according to the following table and subject to section 7019 of the Act:

OTHER ASSISTANCE FOR THE MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Account/Program	Budget Authority
Economic Support Fund:	
Iraq	100,000
Marla Ruzicka Iraqi War Victims Fund	[7,500]
Lebanon	115,000
Scholarships	[12,000]
Middle East Partnership Initiative scholarship program	20,000
Middle East Regional Cooperation	5,000
Near East Regional Democracy	42,000
Relief and Recovery:	
Refugee Scholarships Pilot Program in Lebanon	[2,000]
International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement:	
West Bank security assistance	60,000
Foreign Military Financing Program:	
Iraq	250,000

Refugee Scholarships.—The agreement provides $2,000,000 to continue a university scholarship program for refugees in Lebanon. Consistent with the Lebanon scholarship program, scholarships shall be for students with high financial need at not-for-profit educational institutions in Lebanon that meet standards comparable to those required for United States accreditation, to be awarded on a competitive basis. The USAID Administrator shall ensure that refugees in Lebanon of any nationality, including those attending public or private secondary schools, are eligible to apply for such scholarships.

Section 7042. Africa (Modified)

Partnership for Regional East Africa Counterterrorism.—Funds for the Partnership for Regional East Africa Counterterrorism are allocated according to the following table and subject to section 7019 of the Act:

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Account	Budget Authority
Economic Support Fund	2,000
International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement	1,000
Nonproliferation, Anti-terrorism, Demining and Related Programs	11,150
Peacekeeping Operations	10,000
Total	24,150

Trans-Sahara Counterterrorism Partnership.—Funds for the Trans-Sahara Counterterrorism Partnership are allocated according to the following table and subject to section 7019 of the Act:

TRANS-SAHARA COUNTERTERRORISM PARTNERSHIP

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Account	Budget Authority
Development Assistance	15,275
Economic Support Fund	10,000
International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement	6,000
Nonproliferation, Anti-terrorism, Demining and Related Programs	18,446
Peacekeeping Operations	34,100
Total	83,821

Ethiopia.—The report submitted pursuant to subsection (d)(3) shall include: (1) a detailed description of the role and conduct of the Ethiopian National Defense Force (ENDF) in internal security, including under the state of emergency declared in February 2018; (2) the impact of such role and conduct on United States assistance programs, including any intended changes to the content of such programs; (3) any plans for the United States to partner with other countries to advance security sector objectives in Ethiopia; and (4) a description of the role of the ENDF in Somalia.

South Sudan.—Due to mass displacement and the absence of a constitutional framework necessary to support credible elections, no funds are provided for electoral assistance for South Sudan.

The strategy update required under subsection (h)(1) shall include a description of steps taken, or intended to be taken, by the United States, in cooperation with the international community, to restrict the influx of weapons and ammunition into South Sudan, including with regard to countries named by the Panel of Experts as having facilitated arms transfers to South Sudan.

Assistance made available under title IV of the Act for the central Government of South Sudan pursuant to subsection (h)(3) should only be made available for monitoring the peace process and the verification of a ceasefire and to continue, but not expand, assistance previously provided by the United States, unless the Secretary of State determines and reports to the Committees on Appropriations that such government is in compliance with a comprehensive ceasefire agreement, including providing unimpeded access for ceasefire monitors, and that such assistance will be made available to support entities that are inclusive of all relevant stakeholders.

Zimbabwe.—The agreement continues the prior year limitation on assistance, including international financing, for the central Government of Zimbabwe. The Secretary of State is directed to work with other donor governments to advocate for similar limitations on assistance for Zimbabwe until fundamental rights are being respected, including freedom of expression, association, and assembly, due process, and the holding of free and fair elections.

The Secretary of the Treasury and the Secretary of State shall consult with the Committees on Appropriations not later than 15 days prior to exercising an exception pursuant to subsection (j)(1).

The agreement includes not less than the fiscal year 2017 level for programs to promote democracy and protect human rights in Zimbabwe, which should include efforts to build the capacity of political parties.

Other Assistance for Africa.—Funds for certain programs for Africa are allocated according to the following table and subject to section 7019 of the Act:

OTHER ASSISTANCE FOR AFRICA

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Account/Program	Budget Authority
Development Assistance:	
Liberia	65,439
Malawi higher education	10,000
Economic Support Fund:	
Counter Lord's Resistance Army (section 7042(f))	10,000
Democratic Republic of the Congo	75,188
Djibouti	9,000
West Africa anti-slavery programs	2,000
International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement:	
Liberia	11,000
Africa Democracy Programs (section 7032(a))	314,271
Cameroon	1,000
Chad	1,000

Funds for West Africa anti-slavery programs are derived from within bilateral country and regional programs.

Section 7043. East Asia and the Pacific (Modified)

Burma.—Funds for Burma are allocated according to the following table and subject to section 7019 of the Act:

BURMA

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Account/Program	Budget Authority
Economic Support Fund	82,700
Documentation of human rights violations against Rohingya	[2,500]
Documentation of human rights violations in Burma	[500]
International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement	3,500

In considering programs pursuant to subsection (a)(1)(B)(xii) to support the return of Rohingya, Karen, and other ethnic minorities that have been displaced, the Secretary of State shall ensure that: (1) such returns are verifiably of a voluntary nature; (2) such returnees are guaranteed equal rights with others in Burma, including the restoration or granting of full citizenship, freedom of movement and access to basic services in such locations, and are not placed in internment camps; (3) such locations are free from ethnic violence, and the root causes of unrest are addressed, consistent with the Rakhine Advisory Commission recommendations (for the return of Rohingya) to ensure the sustainability of returns and prevent further displacement; (4) such programs are implemented in a credible and transparent manner; and (5) international and local media organizations, including the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, have unimpeded access to monitor all areas of return.

For purposes of this section, displaced Rohingya should be considered refugees regardless of their legal status in their current location.

Cambodia.—The report on the electoral environment in Cambodia in the Senate report is no longer required.

North Korea.—The agreement includes the following amounts for human rights programs pursuant to subsection (c)(4)(A), to be administered by DRL: $4,000,000 under Economic Support Fund and $4,000,000 under Democracy Fund.

People's Republic of China.—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.

The Secretary of State, in consultation with the Secretary of Defense, shall brief the appropriate congressional committees as requested on freedom of navigation and operations in the South China Sea.

Philippines.—The agreement includes funds under title III for USAID to support the implementation by the Philippine Department of Health and local entities of a national and community based drug treatment and demand reduction program, including for the purposes enumerated in the Senate report. Such funds shall be made available on a cost-matching basis, to the maximum extent practicable, and following consultation with the appropriate congressional committees.

The Secretary of State shall comply with the reporting requirement in Senate Report 114–79 under Foreign Military Financing Program with respect to certain actions by the Government of the Philippines.

Thailand.—Funds for Thailand under Economic Support Fund are allocated according to the following table and subject to section 7019 of the Act:

THAILAND

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Account/Program	Budget Authority
Economic Support Fund:	
Democracy and conflict resolution programs	4,000

The Secretary of State shall consult with the Committees on Appropriations prior to the obligation of assistance for Thailand.

Tibet.—For purposes of the 653(a) report, spend plans, and notifications, the Department of State and USAID shall differentiate assistance made available by the Act for Tibet from any such assistance made available for the People's Republic of China.

USAID Regional Development Mission for Asia.—Program funds for RDMA are allocated according to the following table and subject to section 7019 of the Act:

USAID REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT MISSION FOR ASIA

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Account/Program	Budget Authority
Development Assistance	35,440
Economic Support Fund	5,000

Vietnam.—Funds for certain programs for Vietnam are allocated according to the following table and subject to section 7019 of the Act:

VIETNAM

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Account/Program	Budget Authority
Development Assistance	55,250
International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement	6,000
Nonproliferation, Anti-terrorism, Demining and Related Programs Humanitarian demining	12,500
Foreign Military Financing Program	12,000

Other Assistance for East Asia and the Pacific Region.—Funds for certain programs in East Asia and the Pacific are allocated according to the following table and subject to section 7019 of the Act:

OTHER ASSISTANCE FOR EAST ASIA AND THE PACIFIC REGION

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Account/Program	Budget Authority
Global Health Programs:	
Laos nutrition programs	3,500
Development Assistance:	
Laos	20,000
Timor-Leste	16,000
Philippines	70,000
Economic Support Fund:	
People's Republic of China (democracy, rule of law, and environment)	15,000
International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement:	
Indonesia	10,625
Laos	1,000
Southeast Asia Maritime Security Initiative	7,750
Nonproliferation, Antiterrorism, Demining and Related Programs:	
Laos humanitarian demining	30,000
Foreign Military Financing Program:	
Indonesia	14,000
Mongolia	2,600

Section 7044. South and Central Asia (Modified)

Afghanistan.—The Secretary of State shall submit the report required by section 7044(a)(1)(B) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2017 (division J of Public Law 115–31), in the manner described.

In making the certification in subsection (a)(1)(B), the Secretary shall consider, for each requirement, whether progress has been made during the previous calendar year.

In lieu of the House and Senate reports regarding assistance provided to the Afghanistan Reconstruction Trust Fund, the Secretary

of State, in consultation with the USAID Administrator, shall submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations not later than 90 days after enactment of the Act on progress made with respect to the monitoring of such assistance, including the extent to which information obtained through such monitoring is shared with the United States Government.

The Secretary of State, in consultation with the USAID Administrator, shall ensure sufficient funding for the safety and security of soft targets in Afghanistan, including the American University of Afghanistan.

Of the funds provided under International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement for assistance for Afghanistan, not less than $10,000,000 is for programs to significantly increase the recruitment, training, and retention of women in law enforcement positions and in the judiciary, and to train Afghan security personnel to prevent and address gender-based violence, human trafficking, and other practices that disproportionately harm women and girls. The Secretary of State is directed to consult with the Committees on Appropriations prior to the obligation of such funds.

The Special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction, in consultation with the offices of the Inspectors General of the Department of State and USAID, shall update the assessment required by the explanatory statement accompanying division J of Public Law 115–31 of the Government of Afghanistan's implementation of the "Afghanistan National Strategy for Combating Corruption," including whether such government is making progress toward achieving its anti-corruption objectives.

Maldives.—The agreement provides $1,500,000 for civil society programs to counter violent extremism in the Maldives, to be administered by USAID.

Pakistan.—In submitting the information required in subsection (c)(1)(B), the Secretary of State shall include a description of the steps taken by the Government of Pakistan to: (1) conduct military operations that significantly disrupt the safe havens, fundraising and recruiting efforts, and freedom of movement of domestic and foreign terrorist organizations, including the Haqqani Network, in Pakistan; (2) demonstrate its commitment to prevent domestic and foreign terrorist organizations, including the Haqqani Network, from using any Pakistan territory as a safe haven and for fundraising and recruiting efforts; (3) coordinate with the Government of Afghanistan to restrict the movement of militants, such as the Haqqani Network, along the Afghanistan-Pakistan border; (4) arrest and prosecute senior leaders and mid-level operatives of domestic and foreign terrorist organizations; and (5) prevent the proliferation of nuclear-related materials and expertise.

Not later than 90 days after enactment of the Act, the Secretary of State shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations: (1) a report identifying the amount of funds appropriated under Foreign Military Financing Program for assistance for Pakistan under the Act and prior Acts, by fiscal year, that are withheld from expenditure; a description of existing contracts; the amount of funds required to fulfill commitments on existing contracts; and the amount of uncommitted funds; and (2) a report identifying the total amount

of funds withheld from obligation, by fiscal year and account, pursuant to subsection (c)(4) and similar provisions of law.

Sri Lanka.—Subsection (d)(3)(B) conditions assistance related to international peacekeeping that is made available under Peacekeeping Operations for Sri Lanka on whether the Government of Sri Lanka is taking effective steps to bring to justice Sri Lankan peacekeeping troops who have engaged in sexual exploitation and abuse, including in Haiti in 2007, and including preventing such troops from deploying on future missions.

Regional Programs.—Of the funds made available pursuant to subsection (e)(2), funds shall be made available for such programs in Afghanistan and Pakistan.

Other Assistance for South and Central Asia.—Funds for certain programs for South and Central Asia are allocated according to the following table and subject to section 7019 of the Act:

OTHER ASSISTANCE FOR SOUTH AND CENTRAL ASIA

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Account/Program	Budget Authority
Development Assistance:	
Bangladesh labor programs	3,000
Economic Support Fund:	
Civilian victims of war, Afghanistan	10,000
Civilian victims of war, Pakistan	10,000
Maldives	1,500
Nepal	75,000
Foreign Military Financing Program:	
Sri Lanka	500

Section 7045. Latin America and the Caribbean (Modified)

Central America.—Subsection (a) provides that up to $615,000,000 may be made available for assistance for countries in Central America to implement the United States Strategy for Engagement in Central America (the Strategy). Such funds are allocated according to the following table and subject to section 7019 of the Act:

UNITED STATES STRATEGY FOR ENGAGEMENT IN CENTRAL AMERICA

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Account/Program	Budget Authority
Global Health Programs:	
Guatemala	13,000
Subtotal	13,000
Development Assistance:	
El Salvador	55,035
Guatemala	93,000
Honduras	75,000
Nicaragua	10,000
Award for Extraordinary Progress	7,000
Transfer to Inter-American Foundation	10,000
Subtotal	250,035
Economic Support Fund:	
Central America Regional Security Initiative	104,225

UNITED STATES STRATEGY FOR ENGAGEMENT IN CENTRAL AMERICA—Continued

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Account/Program	Budget Authority
Award for Extraordinary Progress	[4,000]
Subtotal	104,225
International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement:	
Central America Regional Security Initiative	215,000
Costa Rica	[25,000]
DNA forensic technology	[6,000]
International Commission against Impunity in Guatemala	[6,000]
Award for Extraordinary Progress	[4,000]
Subtotal	215,000
Nonproliferation, Anti-terrorism, Demining and Related Programs:	
Panama	500
Subtotal	500
International Military Education and Training:	
Belize	250
Costa Rica	725
El Salvador	800
Guatemala	800
Honduras	800
Panama	725
Subtotal	4,100
Foreign Military Financing Program:	
Belize	1,000
Costa Rica	5,000
El Salvador	1,900
Guatemala	1,740
Honduras	4,000
Panama	2,000
State Western Hemisphere Regional	12,500
Subtotal	28,140
Total	615,000

In accordance with subsection (a)(2), the updated multi-year spend plan shall include an explanation of how funds will be prioritized to address the key factors in countries in Central America that contribute to the migration of undocumented Central Americans to the United States. The plan shall also describe how funds address the factors that contribute to criminal activity in the United States by individuals with ties to Central American-based criminal organizations, and the flows of illicit narcotics and money into the United States. The plan shall also include a description of: (1) the 3-year, 5-year, and 10-year goals and benchmarks against which the success of the Strategy should be measured; (2) the proposed uses of assistance from the Act for each country and the amounts allocated from prior Acts since fiscal year 2015; (3) how such assistance differs from, complements, and leverages funds allocated by the governments of such countries, other donors (including international financial institutions), and other Federal agencies, and the amounts of funding from such sources; (4) funds planned to be transferred or otherwise provided to other Federal agencies, international financial institutions, organizations, and offices, and the purpose; and (5) the funding levels by account

planned for each of the central governments of El Salvador, Guatemala, and Honduras, including amounts subject to the certifications in subsection (a)(3).

In making the certification pursuant to subsection (a)(3)(B), the Secretary of State shall review whether such government is taking effective steps to enact and implement plea bargaining laws.

Not later than 60 days after enactment of the Act, the Secretary of State shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations a report detailing any outstanding commercial and trade disputes between the United States and El Salvador, Guatemala, and Honduras.

To further incentivize progress in the region, subsection (a)(4)(B) authorizes the Secretary of State to increase funding for El Salvador, Guatemala, or Honduras if the Secretary determines and reports to the appropriate congressional committees that the central government of such country has made extraordinary progress in meeting the requirements of paragraphs (3)(A) and (3)(B). $15,000,000 is designated for an Award for Extraordinary Progress, to be provided in total for one country.

Not later than 60 days after enactment of the Act, the Secretary of State, in coordination with the USAID Administrator, is directed to issue a progress report based on the plan for monitoring and evaluation developed in accordance with the explanatory statements accompanying division K of Public Law 114–113 and division J of Public Law 115–31. The report shall include a description of the results, by country, for each of the program and context indicators, and be submitted to the appropriate congressional committees. The Department of State and USAID Web sites shall be updated accordingly in a timely manner.

The Secretary of State and USAID Administrator shall consult with the Committees on Appropriations prior to transferring funds under Development Assistance to the Inter-American Development Bank or the Inter-American Foundation in support of the Strategy.

The agreement supports efforts to strengthen the rule of law by combating corruption and impunity in Central America. Within the total funding provided for the Strategy, a total of $31,000,000 is for the Mission to Support the Fight against Corruption and Impunity in Honduras (MACCIH) and the offices of the Attorneys General/Public Ministries of El Salvador, Guatemala, and Honduras. The spend plan required by subsection (a)(2) shall identify the amounts proposed for such organizations and the proposed uses of funds.

Not later than 90 days after enactment of the Act, the Secretary of State is directed to submit a report to the appropriate congressional committees on whether: (1) the Organization of American States Secretariat has made reforms to ensure that MACCIH has a qualified director with authority over budgetary, personnel, and programmatic decisions; (2) MACCIH is able to carry out its mission independently and with the support of the Government of Honduras; and (3) funds provided for MACCIH are properly managed and subject to independent audits.

Colombia.—Subsection (b) provides not less than $391,253,000 for assistance for Colombia. Such funds are allocated according to the following table and subject to section 7019 of the Act:

COLOMBIA

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Account/Program	Budget Authority
Economic Support Fund	187,328
Transfer to Migration and Refugee Assistance	[7,000]
Afro-Colombian and indigenous communities	[20,000]
Human rights	[9,000]
Biodiversity	[5,000]
International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement	143,000
Office of the Attorney General, Human Rights Unit	[10,000]
Office of the Attorney General, Environmental Crimes Unit	[1,000]
Nonproliferation, Anti-terrorism, Demining and Related Programs	21,000
International Military Education and Training	1,400
Foreign Military Financing Program	38,525
Total	391,253

In accordance with subsection (b)(3), the spend plan shall describe in detail the proposed uses of funds by account and activity, including those activities specified in subparagraphs (A) through (E) of paragraph (1), and the amounts made available from prior Acts for such activities. The spend plan shall also include the following information for any funds made available to support the implementation of the peace agreement: (1) an estimate of planned funding by fiscal year and account; (2) an estimate of the commitments and expenditures by the Government of Colombia to implement the agreement; (3) an explanation of how assistance made available by the Act and prior Acts to support implementation of the agreement will be coordinated with resources provided by the Government of Colombia and other donors, including international financial institutions; and (4) information regarding funding from other Federal agencies.

The report to accompany the certification submitted pursuant to subsection (b)(5) shall include metrics and related information to support such certification.

The report to accompany the certification submitted pursuant to subsection (b)(6) shall include the effective steps taken by the Government of Colombia to investigate and prosecute individuals responsible for attacks against human rights defenders, journalists, trade unionists, and other civil society activists. The Secretary of State should not submit the report directed in the House report under this section regarding justice and rule of law activities.

Not later than 60 days after enactment of the Act, the Secretary of State shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations an update to the report on outstanding commercial and trade disputes between the United States and Colombia required by the explanatory statement accompanying division J of Public Law 115–31. The updated report shall include the information described in the House report under this section.

Caribbean Basin Security Initiative.—Funds for the Caribbean Basin Security Initiative are allocated according to the following table and subject to section 7019 of the Act:

CARIBBEAN BASIN SECURITY INITIATIVE

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Account	Budget Authority
Economic Support Fund	25,000
International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement	25,200
Foreign Military Financing Program	7,500
Total	57,700

Mexico.—Funds for assistance for Mexico are allocated according to the following table and subject to section 7019 of the Act:

MEXICO

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Account	Budget Authority
Economic Support Fund	45,000
International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement	100,000
Nonproliferation, Anti-terrorism, Demining and Related Programs	1,160
International Military Education and Training	1,500
Foreign Military Financing Program	5,000
Total	152,660

The Act provides resources above the prior fiscal year to combat the production and trafficking of heroin, fentanyl, and other opioids into the United States. The report on opioids under International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement required in this explanatory statement shall include information on such matters.

The Secretary of State shall follow the directive in the Senate report under Foreign Military Financing Program regarding assistance for Mexico. The Secretary of State should not submit the report directed in the House report under International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement regarding Mexico.

The agreement supports efforts to investigate and prosecute cases of violence against journalists in Mexico. Within the amount provided for assistance for Mexico, $1,000,000 is for the Special Prosecutor's Office for Crimes against Freedom of Expression, subject to prior consultation with the Committees on Appropriations.

Other Assistance for Latin America and the Caribbean.—Funds for certain programs in Latin America and the Caribbean are allocated according to the following table and subject to section 7019 of the Act:

OTHER ASSISTANCE FOR LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Account/Program	Budget Authority
Economic Support Fund:	
Caribbean Energy Security Initiative	2,000
Cuba	20,000
Haiti reforestation	8,500
International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement:	
Argentina	2,500
Haiti prison assistance	1,500

OTHER ASSISTANCE FOR LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN—Continued

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Account/Program	Budget Authority
Peru	32,000
Western Hemisphere regional security cooperation	12,500
Foreign Military Financing Program:	
Peru	1,800

In lieu of the directives in the House and Senate bills and reports, the agreement includes funds for democracy programs in Cuba.

Funds provided under International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement for assistance for Argentina should support mutually agreed upon goals in the areas of counterterrorism, counternarcotics, and law enforcement, and help increase Argentina's technological capabilities in such areas.

The Act provides $1,500,000 for Haiti prison assistance in the manner described under this heading in the Senate report.

Funds provided for Western Hemisphere regional security cooperation are in addition to amounts otherwise provided for bilateral and regional programs under International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement.

Section 7046. Europe and Eurasia (Modified)

Georgia.—The Act provides not less than $105,325,000 for assistance for Georgia. Such funds are allocated according to the following table and subject to section 7019 of the Act:

GEORGIA

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Account	Budget Authority
Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia	63,025
International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement	4,000
Nonproliferation, Anti-terrorism, Demining and Related Programs	1,100
International Military Education and Training	2,200
Foreign Military Financing Program	35,000
Total	105,325

Ukraine.—The Act provides not less than $420,700,000 for assistance for Ukraine. Such funds are allocated according to the following table and subject to section 7019 of the Act:

UKRAINE

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Account	Budget Authority
Global Health Programs	32,800
Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia	250,000
International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement	30,000
Nonproliferation, Anti-terrorism, Demining and Related Programs	10,000
International Military Education and Training	2,900
Foreign Military Financing Program	95,000

UKRAINE—Continued

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Account	Budget Authority
Total	420,700

Other Assistance for Europe and Eurasia.—Funds for certain programs in Europe and Eurasia are allocated according to the following table and subject to section 7019 of the Act:

OTHER ASSISTANCE FOR EUROPE AND EURASIA

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Account/Country	Budget Authority
International Military Education and Training:	
Greece	1,000
Foreign Military Financing Program:	
Estonia	8,000
Latvia	8,000
Lithuania	8,000
Moldova	12,750

The agreement includes funding at levels consistent with prior years to further the economic, social development, and reconciliation goals of Public Law 99–415.

Section 7048. United Nations (Modified)

In making the determination required by subsection (a)(1)(C), the Secretary of State shall review whether each organization, department, or agency is effectively implementing and enforcing policies and procedures on the appropriate use of travel funds, including restrictions on first class and business class travel. The report to accompany such determination shall assess all of the recommendations (including the status of such recommendations) contained in the April 2017 United Nations Joint Inspection Unit's "Review of Air Travel Policies in the United Nations System," including the steps taken or planned to be taken to implement the report's second recommendation to "abolish first class travel for all categories of staff and non-staff by January 2019." The report may include additional recommendations from the Secretary for reducing travel costs and improving the oversight of travel at such entities.

Not later than 30 days after enactment of the Act, the Secretary of State shall consult with the Committees on Appropriations on the status of any outstanding determinations required by subsection (a), including with respect to the World Intellectual Property Organization, and inform the Committee of any steps that need to be taken by such organizations to comply with the requirements of such subsection.

Section 7058. Global Health Activities (Modified)

Global Health Security Strategy.—Not later than 180 days after enactment of the Act, the Senior Director for Global Health Security and Biothreats at the National Security Council, in coordination with the Secretary of State, the USAID Administrator, the Di-

rector of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the Secretary of Health and Human Services, the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of Homeland Security, and the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a comprehensive inter-agency strategy to accelerate the capabilities of targeted countries to prevent, detect, and respond to infectious disease outbreaks. The strategy shall: (1) detail the role and responsibility of each relevant Federal agency in implementing the strategy; (2) include multi-year cost estimates for operations and programs necessary to implement such strategy, disaggregated by agency; (3) describe the mechanisms for coordination and oversight of such programs; (4) review lessons-learned from previous efforts to promote global health security; and (5) identify any obstacles to the implementation of such strategy in policy or legislation, and include specific recommendations for addressing such obstacles.

Subsection (d)(1)(C) repurposes funds to assist communities in Haiti affected by cholera resulting from the United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti. The Act also requires the Secretary of State to ensure that mechanisms are in place for monitoring, oversight, and control of such funds in order to prevent waste, fraud and abuse. The Secretary of State shall work to increase such assistance from other donor countries. Information on these matters shall be included in any notification submitted pursuant to subsection (d)(1)(C).

Subsection (d)(1)(B) repurposes funds for USAID to carry out programs to accelerate the capacities of targeted countries to prevent, detect, and respond to infectious disease outbreaks.

Section 7059. Gender Equality (Modified)

Section 7060. Sector Allocations (Modified)

Environment Programs.—Subsection (c) includes authority for environment programs, subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations. Additionally, subsection (c) states that none of the funds in the Act are appropriated or otherwise made available for a contribution, grant, or other payment to the Green Climate Fund.

Funds for certain bilateral environment programs are allocated according to the following table and subject to section 7019 of the Act:

ENVIRONMENT PROGRAMS

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Account/Program	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	[17,500]
Guatemala/Belize	5,000
USAID	[3,500]
Department of the Interior	[1,500]
Lacey Act	2,500
United States Fish and Wildlife Service	9,150
Great apes	[3,500]

ENVIRONMENT PROGRAMS—Continued

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Account/Program	Budget Authority
Migratory bird conservation	[500]
Endangered sea turtles	[150]
United States Forest Service	5,000
USAID/Indonesia Orangutan program	2,500
Toxic chemicals	5,000
Waste recycling	5,000

The spend plan requirement for funds made available pursuant to subsection (c) shall include levels consistent with prior fiscal years. Such spend plan shall include proposed amounts for programs and activities in the Senate report.

Not later than 45 days after enactment of the Act and prior to the obligation of funds made available pursuant to subsection (c), the Secretary of State, USAID Administrator, Director of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), Director of the United States Forest Service (USFS), and Secretary of Interior are directed to consult with the Committees on Appropriations on the uses of such funds.

Funds included for USFWS, USFS, and Department of the Interior (DOI) shall be provided through direct transfers pursuant to section 632(a) of the FAA not later than 90 days after enactment of the Act. Prior to such transfer, the USFWS, USFS, and DOI shall submit spend plans to the Committees on Appropriations and to USAID detailing the planned uses of funds and expected programmatic results.

The Act provides not less than fiscal year 2016 levels for USAID Great Apes programs.

The agreement includes funds to support programs in the Mekong region, and in other vulnerable areas, that assist countries in adapting to flooding, drought, infrastructure development, and other natural and man-made causes that threaten the livelihoods of local people.

Combating Wildlife Trafficking.—The Act includes not less than $90,664,000 to combat wildlife poaching and trafficking, of which not less than $10,000,000 shall be made available for programs to combat rhinoceros poaching primarily for site-based, anti-poaching activities to address immediate requirements. Funds are provided to support regional wildlife enforcement networks, including not less than the fiscal year 2017 level to support regional cooperation in Southern Africa.

Trafficking in Persons.—The Act provides not less than $78,822,000 for programs and activities to combat trafficking in persons internationally, including $13,822,000 provided under Diplomatic and Consular Programs for the State Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons, and not less than $65,000,000 from funds made available under titles III and IV which are allocated according to the following table and subject to section 7019 of the Act:

TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Account	Budget Authority
Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia	5,000
Development Assistance	12,000
Economic Support Fund	8,000
International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement	40,000
Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons	[32,000]
Total	65,000

Programs to end modern slavery designated in the table under International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement in title IV are in addition to funds allocated to combat trafficking in persons pursuant to this section. Up to $5,000,000 should be made available for child protection compacts, pursuant to the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000, as amended by Public Law 113–4, and following consultation with the appropriate congressional committees. The Department of State and USAID shall implement the directive in section 7060(f)(3) of division J of Public Law 115–31 requiring program coordination.

Section 7069. Joint Strategic Plan, Budget, and Transitions (New)

Prior to selecting a country for strategic transition, the USAID Administrator shall report to the appropriate congressional committees on the justification for such transition.

Section 7070. Countering Russian Influence and Aggression (Modified)

Countering Russian Influence Fund.—The Act provides not less than $250,000,000 for the CRIF, which is in addition to amounts made available for bilateral assistance for countries in Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia. Such funds are allocated according to the following table and subject to section 7019 of the Act:

COUNTERING RUSSIAN INFLUENCE FUND

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Account	Budget Authority
Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia	75,000
International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement	50,000
International Military Education and Training	5,000
Foreign Military Financing Program	120,000
Total	250,000

The Secretary of State shall consult with the Committees on Appropriations on the proposed uses of such funds prior to obligation.

Not later than 90 days after the initial obligation of funds and every 90 days thereafter until September 30, 2019, the Secretary of State and USAID Administrator shall submit a consolidated report to the Committees on Appropriations containing updated information on obligations and expenditures of such funds on a country and project basis.

In lieu of the directive in the Senate report under this heading concerning Russia reporting requirements, the Secretary of State is directed to update the reports required by subsections (b)(2) and (e) of section 7071 of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2014 (division K of Public Law 113–76) not later than 45 days after enactment of the Act.

Section 7073. Stability and Development in Regions Impacted by Extremism and Conflict (Modified)

Section 7076. Budget Documents (Modified)

Spend Plans.—Subsection (b)(3) includes new language that makes 10 percent of the funds contained in a spend plan available for obligation prior to the submission of such spend plan in certain circumstances. The Secretary of State or USAID Administrator, as applicable, shall submit each spend plan required by this subsection with all planned accounts, programs, and activities. Partial spend plans will not be considered complete for the purposes of this requirement. Funds notified prior to the submission pursuant to this section shall be noted in such spend plan.

Section 7077. Reports and Records Management (Modified)

Section 7078. Global Internet Freedom (Modified)

The Act provides not less than $55,500,000 for programs to promote Internet freedom globally. Funds for such activities appropriated in title III of the Act are allocated according to the following table and subject to section 7019 of the Act:

GLOBAL INTERNET FREEDOM

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Account/Program	Budget Authority
Democracy Fund (Department of State)	14,000
Democracy Fund (USAID)	3,500
Economic Support Fund	17,025
Near East Regional Democracy	[11,750]
Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia	5,975

In addition to the funds made available in title III, the Act also includes $15,000,000 for Internet freedom under Broadcasting Board of Governors, including $13,800,000 for International Broadcasting Operations for programs and $1,200,000 for the associated personnel costs of Radio Free Asia.

Section 7080. United States Citizens and Nationals Unlawfully or Wrongfully Detained Abroad (New)

Section 7081. Reorganization and Redesign (New)

Not later than 45 days after enactment of the Act, the Secretary of State and USAID Administrator shall each submit to the appropriate congressional committees a report summarizing all efforts taken during calendar year 2017 to reorganize, redesign, or otherwise change the form or function of their respective agencies, including actions taken pursuant to Executive Order 13781 on a Comprehensive Plan for Reorganizing the Executive Branch. The

report shall include a clear description of the desired outcome the respective agency seeks to achieve through any reforms. The report shall also include a description of the current policy for supporting the operations of the National Security Council (NSC) through the detail of agency staff, including staff projected to be detailed to the NSC during fiscal years 2018 and 2019, if applicable.

The offices of the Inspectors General of the Department of State and USAID shall review the processes by which the Department of State and USAID, respectively, developed and implemented reorganization and redesign efforts and plans, including the extent to which employees of such agencies provided input into such efforts and plans.

Funds made available by the Act are provided in the amounts necessary for, and purposes of, hiring to attrition and maintaining the on-board Foreign Service and Civil Service staff levels at the Department of State and USAID as of December 31, 2017.

The agreement assumes that the USAID Administrator will be responsible for establishing all personnel levels and positions for USAID, pursuant to the existing agreement between the Department of State and USAID.

The agreement assumes sufficient funding for introductory classes for the Department of State Foreign Service (A–100 classes) at the pre-fiscal year 2017 rate, and the Secretary of State shall continue such classes in such manner. The Secretary is directed to report to the appropriate congressional committees not later than 45 days after enactment of the Act on the schedule for the A–100 classes.

The agreement includes sufficient funds for new leadership training programs which shall be subject to prior consultation with the appropriate congressional committees. Additional funds should be made available to expand and enhance training for Department of State and USAID personnel.

Pursuant to subsection (a)(3), the notification shall include a detailed justification and analysis that includes the following information: (1) a detailed description of, and justification for, the proposed action, including any policies or procedures currently or expected to be used to implement Executive Order 13781; (2) the current organizational chart, showing the operating units of the respective department, agency or organization and a brief description of each operating unit; the number of employees for each operating unit; the proposed new organizational chart with descriptions of each new operating unit; and the number of employees once the proposed reorganization is complete; (3) an assessment of how the proposed action will improve the efficiency, effectiveness, performance, and accountability (including through modernizing information technology platforms and streamlining administrative functions) of the department, agency, or organization; (4) an analysis of the impact of any such change on the ability to advance the national interest of the United States through diplomacy and development, and to conduct adequate monitoring and oversight of foreign assistance programs, and any legislative change necessary to implement such proposals; (5) the estimated cost and timeline to complete the proposed action; and (6) an assessment of any cost sav-

ings and efficiencies achieved through implementation of each element of the proposed action.

Many of the proposals included in the August 28, 2017 letter from the Secretary of State to the appropriate congressional committees on the proposed elimination, consolidation, and retention of positions at the Department of State have been cleared by the Committees on Appropriations. Pursuant to subsection (a)(4), operating plans shall include amounts for the following:

Department of State:

Bureau of Consular Affairs

Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor

Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs

Bureau of Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs

Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration

Coordinator for Cyber Issues

Coordinator for Sanctions Policy

Office of Global Women's Issues

Office of International Religious Freedom

Office of the Special Coordinator for Global Criminal Justice

Office of the Special Envoy to Monitor and Combat Anti-Semitism

Office of the Special Presidential Envoy for Hostage Affairs

Special Advisor for International Disability Rights

Special Advisor for Religious Minorities in the Near East and South Central Asia

Special Envoy for Holocaust Issues

Special Representative for the Arctic Region

USAID:

Bureau for Democracy, Conflict, and Humanitarian Assistance

Bureau for Economic Growth, Education and Environment

Bureau for Food Security

Regional Development Mission for Asia

Office of Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment

USAID Advisor for Indigenous Peoples Issues

The directive in the Senate report for the Comptroller General to review any reorganization or redesign proposal or plan by the Department of State and USAID is no longer required.

Section 7083. Multilateral Development Bank Replenishments (New)

Section 7084. Rescissions (New)

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 $2,975,971,000 for Diplomatic and Consular Programs, of which $2,376,122,000 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 $5,000,000 may be transferred to other agencies to support operations in, and assistance for, Afghanistan. The Secretary of State is directed to include in the operating plan required by section 7076(a) of the 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 $68,100,000 for Office of Inspector General, of which $54,900,000 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 $71,778,000 for Embassy Security, Construction, and Maintenance, which is for WSU and designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA.

INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

CONTRIBUTIONS TO INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

The Act provides an additional $96,240,000 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 $967,456,000 for Contributions for International Peacekeeping Activities for peacekeeping operations in the Middle East and Africa, which is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA. Sufficient funds are provided under Peacekeeping Operations for a United States contribution to the United Nations Support Office in Somalia at the statutory level of 25 percent.

RELATED AGENCY

UNITED STATES AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE PRESIDENT

OPERATING EXPENSES

The Act provides an additional $158,067,000 for Operating Expenses for the extraordinary costs of operations in countries in conflict and areas of instability and violence, including in Afghanistan, Pakistan, and Iraq, which is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

The Act provides an additional $2,500,000 for Office of Inspector General for the costs associated with oversight of the obligation and expenditure of OCO/GWOT funding, 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 $1,588,778,000 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 $62,043,000 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.

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.

ECONOMIC SUPPORT FUND

The Act provides an additional $2,152,122,000 for Economic Support Fund for the extraordinary costs of assistance for countries in conflict and areas of instability and violence, including Afghanistan, Pakistan, and countries in the Middle East and Africa, which is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

MIGRATION AND REFUGEE ASSISTANCE

The Act provides an additional $2,431,198,000 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 $417,951,000 for International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement for the extraordinary costs for assistance for countries in conflict and areas of instability and violence, 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 $220,583,000 for Nonproliferation, Anti-terrorism, Demining and Related Programs for the extraordinary costs for anti-terrorism, demining, and other programs in countries in conflict and areas of instability and violence, which is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA.

PEACEKEEPING OPERATIONS

The Act provides an additional $325,213,000 for Peacekeeping Operations for the extraordinary cost for peacekeeping requirements, including the United States share of the UN Support Office 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 $460,000,000 for Foreign Military Financing Program for the extraordinary costs for assistance for countries in conflict and areas of instability and violence, including to counter Russian influence and aggression, which is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Section 8001. Additional Appropriations

This section clarifies that amounts appropriated by this title are in addition to amounts appropriated or otherwise made available in the Act for fiscal year 2018.

Section 8002. Extension of Authorities and Conditions

This section requires that the authorities and conditions applicable to funding elsewhere in the Act are applicable to funds in this title.

Section 8003. Counterterrorism Partnerships Fund

The Act provides $114,250,000 under Nonproliferation, Anti-terrorism, Demining and Related Programs for the Counterterrorism Partnerships Fund, including to enhance the capacity of the Kurdistan Regional Government security services and for other programs in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq. The Secretary of State shall consult with the Committees on Appropriations prior to the notification and obligation of such funds.

Section 8004. Transfer of Funds

Subsection (a) provides certain transfer authorities for funds appropriated by this title in the Act.

Subsection (b) provides authority for the Secretary of State to transfer funds appropriated by this title in the Act under International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement, Peacekeeping Operations, and Foreign Military Financing Program in an amount that shall not exceed $7,500,000 to Global Security Contingency Fund.

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.

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(Amounts in thousands)

	FY 2017 Enacted	FY 2018 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs FY 2017	Final Bill vs Request
TITLE I - DEPARTMENT OF STATE AND RELATED AGENCY					
Department of State					
Administration of Foreign Affairs					
Diplomatic and consular programs	4,247,775	3,903,034	4,363,688	+115,913	+460,654
Worldwide security protection	1,899,479	1,380,752	1,380,752	-518,727	---
Total, Diplomatic and consular programs	6,147,254	5,283,786	5,744,440	-402,814	+460,654
Capital investment fund	12,600	15,000	103,400	+90,800	+88,400
Office of Inspector General	87,069	72,562	77,629	-9,440	+5,067
Educational and cultural exchange programs	634,143	285,000	646,143	+12,000	+361,143
Representation expenses	8,030	7,000	8,030	---	+1,030
Protection of foreign missions and officials	30,344	30,890	30,890	+546	---
Embassy security, construction, and maintenance	759,161	754,459	765,459	+6,298	+11,000
Worldwide security upgrades	358,698	387,741	1,477,237	+1,118,539	+1,089,496
Total, Embassy security	1,117,859	1,142,200	2,242,696	+1,124,837	+1,100,496
Emergencies in the diplomatic and consular service	7,900	7,885	7,885	-15	---
Repatriation Loans Program Account:					
Direct loans subsidy	1,300	1,300	1,300	---	---
Payment to the American Institute in Taiwan	31,963	26,312	31,963	---	+5,651

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(Amounts in thousands)

	FY 2017 Enacted	FY 2018 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs FY 2017	Final Bill vs Request
International Chancery Center, Washington, District of Columbia	1,320	743	743	-577	---
Payment to the Foreign Service Retirement and Disability Fund	158,900	158,900	158,900	---	---
Total, Administration of Foreign Affairs	8,238,682	7,031,578	9,054,019	+815,337	+2,022,441
International Organizations					
Contributions to international organizations, current year assessment	1,262,966	900,195	1,371,168	+108,202	+470,973
Contributions for international peacekeeping activities, current year assessment	552,904	268,886	414,624	-138,280	+145,738
Total, International Organizations	1,815,870	1,169,081	1,785,792	-30,078	+616,711
International Commissions					
International Boundary and Water Commission, United States and Mexico:					
Salaries and expenses	48,134	44,748	48,134	---	+3,386
Construction	29,400	27,900	29,400	---	+1,500
Total, Boundary and Water Commission	77,534	72,648	77,534	---	+4,886
American sections, international commissions	12,258	12,184	13,258	+1,000	+1,074

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	FY 2017 Enacted	FY 2018 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs FY 2017	Final Bill vs Request
International fisheries commissions	37,502	33,871	46,356	+8,854	+12,485
Total, International commissions	127,294	118,703	137,148	+9,854	+18,445
Related Agency					
Broadcasting Board of Governors					
International broadcasting operations	772,108	680,363	797,986	+25,878	+117,623
Reappropriation of surge capacity funds	---	3,000	---	---	-3,000
Broadcasting capital improvements	9,700	4,791	9,700	---	+4,909
Total, Broadcasting Board of Governors	781,808	688,154	807,686	+25,878	+119,532
Related Programs					
The Asia Foundation	17,000	---	17,000	---	+17,000
United States Institute of Peace, Operating expenses	37,884	19,117	37,884	---	+18,767
Center for Middle Eastern-Western dialogue	122	140	140	+18	---
Eisenhower Exchange Fellowship program	350	158	158	-192	---
Israeli Arab scholarship program	47	65	65	+18	---
East-West Center	16,700	---	16,700	---	+16,700
National Endowment for Democracy	170,000	103,500	170,000	---	+66,500
Total, Related programs	242,103	122,980	241,947	-156	+118,967

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	FY 2017 Enacted	FY 2018 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs FY 2017	Final Bill vs Request
Other Commissions					
Commission for the Preservation of America's Heritage Abroad					
Salaries and expenses	888	675	675	-213	---
Commission on International Religious Freedom					
Salaries and expenses	3,500	4,500	4,500	+1,000	---
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	11,218,224	9,143,750	12,039,846	+821,622	+2,896,096

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(Amounts in thousands)

	FY 2017 Enacted	FY 2018 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs FY 2017	Final Bill vs Request
TITLE II - UNITED STATES AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION OF FOREIGN ASSISTANCE					
Funds Appropriated to the President					
Operating expenses, USAID	1,204,609	1,045,797	1,189,609	-15,000	+143,812
Capital Investment Fund	174,985	157,980	197,100	+22,115	+39,120
Office of Inspector General, USAID	67,600	69,000	72,800	+5,200	+3,800
Total, title II, Administration of Foreign Assistance	1,447,194	1,272,777	1,459,509	+12,315	+186,732
TITLE III - BILATERAL ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE					
Funds Appropriated to the President					
Global Health Programs:					
U.S. Agency for International Development	3,054,950	1,505,500	3,020,000	-34,950	+1,514,500
Department of State	5,670,000	4,975,000	5,670,000	---	+695,000
(Global fund contribution) /1	(1,350,000)	(1,125,000)	(1,350,000)	---	(+225,000)
Total, Global Health Programs	8,724,950	6,480,500	8,690,000	-34,950	+2,209,500
Development assistance	2,995,465	---	3,000,000	+4,535	+3,000,000
Transfer out	(-50,000)	(-60,000)	(-55,000)	(-5,000)	(+5,000)
Total, Development Assistance	2,995,465	---	3,000,000	+4,535	+3,000,000

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International disaster assistance	498,483	690,259	2,696,534	+2,198,051	+2,006,275
Transition initiatives	35,600	30,000	30,000	-5,600	---
Complex Crises fund	10,000	---	10,000	---	+10,000
Development Credit Authority:					
(By transfer)	(50,000)	(60,000)	(55,000)	(+5,000)	(-5,000)
Administrative expenses	10,000	9,120	10,000	---	+880
Economic Support Fund	1,041,761	---	1,816,731	+774,970	+1,816,731
Economic Support and Development Fund	---	2,229,350	---	---	-2,229,350
Democracy Fund:					
Human Rights and Democracy Fund, Department of State	145,375	---	150,375	+5,000	+150,375
Bureau of Democracy, Conflict, and Humanitarian Assistance, USAID	65,125	---	65,125	---	+65,125
Total, Democracy Fund	210,500	---	215,500	+5,000	+215,500
Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia	291,638	---	750,334	+458,696	+750,334
Department of State					
Migration and refugee assistance	912,802	715,241	927,802	+15,000	+212,561
United States Emergency Refugee and Migration Assistance Fund	10,000	---	1,000	-9,000	+1,000
Total, Department of State	922,802	715,241	928,802	+6,000	+213,561

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Independent Agencies					
Peace Corps	410,000	398,221	410,000	---	+11,779
Millenium Challenge Corporation	905,000	800,000	905,000	---	+105,000
Inter-American Foundation	22,500	4,565	22,500	---	+17,935
United States African Development Foundation	30,000	8,332	30,000	---	+21,668
Total, Independent Agencies	1,367,500	1,211,118	1,367,500	---	+156,382
Department of the Treasury					
International Affairs Technical Assistance	30,000	25,455	30,000	---	+4,545
Total, title III, Bilateral economic assistance	16,138,699	11,391,043	19,545,401	+3,406,702	+8,154,358
TITLE IV - INTERNATIONAL SECURITY ASSISTANCE					
Department of State					
International narcotics control and law enforcement	889,664	695,550	950,845	+61,181	+255,295
Nonproliferation, anti-terrorism, demining and related programs	500,696	312,766	655,467	+154,771	+342,701
Peacekeeping operations	135,041	122,300	212,712	+77,671	+90,412

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Funds Appropriated to the President					
International Military Education and Training.....	110,300	100,160	110,875	+575	+10,715
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.....	385,805	270,713	1,271,613	+885,808	+1,000,900
Limitation on Administrative Expenses.....	(80,000)	(70,000)	(75,000)	(-5,000)	(+5,000)
Total, Foreign Military Financing Program.	4,785,805	4,670,713	5,671,613	+885,808	+1,000,900
Total, title IV, Security assistance.....	6,421,506	5,901,489	7,601,512	+1,180,006	+1,700,023
TITLE V - MULTILATERAL ASSISTANCE					
Multilateral Assistance					
Funds Appropriated to the President					
International Organizations and Programs.....	339,000	---	339,000	---	+339,000

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International Financial Institutions					
World Bank Group					
Global Environment Facility	146,563	102,375	139,575	-6,988	+37,200
International Development Association	1,197,128	1,097,010	1,097,010	-100,118	---
The International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD):					
IBRD paid in capital	5,963	---	---	-5,963	---
Global agriculture and food security program	23,000	---	---	-23,000	---
Total, World Bank Group	1,372,654	1,199,385	1,236,585	-136,069	+37,200
Inter-American Development Bank Group					
Inter-American Development Bank paid in capital	21,940	---	---	-21,940	---
Asian Development Bank Group					
Asian Development Fund	99,233	47,395	47,395	-51,838	---
African Development Bank Group					
African Development Bank Paid in capital	32,418	32,418	32,418	---	---
(Limitation on callable capital)	(507,861)	(507,861)	(507,861)	---	---

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African Development Fund	214,332	171,300	171,300	-43,032	---
Total, African Development Bank	246,750	203,718	203,718	-43,032	---
International Fund for Agricultural Development	30,000	30,000	30,000	---	---
Total, International Financial Institutions	1,770,577	1,480,498	1,517,698	-252,879	+37,200
Total, title V, Multilateral assistance	2,109,577	1,480,498	1,856,698	-252,879	+376,200
(Limitation on callable capital)	(507,861)	(507,861)	(507,861)	---	---
TITLE VI - EXPORT AND INVESTMENT ASSISTANCE					
Export-Import Bank of the United States					
Administrative expenses	110,000	95,500	110,000	---	+14,500
Inspector General	5,700	5,000	5,700	---	+700
Offsetting collections	-530,000	-264,700	-254,700	+275,300	+10,000
Total, Export-Import Bank of the United States	-414,300	-164,200	-139,000	+275,300	+25,200

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Overseas Private Investment Corporation					
Noncredit account:					
Administrative expenses	70,000	60,800	79,200	+9,200	+18,400
Insurance fees and other offsetting collections	-341,000	-270,000	-350,000	-9,000	-80,000
Subtotal	-271,000	-209,200	-270,800	+200	-61,600
Program account	20,000	---	20,000	---	+20,000
Total, Overseas Private Investment Corporation	-251,000	-209,200	-250,800	+200	-41,600
Funds Appropriated to the President					
Trade and Development Agency	75,000	12,105	79,500	+4,500	+67,395
Total, title VI, Export and investment assistance	-590,300	-361,295	-310,300	+280,000	+50,995
TITLE VII - GENERAL PROVISIONS					
Special immigrant visa proposal (Sec. 7083(a))	6,000	---	---	-6,000	---
ESF rescission of funds (Sec. 7083(b))	-6,000	---	---	+6,000	---
Development Assistance rescission (Sec. 7069(a))	---	---	-23,766	-23,766	-23,766
Export-Import Bank, Tied Aid Rescission (Sec. 7060(c))	---	-165,000	---	---	+165,000

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Unobligated balances of EXIM Carryover receipts (Rescission)	---	---	-10,000	-10,000	-10,000
Total, title VII, General Provisions	---	-165,000	-33,766	-33,766	+131,234
TITLE VIII - OVERSEAS CONTINGENCY OPERATIONS / GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM (OCO/GWOT)					
Diplomatic and consular programs (OCO/GWOT)	2,410,386	2,975,971	2,975,971	+565,585	---
(Worldwide security protection) (OCO/GWOT)	(1,815,210)	(2,376,122)	(2,376,122)	(+560,912)	---
(Transfer to other agencies)	(-5,000)	(-5,000)	---	(+5,000)	(+5,000)
Subtotal	2,410,386	2,975,971	2,975,971	+565,585	---
Office of Inspector General (OCO/GWOT)	54,900	68,100	68,100	+13,200	---
Embassy security, construction, and maintenance (OCO/GWOT)	1,238,800	---	71,778	-1,167,022	+71,778
Contributions to int'l organizations (OCO/GWOT)	96,240	96,240	96,240	---	---
Contributions for International Peacekeeping Activities (OCO/GWOT)	1,354,660	927,224	967,456	-387,204	+40,232
Broadcasting board of governors (OCO/GWOT)	4,800	---	---	-4,800	---
Operating expenses of USAID (OCO/GWOT)	152,080	136,555	158,067	+5,987	+21,512
USAID Office of Inspector General: OIG (OCO/GWOT)	---	2,500	2,500	+2,500	---

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International Disaster Assistance (OCO/GWOT)	3,313,203	1,817,941	1,588,778	-1,724,425	-229,163
(Famine prevention, relief, and mitigation) (OCO/GWOT)	(990,000)	---	---	(-990,000)	---
Transition Initiatives (OCO/GWOT)	37,000	62,043	62,043	+25,043	---
Complex Crises fund (OCO/GWOT)	20,000	---	20,000	---	+20,000
Economic Support Fund (OCO/GWOT)	2,609,242	---	2,152,122	-457,120	+2,152,122
Economic Support and Development Fund (OCO/GWOT)	---	2,708,800	---	---	-2,708,800
Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia (OCO/GWOT)	453,696	---	---	-453,696	---
Migration and Refugee assistance (MRA) (OCO/GWOT)	2,146,198	2,030,900	2,431,198	+285,000	+400,298
United States Emergency Refugee and Migration Assistance Fund (OCO/GWOT)	40,000	---	---	-40,000	---
International narcotics control and law enforcement (OCO/GWOT)	412,260	196,250	417,951	+5,691	+221,701
Nonproliferation, Anti-terrorism, Demining and Related programs (NADR) (OCO/GWOT)	341,754	365,840	220,583	-121,171	-145,257
Peacekeeping Operations (PKO) (OCO/GWOT)	473,973	179,100	325,213	-148,760	+146,113
Foreign Military Financing program (OCO/GWOT)	1,325,808	450,000	460,000	-865,808	+10,000
Total, Title VIII, OCO/GWOT	16,485,000	12,017,464	12,018,000	-4,467,000	+536

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OTHER APPROPRIATIONS					
Department of State					
Administration of Foreign Affairs					
Security Assistance Act (P.L. 114-254) (OCO/GWOT)...	1,052,400	---	---	-1,052,400	---
(Worldwide security protection) (OCO/GWOT).....	(927,189)	---	---	(-927,189)	---
Office of Inspector General:					
Security Assistance Act (P.L. 114-254) (OCO/GWOT)...	2,500	---	---	-2,500	---
Embassy security, construction, and maintenance:					
Security Assistance Act (P.L. 114-254) (OCO/GWOT)...	654,411	---	---	-654,411	---
United States Agency for International Development					
Funds Appropriated to the President					
Operating expenses of USAID:					
Security Assistance Act (P.L. 114-254) (OCO/GWOT)...	5,000	---	---	-5,000	---
Capital Investment Fund, USAID:					
Security Assistance Act (P.L. 114-254) (OCO/GWOT)...	25,000	---	---	-25,000	---
USAID Office of Inspector General:					
Security Assistance Act (P.L. 114-254) (OCO/GWOT)...	2,500	---	---	-2,500	---

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Bilateral Economic Assistance					
Funds Appropriated to the President					
International Disaster Assistance:					
Security Assistance Act (P.L. 114-254) (OCO/GWOT)...	616,100	---	---	-616,100	---
Transition Initiatives:					
Security Assistance Act (P.L. 114-254) (OCO/GWOT)...	50,234	---	---	-50,234	---
Economic Support Fund:					
Security Assistance Act (P.L. 114-254) (OCO/GWOT)...	1,030,555	---	---	-1,030,555	---
Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia:					
Security Assistance Act (P.L. 114-254) (OCO/GWOT)...	157,000	---	---	-157,000	---
Migration and Refugee assistance (MRA):					
Security Assistance Act (P.L. 114-254) (OCO/GWOT)...	300,000	---	---	-300,000	---
International narcotics control and law enforcement:					
Security Assistance Act (P.L. 114-254) (OCO/GWOT)...	26,300	---	---	-26,300	---
Nonproliferation, Anti-terrorism, Demining and Related programs (NADR):					
Security Assistance Act (P.L. 114-254) (OCO/GWOT)...	128,000	---	---	-128,000	---
Peacekeeping Operations (PKO):					
Security Assistance Act (P.L. 114-254) (OCO/GWOT)...	50,000	---	---	-50,000	---

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Foreign Military Financing program:					
Security Assistance Act (P.L. 114-254) (OCO/GWOT)...	200,000	---	---	-200,000	---
Total, Other Appropriations.....	4,300,000	---	---	-4,300,000	---
Grand Total.....	57,529,900	40,680,726	54,176,900	-3,353,000	+13,496,174
Appropriations.....	(36,750,900)	(28,825,262)	(42,192,666)	(+5,441,766)	(+13,367,404)
Overseas contingency operations, This bill..	(16,485,000)	(12,017,464)	(12,018,000)	(-4,467,000)	(+536)
Overseas contingency operations, Security Assistance Act (P.L. 114-254).....	(4,300,000)	---	---	(-4,300,000)	---
Rescissions.....	(-6,000)	(-165,000)	(-33,766)	(-27,766)	(+131,234)
(By transfer).....	(50,000)	(60,000)	(55,000)	(+5,000)	(-5,000)
(Transfer out).....	(-50,000)	(-60,000)	(-55,000)	(-5,000)	(+5,000)
(Limitation on administrative expenses).....	(80,000)	(70,000)	(75,000)	(-5,000)	(+5,000)
(Limitation on callable capital).....	(507,861)	(507,861)	(507,861)	---	---

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TITLE I

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Office of the Secretary, $112,813,000, of which not to exceed $3,001,000 shall be available for the immediate Office of the Secretary; not to exceed $1,040,000 shall be available for the immediate Office of the Deputy Secretary; not to exceed $20,555,000 shall be available for the Office of the General Counsel; not to exceed $10,331,000 shall be available for the Office of the Under Secretary of Transportation for Policy; not to exceed $14,019,000 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 $29,356,000 shall be available for the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Administration; not to exceed $2,142,000 shall be available for the Office of Public Affairs; not to exceed $1,760,000 shall be available for the Office of the Executive Secretariat; not to exceed $11,318,000 shall be available for the Office of Intelligence, Security, and Emergency Response; and not to exceed $16,745,000 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 7 percent by all such transfers: *Provided further*, That notice of any change in funding greater than 7 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.

RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY

For necessary expenses related to the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Research and Technology, $23,465,109, of which $2,618,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2020, and of which $15,000,000, to remain available until expended, is for new competitive grants under 49 U.S.C. 5505 to a national center for congestion research and a national center for infrastructure research: *Provided*, That such amounts are in addition to amounts previously provided for such program: *Provided further*, That such amounts for additional national centers are provided notwithstanding 49 U.S.C. 5505(c)(2)(A): *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: *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, $1,500,000,000, to remain available through September 30, 2020: *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 local or regional impact: *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 of the amount made available under this heading, the Secretary may use an amount not to exceed $15,000,000 for the planning, preparation or design of projects eligible for funding under this heading: *Provided further*, That grants awarded under the previous proviso shall not be subject to a minimum grant size: *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 $25,000,000: *Provided further*, That not more than 10 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 30 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 $25,000,000 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: *Provided further*, That none of the funds provided in the previous proviso may be used to hire additional personnel: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall not use the Federal share as a selection criteria in awarding projects: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall issue the Notice of Funding Opportunity under the previous proviso no later than 60 days after enactment of this Act: *Provided further*, That the Notice of Funding Opportunity shall require application submissions 90 days after the publishing of such Notice: *Provided further*, That of the applications submitted under the previous two provisos, the Secretary shall make grants no later than 270 days after enactment of this Act in such amounts that the Secretary determines.

NATIONAL SURFACE TRANSPORTATION AND INNOVATIVE FINANCE BUREAU

For necessary expenses for the administration of the National Surface Transportation and Innovative Finance Bureau (the Bureau) within the Office of the Secretary of Transportation, $3,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That the Secretary of Transportation shall use such amount for the necessary expenses to fulfill the responsibilities of the Bureau, as detailed in section 9001 of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act (Public Law 114–94) (49 U.S.C. 116): *Provided further*, That the Secretary is required to receive the advance approval of the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations prior to exercising the authorities of 49 U.S.C. 116(h): *Provided further*, That the program be available to other Federal agencies, States, municipalities and project sponsors seeking Federal transportation expertise in obtaining financing.

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT CAPITAL

For necessary expenses for upgrading and enhancing the Department of Transportation's financial systems and re-engineering business processes, $6,000,000, to remain available through September 30, 2020.

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, and implementation of enhanced security controls on network devices, $15,000,000, to remain available through September 30, 2019.

OFFICE OF CIVIL RIGHTS

For necessary expenses of the Office of Civil Rights, $9,500,000.

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, $14,000,000: *Provided*, That of such amount, $1,500,000 shall be for necessary expenses of the Interagency Infrastructure Permitting Improvement Center (IIPIC): *Provided further*, That there may be transferred to this appropriation, to remain available until expended, amounts transferred from other Federal agencies for expenses incurred under this heading for IIPIC activities not related to transportation infrastructure: *Provided 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 $202,245,000, 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 necessary expenses of the Minority Business Resource Center, the provision of financial education outreach activities to eligible transportation-related small businesses, the monitoring of existing loans in the guaranteed loan program, and the modification of such loans of the Minority Business Resource Center, $500,301, as authorized by 49 U.S.C. 332; *Provided*, That notwithstanding that section, these funds may be for business opportunities related to any mode of transportation.

SMALL AND DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS UTILIZATION AND OUTREACH

For necessary expenses for small and disadvantaged business utilization and outreach activities, $4,646,000, to remain available until September 30, 2019: *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, $155,000,000, 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. The Secretary shall post on the Web site of the Department of Transportation a schedule of all meetings of the Council on Credit and Finance, including the agenda for each meeting, and require the Council on Credit and Finance to record the decisions and actions of each meeting.

SEC. 103. 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 from available funds 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 further*, That such reserve will not exceed one month of benefits payable and may be used only for the purpose of providing for the continuation of transit benefits: *Provided further*, That the Working Capital Fund will be fully reimbursed by each customer agency from available funds 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, the lease or purchase of passenger motor vehicles for replacement only, in addition to amounts made available by Public Law 112–95, $10,211,754,000, to remain available until September 30, 2019, of which $8,851,000,000 shall be derived from the Airport and Airway Trust Fund, of which not to exceed $7,692,786,000 shall be available for air traffic organization activities; not to exceed $1,310,000,000 shall be available for aviation safety activities; not to exceed $22,587,000 shall be available for commercial space transportation activities; not to exceed $801,506,000 shall be available for finance and management activities; not to exceed $60,000,000 shall be available for NextGen and operations planning activities; not to exceed $112,622,000 shall be available for security and hazardous materials safety; and not to exceed $212,253,000 shall be available for staff offices: *Provided*, That not to exceed 5 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 5 percent: *Provided further*, That any transfer in excess of 5 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 $165,000,000 shall be used to fund direct operations of the current 253 air traffic control towers in the contract tower program, including the contract tower cost share program, and any airport that is currently qualified or that will qualify for the program during the fiscal year: *Provided further*, That not later than 30 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Transportation shall transmit to Congress the final disposition of the Benefit Cost Analysis for applications for participation in the Contract Tower Program and for reevaluation of Cost-share Program participants pending as of January 1, 2016, as mandated by section 119C of division K of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2017 (Public Law 115–31): *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 none of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act or any other Act may be used to eliminate the Contract Weather Observers program at any airport.

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, $3,250,000,000, of which $498,000,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2019, $2,602,000,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2020, and $150,000,000 shall remain available until expended: *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 2019 through 2023, 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.

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, $188,926,000, to be derived from the Airport and Airway Trust Fund and to remain available until September 30, 2020: *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, $3,000,000,000, 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 2018, 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 $111,863,000 shall be available for administration, not less than $15,000,000 shall be available for the Airport Cooperative Research Program, not less than $33,210,000 shall be available for Airport Technology Research, and $10,000,000, 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.

GRANTS-IN-AID FOR AIRPORTS

For an additional amount for "Grants-In-Aid for Airports", to enable the Secretary of Transportation to make grants for projects as

authorized by subchapter 1 of chapter 471 and subchapter 1 of chapter 475 of title 49, United States Code, $1,000,000,000, to remain available through September 30, 2020: *Provided*, That amounts made available under this heading shall be derived from the general fund, and such funds shall not be subject to apportionment formulas, special apportionment categories, or minimum percentages under chapter 471: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall distribute funds provided under this heading as discretionary grants to airports: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall give priority consideration to projects at (a) nonprimary airports that are classified as Regional, Local, or Basic airports and are not located within a Metropolitan or Micropolitan Statistical Area as defined by the Office of Management and Budget, or (b) primary airports that are classified as Small or Nonhub airports: *Provided further*, That the Federal share payable of the costs for which a grant is made under this heading to a nonprimary airport shall be 100 percent: *Provided further*, That the amount made available under this heading shall not be subject to any limitation on obligations for the Grants-in-Aid for Airports program set forth in any Act: *Provided further*, That the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration may retain up to 0.5 percent of the funds provided under this heading to fund the award and oversight by the Administrator of grants made under this heading.

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 2018.

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 Federal Aviation Administration 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. 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. 117. 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. 118. None of the funds in this Act shall be available for salaries and expenses of more than eight political and Presidential appointees in the Federal Aviation Administration.

SEC. 119. 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 Federal Aviation Administration 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. 119A. 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. 119B. 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.

SEC. 119C. None of the funds provided under this Act may be used by the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration to withhold from consideration and approval any application for participation in the Contract Tower Program, or for reevaluation of Cost-share Program participants, pending as of January 1, 2016, as long as the Federal Aviation Administration has received an application from the airport, and as long as the Administrator determines such tower is eligible using the factors set forth in the Federal Aviation Administration report, Establishment and Discontinuance Criteria for Airport Traffic Control Towers (FAA–APO–90–7 as of August, 1990).

SEC. 119D. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, none of the funds made available in this Act may be obligated or expended to limit the use of an Organization Designation Authorization's

(ODA) delegated functions documented in its procedures manual on a type certification project unless the Administrator documents a systemic airworthiness noncompliance performance issue as a result of inspection or oversight that the safety of air commerce requires a limitation with regard to a specific authorization or where an ODA's capability has not been previously established in terms of a new compliance method or design feature: *Provided*, That in such cases FAA shall work with the ODA holder if requested to develop the capability to execute that function safely, efficiently and effectively.

FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION

LIMITATION ON ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

(HIGHWAY TRUST FUND)

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

Not to exceed $439,443,925, 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, $3,248,000 shall be transferred to the Appalachian Regional Commission in accordance with section 104(a) 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 $44,234,212,000 for fiscal year 2018: *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, $44,973,212,000 derived from

the Highway Trust Fund (other than the Mass Transit Account), to remain available until expended.

HIGHWAY INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAMS

There is hereby appropriated to the Secretary of Transportation $2,525,000,000: *Provided*, That the amounts made available under this heading shall be derived from the general fund, shall be in addition to any funds provided for fiscal year 2018 in this or any other Act for "Federal-aid Highways" under chapter 1 of title 23, United States Code, and shall not affect the distribution or amount of funds provided in any other Act: *Provided further*, That section 1101(b) of Public Law 114–94 shall apply to funds made available under this heading: *Provided further*, That of the funds made available under this heading, $1,980,000,000 shall be set aside for activities eligible under section 133(b)(1)(A) of title 23, United States Code, $15,800,000 shall be set aside for activities eligible under the Puerto Rico Highway Program as described in section 165(b)(2)(C) of such title, $4,200,000 shall be set aside for activities eligible under the Territorial Highway Program, as described in section 165(c)(6) of such title, and $300,000,000 shall be set aside for the nationally significant Federal lands and tribal projects program under section 1123 of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act (Public Law 114–94): *Provided further*, That the funds made available under this heading for activities eligible under section 133(b)(1)(A) of title 23, United States Code, shall be apportioned to the States in the same ratio as the obligation limitation for fiscal year 2018 is distributed among the States in section 120(a)(5) of this Act: *Provided further*, That the funds made available under this heading for activities eligible under section 133(b)(1)(A) of title 23, United States Code, shall be suballocated in the manner described in section 133(d) of such title, except that the set-aside described in section 133(h) of such title shall not apply to funds made available under this heading: *Provided further*, That the funds made available under this heading for activities eligible under section 133(b)(1)(A) of such title shall be administered as if apportioned under chapter 1 of such title and shall remain available through September 30, 2021: *Provided further*, That, except as provided in the following proviso, the funds made available under this heading for activities eligible under the Puerto Rico Highway Program and activities eligible under the Territorial Highway Program shall be administered as if allocated under sections 165(b) and 165(c), respectively, of such title and shall remain available through September 30, 2021: *Provided further*, That the funds made available under this heading for activities eligible under the Puerto Rico Highway Program shall not be subject to the requirements of sections 165(b)(2)(A) or 165(b)(2)(B) of such title: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding section 1123(h) of the FAST Act, the funds made available under this heading for the nationally significant Federal lands and tribal projects program in section 1123 of such Act shall remain available until expended: *Provided further*, That of the funds made available under this heading, $225,000,000, to remain available through September 30, 2021, shall be set aside for a competitive highway bridge program for States that have a population density of less than 100 individ-

uals per square mile: *Provided further*, That the funds made available by the previous proviso shall be (1) used for highway bridge replacement or rehabilitation projects on public roads that demonstrate cost savings by bundling multiple highway bridge projects and (2) administered as if apportioned under chapter 1 of title 23, United States Code: *Provided further*, That for purpose of the previous two provisos, the Secretary shall calculate population density figures based on the latest available data from the decennial census conducted under section 141(a) of title 13, United States Code.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION

SEC. 120. (a) For fiscal year 2018, 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 2018, 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 ex-

penses: *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 provided 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. None of the funds in this Act may be used to make a grant for a project under section 117 of title 23, United States Code, unless the Secretary, at least 60 days before making a grant under that section, provides written notification to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations of the proposed grant, including an evaluation and justification for the project and the amount of the proposed grant award: *Provided*, That the written notification required in the previous proviso shall be made no later than 180 days after enactment of this Act.

SEC. 125. For this fiscal year, the Federal Highway Administration shall reinstate Interim Approval IA–5, relating to the provisional use of an alternative lettering style on certain highway guide signs, as it existed before its termination, as announced in the Federal Register on January 25, 2016 (81 Fed. Reg. 4083).

SEC. 126. (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 current fiscal year, 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 current fiscal year, 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 October 1 of the current fiscal year, 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. 127. Section 127 of title 23, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

"(u) VEHICLES IN NORTH DAKOTA.—A vehicle limited or prohibited under this section from operating on a segment of the Interstate System in the State of North Dakota 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 North Dakota State law.".

SEC. 128. Section 1105(c)(89) of Public Law 102–240, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

"(89) I–57 Corridor Extension as follows: In Arkansas, the corridor shall follow United States Route 67 in North Little Rock, Arkansas, from I–40 to United States Route 412, then continuing generally northeast to the State line, and in Missouri, the corridor shall continue generally north from the Arkansas State line to Poplar Bluff, Missouri, and then follow United States Route 60 to I–57.".

SEC. 129. Section 1012(e) of Public Law 102–240 is amended by inserting "(1)" before "Notwithstanding" and adding at the end the following:

"(2) Upon the request of any State Department of Transportation that was authorized to enter into a tolling agreement under section 120(c) of Public Law 100–17 (101 STAT. 159),

the Secretary is authorized to modify the agreement entered into under Public Law 100–17, as follows. The Secretary shall authorize the use of excess toll revenues for any other purpose for which Federal funds may be obligated under title 23, United States Code, provided the State—

"(A) certifies annually that the tolled facility is being adequately maintained; and

"(B) agrees to comply with the audit requirements in section 129(a)(3)(B) of title 23, United States Code.

"(3) For the purposes of paragraph (2), 'excess toll revenues' means revenues in excess of amounts necessary for operation and maintenance; debt service; reasonable return on investment of any private person or entity that may be authorized by the State to operate and maintain the facility; and any cost necessary for improvement, including reconstruction, resurfacing, restoration, and rehabilitation.".

SEC. 129A. Section 127(a)(10) of title 23, United States Code, is amended to read—

"(10) With respect to Interstate Routes 89, 93, and 95 in the State of New Hampshire—

"(A) State laws (including regulations) concerning vehicle weight limitations that were in effect on January 1, 1987, and are applicable to State highways other than the Interstate System, shall be applicable in lieu of the requirements of this subsection; and

"(B) effective June 30, 2016, a combination of truck-tractor and dump trailer equipped with 6 axles or more with a gross weight of up to 99,000 pounds shall be permitted if the distances between the extreme axles, excluding the steering axle, is 28 feet or more.".

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 of title 49, United States Code, as amended by the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act, $283,000,000, 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 $283,000,000 for "Motor Carrier Safety Operations and Programs" for fiscal year 2018, of which $9,073,000, to remain available for obligation until September 30, 2020, is for the re-

search and technology program, and of which $34,824,000, to remain available for obligation until September 30, 2020, is for information management.

MOTOR CARRIER SAFETY GRANTS

(LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)

(LIMITATION ON OBLIGATIONS)

(HIGHWAY TRUST FUND)

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For payment of obligations incurred in carrying out sections 31102, 31103, 31104, and 31313 of title 49, United States Code, as amended by the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act, $374,800,000, 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 $374,800,000 in fiscal year 2018 for "Motor Carrier Safety Grants"; of which $298,900,000 shall be available for the motor carrier safety assistance program, $31,800,000 shall be available for the commercial driver's license program implementation program, $43,100,000 shall be available for the high priority activities program, and $1,000,000 shall be available for the commercial motor vehicle operators grant program: *Provided further*, That of the unobligated amounts provided for Commercial Vehicle Information Systems Network Development or other Motor Carrier Safety grants in the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (Public Law 105–178), SAFETEA-LU (Public Law 109–59), or other appropriation or authorization acts prior to fiscal year 2017, $87,000,000 in additional obligation limitation is provided for the modernization and maintenance of border facilities, and shall remain available until September 30, 2022: *Provided further*, That of the unobligated amounts provided for Commercial Vehicle Information Systems Network Development or other Motor Carrier Safety grants in the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (Public Law 105–178), SAFETEA–LU (Public Law 109–59), or other appropriation or authorization acts prior to fiscal year 2017, $100,000,000 in additional obligation limitation is provided for a highly automated vehicle research and development program and shall remain available until expended, of which not less than $60,000,000 shall be for demonstration grants, and of which not less than $38,000,000 shall be for research activities: *Provided further*, That the activities funded by the previous proviso may be accomplished through direct expenditure, direct research activities, grants, cooperative agreements, contracts, intra or interagency agreements, or other agreements with public organizations: *Provided further*, That such amounts, payments, and obligation limitation as may be necessary to carry out highly automated vehicle research and development program activities may be transferred and credited to appropriate accounts of other participating Federal agencies: *Provided further*, That $187,000,000 for payment of obli-

gations incurred in carrying out this section shall be derived from the Highway Trust Fund (other than the Mass Transit Account), to be available until expended.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—FEDERAL MOTOR CARRIER SAFETY ADMINISTRATION

SEC. 130. 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.

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 appropriated or otherwise made available to the Department of Transportation by this Act or any other Act may be obligated or expended to implement, administer, or enforce the requirements of section 31137 of title 49, United States Code, or any regulation issued by the Secretary pursuant to such section, with respect to the use of electronic logging devices by operators of commercial motor vehicles, as defined in section 31132(1) of such title, transporting livestock as defined in section 602 of the Emergency Livestock Feed Assistance Act of 1988 (7 U.S.C. 1471) or insects.

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, $189,075,000, of which $40,000,000 shall remain available through September 30, 2019.

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, section 4011 of the FAST Act (Public Law 114–94), and chapter 303 of title 49, United States Code, $149,000,000, 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 2018, are in excess of $149,000,000, of which $143,700,000 shall be for programs authorized under 23 U.S.C. 403 and $5,300,000 shall be for the National Driver Register authorized under chapter 303 of title 49, United States Code: *Provided further*, That within the $149,000,000 obligation limitation for operations and research, $20,000,000 shall remain available

until September 30, 2019, 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, $597,629,000, 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 2018, are in excess of $597,629,000 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 $261,200,000 shall be for "Highway Safety Programs" under 23 U.S.C. 402; $280,200,000 shall be for "National Priority Safety Programs" under 23 U.S.C. 405; $29,900,000 shall be for "High Visibility Enforcement Program" under 23 U.S.C. 404; $26,329,000 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)(8), 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)(8) within 5 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.

SEC. 144. In addition to the amounts made available under the heading, "Operations and Research (Liquidation of Contract Authorization) (Limitation on Obligations) (Highway Trust Fund)" for carrying out the provisions of section 403 of title 23, United States Code, $11,500,000, to remain available until September 30, 2019, shall be made available to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration from the general fund, of which not to exceed $5,000,000 shall be available to provide funding for grants, pilot program activities, and innovative solutions to reduce alcohol-impaired-driving fatalities and other causes of the recent increase in highway fatalities from impaired driving in collaboration with eligible entities under section 403 of title 23, United States Code, and not to exceed $6,500,000 shall be available to continue a high visibility enforcement paid-media campaign regarding highway-rail grade crossing safety in collaboration with the Federal Railroad Administration.

FEDERAL RAILROAD ADMINISTRATION

SAFETY AND OPERATIONS

For necessary expenses of the Federal Railroad Administration, not otherwise provided for, $221,698,000, of which $15,900,000 shall remain available until expended, and of which up to $350,000 shall be available for the Secretary of Transportation to assist Class II and Class III railroads in preparing to apply and applying for direct loans and loan guarantees for eligible projects pursuant to sections 501 through 504 of the Railroad Revitalization and Regulatory Reform Act of 1976 (Public Law 94–210) to also remain available until expended.

RAILROAD RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

For necessary expenses for railroad research and development, $40,600,000, to remain available until expended.

RAILROAD REHABILITATION AND IMPROVEMENT FINANCING PROGRAM

For the cost of 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, $25,000,000, to 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 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 shall exist as long as any such direct loan or loan guarantee is outstanding: *Provided further*, That, for direct loans and loan guarantees issued pursuant to sections 501 through 504 of the Railroad Revitalization and Regulatory Reform Act of 1976 (Public Law 94–210), as amended, the Secretary, in consultation with the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, not later than 120 days after the date of enactment of this Act, shall define each cohort as the loans provided for that fiscal year, creating individual fiscal year cohorts for each fiscal year in which a loan was provided from the date of enactment of Public Law 105–178 to the date of enactment of Public Law 114–94: *Provided further*, That, when all obligations attached to a cohort as defined under the previous proviso have been satisfied, the Secretary shall repay the credit risk premiums of loans in the cohort, with interest accrued thereon, not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act or, for a cohort with obligations that have not yet been satisfied, not later than 60 days after the date on which all obligations attached to the cohort have been satisfied: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall not treat the repayment of a loan after the date of enactment of Public Law 114–94 as precluding, limiting, or negatively affecting the satisfaction of the obligation of its cohort for a fiscal year prior to the enactment of Public Law 114–94.

FEDERAL-STATE PARTNERSHIP FOR STATE OF GOOD REPAIR

For necessary expenses related to Federal-State Partnership for State of Good Repair Grants as authorized by section 24911 of title 49, United States Code, $250,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That the Secretary may withhold up to one percent of the amount provided under this heading for the costs of award and project management oversight of grants carried out under section 24911 of title 49, United States Code: *Provided further*, That section 24911(e)(1) of title 49, United States Code, is amended by striking "transportation" and inserting "transportation at the eligible project location".

CONSOLIDATED RAIL INFRASTRUCTURE AND SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS

For necessary expenses related to Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements Grants, as authorized by section 24407 of title 49, United States Code, $592,547,000, to remain available until expended, of which $250,000,000 shall be available for eligible projects under section 24407(c)(1) of title 49, United States Code, for the implementation of positive train control systems, and of which $35,547,000 shall be available for eligible projects under section 24407(c)(2) of title 49, United States Code, that contribute to the initiation or restoration of intercity passenger rail service: *Provided*, That the Secretary shall not preclude projects from consideration for funding under the previous proviso due to a lack of agreement among the funding recipients, operator, and host railroad regarding access to and use of the host railroad facilities, if an agreement or order for the use of such facilities may occur under section 24308 of title 49, United States Code: *Provided further*, That section 24405(f) of title 49, United States Code, shall not apply to projects for the implementation of positive train con-

trol systems otherwise eligible under section 24407(c)(1) of title 49, United States Code: *Provided further*, That amounts available under this heading for projects selected for commuter rail passenger transportation may be transferred by the Secretary, after selection, to the appropriate agencies to be administered in accordance with chapter 53 of title 49, United States Code: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall not limit eligible projects from consideration for funding for planning, engineering, environmental, construction, and design elements of the same project in the same application: *Provided further*, That unobligated balances remaining after four years from the date of enactment may be used for any eligible project under section 24407(c) of title 49, United States Code: *Provided further*, That the Secretary may withhold up to one percent of the amount provided under this heading for the costs of award and project management oversight of grants carried out under section 24407 of title 49, United States Code.

RESTORATION AND ENHANCEMENT

For necessary expenses related to Restoration and Enhancement Grants, as authorized by section 24408 of title 49, United States Code, $20,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That the Secretary may withhold up to one percent of the funds provided under this heading to fund the costs of award and project management and oversight.

NORTHEAST CORRIDOR GRANTS TO THE NATIONAL RAILROAD PASSENGER CORPORATION

To enable the Secretary of Transportation to make grants to the National Railroad Passenger Corporation for activities associated with the Northeast Corridor as authorized by section 11101(a) of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (division A of Public Law 114–94), $650,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That the Secretary may retain up to one-half of 1 percent of the funds provided under both this heading and the "National Network Grants to the National Railroad Passenger Corporation" heading to fund the costs of project management and oversight of activities authorized by section 11101(c) of division A of Public Law 114–94: *Provided further*, That in addition to the project management oversight funds authorized under section 11101(c) of division A of Public Law 114–94, the Secretary may retain up to an additional $5,000,000 of the funds provided under this heading to fund expenses associated with the Northeast Corridor Commission established under section 24905 of title 49, United States Code: *Provided further*, That of the amounts made available under this heading and the "National Network Grants to the National Railroad Passenger Corporation" 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.

NATIONAL NETWORK GRANTS TO THE NATIONAL RAILROAD PASSENGER CORPORATION

To enable the Secretary of Transportation to make grants to the National Railroad Passenger Corporation for activities associated

with the National Network as authorized by section 11101(b) of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (division A of Public Law 114–94), $1,291,600,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That the Secretary may retain up to an additional $2,000,000 of the funds provided under this heading to fund expenses associated with the State-Supported Route Committee established under section 24712 of title 49, United States Code: *Provided further*, That up to $5,000,000 of the amount provided under this heading shall be available for costs associated with any matters Amtrak may elect to bring before the Surface Transportation Board related to passenger rail service: *Provided further*, That at least $50,000,000 of the amount provided under this heading shall be available for the development, installation and operation of railroad safety technology, including the implementation of a positive train control system, on State-supported routes as defined under section 24102(13) of title 49, United States Code, on which positive train control systems are not required by law or regulation.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—FEDERAL RAILROAD ADMINISTRATION

SEC. 150. 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 within 30 days of such 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 within 60 days of enactment of this Act, a summary of all overtime payments incurred by the Corporation for 2017 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 2017 and for the three prior calendar years.

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, $113,165,000: *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 2019 President's budget, the Secretary of Transportation shall transmit to Congress the annual report on New Starts, including proposed allocations for fiscal year 2019.

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, $10,300,000,000, 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 $9,733,353,407 in fiscal year 2018: *Provided further*, That the Federal share of the cost of activities carried out under section 5312 shall not exceed 80 percent, except that if there is substantial public interest or benefit, the Secretary may approve a greater Federal share.

TRANSIT INFRASTRUCTURE GRANTS

For an additional amount for buses and bus facilities grants under section 5339 of title 49, United States Code, state of good repair grants under section 5337 of such title, high density state apportionments under section 5340(d) of such title, and the bus testing facilities under sections 5312 and 5318 of such title, $834,000,000 to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That $400,000,000 shall be available for grants as authorized under section 5339 of such title, of which $209,104,000 shall be available for the buses and bus facilities formula grants as authorized under section 5339(a) of such title, $161,446,000 shall be available for the buses and bus facilities competitive grants as authorized under section 5339(b) of such title, and $29,450,000 shall be available for the low or no emission grants as authorized under section 5339(c) of such title: *Provided further*, That $400,000,000 shall be available for the state of good repair grants as authorized under section 5337 of such title: *Provided further*, That $30,000,000 shall be available for the high density state apportionments as authorized under section 5340(d) of such title: *Provided further*, That $2,000,000 shall be available for the bus testing facility as authorized under section 5318 of such title: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding section 5318(a) of such title, $2,000,000 shall be available for the operation and maintenance of bus testing facilities by institutions of higher education selected pursuant to section 5312(h) of such title: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall enter into a contract or cooperative agreement with, or make a grant to, each institution of

higher education selected pursuant to section 5312(h) of such title, to operate and maintain a facility to conduct the testing of low or no emission vehicle new bus models using the standards established pursuant to section 5318(e)(2) of such title: *Provided further*, That the term "low or no emission vehicle" has the meaning given the term in section 5312(e)(6) of such title: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall pay 80 percent of the cost of testing a low or no emission vehicle new bus model at each selected institution of higher education: *Provided further*, That the entity having the vehicle tested shall pay 20 percent of the cost of testing: *Provided further*, That a low or no emission vehicle new bus model tested that receives a passing aggregate test score in accordance with the standards established under section 5318(e)(2) of such title, shall be deemed to be in compliance with the requirements of section 5318(e) of such title: *Provided further*, That amounts made available by this heading shall be derived from the general fund: *Provided further*, That the amounts made available under this heading shall not be subject to any limitation on obligations for transit programs set forth in any Act.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND TRAINING

For necessary expenses to carry out 49 U.S.C. 5314, $5,000,000.

CAPITAL INVESTMENT GRANTS

For necessary expenses to carry out fixed guideway capital investment grants under section 5309 of title 49, United States Code, $2,644,960,000 to remain available until September 30, 2021: *Provided*, That of the amounts made available under this heading, $2,252,508,586 shall be obligated by December 31, 2019: *Provided further*, That $5,050,000 from unobligated amounts appropriated for the buses and bus facilities program under section 5309 of such title from fiscal years 2000 to 2005 shall remain available until September 30, 2021 to carry out section 5309: *Provided further*, That of the amounts made available under this heading, $1,506,910,000 shall be available for projects authorized under section 5309(d) of such title, $715,700,000 shall be available for projects authorized under section 5309(e) of such title, $400,900,000 shall be available for projects authorized under section 5309(h) of such title: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall continue to administer the capital investment grant program in accordance with the procedural and substantive requirements of section 5309 of such title.

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 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 division B of Public Law 110–432.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION

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, any funds appropriated before October 1, 2017, 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. 162. (a) 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) 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. 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 51 percent.

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, $40,000,000, to be derived from the Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund, pursuant to Public Law 99–662: *Provided*, That of the amounts made available under this heading, not less than $19,500,000 shall be used on asset renewal activities and shall remain available through September 30, 2020.

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, $300,000,000, to remain available until expended.

OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

For necessary expenses of operations and training activities authorized by law, $513,642,000, of which $22,000,000 shall remain available until expended for maintenance and repair of training ships at State Maritime Academies, and of which $300,000,000 shall remain available until expended for the National Security Multi-Mission Vessel Program, including funds for construction, planning, administration, and design of school ships in accordance with section 3505 of Public Law 114–328, as applicable, with unobligated balances from previous appropriations for the National Security Multi-Mission Vessel Program also available for and merged into this appropriation; and of which $2,400,000 shall remain available through September 30, 2019, for the Student Incentive Program at State Maritime Academies, and of which $1,800,000 shall remain available until expended for training ship fuel assistance payments, and of which $52,000,000 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, 2019, for Maritime Environment and Technology Assistance program authorized under section 50307 of title 46, United States Code, and of which $7,000,000 shall remain available until expended for the Short Sea Transportation Program (America's

Marine Highways) to make grants for the purposes authorized under sections 55601(b)(1) and (3) of title 46, United States Code: *Provided*, That not later than January 12, 2019, 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, $20,000,000 to remain available until expended.

SHIP DISPOSAL

For necessary expenses related to the disposal of obsolete vessels in the National Defense Reserve Fleet of the Maritime Administration, $116,000,000, to remain available until expended.

MARITIME GUARANTEED LOAN (TITLE XI) PROGRAM ACCOUNT

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For the cost of guaranteed loans, $30,000,000, of which $27,000,000 shall remain available until expended: *Provided*, That such costs, including the costs of modifying such loans, shall be defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, as amended: *Provided further*, That not to exceed $3,000,000 shall be 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 per-

formed 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, $23,000,000: *Provided*, That the Secretary of Transportation shall issue a final rule to expand the applicability of comprehensive oil spill response plans within 5 days 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, $59,000,000, of which $7,570,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2020: *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, $162,000,000, of which $23,000,000 shall be derived from the Oil Spill Liability Trust Fund and shall remain available until September 30, 2020; and of which $131,000,000 shall be derived from the Pipeline Safety Fund, of which $64,736,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2020; and of which $8,000,000 shall be derived from fees collected under 49 U.S.C. 60302 and deposited in the Underground Natural Gas Storage Facility Safety Account for the purpose of carrying out 49 U.S.C. 60141 and shall remain available until September 30, 2020: *Provided*, That not less than $1,058,000 of the funds provided under this heading shall be for the One-Call State grant program.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS GRANTS

(EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS FUND)

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 2018 from amounts made available by 49 U.S.C. 5116(h), and 5128(b) and (c): *Provided*, 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.

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, $92,152,000: *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.

GENERAL PROVISIONS—DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

SEC. 180. (a) 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).

(b) During the current fiscal year, applicable appropriations to the Department and its operating administrations shall be available for the purchase, maintenance, operation, and deployment of unmanned aircraft systems that advance the Department's, or its operating administrations', missions.

(c) Any unmanned aircraft system purchased or procured by the Department prior to the enactment of this Act shall be deemed authorized.

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. (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. 183. 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. 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. (a) None of the funds provided in this Act to the Department of Transportation may be used to make a loan, loan guarantee, line of credit, or discretionary 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 any discretionary grant award, letter of intent, loan commitment, loan guarantee commitment, line of credit commitment, or full funding grant agreement is announced by the Department or its modal administrations: *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.

(b) In addition to the notification required in subsection (a), none of the funds made available in this Act to the Department of Transportation may be used to make a loan, loan guarantee, line of credit, cooperative agreement or discretionary grant unless the Secretary of Transportation provides the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations a comprehensive list of all such loans, loan guarantees, lines of credit, cooperative agreement or discretionary grants that will be announced not less the 3 full business days before such announcement: *Provided*, That the requirement to provide a list in this subsection does not apply to any "quick release" of funds from the emergency relief program: *Provided further*, That no list 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 prior Act that the Secretary determines represent improper payments by the Department of Transportation to a third-party contractor under a financial 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: *Provided*, That amounts made available in this Act shall be available until expended; 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. 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. 190. 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. 191. 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, 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, 2018".

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, $14,708,000: *Provided*, That not to exceed $19,876 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, $518,303,000, of which $52,200,000 shall be available for the Office of the Chief Financial Officer; $95,400,000 shall be available for the Office of the General Counsel; $204,253,000 shall be available for the Office of Administration; $39,300,000 shall be available for the Office of the Chief Human Capital Officer; $53,500,000 shall be available for the Office of Field Policy and Management; $19,500,000 shall be available for the Office of the

Chief Procurement Officer; $3,800,000 shall be available for the Office of Departmental Equal Employment Opportunity; $4,950,000 shall be available for the Office of Strategic Planning and Management; and $45,400,000 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: *Provided further*, That within 30 days of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations organization charts reflecting the Department's and each office's structure (to the branch level) on October 1, 2017 and on the date of enactment of this Act.

PROGRAM OFFICE SALARIES AND EXPENSES

PUBLIC AND INDIAN HOUSING

For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of Public and Indian Housing, $216,633,000.

COMMUNITY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of Community Planning and Development, $107,554,000.

HOUSING

For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of Housing, $383,000,000.

POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND RESEARCH

For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of Policy Development and Research, $24,065,000.

FAIR HOUSING AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITY

For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity, $69,808,000.

OFFICE OF LEAD HAZARD CONTROL AND HEALTHY HOMES

For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes, $7,600,000.

WORKING CAPITAL FUND

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For the working capital fund for the Department of Housing and Urban Development (referred to in this paragraph as the "Fund"), pursuant, in part, to section 7(f) of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Act (42 U.S.C. 3535(f)), 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*, 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 matter preceding the first proviso, for which the appropriation would otherwise have been available, and may transfer not to exceed an additional $5,000,000, 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 matter preceding the first proviso: *Provided further*, That with respect to the Fund, the authorities and conditions under this heading shall supplement the authorities and conditions provided under section 7(f).

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, $18,015,000,000, to remain available until expended, shall be available on October 1, 2017 (in addition to the $4,000,000,000 previously appropriated under this heading that shall be available on October 1, 2017), and $4,000,000,000, to remain available until expended, shall be available on October 1, 2018: *Provided*, That the amounts made available under this heading are provided as follows:

(1) $19,600,000,000 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 2018 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 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, 2018: *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 2018 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 2017 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 2018 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 reduce 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) $85,000,000 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 the Secretary shall issue guidance to implement the previous provisos, including, but not limited to, requirements for defining eligible at-risk households within 60 days of the enactment of this Act:

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 may provide section 8 rental assistance from amounts made available under this paragraph for units assisted under a project-based subsidy contract funded under the "Project-Based Rental Assistance" heading under this title where the owner has received a Notice of Default and the units pose an imminent health and safety risk to residents: *Provided further*, That to the extent that the Secretary determines that such units are not feasible for continued rental assistance payments or transfer of the subsidy contract associated with such units to another project or projects and owner or owners, any remaining amounts associated with such units under such contract shall be recaptured and used to reimburse amounts used under this paragraph for rental assistance under the preceding proviso;

(3) $1,760,000,000 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 $30,000,000 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 $1,730,000,000 of the amount provided in this paragraph shall be allocated to public housing agencies for the calendar year 2018 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) $505,000,000 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: *Provided further*, That any amounts provided under this paragraph in this Act or prior Acts, remaining available after funding renewals and administrative expenses under this paragraph, shall be available for incremental tenant-based assistance contracts under such section 811, including necessary administrative expenses;

(5) $5,000,000 shall be for rental assistance and associated administrative fees for Tribal HUD–VA Supportive Housing to serve Native American veterans that are homeless or at-risk of homelessness living on or near a reservation or other Indian areas: *Provided*, That such amount shall be made available for renewal grants to recipients that received assistance under prior Acts under the Tribal HUD–VA Supportive Housing program: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall be authorized to specify criteria for renewal grants, including data on the utilization of assistance reported by grant recipients: *Provided further*, That such assistance shall be administered in accordance with program requirements under the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 and modeled after the HUD–VASH program: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall be authorized to waive, or specify alternative requirements for any provision of any statute or regulation that the Secretary 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 assistance: *Provided further*, That grant recipients shall report to the Secretary on utilization of such rental assistance and other program data, as prescribed by the Secretary: *Provided further*, That the Secretary may reallocate, as determined by the Secretary, amounts returned or recaptured from awards under prior acts;

(6) $40,000,000 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 203 (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 Depart-

ment 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;

(7) $20,000,000 shall be made available for new incremental voucher assistance through the family unification program as authorized by section 8(x) of the Act: *Provided*, That the assistance made available under this paragraph shall continue to remain available for family unification upon turnover: *Provided further*, That for any public housing agency administering voucher assistance appropriated in a prior Act under the family unification program that determines that it no longer has an identified need for such assistance upon turnover, such agency shall notify the Secretary, and the Secretary shall recapture such assistance from the agency and reallocate it to any other public housing agency or agencies based on need for voucher assistance in connection with such program; and

(8) 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 2018 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") $2,750,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2021: *Provided*, That notwithstanding any other provision of law or regulation, during fiscal year 2018, 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 $8,300,000 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 203 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 2018: *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 in addition to the amount in the previous proviso for such safety and security measures, any amounts that remain available, after all applications received on or before September 30, 2019, for emergency capital needs have been processed, shall be allocated to public housing agencies for such safety and security measures: *Provided further*, That of the total amount provided under this heading, up to $35,000,000 shall be for supportive services, service coordinators 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 funding provided under the previous proviso shall be available for 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 2018 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 2018 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)), $4,550,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2019.

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, $150,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2020: *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 provide a match in State, local, other Federal or private funds: *Provided further*, That grantees may include local governments, tribal enti-

ties, 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 as grants to undertake comprehensive local planning with input from residents and the community: *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: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall issue the Notice of Funding Availability for funds made available under this heading no later than 60 days after enactment of this Act: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall make grant awards no later than 270 days after enactment of this Act in such amounts that the Secretary determines.

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, 2019: *Provided*, That the Secretary may, by Federal Register notice, waive or specify alternative requirements under subsections 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

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

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.), $655,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2022: *Provided*, That, notwithstanding NAHASDA, 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, $7,000,000 shall be for providing training and technical assistance to Indian housing authorities and tribally designated housing entities, to support the inspection of Indian housing units, contract expertise, and for training and technical assistance related to funding provided under this heading and other headings under this Act for the needs of Native American families and Indian country: *Provided further*, That of the funds made available under the previous provisos, 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 amounts made available under the previous two provisos may be used, contracted, or competed as determined by the Secretary: *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 $17,391,304: *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*, That for an additional amount for the Native American Housing Block Grants program, as authorized under title I of NAHASDA, $100,000,000 to remain available until September 30, 2022: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall obligate this additional amount for competitive grants to eligible recipients authorized under NAHASDA that apply for funds: *Provided further*, That in awarding this additional amount, the Secretary shall consider need and administrative capacity, and shall give priority to projects that will spur construction and rehabilitation: *Provided further*, That up to 1 percent of this additional amount may be transferred, in aggregate, to "Program Office Salaries and Expenses—Public and Indian Housing" for necessary costs of administering and overseeing the obligation and expenditure of this additional amount: *Provided further*, That any funds transferred pursuant to the previous proviso shall remain available until September 30, 2023.

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), $1,000,000, 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 $270,270,270, 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.

NATIVE HAWAIIAN HOUSING BLOCK GRANT

For the Native Hawaiian Housing Block Grant program, as authorized under title VIII of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (25 U.S.C. 4111 et seq.), $2,000,000 to remain available until September 30, 2022: *Provided*, That notwithstanding section 812(b) of such Act, the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands may not invest grant amounts provided under this heading in investment securities and other obligations: *Provided further*, That the language under the first proviso under the heading "Native Hawaiian Housing Block Grant" in the Department of Housing and Urban Development Appropriations Act, 2015 (Public Law 113–235) is amended by striking "Hawaii-based": *Provided further*, That amounts made available under this heading in this and prior fiscal years may be used to provide rental assistance to eligible Native Hawaiian families both on and off the Hawaiian Home Lands, notwithstanding any other provision of law.

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.), $375,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2019, except that amounts allocated pursuant to section 854(c)(5) of such Act shall remain available until September 30, 2020: *Provided*, That the Secretary shall renew all expiring contracts for permanent supportive housing that initially were funded under section 854(c)(5) 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, $3,365,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2020, unless otherwise specified: *Provided*, That of

the total amount provided, $3,300,000,000 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, 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 subsection (e)(2): *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, $65,000,000 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 203 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

Subject to section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, during fiscal year 2018, 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.

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, $1,362,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2021: *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 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, 2020: *Provided*, That of the total amount provided under this heading, $10,000,000 shall be made available to the Self-Help 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 $4,000,000, 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, $2,513,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2020: *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 $270,000,000 of the funds appropriated under this heading shall be available for such Emergency Solutions Grants program: *Provided further*, That not less than $2,106,000,000 of the funds appropriated under this heading shall be available for such Continuum of Care and Rural Housing Stability Assistance programs: *Provided further*, That of the amounts made available under this heading, up to $50,000,000 shall be made available for grants for rapid re-housing projects and supportive service projects providing coordinated entry, and for eligible activities the Secretary determines to be critical in order to assist survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking: *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 $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 collect system performance measures for each continuum of care, 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 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 2018: *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 $80,000,000 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 25 communities, including at least eight communities with substantial rural populations, can dramatically reduce youth homelessness: *Provided further*, That of the amount made available under the previous proviso, up to $5,000,000 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 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 youth aged 24 and under seeking assistance under this heading shall not be required to pro-

vide 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.

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, $11,115,000,000, to remain available until expended, shall be available on October 1, 2017 (in addition to the $400,000,000 previously appropriated under this heading that became available October 1, 2017), and $400,000,000, to remain available until expended, shall be available on October 1, 2018: *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 $285,000,000 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 capital advances, including 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, $678,000,000 to remain available until September 30, 2021, of which $105,000,000 shall be for capital advance and project-based rental assistance awards: *Provided*, That of the amount provided under this heading, up to $90,000,000 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, 2021: *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 capital advances, including 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), as amended, and 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, $229,600,000, to remain available until September 30, 2021, of which $82,600,000 shall be for capital advance and project rental assistance awards: *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, 2021: *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, $55,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2019, 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 or 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, $14,000,000, 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 $11,000,000, to remain available until expended, of which $11,000,000 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 2018 so as to result in a final fiscal year 2018 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 2018 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, 2019: *Provided*, That during fiscal year 2018, 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, 2019: *Provided further*, That to the extent guaranteed loan commitments exceed $200,000,000,000 on or before April 1, 2018, 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: *Provided further*, That during fiscal year 2018 the Secretary may insure and enter into new commitments to insure mortgages under section 255 of the National Housing Act only to the extent that the net credit subsidy cost for such insurance does not exceed zero: *Provided further*, That for fiscal years 2018 and 2019, the Secretary shall not take any action against a lender solely on the basis of compare ratios that have been adversely affected by defaults on mortgages secured by properties in areas where a major disaster was declared in 2017 or 2018 pursuant to the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq.).

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, 2019: *Provided*, That during fiscal year 2018, 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, 2019: *Provided*, That $27,000,000 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, 2018, 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, $89,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2019: *Provided*, That with respect to amounts made available under this heading, notwithstanding section 203 of this title, the Secretary may enter into cooperative agreements funded with philanthropic entities, other Federal agencies, State or local governments and their agencies, or colleges or universities 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: *Provided further*, That none of the funds provided under this heading may be available for the doctoral dissertation research grant program.

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, 2019: *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 specific 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, $230,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2019, of which $45,000,000 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 not less than $95,000,000 of the amounts made available under this heading for the award of grants pursuant to section 1011 of the Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act of 1992 shall be provided to areas with the highest lead-based paint abatement needs: *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, $267,000,000, of which $250,000,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2019, and of which $17,000,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2020: *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 appropriations Acts may be used for the purposes specified under this Fund, in addition to any other information technology purposes for which such amounts were appro-

priated: *Provided further*, That not more than 10 percent of the funds made available under this heading for development, modernization and enhancement may be obligated until the Secretary submits to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations, for approval, a plan for expenditure that—(A) identifies for each modernization project: (i) the functional and performance capabilities to be delivered and the mission benefits to be realized, (ii) the estimated life-cycle cost, and (iii) key milestones to be met; and (B) demonstrates that each modernization project is: (i) compliant with the Department's enterprise architecture, (ii) being managed in accordance with applicable life-cycle management policies and guidance, (iii) subject to the Department's capital planning and investment control requirements, and (iv) supported by an adequately staffed project office.

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, $128,082,000: *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 RESCISSION)

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. 1437f 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 2018 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. 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. 204. 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. 205. 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. 206. 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 2018 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. 207. 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. 208. The President's formal budget request for fiscal year 2019, 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. 209. 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. 210. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, subject to the conditions listed under this section, for fiscal years 2018 and 2019, 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) RESEARCH REPORT.—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. 211. (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;

(7) is not a youth who left foster care at age 14 or older and is at risk of becoming homeless; and

(8) 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. 212. 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. 213. 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 Sep-

tember 30, 2018, insure and enter into commitments to insure mortgages under such section 255.

SEC. 214. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, in fiscal year 2018, 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. 215. The commitment authority funded by fees as provided under the heading "Community Development Loan Guarantees Program Account" may be used to guarantee, or make commitments 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. 216. 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. 217. 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. 218. 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. 219. The Secretary of the Department of Housing and Urban Development shall, for fiscal year 2018, 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 2018, 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. 220. 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. 221. The Secretary is authorized to transfer up to 10 percent or $5,000,000, 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 $5,000,000, 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 $5,000,000, whichever is less.

SEC. 222. (a) Any entity receiving housing assistance payments shall maintain decent, safe, and sanitary conditions, as determined by the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development (in this section referred to as the "Secretary"), and comply with any standards under applicable State or local laws, rules, ordinances, or regulations relating to the physical condition of any property covered under a housing assistance payment contract.

(b) The Secretary shall take action under subsection (c) when a multifamily housing project with a section 8 contract or contract for similar project-based assistance—

(1) receives a Uniform Physical Condition Standards (UPCS) score of 60 or less; or

(2) fails to certify in writing to the Secretary within 3 days that all Exigent Health and Safety deficiencies identified by the inspector at the project have been corrected.

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).

(c)(1) Within 15 days of the issuance of the REAC inspection, the Secretary must provide the owner with a Notice of Default with a specified timetable, determined by the Secretary, for correcting all deficiencies. The Secretary must also provide a copy of the Notice of Default to the tenants, the local government, any mortgagees, and any contract administrator. If the owner's appeal results in a UPCS score of 60 or above, the Secretary may withdraw the Notice of Default.

(2) At the end of the time period for correcting all deficiencies specified in the Notice of Default, if the owner fails to fully correct such deficiencies, the Secretary may—

(A) require immediate replacement of project management with a management agent approved by the Secretary;

(B) impose civil money penalties, which shall be used solely for the purpose of supporting safe and sanitary conditions at applicable properties, as designated by the Secretary, with priority given to the tenants of the property affected by the penalty;

(C) abate the section 8 contract, including partial abatement, as determined by the Secretary, until all deficiencies have been corrected;

(D) 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;

(E) transfer the existing section 8 contract to another project or projects and owner or owners;

(F) pursue exclusionary sanctions, including suspensions or debarments from Federal programs;

(G) 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;

(H) work with the owner, lender, or other related party to stabilize the property in an attempt to preserve the property through compliance, transfer of ownership, or an infusion of capital provided by a third-party that requires time to effectuate; or

(I) take any other regulatory or contractual remedies available as deemed necessary and appropriate by the Secretary.

(d) 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 major threats to health and safety after written notice to the affected tenants. 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 contract for project-based rental assistance payments with an owner or owners of other existing housing properties, or provide other rental assistance.

(e) The Secretary shall report quarterly on all properties covered by this section that are assessed through the Real Estate Assessment Center and have UPCS physical inspection scores of less than 60 or have received an unsatisfactory management and occupancy review within the past 36 months. 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;

(2) actions that the Department of Housing and Urban Development is taking to protect tenants of such identified properties; and

(3) any administrative or legislative recommendations to further improve the living conditions at properties covered under a housing assistance payment contract.

This report shall be due to the Senate and House Committees on Appropriations no later than 30 days after the enactment of this Act, and on the first business day of each Federal fiscal year quarter thereafter while this section remains in effect.

SEC. 223. 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 2018.

SEC. 224. Notwithstanding section 24(o) of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437v(o)), the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development may, until September 30, 2018, obligate any available unobligated balances made available under the heading "Choice Neighborhoods Initiative" in this Act or any prior Act.

SEC. 225. 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. 226. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to require or enforce the Physical Needs Assessment (PNA).

SEC. 227. 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. 228. 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. 229. 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. 230. None of the funds provided in this Act or any other act may be used for awards, including performance, special act, or spot, for any employee of the Department of Housing and Urban Development who has been subject to administrative discipline in fiscal years 2017 or 2018, including suspension from work.

SEC. 231. 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 under section 526 of division H of Public Law 113–76, section 524 of division G of Public Law 113–235, section 525 of division H of Public Law 114–113, and such authorities as are enacted for Performance Partnership Pilots in an appropriations Act for fiscal year 2018: *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. 232. With respect to grant amounts awarded under the heading "Homeless Assistance Grants" for fiscal years 2015, 2016, 2017, and 2018 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 recipient's CoC program.

SEC. 233. (a) From amounts made available under this title under the heading "Homeless Assistance Grants", the Secretary may award 1-year transition grants to recipients of funds for activities under subtitle C of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11381 et seq.) to transition from one Continuum of Care program component to another.

(b) No more than 50 percent of each transition grant may be used for costs of eligible activities of the program component originally funded.

(c) Transition grants made under this section are eligible for renewal in subsequent fiscal years for the eligible activities of the new program component.

(d) In order to be eligible to receive a transition grant, the funding recipient must have the consent of the Continuum of Care and meet standards determined by the Secretary.

SEC. 234. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used by the Department of Housing and Urban Development to direct a grantee to undertake specific changes to existing zoning laws as part of carrying out the final rule entitled "Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing" (80 Fed. Reg. 42272 (July 16, 2015)) or the notice entitled "Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing Assessment Tool" (79 Fed. Reg. 57949 (September 26, 2014)).

SEC. 235. Section 218(g) of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 12748(g)) shall not apply with respect to the right of a jurisdiction to draw funds from its HOME Investment Trust Fund that otherwise expired or would expire in 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, or 2020 under that section.

SEC. 236. Section 579 of the Multifamily Assisted Housing Reform and Affordability Act of 1997 (42 U.S.C. 1437f note) is amended by striking "October 1, 2017" each place it appears and inserting in lieu thereof "October 1, 2022".

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), as amended by Public Law 113–76, Public Law 113–235, Public Law 114–113, and Public Law 115–31, is amended—

(1) in the second proviso, by striking "September 30, 2020" and inserting "September 30, 2024";

(2) in the matter preceding the first proviso, by inserting the following before the colon: "(herein the 'First Component')";

(3) in the fourth proviso, by striking "225,000" and inserting "455,000";

(4) in the fourteenth proviso, by—

(A) inserting "or nonprofit" before "entity, then a capable entity,"; and

(B) striking "preserves its interest" and inserting "or a nonprofit entity preserves an interest";

(5) in the eighteenth proviso, by—

(A) inserting "or with a project rental assistance contract under section 202(c)(2) of the Housing Act of 1959," after "section 8(o) of the Act,";

(B) inserting "the subordination, restructuring, or both, of any capital advance documentation, including any note, mortgage, use agreement or other agreements, evidencing or securing a capital advance previously provided by the Secretary under section 202(c)(1) of the Housing Act of 1959 as necessary to facilitate the conversion of assistance while maintaining the affordability period and the designation of the property as serving elderly persons, and," following "including but not limited to";

(C) inserting "or assistance contracts" after "for such vouchers";

(D) striking "of Housing and Urban Development" after "Secretary"; and

(E) inserting the following before the colon: "(herein the 'Second Component')";

(6) by inserting the following provisos after the eighteenth proviso:

"*Provided further*, That contracts provided to properties converting assistance from section 101 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1965 or section 236(f)(2) of the National Housing Act located in high-cost areas shall have initial rents set at comparable market rents for the market area: *Provided further*, That conversions of assistance under the Second Component may not be the basis for re-screening or termination of assistance or eviction of any tenant family in a property participating in the demonstration and such a family shall not be considered a new admission for any purpose, including compliance with income targeting:";

(7) in the twenty-first proviso, as reordered above, by striking "the previous proviso" and all that follows through the end of the proviso and inserting "the Second Component, except for conversion of section 202 project rental assistance contracts, shall be available for project-based subsidy contracts entered into pursuant to the Second Component:";

(8) in the twenty-second proviso, as reordered above, by striking "the previous two provisos" and inserting "the Second Component, except for conversion of section 202 project rental assistance contracts,";

(9) in the twenty-third proviso, as reordered above, by striking "the three previous provisos" and inserting "the Second Component, except for conversion of section 202 project rental assistance contracts,"; and

(10) by inserting the following proviso before the final proviso:

"*Provided further*, That the Secretary may transfer amounts made available under the heading 'Housing for the Elderly' to the accounts under the headings 'Project-Based Rental Assistance' or

'Tenant-Based Rental Assistance' to facilitate any section 202 project rental assistance contract conversions under the Second Component, and any increase in cost for 'Project-Based Rental Assistance' or 'Tenant-Based Rental Assistance' associated with such conversion shall be equal to amounts so transferred:".

SEC. 238. None of the funds made available under this Act may be used to interfere with State and local inspections of public housing dwelling units.

SEC. 239. The Promise Zone designations and Promise Zone Designation Agreements entered into pursuant to such designations, made by the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development in prior fiscal years, shall remain in effect in accordance with the terms and conditions of such agreements.

SEC. 240. Section 153 of the Continuing Appropriations Act, 2018 (as added by section 2001(2) of Public Law 115–120) is repealed.

This title may be cited as the "Department of Housing and Urban Development Appropriations Act, 2018".

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, $8,190,000: *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 therefore, as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 5901–5902, $27,490,000: *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, $23,274,000: *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 2018, the Inspector General shall submit to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations a budget request for fiscal year 2018 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), $110,400,000, 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), $140,000,000, of which $5,000,000 shall be for a multi-family rental housing program.

SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Surface Transportation Board, including services authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109, $37,100,000: *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 ex-

penses 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 2018, to result in a final appropriation from the general fund estimated at no more than $35,850,000.

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, $3,600,000: *Provided*, That title II of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11311 et seq.) is amended by striking "October 1, 2018" in section 209 and inserting "October 1, 2020".

TITLE IV

GENERAL PROVISIONS—THIS ACT

(INCLUDING RESCISSIONS)

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 2018, 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 2018 from appropriations made available for salaries and expenses for fiscal year 2018 in this Act, shall remain

available through September 30, 2019, 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 wastewater-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. 8301–8305, 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. 8301–8305).

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 appropriated or otherwise made available under this Act may be used by the Surface Transportation Board 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. 416. 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. 417. (a) All unobligated balances, including recaptures and carryover, remaining from funds appropriated in division K of Public Law 115–31 for "Department of Transportation-Office of the Secretary-Salaries and Expenses", "Department of Transportation-Office of the Secretary-Office of Civil Rights", "Department of Transportation-Office of the Secretary-Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization and Outreach", "Department of Transportation-Federal Transit Administration-Administrative Expenses", "Department of Transportation-Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration-Operational Expenses", "Access Board-Salaries and Expenses", "Federal Maritime Commission-Salaries and Expenses", "National Railroad Passenger Corporation-Office of Inspector General-Salaries and Expenses", "National Transportation Safety Board-Salaries and Expenses", and "United States Interagency Council on Homelessness-Operating Expenses" are rescinded.

(b) All unobligated balances, including recaptures and carryover, remaining from funds appropriated in division K of Public Law

115–31 for accounts under the headings "Department of Housing and Urban Development-Management and Administration" and "Department of Housing and Urban Development-Program Office Salaries and Expenses" are rescinded.

SEC. 418. (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. 419. (a) None of the funds made available in this Act may be used to deny an Inspector General funded under this Act timely access to any records, documents, or other materials available to the department or agency over which that Inspector General has responsibilities under the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.), or to prevent or impede that Inspector General's access to such records, documents, or other materials, under any provision of law, except a provision of law that expressly refers to the Inspector General and expressly limits the Inspector General's right of access.

(b) A department or agency covered by this section shall provide its Inspector General with access to all such records, documents, and other materials in a timely manner.

(c) Each Inspector General shall ensure compliance with statutory limitations on disclosure relevant to the information provided by the establishment over which that Inspector General has responsibilities under the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.).

(d) Each Inspector General covered by this section shall report to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate within 5 calendar days any failures to comply with this requirement.

SEC. 420. (a) TERMINAL AERODROME FORECAST.—The Administrator shall permit an air carrier operation under part 121 of title 14, Code of Federal Regulations, to operate to a destination determined to be under visual flight rules without a Terminal Aerodrome Forecast or Meteorological Aerodrome Report if a current Area Forecast, supplemented by other local weather observations or reports, is available, and an alternate airport that has an available Terminal Aerodome Forecast and weather report is specified. The air carrier shall have approved procedures for dispatch and enroute weather evaluation and shall operate under instrument flight rules enroute to the destination.

(b) LIMITATION.—Without a written finding of necessity, based on objective and historical evidence of imminent threat to safety, the Administrator shall not promulgate any operation specification, policy, or guidance document that is more restrictive than, or requires procedures that are not expressly stated in, the regulations.

SEC. 421. Section 149(m) of title 23, United States Code, is amended by adding "or on a State-Supported Amtrak route with a valid cost-sharing agreement under section 209 of the Passenger

Rail Investment and Improvement Act of 2008 and no current non-attainment areas under subsection (d)," after "2012,".

This division may be cited as the "Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2018".

[CLERK'S NOTE: Reproduced below is the material relating to division L contained in the Explanatory Statement regarding H.R. 1625, the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2018.[1]]

DIVISION L—TRANSPORTATION, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2018

CONGRESSIONAL DIRECTIVES

Unless otherwise noted, the language and allocations set forth in the House report (House Report 115–237) and the Senate report (Senate Report 115–138) carry the same weight as the language included in this joint explanatory statement and should be complied with unless specifically addressed to the contrary in this division or joint explanatory statement. House report language and Senate report language, neither of which is changed by this joint explanatory statement, is a result of the 2018 appropriations agreement. The joint 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, initiative, or authority. Any reprogramming requests must be submitted to the Committees on Appropriations no later than June 30, 2018.

TITLE I—DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement provides $112,813,000 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	$3,001,000
Immediate Office of the Deputy Secretary	1,040,000
Office of the General Counsel	20,555,000
Office of the Under Secretary for Transportation Policy	10,331,000

[1] The Explanatory Statement was submitted for printing in the Congressional Record on March 22, 2018 by Mr. Frelinghuysen of New Jersey, Chairman of the House Committee on Appropriations. The Statement appears on page H2872 of Book III.

Office of the Assistant Secretary for Budget and Programs	14,019,000
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Government Affairs	2,546,000
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Administration	29,356,000
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs	2,142,000
Office of the Executive Secretariat	1,760,000
Office of Intelligence, Security, and Emergency Response	11,318,000
Office of the Chief Information Officer	16,745,000

Consumer protections.—The Department has, in recent years, initiated a process to establish more transparency in displaying the total prices of airfare tickets and related charges. Whether consumers are purchasing directly from the airlines or through ticket agents, consumers should have clear and accurate pricing information when choosing among various air transportation options. Currently, fees for additional services can be difficult to determine when searching for airfares, and, as a result, consumers may be unable to understand the true cost of travel when comparing prices. To enhance consumers' choices and provide consumers with full airline ticket pricing information, the agreement directs the Department to work in collaboration with industry, consumers, and other stakeholders to establish guidelines which should lead to airlines or any for-profit seller of commercial air transportation displaying, on an airline's website or any travel metasearch website with which the airline is partnered, full ticketing charges, including, but not limited to, seat price, any additional fees the consumer will pay per piece of baggage or per seat upgrade, and optional flight insurance costs. As a result, all the charges should be clear to the consumer, at the time of the initial search, and the anticipated total charges fully disclosed. The Secretary is directed to provide a report to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations on the progress being made to establish these guidelines within 180 days of enactment of this Act.

RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY

The agreement provides $23,465,109 for the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Research and Technology, of which $2,618,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2020.

University transportation centers.—The agreement provides $15,000,000 in additional funding for the University Transportation Center (UTC) program as authorized under the FAST Act. This additional funding is for competitive grants for a national center for congestion research, focusing on congestion relief, and a national center for infrastructure research, focusing on improving the durability and extending the life of transportation infrastructure. The increase is in addition to amounts provided for fiscal year 2018 by the FAST Act for a total UTC funding level of $90,000,000. The agreement continues to direct the Department to award no less than $3,000,000 of the amounts provided under the FAST Act for research on rural autonomous vehicles and connected vehicles to be conducted by existing UTC universities.

NATIONAL INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENTS

The agreement provides $1,500,000,000 for capital investments in surface transportation infrastructure, commonly known as the

"TIGER" program, to remain available until September 30, 2020. The Department is directed to administer the program within its current staffing levels.

NATIONAL SURFACE TRANSPORTATION AND INNOVATIVE FINANCE BUREAU

The agreement provides $3,000,000 for the national surface transportation and innovative finance bureau. The agreement does not make an additional $3,000,000 available by transfer from the Maritime Guaranteed (Title XI) Loan Program account and does not expect the bureau to administer the Title XI program in fiscal year 2018.

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT CAPITAL

The agreement provides $6,000,000 for the financial management capital program, to remain available until September 30, 2020, which includes resources for the continued execution of Data Act compliance requirements at the Department.

CYBER SECURITY INITIATIVES

The agreement provides $15,000,000 for departmental cyber security initiatives, to remain available until September 30, 2019.

OFFICE OF CIVIL RIGHTS

The agreement provides $9,500,000 for the office of civil rights.

TRANSPORTATION PLANNING, RESEARCH, AND DEVELOPMENT

The agreement provides $14,000,000 for planning, research, and development activities, of which $1,500,000 is for the Interagency Infrastructure Permitting Improvement Center (IIPIC) and $5,500,000 is for the safety data and automated vehicle safety data initiatives, to remain available until expended. 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 $202,245,000.

MINORITY BUSINESS RESOURCE CENTER PROGRAM

The agreement provides a total appropriation of $500,301 for the minority business center program for administrative expenses, including education outreach activities, monitoring of existing loans, and modification of existing loans. No funding is provided to support the subsidy cost of new loan guarantees, and no additional limitation on guaranteed loans is provided as those functions are administered by the Small Business Administration.

SMALL AND DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS UTILIZATION AND OUTREACH

The agreement provides $4,646,000 for small and disadvantaged business utilization and outreach, to remain available until September 30, 2019.

PAYMENTS TO AIR CARRIERS

(AIRPORT AND AIRWAY TRUST FUND)

The agreement provides $155,000,000 for payments to air carriers, to remain available until expended.

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 this Act, unless such assessments or agreements have completed the normal reprogramming process for Congressional notification.

Section 102 requires the Secretary of Transportation to post on the internet a schedule of all Council on Credit and Finance meetings, agendas, and meeting minutes.

Section 103 allows the Department of Transportation Working Capital Fund to provide payments in advance to vendors for the Federal transit pass fringe benefit program and to provide full or partial payments to, and to accept reimbursements from, Federal agencies for transit benefit distribution services.

FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION

OPERATIONS

(AIRPORT AND AIRWAY TRUST FUND)

The agreement includes $10,211,754,000 for the operations of the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), to remain available until September 30, 2019. Of the total amount provided, $8,851,000,000 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	$7,491,938,000	$7,692,786,000
Aviation safety	1,257,981,000	1,310,000,000
Commercial space transportation	17,905,000	22,587,000
Finance and management	758,192,000	801,506,000
NextGen planning	59,041,000	60,000,000
Security and Hazardous Materials Safety	100,961,000	112,622,000
Staff offices	204,868,000	212,253,000
Total	9,890,886,000	10,211,754,000

Operations funding.—The agreement includes $200,848,000 above the budget request for the air traffic organization. This funding level fully supports the air traffic operational workforce, including the hiring and training of new controllers to fill critical positions.

Noise mitigation.—The agreement includes no less than $2,000,000 and eight full time equivalencies for regional offices to

dedicate staff for activities to address aviation noise concerns, including community engagement.

Organization designation authorization.—The agreement modifies language that was included in the House and Senate bills regarding the FAA's Organization Designation Authorization (ODA) in order to advance the certification of new aviation technologies and products. Utilization of ODAs is key to improving the effectiveness and efficiency of product certification. With funds made available under this agreement, the FAA should ensure that ODAs conduct all of the specified activities authorized and approved by the FAA in its procedures manual while the FAA continues to conduct its core responsibility of safety oversight and to take action if a systemic airworthiness noncompliance performance issue has been identified and documented. The agreement recognizes that, for safety oversight, the FAA considers a variety of mechanisms, including inspections, whistleblower alerts, and customer safety concerns.

Contract towers.—The agreement includes $165,000,000 for the contract tower program and establishes new requirements for the FAA to expedite entry into the program for towers that have met cost-benefit requirements.

Controller hiring.—The agreement directs the FAA to continue to update the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations on the diversity of the controller workforce, as specified in House Report 115–237, and to report on workforce attrition, as specified in Senate Report 115–138, within 120 days of enactment of this Act.

Cyber security.—The agreement provides $24,000,000 in the finance and management activity to address cyber security requirements for the air traffic control system, as well as other critical systems at the FAA.

Unmanned aircraft systems (UAS)—Electronic registration.—The agreement notes the progress the FAA has made within the past year creating a new electronic registration system for UAS. The FAA has provided regular updates to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations, and therefore, the agreement no longer directs the FAA to provide an update within 120 days of enactment of this Act.

FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT

(AIRPORT AND AIRWAY TRUST FUND)

The agreement includes $3,250,000,000 for FAA facilities and equipment. Of the total amount available, $498,000,000 is available until September 30, 2019, $2,602,000,000 is available until September 30, 2020, and $150,000,000 is available until expended.

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	$26,800,000	$26,800,000
William J. Hughes Technical Center Laboratory Improvement	1,000,000	1,000,000
William J. Hughes Technical Center Laboratory Sustainment	18,000,000	23,000,000
William J. Hughes Technical Center Infrastructure Sustainment	10,000,000	15,000,000

Program	Request	Agreement
Separation Management Portfolio	13,500,000	13,500,000
Traffic Flow Management Portfolio	10,800,000	10,800,000
On Demand NAS Portfolio	12,000,000	12,000,000
NAS Infrastructure Portfolio	17,500,000	17,500,000
NextGen Support Portfolio	12,000,000	12,000,000
Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS)	15,000,000	25,000,000
Enterprise, Concept Development, Human Factors, & Demonstrations Portfolio	9,000,000	9,000,000
Total Activity 1	145,600,000	165,600,000
Activity 2—Air Traffic Control Facilities and Equipment		
a. En Route Programs:		
En Route Automation Modernization (ERAM)—System Enhancements and Tech Refresh	76,650,000	91,650,000
En Route Communications Gateway (ECG)	2,650,000	2,650,000
Next Generation Weather Radar (NEXRAD)—Provide	5,500,000	5,500,000
Air Route Traffic Control Center (ARTCC) & Combined Control Facility (CCF) Building Improvements	100,400,000	120,400,000
Air Traffic Management (ATM)	4,900,000	4,900,000
Air/Ground Communications Infrastructure	9,750,000	9,750,000
Air Traffic Control En Route Radar Facilities Improvements	5,400,000	5,400,000
Voice Switching and Control System (VSCS)	12,800,000	15,800,000
Oceanic Automation System	23,100,000	34,950,000
Next Generation Very High Frequency Air/Ground Communications (NEXCOM)	53,000,000	60,000,000
System-Wide Information Management	50,050,000	50,050,000
ADS–B NAS Wide Implementation	139,150,000	150,300,000
Windshear Detection Service	1,000,000	1,000,000
Collaborative Air Traffic Management Technologies	9,000,000	9,000,000
Time Based Flow Management Portfolio	40,450,000	40,450,000
NextGen Weather Processors	35,450,000	45,450,000
Airborne Collision Avoidance System X (ACASX)	7,700,000	7,700,000
Data Communications in Support of NG Air Transportation System	154,100,000	294,100,000
Offshore Automation System	11,000,000	2,000,000
SBS Advanced Surveillance Enhanced Proced Separation/Reduced Oceanic Separation (ROS)	4,350,000	24,350,000
En Route Service Improvements	3,000,000	3,000,000
Commercial Space Integration	4,500,000	4,500,000
Subtotal En Route Programs	753,900,000	982,900,000
b. Terminal Programs:		
Airport Surface Detection Equipment—Model X (ASDE–X):		
Terminal Doppler Weather Radar (TDWR)—Provide	3,800,000	3,800,000
Standard Terminal Automation Replacement System (STARS) (TAMR Phase 1)	86,700,000	86,700,000
Terminal Automation Modernization/Replacement Program (TAMR Phase 3)	66,100,000	66,100,000
Terminal Automation Program	8,493,000	8,493,000
Terminal Air Traffic Control Facilities—Replace	31,118,485	58,118,485
ATCT/Terminal Radar Approach Control (TRACON) Facilities—Improve	56,800,000	91,800,000
Terminal Voice Switch Replacement (TVSR)	6,000,000	10,000,000
NAS Facilities OSHA and Environmental Standards Compliance	46,700,000	46,700,000
Airport Surveillance Radar (ASR–9)	11,400,000	11,400,000
Terminal Digital Radar (ASR–11) Technology Refresh and Mobile Airport Surveillance Radar (MASR)	3,200,000	5,200,000
Runway Status Lights	2,800,000	12,800,000
National Airspace System Voice System (NVS)	68,750,000	68,750,000
Integrated Display System (IDS)	5,000,000	5,000,000
Remote Monitoring and Logging System (RMLS)	7,400,000	7,400,000
Mode S Service Life Extension Program (SLEP)	20,900,000	20,900,000
Terminal Flight Data Manager (TFDM)	90,350,000	90,350,000
National Air Space (NAS) Voice Recorder Program (NVRP)	5,000,000	5,000,000
Integrated Terminal Weather System (ITWS)	1,000,000	1,000,000
Performance Based Navigation & Metroplex Portfolio	20,000,000	20,000,000
Subtotal Terminal Programs	541,511,485	619,511,485
c. Flight Service Programs:		
Aviation Surface Observation System (ASOS)	10,000,000	10,000,000

Program	Request	Agreement
Future Flight Services Program	14,038,515	14,038,515
Alaska Flight Service Facility Modernization (AFSFM)	2,650,000	2,650,000
Weather Camera Program	1,300,000	1,300,000
Subtotal Flight Service Programs	27,988,515	27,988,515
d. Landing and Navigational Aids Program:		
VHF Omnidirectional Radio Range (VOR) with Distance Measuring Equipment (DME)	11,000,000	17,000,000
Instrument Landing System (ILS)—Establish	7,000,000	11,000,000
Wide Area Augmentation System (WAAS) for GPS	102,300,000	110,300,000
Runway Visual Range (RVR) and Enhanced Low Visibility Operations (ELVO)	4,000,000	4,000,000
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)	8,500,000	8,500,000
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
Runway Safety Areas—Navigational Mitigation	1,600,000	1,600,000
NAVAIDS Monitoring Equipment	2,000,000	2,000,000
Subtotal Landing and Navigational Aids Programs	152,400,000	170,400,000
e. Other ATC Facilities Programs:		
Fuel Storage Tank Replacement and Management	28,100,000	35,000,000
Unstaffed Infrastructure Sustainment	35,700,000	41,000,000
Aircraft Related Equipment Program	12,500,000	12,500,000
Airport Cable Loop Systems—Sustained Support	8,000,000	8,000,000
Alaskan Satellite Telecommunications Infrastructure (ASTI)	20,900,000	20,900,000
Facilities Decommissioning	13,900,000	27,000,000
Electrical Power Systems—Sustain/Support	110,000,000	125,000,000
Energy Management and Compliance (EMC)	2,400,000	2,400,000
Child Care Center Sustainment	1,000,000	1,000,000
FAA Telecommunications Infrastructure	2,000,000	30,000,000
Data Visualization, Analysis and Reporting System (DVARS)	5,500,000	5,500,000
TDM-to-IP Migration	3,000,000	39,000,000
Subtotal Other ATC Facilities Programs	243,000,000	347,300,000
Total Activity 2	1,718,800,000	2,148,100,000
Activity 3—Non-Air Traffic Control Facilities and Equipment		
a. Support Equipment:		
Hazardous Materials Management	35,300,000	35,300,000
Aviation Safety Analysis System (ASAS)	12,000,000	12,000,000
National Air Space (NAS) Recovery Communications (RCOM)	12,000,000	12,000,000
Facility Security Risk Management	20,400,000	20,400,000
Information Security	20,700,000	20,700,000
System Approach for Safety Oversight (SASO)	25,800,000	25,800,000
Aviation Safety Knowledge Management Environment (ASKME)	4,000,000	4,000,000
Aerospace Medical Equipment Needs (AMEN)	7,000,000	7,000,000
System Safety Management Portfolio	16,200,000	16,200,000
National Test Equipment Program	4,000,000	4,000,000
Mobile Assets Management Program	3,600,000	3,600,000
Aerospace Medicine Safety Information Systems (AMSIS)	14,000,000	14,000,000
Tower Simulation System (TSS) Technology Refresh	3,000,000	3,000,000
Subtotal Support Equipment	178,000,000	178,000,000
b. Training, Equipment and Facilities:		
Aeronautical Center Infrastructure Modernization	14,000,000	14,000,000
Distance Learning	1,000,000	1,000,000
Subtotal Training, Equipment and Facilities	15,000,000	15,000,000
Total Activity 3	193,000,000	193,000,000

Program	Request	Agreement
Activity 4—Facilities and Equipment Mission Support		
a. System Support and Services:		
System Engineering and Development Support	35,700,000	35,700,000
Program Support Leases	47,000,000	47,000,000
Logistics and Acquisition Support Services	11,000,000	11,000,000
Mike Monroney Aeronautical Center Leases	19,700,000	19,700,000
Transition Engineering Support	19,900,000	24,900,000
Technical Support Services Contract (TSSC)	23,000,000	28,000,000
Resource Tracking Program (RTP)	6,000,000	6,000,000
Center for Advanced Aviation System Development (CAASD)	57,000,000	57,000,000
Aeronautical Information Management Program	4,700,000	15,000,000
Cross Agency NextGen Management	1,000,000	1,000,000
Total Activity 4	225,000,000	245,300,000
Activity 5—Personnel and Related Expenses		
Personnel and Related Expenses	483,800,000	498,000,000
Total All Activities	2,766,200,000	3,250,000,000

NextGen funding.—The agreement provides $1,268,165,000 for the FAA's Next Generation of Air Traffic control (NextGen) programs across the operations; facilities and equipment; and research, engineering and development accounts. This is an increase of $238,891,000 above the current level for these efforts.

DataComm.—The agreement places a high priority on accelerating the "Data Communications in Support of NextGen Air Traffic Control System" (DataComm), as a NextGen program that promises significant, near-term improvements in the efficiency of the national airspace system. Accordingly, the agreement provides $294,100,000 for this program, a $140,000,000 increase above the budget request. Within this amount, no less than $5,000,000 is directed for cyber security enhancements to ensure the safety and security of this system.

Reduced oceanic separation.—The agreement provides $24,350,000, an increase of $20,000,000 above the budget request, to enable enhanced oceanic separation services. The agreement directs an expeditious final investment decision on this program, consistent with priorities of the NextGen Advisory Committee.

Remote towers.—The agreement includes $5,000,000 to continue the ongoing remote tower project, including operating costs, and to deploy and pilot remote tower systems to at least two additional airports. The FAA is directed to begin the remote tower pilot initiative within 45 days of enactment of this Act.

Terminal radar approach control (TRACON) facilities-improve.—The agreement provides $91,800,000 for TRACON improvements, a $35,000,000 increase above the budget request, to expedite currently planned improvements at critical TRACON facilities.

Wide area augmentation system (WAAS) for GPS.—The agreement includes language consistent with House and Senate direction on WAAS dual frequency operations and directs the FAA to provide a briefing to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations to accomplish the direction within 120 days of enactment of this Act.

RESEARCH, ENGINEERING, AND DEVELOPMENT

(AIRPORT AND AIRWAY TRUST FUND)

The agreement provides $188,926,000 for the FAA's research, engineering, and development activities, to remain available until September 30, 2020.

The agreement provides the following levels for specific programs:

Program	Request	Agreement
Fire Research and Safety	$7,044,000	$7,200,000
Propulsion and Fuel Systems	2,269,000	2,100,000
Advanced Materials/Structural Safety	4,338,000	10,500,000
Aircraft Icing/Digital System Safety	9,253,000	9,253,000
Continued Airworthiness	10,437,000	11,269,000
Aircraft Catastrophic Failure Prevention Research	1,570,000	1,570,000
Flightdeck/Maintenance/System Integration Human Factors	6,825,000	7,305,000
System Safety Management	4,149,000	5,500,000
Air Traffic Control/Technical Operations Human Factors	5,196,000	5,800,000
Aeromedical Research	9,765,000	9,080,000
Weather Program	13,399,000	15,476,000
Unmanned Aircraft Systems Research	6,787,000	24,035,000
NextGen—Alternative Fuels for General Aviation	5,924,000	7,000,000
Commercial Space	1,796,000	1,872,000
NextGen—Wake Turbulence	6,831,000	6,831,000
NextGen—Air Ground Integration Human Factors	6,757,000	6,757,000
NextGen—Weather Technology in the Cockpit	3,644,000	3,644,000
NextGen—Information Security	1,000,000	1,000,000
Environment and Energy	14,497,000	18,013,000
NextGen—Environmental Research—Aircraft Technologies, Fuels, and Metrics	23,151,000	29,174,000
System Planning and Resource Management	2,135,000	2,135,000
William J. Hughes Technical Center Laboratory Facility	3,233,000	3,412,000
Total	150,000,000	188,926,000

Advanced material/structural safety.—The agreement provides $10,500,000 for Advanced Material/Structural Safety, including $2,000,000 for public/private partners to evaluate material for airworthiness certification and $4,000,000 to advance the use of new structural material applications and bring new materials into production.

Continued airworthiness.—The agreement provides $11,269,000 and directs the FAA to use the increase above the enacted level to collaborate with academic and industry partners to develop standards and assessment methods for certifying advanced material components for aerospace applications.

Unmanned aircraft systems (UAS) research.—The agreement provides $24,035,000, an increase of $17,248,000 above the budget request. Of the funds provided, $12,035,000 is to support the expanded role of the UAS Center of Excellence, $2,000,000 is to expand the Center's role in transportation disaster preparedness and response, and $10,000,000 is to support UAS research activities at the FAA technical center and other FAA facilities.

UAS traffic management (UTM).—The agreement includes direction included in House Report 115–237 and Senate Report 115–138 and directs the FAA to report its progress on this direction to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations no later than 120 days after enactment of this Act.

Environmental sustainability.—The agreement includes a total of $47,187,000 for research related to environmental sustainability, which is $9,539,000 above the budget request and $4,000,000 above the fiscal year 2017 enacted level. This total includes $18,013,000 under "Environment and Energy" and another $29,174,000 under "NextGen—Environmental Research Aircraft Technologies, Fuels, and Metrics." 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 $15,000,000 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 $3,000,000,000, to remain available until expended. Within the obligation limitation, the agreement provides not more than $111,863,000 for administrative expenses, no less than $15,000,000 for the airport cooperative research program, no less than $33,210,000 for airport technology research, and $10,000,000 for the small community air service development program (SCASDP).

Aircraft rescue and firefighting training facilities.—The agreement includes direction included in House Report 115–237 and Senate Report 115–138 regarding aircraft rescue and firefighting training facilities, and directs the FAA to provide a report within 120 days of enactment of this Act.

GRANTS-IN-AID FOR AIRPORTS

The agreement provides $1,000,000,000 in new discretionary budget authority for grants for high priority airport construction projects. The agreement includes language to prioritize funding for small and rural airports.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION

Section 110 allows no more than 600 technical staff-years at the Center for Advanced Aviation Systems Development.

Section 111 prohibits the use of funds for adopting guidelines or regulations requiring airport sponsors to provide the 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 from being used to buy store gift cards with Government issued credit cards.

Section 116 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 117 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 118 prohibits the use of funds for salaries and expenses of more than eight political and Presidential appointees in the FAA.

Section 119 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 119A requires the 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 119B prohibits funds from being used to change weight restrictions or prior permission rules at Teterboro Airport in New Jersey.

Section 119C prohibits funds from being used to withhold from consideration and approval certain applications for participation in the Contract Tower Program, or for reevaluation of cost-share program participation, pending as of January 1, 2016.

Section 119D requires the FAA to take certain actions regarding Organization Delegation Authorization (ODA).

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 $439,443,925. In addition, the agreement provides $3,248,000 for the administrative expenses of the Appalachian Regional Commission.

FEDERAL-AID HIGHWAYS

(LIMITATION ON OBLIGATIONS)

(HIGHWAY TRUST FUND)

The agreement limits obligations for the federal-aid highways program to $44,234,212,000.

Highway guide sign fonts.—The agreement prohibits funds from being used to enforce actions terminating the Interim Approval IA–5 of the Clearview font on highway guide signs. FHWA is directed to reinstate Interim Approval IA–5. FHWA is also directed to conduct a comprehensive review of the research on this alternative font and to report on its findings to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations within 90 days of enactment of this Act. The report must document the safety and cost implications of the decision to terminate approval of Clearview font and fully address the comments submitted by affected states during the related Decem-

ber 13, 2016 request for information (FHWA Docket No. FHWA 2016 0036). The agreement does not include directives under the paragraph entitled "Highway Guide Signs Font" in Senate Report 115–138.

Bridge corrosion control best practices.—The agreement directs the Secretary to submit the report required in House Report 115 237 on bridge corrosion control best practices, but does not direct the Secretary to use a third party organization to determine the qualification of contractors and subcontractors.

Culvert and storm sewer materials procurement.—The Secretary is not directed to evaluate the methods by which States procure culvert and storm sewer materials or the impact of those methods on project costs.

Surface transportation system funding alternatives program.—The Secretary is not directed to issue an annual notice of funding opportunity for the surface transportation system funding alternatives program for each fiscal year for which funding is provided. The Secretary is not directed to modify deadlines within such notices to align with state legislative calendars. Going forward, should pilot planning and predevelopment activities be made eligible for funding under this program, the Secretary is directed to extend the amount of time permitted for these activities from 18 to 24 months.

(LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)

(HIGHWAY TRUST FUND)

The agreement provides a liquidating cash appropriation of $44,973,212,000, to remain available until expended, to pay the outstanding obligations of the various highway programs at the levels provided in this Act and prior appropriations Acts.

HIGHWAY INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAMS

The agreement provides $2,525,000,000 from the general fund, of which $1,980,000,000 is for road and bridge projects eligible under the surface transportation block grant program, $15,800,000 is for the Puerto Rico highway program, $4,200,000 is for the territorial highway program, $300,000,000 is for the nationally significant federal lands and tribal projects program, and $225,000,000 is for a competitive bridge program. Funding for the nationally significant federal lands and tribal projects program is available until expended, and all other funding is available until September 30, 2021.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION

Section 120 distributes the federal-aid highways program's 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 requires 60-day notification to the Committees on Appropriations for any INFRA grants as authorized under 23 U.S.C. 117 provided that such notification shall be made no later than 180 days from the date of enactment of this Act.

Section 125 requires the reinstatement of the Clearview font.

Section 126 allows state DOTs to repurpose certain highway project funding to be used within 50 miles of its original designation.

Section 127 adds a truck weight exemption for certain highways in North Dakota.

Section 128 amends an existing high priority corridor on the national highway system.

Section 129 allows the Secretary to remove outdated restrictions on the use of excess toll revenues for certain highways in order to make them consistent with 23 U.S.C. 129.

Section 129A makes a technical correction to an existing truck weight exemption for New Hampshire.

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 $283,000,000 for the operations and programs of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA). Of this limitation, $9,073,000 is for the research and technology program and $34,824,000 is for information management to remain available for obligation until September 30, 2020.

Bus and lease interchange rule.—The FMCSA is directed to modify or remove the final rule concerning the lease and interchange of passenger carrying motor vehicles no later than December 1, 2018.

Regulatory compliance burdens on small carriers.—The Department is not required to deliver a report to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations on whether an implementation and enforcement delay of the electronic logging device rule would be appropriate.

Information management.—The Secretary is not directed to hold 50 percent of the allotment of funding for the FMCSA Office of the Chief Information Officer, but the FMCSA Administrator shall submit an information technology capital investment plan that meets the requirements described in Senate Report 115–138 and deliver that plan to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations by May 31, 2018.

Heavy vehicle speed limiters.—The agreement does not include a prohibition on finalizing the proposed rule on Speed Limiting Devices and does not direct the FMCSA and NHTSA to fully and expeditiously address all public comments on the August 26, 2016, joint proposed rule requiring speed limiter devices.

MOTOR CARRIER SAFETY GRANTS

(LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)

(LIMITATION ON OBLIGATIONS)

(HIGHWAY TRUST FUND)

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

The agreement provides a liquidating cash appropriation of $374,800,000 and a limitation on obligations of $561,800,000 for motor carrier safety grants, of which $87,000,000 shall be available until September 30, 2022, and $474,800,000 shall remain available until expended. The agreement allocates the total grant funding as follows:

Program	Funding
Motor carrier safety assistance program	$298,900,000
Commercial driver's license program implementation program	31,800,000
High priority activities program	43,100,000
Commercial motor vehicle operators grant program	1,000,000
Highly automated vehicle research and development	100,000,000
Border facility modernization and maintenance	87,000,000

Highly automated vehicle research and development program.—The agreement provides $100,000,000, to remain available until expended, for a highly automated vehicle research and development program to fund planning, direct research, and demonstration grants for highly autonomous vehicle (HAV) technologies and advanced driver-assistance systems (ADAS). The agreement does not include directives included in House Report 115–237 under the paragraph entitled "Highly automated commercial vehicle research and development program" and instead replaces those directives with those contained herein.

Of the total amount provided, up to $500,000 shall be available to the Secretary to develop a comprehensive plan to better manage departmental initiatives related to automated vehicles in response to the Government Accountability Office (GAO) recommendation for executive action included in the November 2017 report (GAO–18–132) within 90 days of enactment of this Act. The Secretary is directed to specify within this plan goals, priorities, steps to achieve results, milestones, and performance measures to track progress.

Of the total amount provided, not less than $38,000,000 shall be used for direct research, including administrative expenses, on HAV and ADAS technologies by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, the Federal Highway Administration, the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, and the Federal Transit Administration, of which no more than $5,000,000 shall be for ADAS research. For the purposes of the agreement, HAV refers to technologies capable of the Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE)

Level 3, Level 4, or Level 5 automation, whereas ADAS refers to technologies capable of Level 1 or Level 2.

Prior to obligating funds provided in the above paragraph and within 120 days of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall develop a holistic HAV/ADAS research spend plan that advances DOT's understanding of HAV and ADAS technologies to the benefit of both commercial motor vehicle and light duty vehicle safety and is consistent with the comprehensive plan developed pursuant to GAO's recommendation. The research should leverage the expertise of the private sector to identify methods and criteria for measuring the cyber security assurance levels deployed in autonomous vehicles. The Secretary is expected to prioritize research topics that fill gaps in research being conducted by the private sector, have the strongest potential to advance the safe deployment of HAV and ADAS technologies, and deliver the highest net benefits to road safety. The research spend plan shall identify research topics and goals, estimated costs per topic, estimated time of completion for each goal, the lead modal administration for each topic, as well as roles and responsibilities of any supporting modal administrations. The Secretary is directed to certify in the spend plan that all funded activities shall be coordinated with ongoing research funded across the Department and shall supplement and not supplant ongoing AV and ADAS research including NHTSA's vehicle safety and connected vehicle research programs.

Of the total amount provided, not less than $60,000,000 shall be used for grants and cooperative agreements to fund demonstration projects that test the feasibility and safety of HAV and ADAS deployments, as well as necessary administrative expenses. The Secretary is directed to solicit applications within 180 days of enactment of this Act and to make funding awards within one year of enactment of this Act. The Secretary is directed to include state, local, and tribal governments, transit agencies and authorities, metropolitan planning organizations, other subdivisions of state or local governments, or a multijurisdictional group thereof, including entities designated as automated vehicle proving grounds, as eligible applicants. The Secretary may also include academic institutions or research institutions as eligible, but shall not award funds to private companies. The Department is expected to include as eligible activities the following: technologies associated with autonomous vehicles and other collision avoidance technologies, including systems using cellular technology; advanced safety systems, including vehicle-to-vehicle and vehicle-to-infrastructure communications; advanced mobility and access technologies, such as dynamic ridesharing and information systems to support human services for elderly and disabled individuals; dynamic road network mapping; roadway marking and signage; community education and outreach; and transportation data collection and analysis. In reviewing applications and making funding awards, the Secretary is directed to award no more than $10,000,000 to a single grantee, no more than $15,000,000 to grantees within a single state, and not less than $20,000,000 to entities designated as automated vehicle proving grounds. The Secretary is directed to select projects that serve a variety of communities, including urban, suburban, and rural environments, and that serve a variety of transportation markets in-

cluding freight, personal mobility, and mass transit. The Secretary is directed to prioritize projects that test applications with the greatest potential to serve transportation-challenged populations, including the elderly and individuals with disabilities. For all funded projects, the Secretary is expected to require grantees to gather and share relevant data with the Department, subject to appropriate protections for confidential business information, to aid DOT research efforts, and to inform future policies and standards.

Of the total amount provided, up to $1,500,000 shall be for the Secretary of Transportation, in consultation with the Secretary of Labor, to conduct a comprehensive analysis of the impact ADAS and HAV technologies on drivers and operators of commercial motor vehicles, including labor displacement, within one year of enactment of this Act. The analysis shall include stakeholder outreach and examine: (1) reduced situational awareness caused by the operation of these vehicles and options for mitigating such safety risks; (2) visibility, mobility, and safety issues of platooning; and (3) minimum and recommended training requirements. The analysis should also examine labor displacement from the deployment of HAV and ADAS technologies, including: (1) the potential pace of job loss; (2) segments of motor carrier and passenger transportation that could be affected; (3) existing labor market programs that link workers to employment; and (4) recommendations for new public or private sector job training opportunities. The analysis shall not impede or delay any ongoing studies at the Department related to automated vehicles.

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.

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 funds from being used to enforce the electronic logging device rule with respect to carriers transporting livestock or insects.

NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION

OPERATIONS AND RESEARCH

The agreement provides $189,075,000 from the general fund for operations and research. Of this amount, $40,000,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2019.

In addition to salaries and expenses, the agreement provides $24,545,000 in Rulemaking program funding, of which not less than $15,000,000 is for the new car assessment program, $32,154,000 is for enforcement program funding, of which not less than $20,000,000 is for the Office of Defects Investigation, and $48,866,000 is for research and analysis programs, of which not less than $15,000,000 is for vehicle electronics and emerging tech-

nologies, which includes research of automated vehicle technologies.

The agreement fully funds Full Time Equivalent (FTE) staffing increases consistent with prior year appropriations and the program increases provided herein and does not prohibit the addition of FTE above those provided in previous fiscal years.

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 $149,000,000, to remain available until expended, which reflects the authorized level of contract authority. Of the total, $143,700,000 is provided for the programs authorized under 23 U.S.C. 403, and $5,300,000 is for the national driver register. Of the total amount provided under this heading, $20,000,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2019, and shall be in addition to any limitation imposed on obligations in future fiscal years. Consistent with the FAST Act, the agreement includes $5,494,000 for in-vehicle alcohol detection device research. The agreement does not include up to $6,500,000 for a high visibility enforcement paid-media campaign in the area of highway-rail grade crossing safety under this heading and instead funds this activity with an additional appropriation from the general fund.

Additional highway safety funding.—The agreement provides $11,500,000 in additional highway safety funding from the general fund under Section 144 of this Act. Of this amount $6,500,000 shall be used to support a high visibility enforcement paid-media campaign in the area of highway-rail grade crossing safety. The Committee directs NHTSA to coordinate these resources with the media and other highway safety campaigns, and to work collaboratively with the Federal Railroad Administration on the campaign's message development.

The remaining $5,000,000 shall be available for grants, pilot program activities, and other innovative solutions to reduce impaired-driving fatalities, including efforts to expand awareness and use of Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) and Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE) training. Such activities shall be in collaboration with appropriate State and local governments and law enforcement organizations.

The agreement fully funds Full Time Equivalent (FTE) staffing increases consistent with prior year appropriations and the program increases provided herein and does not prohibit the addition of FTE above those provided in previous fiscal years.

Automated vehicle exemptions to vehicle standards.—The Department is not directed to grant or deny 49 CFR Part 555 exemption requests within 60 days. However, the Department is directed to implement a streamlined application process for 49 CFR Part 555 exemption requests and to grant or deny a request for exemption as expeditiously as possible.

Impaired driving study.—The Department is directed to perform a pilot, within existing resources and in partnership with one or more qualified universities, to examine behavioral factors that influence a driver's willingness to drive while impaired rather than a national study as directed in Senate Report 115–138. The pilot shall be conducted to inform whether or not a national study would be useful in determining if traffic safety behavior and culture can be analyzed to predict the intention to drive impaired. Analyses from this pilot study may be used in conjunction with other studies to assist existing safety programs in achieving a sustainable reduction in impaired driving.

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 $597,629,000 for highway traffic safety grants, to remain available until expended. The agreement allocates funding as follows:

Highway safety programs (section 402)	$261,200,000
National priority safety programs (section 405)	280,200,000
High visibility enforcement program (section 404)	29,900,000
Administrative expenses	26,329,000
Total:	$597,629,000

Consistent with the FAST Act, the agreement includes $5,494,000 for in-vehicle alcohol detection device research within the highway safety programs funded under the operations and research heading. The agreement does not include additional funding for this research as a set-aside within highway traffic safety grants.

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 the use of 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.

Section 144 provides additional funding for highway safety programs.

FEDERAL RAILROAD ADMINISTRATION

SAFETY AND OPERATIONS

The agreement provides $221,698,000 for safety and operations of the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA). Of the funds provided, $15,900,000 is available until expended, and up to $350,000 is available for the Secretary to assist Class II and Class III railroads to prepare and apply for Railroad Rehabilitation and Improvement Financing Program (RRIF) direct loans. The agreement fully funds every previously provided full-time equivalent position and does not provide for new positions in fiscal year 2018.

The agreement funds the following priorities:

Safe transportation of energy products	$2,000,000
Automated track inspection program	16,500,000
Railroad safety information system and front end interface	4,800,000
Positive train control	10,000,000
Confidential close call program	3,500,000
National bridge system inventory update and model modification	600,000

The agreement directs FRA to explore ways to increase participation in the confidential close call reporting system and develop a solution that allows the private sector to contribute financially to the program. FRA is directed to provide a summary report on the previous direction to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations within 120 days of enactment of this Act.

RAILROAD RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

The agreement provides $40,600,000, to remain available until expended, for railroad research and development. The agreement supports $2,500,000 to improve safety practices and training for Class II and Class III freight railroads; $2,000,000 for tank car research related to the safe transportation of energy products in partnership with other Federal agencies; and $1,000,000 for research with universities on intelligent railroad systems.

RAILROAD REHABILITATION AND IMPROVEMENT FINANCING PROGRAM

The agreement authorizes the Secretary to issue direct loans and loan guarantees pursuant to sections 501 through 504 of P.L. 94–210, and provides $25,000,000 for the cost of such credit instruments. The agreement directs the Secretary, in consultation with the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, to define and create loan cohorts on a fiscal year basis within 120 days of enactment of this Act. Within 180 days of enactment of this Act, the Secretary is required to repay the credit risk premium (CRP) plus interest for all loans in cohorts with satisfied obligations. For cohorts with outstanding obligations, the Secretary is required to repay the CRP plus interest within 60 days after all obligations in the cohort are satisfied.

FEDERAL-STATE PARTNERSHIP FOR STATE OF GOOD REPAIR

The agreement provides $250,000,000, to remain available until expended, for grants authorized by section 24911 of title 49, United States Code, and allows the Secretary to withhold up to one percent for project management and oversight of these grants. In addi-

tion, the agreement clarifies that an otherwise eligible project on the Northeast Corridor may receive a grant if the entities at the project locations have valid cost allocation agreements with Amtrak pursuant to section 24905(c)(2) title 49 U.S.C.

The Agreement does not direct FRA to give preference to projects with completed environmental and design work or for critical at-risk projects.

CONSOLIDATED RAIL INFRASTRUCTURE AND SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS

The agreement provides $592,547,000, to remain available until expended, for consolidated rail infrastructure and safety improvements grants. Of this amount, $35,500,000 is for projects eligible under section 24407(c)(2) of title 49 U.S.C. that contribute to the initiation or restoration of intercity passenger rail service; and $250,000,000 is for Positive Train Control (PTC) deployment grants pursuant to section 24407(c)(1). In addition, the agreement expands PTC deployment grant eligibility to include commuter rail lines and allows the Secretary to transfer funds, after selection, to the appropriate agency. The agreement allows applications for multiple phases of a project in the same application. The agreement allows the Secretary to withhold up to one percent for project management and oversight of these grants.

RESTORATION AND ENHANCEMENT

The agreement provides a total of $20,000,000, to remain available until expended, for restoration and enhancement grants authorized by section 24408 of title 49 U.S.C. The agreement allows the Secretary to withhold up to one percent for project management and oversight of these grants.

NORTHEAST CORRIDOR GRANTS TO THE NATIONAL RAILROAD PASSENGER CORPORATION

The agreement provides $650,000,000 for the Secretary to make grants for activities associated with the Northeast Corridor (NEC), defined as the main line between Boston, Massachusetts, and the District of Columbia, and the facilities and services used to operate and maintain that line. Amtrak projects a fiscal year 2018 NEC net operating profit of $403,500,000, yielding a total funding level of $1,053,500,000 for the NEC.

The agreement allows the Secretary to retain up to one-half of one percent of the total provided to Amtrak for project management and oversight costs and requires not less than $50,000,000 to bring Amtrak-served facilities and stations into compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. The agreement also allows up to $5,000,000 of the NEC grants to fund the NEC Commission expenses.

The Agreement does not include language from the Senate Report 115–138 and does not include the directive from House Report 115–237 requiring the FRA to first give preference to eligible projects that have complete environmental impact statements and final design or that address major critical assets which have conditions that pose a substantial risk now or in the future to the reliability of train service before considering other factors.

NATIONAL NETWORK GRANTS TO THE NATIONAL RAILROAD PASSENGER CORPORATION

The agreement provides $1,291,600,000 for the Secretary to make grants for activities associated with the National Network. National Network Grants provide operating and capital funding for expenses on Amtrak's entire network, including long-distance routes that operate on the NEC. Of this amount, the Secretary may retain up to an additional $2,000,000 to fund expenses associated with the state-supported route committee, up to $5,000,000 may be used for costs associated with matters Amtrak brings before the Surface Transportation Board related to passenger rail service, and a minimum of $50,000,000 shall be for railroad safety technologies on state-supported routes that are not required to install PTC.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—FEDERAL RAILROAD ADMINISTRATION

Section 150 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 within 30 days of the quarter's end 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 60 days after enactment of this Act that summarizes Amtrak's total overtime expenses incurred by the corporation in 2017 and the three prior years, and the number of employees receiving overtime cap waivers and total overtime payments resulting from waivers by month of the 2017 calendar year and the three prior calendar years.

FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

The agreement provides $113,165,000 for administrative expenses.

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 $9,733,353,407, as authorized by the FAST Act. Funds are to be distributed as authorized. Further, the agreement provides $10,300,000,000 for the liquidation of contract authority.

TRANSIT INFRASTRUCTURE GRANTS

The agreement provides an additional $834,000,000 in transit infrastructure grants to remain available until expended. Of the funds provided, $400,000,000 is available for buses and bus facilities grants authorized under 49 U.S.C. 5339, of which $209,104,000 is provided for formula grants, $161,446,000 is provided for com-

petitive grants, and $29,450,000 is provided for low or no emission grants. In addition, $400,000,000 is available for state of good repair grants authorized under 49 U.S.C. 5337, $30,000,000 is provided for high density state apportionments authorized under 49 U.S.C. 5340(d), $2,000,000 is provided for the bus testing facility authorized under 49 U.S.C. 5318, and $2,000,000 is provided for bus testing facilities authorized under 49 U.S.C. 5312(h). The agreement provides funding from the general fund, and the funding is not subject to any limitation on obligations.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND TRAINING

The agreement provides $5,000,000 for research activities under 49 U.S.C. 5314.

CAPITAL INVESTMENT GRANTS

The agreement provides $2,644,960,000 for fixed-guideway projects, to remain available until September 30, 2021, and directs the Secretary to administer the capital investment grants program in accordance with the requirements of 49 U.S.C. 5309 and move projects through the program from initial application to construction. The agreement directs the FTA to use $5,050,000 from unobligated amounts for fixed-guideway projects. Of the funds provided, $1,506,910,000 is available for projects authorized under 5309(d), $715,700,000 is available for projects authorized under 5309(e), $400,900,000 is for projects authorized under 5309(h), and $26,500,010 is available for oversight activities. The agreement directs the Secretary to obligate $2,252,508,586 of the amount provided for the capital investment grants program by December 31, 2019. The agreement directs the Secretary to provide updated project ratings expeditiously at the request of the project sponsor.

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. The agreement no longer requires the Secretary to certify that WMATA is making progress toward full implementation of the corrective actions identified in the 2014 Financial Management Oversight review as WMATA has addressed all findings associated with improper financial management.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION

Section 160 exempts previously made transit obligations from limitations on obligations.

Section 161 allows for the transfer of appropriations made prior to October 1, 2017 from older accounts to be merged into new accounts with similar current activities.

Section 162 prohibits funds in this Act from being used to advance a specific transit line in Harris County, Texas without the results of a local election.

Section 163 prohibits funds to enter into an FFGA for a project with a New Starts share greater than 51 percent.

SAINT LAWRENCE SEAWAY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE

(HARBOR MAINTENANCE TRUST FUND)

The agreement provides $40,000,000 for operations, maintenance, and the capital asset renewal program, of which not less than $19,500,000 is provided for asset renewal program activities and shall remain available until September 30, 2020. The Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation (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, 2018. The agreement limits funding for new studies and reports for SLSDC to those studies listed in the fiscal year 2018 budget estimates.

MARITIME ADMINISTRATION

MARITIME SECURITY PROGRAM

The agreement provides the authorized level of $300,000,000 for the maritime security program. Funds are available until expended.

OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

The agreement provides a total of $513,642,000 for the Maritime Administration's (MARAD) operations and training account.

For the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy (USMMA), the bill provides a total of $121,000,000. Of the funds provided, $69,000,000 is for Academy operations, including funds for an attorney for sexual assault and harassment legal advice; $45,000,000 is for the capital improvement program; and $7,000,000 is for maintenance, repairs, and equipment. The agreement directs MARAD to utilize the resources provided to fully meet the staffing, support, and training needs at the Academy to address the prevention of sexual assault and sexual harassment.

The agreement provides a total of $332,200,000 for the state maritime academies, of which $6,000,000 is for direct payments; $2,400,000 is for student incentive payments; $22,000,000 is for schoolship maintenance and repair; $1,800,000 is for fuel assistance; and $300,000,000 is for design and construction of a new common schoolship for the National Security Multi-Mission Vessel Program (NSMVP). The agreement also allows prior year NSMVP design funds to be available for construction purposes.

Finally, the agreement provides a total of $60,442,000 for MARAD headquarters, regional offices, and maritime program expenses. Of the funds provided, up to $1,000,000 is for contract support and/or additional personnel to administer, manage, and oversee the NSMVP new construction contract; $3,000,000 is for the maritime environmental and technical assistance program, as authorized by 46 U.S.C. 50307; and $7,000,000 is for the short sea transportation program, authorized by 46 U.S.C 55601(b)(1) and (3).

The agreement requires MARAD to submit the biennial survey and report on sexual assault and sexual harassment at the Acad-

emy, as required pursuant to section 3507 of P.L. 110–418, to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations no later than January 12, 2019.

ASSISTANCE TO SMALL SHIPYARDS

The agreement provides $20,000,000 for the small shipyard grant program, to remain available until expended.

SHIP DISPOSAL

The agreement provides $116,000,000, to remain available until expended, for the ship disposal program. Of the total, $6,000,000 is for the disposal of four National Defense Reserve Fleet vessels, and $110,000,000 is for the storage, maintenance, and final decommissioning of the NS Savannah.

MARITIME GUARANTEED LOAN (TITLE XI) PROGRAM ACCOUNT

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

The agreement provides a total of $30,000,000 for the Title XI program for the cost of guaranteed loans. Of the total, $3,000,000 is available for administrative expenses and shall be transferred to MARAD's operations and training account for administrative expenses.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—MARITIME ADMINISTRATION

Section 170 authorizes MARAD to furnish utilities and services and to make necessary repairs in connection with any lease, contract, or occupancy involving government property under control of MARAD and allows payments received to be credited to the Treasury and to 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 not pay for the vessel.

PIPELINE AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SAFETY ADMINISTRATION

OPERATIONAL EXPENSES

The agreement provides $23,000,000 for necessary operational expenses. Within this amount, the agreement includes $1,500,000 for "Pipeline Safety Information Grants to Communities," as authorized under section 60130 of title 49, United States Code.

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SAFETY

The agreement provides $59,000,000 for the agency's hazardous materials safety functions. Of this amount, $7,570,000 is available until September 30, 2020, 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, 2020, are for long-term research and development contracts.

PIPELINE SAFETY

(PIPELINE SAFETY FUND)

(OIL SPILL LIABILITY TRUST FUND)

The agreement provides $162,000,000 for pipeline safety. Of that amount, $23,000,000 is derived from the oil spill liability trust fund, to remain available until September 30, 2020; $131,000,000 is derived from the pipeline safety fund, of which $64,736,000 is available until September 30, 2020; and $8,000,000 is derived from the underground natural gas storage facility safety account of the pipeline safety fund, to remain available until September 30, 2020. Of the total amount, not less than $1,058,000 shall be for the one-call state grant program.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS GRANTS

(EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS FUND)

The agreement provides an obligation limitation of $28,318,000 for emergency preparedness grants. Further, the amount of funding provided under this account that is available for administrative costs is increased from two percent to four percent.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement provides $92,152,000 for the salaries and expenses of the Office of Inspector General.

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 recipients of funds from disseminating personal information obtained by state DMVs in connection to motor vehicle records, with an exception.

Section 183 prohibits the use of funds for salaries and expenses of more than 110 political and Presidential appointees in the Department of Transportation.

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 to make a grant, loan, loan guarantee, or cooperative agreement, unless DOT gives a 3 day advance notice to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations. The provision 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. The provision requires DOT to provide a comprehensive list of all loans, loan guarantees, lines of credit, cooperative agreements, and discretionary grants that will be announced with a 3

day advance notice to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations.

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 until expended 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 Appropriations, and reprogramming notifications shall be transmitted solely to the Appropriations Committees.

Section 189 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 190 authorizes the Secretary to carry out a program that establishes uniform standards for developing and supporting agency transit pass and transit benefits, including distribution of transit benefits.

Section 191 allows the use of funds to assist a contract utilizing geographic, economic, or other hiring preference not otherwise authorized by law, only if 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

The agreement directs the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to refer all appropriations law issues to the Office of Chief Financial Officer (OCFO) appropriations attorneys. The agreement also directs the Department to allow other offices to participate in technical assistance between the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations and the OCFO appropriations attorneys only at the invitation of those Committees.

EXECUTIVE OFFICES

The agreement includes $14,708,000 for the salaries and expenses for Executive Offices, which shall be comprised of seven offices including the Offices of the Secretary, Deputy Secretary, Adjudicatory Services, Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations, Public Affairs, and Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, as well as the Center for Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships. The agreement includes a provision limiting official reception and representation expenses to no more than $19,876.

ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT OFFICES

The agreement provides $518,303,000 for Administrative Support Offices. Funds are provided as follows:

Office of the Chief Financial Officer	$52,200,000
Office of the General Counsel	95,400,000
Office of Administration	204,253,000
Office of the Chief Human Capital Officer	39,300,000
Office of Field Policy and Management	53,500,000
Office of the Chief Procurement Officer	19,500,000
Office of Departmental Equal Employment Opportunity	3,800,000
Office of Strategic Planning and Management	4,950,000
Office of the Chief Information Officer	45,400,000
Total	$518,303,000

The agreement no longer caps the staffing level of the OCFO Office of the Budget to the level of staff on board on September 30, 2017. The agreement amends Senate Report 115–138 by directing the Department to prioritize the hiring of additional staff for the OCFO Office of Accounting. The agreement neither authorizes the creation of an Office of Chief Operations Officer, nor allows for the Secretary to transfer any funds from the proposed office into the "Information Technology Fund." The agreement requires the Secretary to submit organizational charts within 30 days of enactment of this Act that reflect the Department's and each office's structure (to the branch level) on October 1, 2017 and on the date of enactment of this Act. The agreement notes that the Department received a failing grade on the most recent Biannual FITARA Scorecard for software licensing and directs the Department to prioritize improving its management of software licenses, including inventory and usage analysis.

Program Office Salaries and Expenses

PUBLIC AND INDIAN HOUSING

The agreement provides $216,633,000 for the salaries and expenses for the Office of Public and Indian Housing.

COMMUNITY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

The agreement provides $107,554,000 for the salaries and expenses for the Office of Community Planning and Development. The agreement amends the hiring directive contained in Senate Report 115–138 to clarify that regional and field office hiring should be prioritized to support the closeout of open audits and backlog of open grants, particularly as it relates to disaster recovery grants, before hiring personnel in other areas, unless such staff are identified as backfilling mission-critical positions.

HOUSING

The agreement provides $383,000,000 for the salaries and expenses for the Office of Housing. The agreement no longer directs the Department to perform the activities carried out in prior years by the performance-based contract administrators within the Office.

POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND RESEARCH

The agreement provides $24,065,000 for the salaries and expenses for the Office of Policy Development and Research.

FAIR HOUSING AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITY

The agreement provides $69,808,000 for the salaries and expenses for the Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity.

OFFICE OF LEAD HAZARD CONTROL AND HEALTHY HOMES

The agreement provides $7,600,000 for the salaries and expenses for the Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes.

WORKING CAPITAL FUND

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

The agreement 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 certain centralized activities.

PUBLIC AND INDIAN HOUSING

TENANT-BASED RENTAL ASSISTANCE

The agreement provides $22,015,000,000 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	$19,600,000,000
Tenant Protection Vouchers	85,000,000
Administrative Fees	1,760,000,000
Section 811 Vouchers	505,000,000
Tribal HUD-VASH Renewals	5,000,000
HUD-VASH Incremental Vouchers	40,000,000
Family Unification Program Vouchers	20,000,000

The agreement includes a provision requiring the notification of obligations to Public Housing Authorities (PHAs), including the tenant protection voucher notice, within 60 days of enactment of this Act.

The agreement includes language that allows the Secretary to consider PHAs' net restricted assets balances when determining allocations.

The agreement does not include funding for public housing information technology modernization projects or the authority to transfer amounts to the Public Housing Capital Fund for this purpose.

HOUSING CERTIFICATE FUND

(INCLUDING RESCISSIONS)

The agreement includes language allowing unobligated balances in the Housing Certificate Fund to be used for the renewal of or amendments to section 8 project-based contracts and for performance-based contract administrators.

PUBLIC HOUSING CAPITAL FUND

The agreement provides $2,750,000,000, of which up to $8,300,000 is for public housing financial and physical assessment activities; up to $1,000,000 is for administrative and judicial receiverships; not to exceed $21,500,000 for emergency capital needs, of which not less than $5,000,000 is for safety and security measures; up to $35,000,000 for the Resident Opportunities and Self-Sufficiency program; and $15,000,000 for the Jobs-Plus Pilot Initiative.

Public Housing Mortgage Program.—The agreement excludes the directive contained in House Report 115–237 for HUD to create a research advisory committee on the public housing mortgage program and to provide quarterly reports to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations on the same subject. Instead, the Department is directed to provide a single report within 180 days of enactment of this Act on policy and regulatory changes that would allow for increased use of the public housing mortgage program.

PUBLIC HOUSING OPERATING FUND

The agreement provides $4,550,000,000 for the Public Housing Operating Fund.

CHOICE NEIGHBORHOODS INITIATIVE

The agreement provides $150,000,000 for the Choice Neighborhoods Initiative. The agreement includes language requiring that at least $75,000,000 be made available to PHAs and provides up to $5,000,000 for grants to fund comprehensive local implementation plans with community notice and input. The agreement requires the Department to issue the notice of funding availability (NOFA) within 60 days of enactment and to issue awards within 270 days of enactment of this Act.

FAMILY SELF-SUFFICIENCY

The agreement provides $75,000,000 for the Family Self-Sufficiency program to support service coordinators who serve residents in both the public housing and Section 8 voucher programs.

NATIVE AMERICAN HOUSING BLOCK GRANTS

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

The agreement provides $755,000,000 for the Native American Housing Block Grant program. Of the total amount, $100,000,000 is provided for competitive grants to remain available until September 30, 2022. The remaining $655,000,000 is for the formula funding program and shall remain available until September 30, 2022. Of this amount, $7,000,000 is set aside for inspections, contracting expertise, training, and technical assistance related to funding provided for the needs of Native Americans, including no less than $2,000,000 to be awarded to a national organization as authorized by section 703 of Native American Housing Assistance and Self Determination Act of 1996 (NAHASDA), and $2,000,000 is for the cost of guaranteed loans as authorized by title VI of

NAHASDA provided that the principal amount is no greater than $17,391,304.

The agreement does not include a provision limiting the amount of funding a tribe can receive, and therefore the Department is not directed to collect data on the impact of such provision.

INDIAN HOUSING LOAN GUARANTEE FUND PROGRAM ACCOUNT

The agreement provides $1,000,000, to remain available until expended, to subsidize a total loan level of up to $270,270,270.

NATIVE HAWAIIAN HOUSING BLOCK GRANT

The agreement provides $2,000,000 for the Native Hawaiian Housing Block Grant program, to remain available until September 30, 2022.

COMMUNITY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONS WITH AIDS

The agreement provides $375,000,000 for the housing opportunities for persons with AIDS program, to remain available until September 30, 2019, except for amounts allocated pursuant to 854(c)(5) of the AIDS Housing Opportunity Act, which shall remain available until September 30, 2020.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND

The agreement provides $3,365,000,000 for the community development fund, to remain available until September 30, 2020. Of the total, the agreement provides $3,300,000,000 in formula funding and $65,000,000 for Indian tribes, of which up to $4,000,000 is available for imminent health and safety emergencies.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT LOAN GUARANTEES

PROGRAM ACCOUNT

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 on commitments of no more than $300,000,000 for loan guarantees under section 108.

HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM

The agreement provides $1,362,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2021, for the home investment partnerships program.

SELF-HELP AND ASSISTED HOMEOWNERSHIP OPPORTUNITY PROGRAM

The agreement provides a total of $54,000,000 for this account, of which $50,000,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2020, in the following amounts and for the following purposes: $10,000,000 for the self-help 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 ca-

pacity building activities; and $5,000,000 for capacity building activities by national organizations with expertise in rural housing development. The remaining $4,000,000 shall remain 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. The agreement directs HUD to publish a NOFA for the Home Rehabilitation and Modification Pilot Program for Disabled or Low-Income Veterans within 30 days of enactment of this Act and to award funds provided for this program in fiscal years 2016, 2017, and 2018 within 180 days of enactment of this Act.

HOMELESS ASSISTANCE GRANTS

The agreement provides $2,513,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2020, for homeless assistance grants. Of the amount provided, not less than $270,000,000 shall be for the emergency solutions grants program; not less than $2,106,000,000 shall be for the continuum of care and rural housing stability assistance programs; up to $50,000,000 shall be for rapid re-housing projects and supportive service projects providing coordinated entry and for eligible activities that are critical in order to assist survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking; up to $7,000,000 shall be for the national homeless data analysis project; and up to $80,000,000 shall be for projects in up to 25 communities, including up to 8 rural communities, to demonstrate how a comprehensive approach to serving homeless youth can reduce youth homelessness, of which up to $5,000,000 shall be for technical assistance on youth homelessness, and the collection, analysis, and reporting of data and performance measures under the comprehensive approaches to serve homeless youth.

HOUSING PROGRAMS

PROJECT-BASED RENTAL ASSISTANCE

The agreement provides $11,115,000,000 for project-based rental assistance activities, of which not to exceed $285,000,000 is for performance-based contract administrators (PBCA). The agreement also provides an additional advance appropriation of $400,000,000, to be made available on October 1, 2018. The agreement allows for the Secretary to use project funds held in residual receipt accounts, unobligated balances, including recaptures, and carryover for program activities.

Troubled properties report.—The agreement directs the Department to provide quarterly reports to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations on projects with deficient and or unsatisfactory scores within the past 36 months and the Department's plans to remedy those deficiencies. The agreement does not impose any monetary penalties on the Department for failing to meet reporting deadlines; however, the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations expect the Department to comply with the reporting deadlines herein.

Performance-based contract administrators (PBCAs).—The agreement notes that PBCA services are integral to the Department's efforts to provide effective and efficient oversight and monitoring of

this program, reduce improper payments, protect tenants, and ensure that properties are well maintained. In December 2017, the Department issued two solicitations, numbered 86546A18R00001 and 86546A18R00002, to procure PBCA services on a competitive basis. Due to the overwhelming critical responses from industry and stakeholders, the Department chose to cancel these solicitations, and the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations find such action appropriate. In keeping with the Administration's direction, the agreement supports the cancellation of these solicitations for the remainder of the fiscal year. In addition, the agreement directs the Department to report to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations within 90 days of enactment of this Act on the staffing and funding requirements in the Office of Multifamily Housing Programs and the Office of the Chief Procurement Officer that would be necessary to undertake and oversee a state-by-state contracting methodology, as compared to the cancelled proposals.

HOUSING FOR THE ELDERLY

The agreement provides $678,000,000 for the Section 202 program, to remain available until September 30, 2021, of which $105,000,000 shall be for new capital advances and project-based rental assistance contracts, and up to $90,000,000 shall be for service coordinators and the continuation of existing congregate service grants. The appropriation, plus carryover balances and residual receipts, fully funds all renewals, amendments, and property inspections related to project-based rental assistance contracts, senior preservation rental assistance contracts, service coordinators, and existing congregate service grants.

HOUSING FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

The agreement provides $229,600,000 for the Section 811 program to remain available until September 30, 2021. The appropriation, plus carryover balances and residual receipts, fully funds all project-based rental assistance contract amendments and renewals. The agreement includes $82,600,000 for new capital advance and project rental assistance awards and directs HUD to prioritize the creation of new unit configurations that help localities comply with the obligations of Olmstead v. LC, 527 U.S. 581 (1999).

HOUSING COUNSELING ASSISTANCE

The agreement provides $55,000,000 for housing counseling assistance, including up to $4,500,000 for administrative contract services, to remain available until September 30, 2019. The agreement requires the Secretary to award grants within 180 days of enactment of this Act and allows for the Secretary to enter into multiyear grant agreements, subject to the availability of annual appropriations.

RENTAL HOUSING ASSISTANCE

The agreement provides $14,000,000 for the rental housing assistance program and allows for the Department to use funds, in-

cluding unobligated balances and recaptured amounts, for one-year contract extensions.

PAYMENT TO MANUFACTURED HOUSING FEES TRUST FUND

The agreement provides $11,000,000 for the manufactured housing standards programs, of which $11,000,000 is to be derived from fees collected and deposited in the Manufactured Housing Fees Trust Fund. The agreement directs that not less than $3,600,000 is for payments to State Administrative Agency partners and not less than $4,000,000 is for the monitoring of manufacturers' compliance with construction and safety standards by third party inspection agencies. The Department has issued a final rule, interpretive bulletin, and memorandum regarding the on-site completion of construction of manufactured homes cited in section 424 of H.R. 3354 that has caused concern among various stakeholders. The agreement directs the Department to review such rule, interpretive bulletin, and memorandum, and develop a solution that ensures the safety of consumers and minimizes costs and burdensome requirements on manufacturers and consumers. The agreement also directs the Department to explore if state and local planning and permitting agencies should have jurisdiction over on-site completion and to provide a report to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations within 120 days of enactment of this Act.

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 2018, and provides that such commitment authority shall be available until September 30, 2019. 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, 2018. The agreement requires that insurance for new mortgage commitments in fiscal year 2018 under Section 255 of the National Housing Act have a net credit subsidy cost that does not exceed zero. The agreement prohibits FHA from taking adverse actions against lenders in disaster affected areas based solely on compare ratios and negates the reporting requirement included in Senate Report 115–138 related to 24 C.F.R. 203.

GENERAL AND SPECIAL RISK PROGRAM ACCOUNT

The agreement establishes a $30,000,000,000 limitation on multifamily and specialized loan guarantees during fiscal year 2018 and provides that such commitment authority shall be available until September 30, 2019.

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 2018, which shall be available until September 30, 2019. The agreement also provides $27,000,000 for salaries and expenses for the Government National Mortgage Association during fiscal year 2018. The agreement increases salaries and expenses by $100 for each $1,000,000 in additional guaranteed loan commitments, up to a maximum of $3,000,000, if guaranteed loan commitments exceed $155,000,000,000 by April 1, 2018.

POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND RESEARCH

RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY

The agreement provides $89,000,000 for research and technology activities and technical assistance, to remain available until September 30, 2019.

The agreement provides up to $14,000,000 for critical research, demonstrations, and evaluations, including:

- Moving to Work Expansion Demonstration evaluation;
- Choice Neighborhood Implementation study (final phase);
- Family Unification Program and Family Self-Sufficiency evaluation;
- Rental Assistance Demonstration and Choice Mobility evaluation;
- Effectiveness Evaluation of HUD's Resiliency Funding in Response to Natural Disasters;
- Family Self-Sufficiency National evaluation;
- First-Time Homebuyer Education and Counseling; and
- Process and Outcome Evaluation of the Rental Assistance Demonstration's Impact on Tenants, Related Protections, and Long-Term Preservation of Housing Affordability.

The agreement provides not less than $25,000,000 under this heading for technical assistance, of which $3,000,000 is for nonprofit or private sector organizations to provide technical assistance to distressed cities or regions.

Further, up to $50,000,000 is provided for core research and technology including: market surveys, research support and dissemination, data acquisition, housing finance studies, research partnerships, and housing technology.

The agreement provides no funding under this heading for the EnVision Center Demonstration.

The agreement encourages the Department to continue using ZIP Code-level data when calculating the most impacted and distressed areas in the community development block grant—disaster recovery program.

FAIR HOUSING AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITY

FAIR HOUSING ACTIVITIES

The agreement provides $65,300,000 for fair housing activities, of which $39,600,000 is for the Fair Housing Initiatives Program (FHIP), $23,900,000 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 $230,000,000 for lead hazard control and healthy homes programs. Of the amount provided, $45,000,000 is available for the healthy homes initiative.

The agreement consolidates HUD's two lead hazard reduction funding programs into a single grant program and directs HUD to award not less than $95,000,000 to those jurisdictions with the highest lead-based paint abatement needs. This consolidation will establish a single source of funding for lead hazard reduction grants with a single set of application criteria, which will ease administrative burdens on both the applicants and the Department.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY FUND

The agreement provides $267,000,000 for the Information Technology Fund, of which $250,000,000 is available until September 30, 2019, and $17,000,000 is available until September 30, 2020. The agreement does not include additional funding for the development, modernization, and enhancement of the next generation management system. Instead, the agreement includes $7,000,000 for cyber security improvements and $10,000,000 for disaster grant management.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

The agreement provides $128,082,000 for the salaries and expenses of the Office of Inspector General. The agreement does not limit funding for the hiring of any additional personnel.

GENERAL PROVISIONS—DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

(INCLUDING RESCISSION)

Section 201 splits overpayments evenly between the Treasury and State Housing Finance Agencies.

Section 202 prohibits funds from being used to investigate or prosecute lawful activities under the Fair Housing Act.

Section 203 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 204 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 205 prohibits the use of funds in excess of the budget estimates, unless provided otherwise.

Section 206 relates to the expenditure of funds for corporations and agencies subject to the Government Corporation Control Act.

Section 207 requires the Secretary to provide quarterly reports on uncommitted, unobligated, recaptured, and excess funds in each departmental program and activity.

Section 208 requires the Administration's budget and HUD's budget justifications for fiscal year 2019 to be submitted in the identical account and sub-account structure provided in this Act.

Section 209 exempts GNMA from certain requirements of the Federal Credit Reform Act of 1990.

Section 210 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 211 sets forth requirements for Section 8 voucher assistance eligibility and includes consideration for persons with disabilities.

Section 212 distributes Native American Housing Block Grants to the same Native Alaskan recipients as in fiscal year 2005.

Section 213 authorizes the Secretary to insure mortgages under Section 255 of the National Housing Act.

Section 214 instructs HUD on managing and disposing of any multifamily property that is owned or held by HUD.

Section 215 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 216 allows PHAs that own and operate 400 or fewer units of public housing to be exempt from asset management requirements.

Section 217 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 218 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 219 requires the Secretary to publish all notices of funding availability that are competitively awarded on the internet for fiscal year 2018.

Section 220 requires attorney fees for programmatic litigation to be paid from the individual program office and Office of General Counsel salaries and expenses appropriations, and requires the Department to submit a spend plan to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations.

Section 221 allows the Secretary to transfer up to 10 percent of funds or $5,000,000, 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 222 requires HUD to take certain actions against owners receiving rental subsidies that do not maintain safe properties.

Section 223 places a salary and bonus limit on public housing agency officials and employees.

Section 224 authorizes HUD to obligate balances previously made available under the heading "Choice Neighborhoods Initiative" until September 30, 2018.

Section 225 requires the Secretary to notify the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations at least 3 full business days before grant awards are announced.

Section 226 prohibits funds to be used to require or enforce the Physical Needs Assessment (PNA).

Section 227 prohibits funds for HUD financing of mortgages for properties that have been subject to eminent domain.

Section 228 prohibits the use of funds to terminate the status of a unit of general local government as a metropolitan city with respect to grants under section 106 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974.

Section 229 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 230 prohibits funds to be used for financial awards for employees subject to administrative discipline in fiscal years 2017 or 2018.

Section 231 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 232 allows program income as an eligible match for 2015, 2016, 2017, and 2018 Continuum of Care funds.

Section 233 permits HUD to provide one year transition grants under the continuum of care program with no more than 50 percent of the grant provided for costs of eligible activities of the program component originally funded.

Section 234 prohibits the use of funds to direct a grantee to undertake specific changes to existing zoning laws as part of carrying out the final rule entitled, "Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing" or the notice entitled, "Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing Assessment Tool".

Section 235 prohibits section 218(g) of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act from applying with respect to the right of a jurisdiction to draw funds from its HOME Investment Trust Fund that otherwise expired or would expire in 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, or 2020.

Section 236 extends the mark to market program to October 1, 2022.

Section 237 modifies the Rental Assistance Demonstration included in Public Law 112–55.

Section 238 prohibits funds from being used to interfere with State and local inspections of public housing units.

Section 239 maintains current Promise Zone designations and agreements.

Section 240 repeals a duplicative provision providing Section 8 voucher flexibility.

TITLE III—RELATED AGENCIES

ACCESS BOARD

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement provides $8,190,000 for salaries and expenses.

FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement provides $27,490,000 for salaries and expenses, of which not more than $2,000 is available for official reception and representation expenses. Of the funds provided, not less than $480,931 is available for the Office of Inspector General.

NATIONAL RAILROAD PASSENGER CORPORATION

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement provides $23,274,000.

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement provides $110,400,000.

NEIGHBORHOOD REINVESTMENT CORPORATION

PAYMENT TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD REINVESTMENT CORPORATION

The agreement provides $140,000,000, of which $5,000,000 shall be for a multi-family rental housing program. The Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation is directed to provide at least 3-day advance notice to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations prior to the announcement of any grant exceeding $50,000 that is awarded to a Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation network organization.

SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement provides $37,100,000 for salaries and expenses. The agreement permits the collection of up to $1,250,000 in user fees to be credited to that appropriation and 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 $35,850,000.

UNITED STATES INTERAGENCY COUNCIL ON HOMELESSNESS

OPERATING EXPENSES

The agreement provides $3,600,000 and extends the authorization of the agency until October 1, 2020.

The agreement does not direct USICH to comply with certain performance requirements included in Senate Report 115–138 for its fiscal year 2019 budget submission. However, the agreement does not discourage USICH from developing such performance goals and metrics in order to measure its progress in accomplishing its mission.

TITLE IV

GENERAL PROVISIONS—THIS ACT

(INCLUDING RESCISSIONS)

Section 401 prohibits the use of funds 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.

Section 402 prohibits the obligation of funds beyond the current fiscal year and the transfer of funds to other appropriations, unless expressly provided.

Section 403 limits consulting service expenditures through procurement contracts to those contracts contained in the public record, except where otherwise provided under existing law.

Section 404 prohibits funds from being used for certain types of employee training.

Section 405 specifies requirements for the reprogramming of funds and requires agencies to submit a report in order to establish the baseline for the application of reprogramming and transfer authorities.

Section 406 provides that not to exceed fifty percent of unobligated balances for salaries and expenses may remain available until September 30, 2019, for each account for the purposes authorized, 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 or any other appropriations Act.

Section 409 prohibits funds from being used to permanently replace an employee intent on returning to his or her past occupation following completion of military service.

Section 410 prohibits funds from being used by an entity unless the expenditure is in compliance with the Buy American Act.

Section 411 prohibits funds from being made available to any person or entity that has been convicted of violating the Buy American Act.

Section 412 prohibits funds from being used 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 may send to international conferences unless such attendance is important to the national interest.

Section 415 caps the amount of fees the Surface Transportation Board can charge or collect for rate or practice complaints filed at the amount authorized for district court civil suit filing fees.

Section 416 prohibits the use of funds to purchase or lease new light-duty vehicles for any executive fleet or fleet inventory, except in accordance with Presidential Memorandum-Federal Fleet Performance, dated May 24, 2011.

Section 417 rescinds all unobligated balances, including recaptures and carryover, from various salaries and expenses accounts.

Section 418 prohibits funds from being used to maintain or establish computer networks unless such networks block the viewing, downloading, or exchange of pornography.

Section 419 prohibits funds from being used to deny an Inspector General timely access to any records, documents, or other materials available to the department or agency over which that Inspector General has responsibilities, or to prevent or impede that Inspector General's access to such records, documents, or other materials.

Section 420 requires the FAA to permit intermittent large cargo air carriers to land in remote areas using a mix of available meteorological weather reports, in place of National Weather Service forecast reports where they do not provide weather coverage.

Section 421 allows states to utilize CMAQ funds for operating assistance on certain State-supported Amtrak routes without a time limitation.

DIVISION L -- TRANSPORTATION, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2018

(Amounts in thousands)

	FY 2017 Enacted	FY 2018 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs Enacted	Final Bill vs Request
TITLE I - DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION					
Office of the Secretary					
Salaries and expenses	114,000	111,899	112,813	-1,187	+914
Immediate Office of the Secretary	(2,758)	---	(3,001)	(+243)	(+3,001)
Immediate Office of the Deputy Secretary	(1,040)	---	(1,040)	---	(+1,040)
Office of the General Counsel	(20,772)	---	(20,555)	(-217)	(+20,555)
Office of the Under Secretary of Transportation for Policy	(10,033)	---	(10,331)	(+298)	(+10,331)
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Budget and Programs	(14,019)	---	(14,019)	---	(+14,019)
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Governmental Affairs	(2,546)	---	(2,546)	---	(+2,546)
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Administration	(29,356)	---	(29,356)	---	(+29,356)
Office of Public Affairs	(2,142)	---	(2,142)	---	(+2,142)
Office of the Executive Secretariat	(1,760)	---	(1,760)	---	(+1,760)
Office of Intelligence, Security, and Emergency Response	(11,089)	---	(11,318)	(+229)	(+11,318)
Office of the Chief Information Officer	(18,485)	---	(16,745)	(-1,740)	(+16,745)
Research and Technology	13,000	8,465	23,465	+10,465	+15,000
National Infrastructure Investments	500,000	---	1,500,000	+1,000,000	+1,500,000
National Surface Transportation and Innovative Finance Bureau	3,000	3,000	3,000	---	---
Financial Management Capital	4,000	3,000	6,000	+2,000	+3,000
Cyber Security Initiatives	15,000	10,000	15,000	---	+5,000

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(Amounts in thousands)

	FY 2017 Enacted	FY 2018 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs Enacted	Final Bill vs Request
Office of Civil Rights	9,751	9,500	9,500	-251	---
Transportation Planning, Research, and Development	12,000	8,500	14,000	+2,000	+5,500
Working Capital Fund	(190,389)	(202,245)	(202,245)	(+11,856)	---
Minority Business Resource Center Program	941	500	500	-441	---
(Limitation on guaranteed loans)	(18,367)	---	(18,367)	---	(+18,367)
Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilizaton and Outreach /Minority Business Outreach	4,646	3,999	4,646	---	+647
Payments to Air Carriers (Airport & Airway Trust Fund)	150,000	---	155,000	+5,000	+155,000
Administrative Provisions					
Working Capital Fund (Sec. 104) (reappropriation)	---	12,000	---	---	-12,000
Total, Office of the Secretary	826,338	170,863	1,843,924	+1,017,586	+1,673,061
Federal Aviation Administration					
Operations	10,025,852	9,890,886	10,211,754	+185,902	+320,868
Air traffic organization	(7,559,785)	(7,491,938)	(7,692,786)	(+133,001)	(+200,848)
Aviation safety	(1,298,482)	(1,257,981)	(1,310,000)	(+11,518)	(+52,019)
Commercial space transportation	(19,826)	(17,905)	(22,587)	(+2,761)	(+4,682)
Finance and management	(771,342)	(758,192)	(801,506)	(+30,164)	(+43,314)
NextGen	(60,155)	(59,041)	(60,000)	(-155)	(+959)
Security and Hazardous Materials Safety	(107,161)	(100,961)	(112,622)	(+5,461)	(+11,661)
Staff offices	(209,101)	(204,868)	(212,253)	(+3,152)	(+7,385)

(Amounts in thousands)

	FY 2017 Enacted	FY 2018 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs Enacted	Final Bill vs Request
Facilities and Equipment (Airport & Airway Trust Fund)	2,855,000	2,766,200	3,250,000	+395,000	+483,800
Rescission of unobligated balances	---	-31,200	---	---	+31,200
Research, Engineering, and Development (Airport & Airway Trust Fund	176,500	150,000	188,926	+12,426	+38,926
Grants-in-Aid for Airports (Airport and Airway Trust Fund)(Liquidation of contract authorization)	(3,750,000)	(3,000,000)	(3,000,000)	(-750,000)	---
(Limitation on obligations)	(3,350,000)	(3,350,000)	(3,350,000)	---	---
Administration	(107,691)	(111,863)	(111,863)	(+4,172)	---
Airport cooperative research program	(15,000)	(15,000)	(15,000)	---	---
Airport technology research	(31,375)	(33,210)	(33,210)	(+1,835)	---
Small community air service development program	(10,000)	---	(10,000)	---	(+10,000)
Airport Discretionary Grants (General Fund)	---	---	1,000,000	+1,000,000	+1,000,000
Total, Federal Aviation Administration	13,057,352	12,775,886	14,650,680	+1,593,328	+1,874,794
Limitations on obligations	(3,350,000)	(3,350,000)	(3,350,000)	---	---
Total budgetary resources	(16,407,352)	(16,125,886)	(18,000,680)	(+1,593,328)	(+1,874,794)
Federal Highway Administration					
Limitation on Administrative Expenses	(435,795)	(442,692)	(442,692)	(+6,897)	---
Federal-Aid Highways (Highway Trust Fund):					
(Liquidation of contract authorization)	(44,005,100)	(44,973,212)	(44,973,212)	(+968,112)	---
(Limitation on obligations)	(43,266,100)	(44,234,212)	(44,234,212)	(+968,112)	---
(Exempt contract authority)	(739,000)	(739,000)	(739,000)	---	---

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Rescission of contract authority (Highway Trust Fund).	-857,000	---	---	+857,000	---
Federal-Aid Highways, grants to States (General Fund).	---	---	2,525,000	+2,525,000	+2,525,000
Total, Federal Highway Administration.....	-857,000	---	2,525,000	+3,382,000	+2,525,000
Limitations on obligations.....	(43,266,100)	(44,234,212)	(44,234,212)	(+968,112)	---
Exempt contract authority.....	(739,000)	(739,000)	(739,000)	---	---
Total budgetary resources.....	(43,148,100)	(44,973,212)	(47,498,212)	(+4,350,112)	(+2,525,000)
Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration					
Motor Carrier Safety Operations and Programs (Highway Trust Fund)(Liquidation of contract authorization)..	(277,200)	(283,000)	(283,000)	(+5,800)	---
(Limitation on obligations).....	(277,200)	(283,000)	(283,000)	(+5,800)	---
Motor Carrier Safety Grants (Highway Trust Fund) (Liquidation of contract authorization).....	(367,000)	(374,800)	(561,800)	(+194,800)	(+187,000)
(Limitation on obligations).....	(367,000)	(374,800)	(561,800)	(+194,800)	(+187,000)
Total, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration.....	---	---	---	---	---
Limitations on obligations.....	(644,200)	(657,800)	(844,800)	(+200,600)	(+187,000)
Total budgetary resources.....	(644,200)	(657,800)	(844,800)	(+200,600)	(+187,000)

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National Highway Traffic Safety Administration					
Operations and Research (general fund)	180,075	152,510	189,075	+9,000	+36,565
Operations and Research (Highway Trust Fund)					
(Liquidation of contract authorization)	(145,900)	(149,000)	(149,000)	(+3,100)	---
(Limitation on obligations)	(145,900)	(149,000)	(149,000)	(+3,100)	---
Subtotal, Operations and Research	325,975	301,510	338,075	+12,100	+36,565
Highway Traffic Safety Grants (Highway Trust Fund)					
(Liquidation of contract authorization)	(585,372)	(597,629)	(597,629)	(+12,257)	---
(Limitation on obligations)	(585,372)	(597,629)	(597,629)	(+12,257)	---
Highway safety programs (23 USC 402)	(252,300)	(261,200)	(261,200)	(+8,900)	---
National priority safety programs (23 USC 405)	(277,500)	(280,200)	(280,200)	(+2,700)	---
High visibility enforcement	(29,500)	(29,900)	(29,900)	(+400)	---
Administrative expenses	(26,072)	(26,329)	(26,329)	(+257)	---
Administrative Provision					
Impaired Driving/Rail-Grade funding (Sec. 144) (General Fund)	---	---	11,500	+11,500	+11,500
Total, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration	180,075	152,510	200,575	+20,500	+48,065
Limitations on obligations	(731,272)	(746,629)	(746,629)	(+15,357)	---
Total budgetary resources	(911,347)	(899,139)	(947,204)	(+35,857)	(+48,065)

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Federal Railroad Administration					
Safety and Operations	218,298	199,000	221,698	+3,400	+22,698
Railroad Research and Development	40,100	39,100	40,600	+500	+1,500
Railroad Rehabilitation and Improvement Financing Program	---	---	25,000	+25,000	+25,000
Subtotal	258,398	238,100	287,298	+28,900	+49,198
Federal State Partnership for State of Good Repair	25,000	25,945	250,000	+225,000	+224,055
Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements	68,000	25,000	592,547	+524,547	+567,547
Restoration and Enhancement Grants	5,000	---	20,000	+15,000	+20,000
Subtotal	98,000	50,945	862,547	+764,547	+811,602
National Railroad Passenger Corporation:					
Northeast Corridor Grants	328,000	235,000	650,000	+322,000	+415,000
National Network	1,167,000	525,000	1,291,600	+124,600	+766,600
Subtotal	1,495,000	760,000	1,941,600	+446,600	+1,181,600
Administrative Provisions					
Transportation Technology Center financing (Sec. 151)	---	100,000	---	---	-100,000
Total, Federal Railroad Administration	1,851,398	1,149,045	3,091,445	+1,240,047	+1,942,400

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	FY 2017 Enacted	FY 2018 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs Enacted	Final Bill vs Request
Federal Transit Administration					
Administrative Expenses	113,165	110,795	113,165	---	+2,370
Transit Formula Grants (Hwy Trust Fund, Mass Transit Account (Liquidation of contract authorization)	(10,800,000)	(10,300,000)	(10,300,000)	(-500,000)	---
(Limitation on obligations)	(9,733,706)	(9,733,353)	(9,733,353)	(-353)	---
Transit Infrastructure Grants	---	---	834,000	+834,000	+834,000
Technical Assistance and Training	5,000	---	5,000	---	+5,000
Capital Investment Grants	2,412,631	1,232,000	2,644,960	+232,329	+1,412,960
Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority Capital and Preventive Maintenance	150,000	149,715	150,000	---	+285
Total, Federal Transit Administration	2,680,796	1,492,510	3,747,125	+1,066,329	+2,254,615
Limitations on obligations	(9,733,706)	(9,733,353)	(9,733,353)	(-353)	---
Total budgetary resources	(12,414,502)	(11,225,863)	(13,480,478)	(+1,065,976)	(+2,254,615)
Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation					
Operations and Maintenance (Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund)	36,028	28,346	40,000	+3,972	+11,654
Maritime Administration					
Maritime Security Program	300,000	210,000	300,000	---	+90,000

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	FY 2017 Enacted	FY 2018 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs Enacted	Final Bill vs Request
Operations and Training	175,560	171,820	513,642	+338,082	+341,822
Assistance to Small Shipyards	10,000	---	20,000	+10,000	+20,000
Ship Disposal	34,000	9,000	116,000	+82,000	+107,000
Maritime Guaranteed Loan (Title XI) Program Account:					
Administrative expenses and guarantees	3,000	---	30,000	+27,000	+30,000
Total, Maritime Administration	522,560	390,820	979,642	+457,082	+588,822
Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration					
Operational Expenses:					
General Fund	22,500	20,960	23,000	+500	+2,040
Hazardous Materials Safety:					
General Fund	57,000	55,513	59,000	+2,000	+3,487
Pipeline Safety:					
Pipeline Safety Fund	128,000	124,263	131,000	+3,000	+6,737
Oil Spill Liability Trust Fund	20,288	22,081	23,000	+2,712	+919
Underground Natural Gas Storage Facility Safety Fund	8,000	8,000	8,000	---	---
Subtotal	156,288	154,344	162,000	+5,712	+7,656
Subtotal, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration	235,788	230,817	244,000	+8,212	+13,183
Pipeline safety user fees	-128,000	-124,263	-131,000	-3,000	-6,737

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Underground Natural Gas Storage Facility Safety Fund user fee	-8,000	-8,000	-8,000	---	---
Emergency Preparedness Grants:					
Limitation on emergency preparedness fund	(28,318)	(28,318)	(28,318)	---	---
Total, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration	99,788	98,554	105,000	+5,212	+6,446
Office of Inspector General					
Salaries and Expenses	90,152	87,306	92,152	+2,000	+4,846
General Provisions - Department of Transportation					
Extending the availability of certain payments (Sec. 186(1))	---	2,000	---	---	-2,000
Total, title I, Department of Transportation	18,487,487	16,347,840	27,275,543	+8,788,056	+10,927,703
Appropriations	(19,344,487)	(16,379,040)	(27,275,543)	(+7,931,056)	(+10,896,503)
Rescissions	---	(-31,200)	---	---	(+31,200)
Rescissions of contract authority	(-857,000)	---	---	(+857,000)	---
Limitations on obligations	(57,725,278)	(58,721,994)	(58,908,994)	(+1,183,716)	(+187,000)
Total budgetary resources	(76,212,765)	(75,069,834)	(86,184,537)	(+9,971,772)	(+11,114,703)

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TITLE II - DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT					
Management and Administration					
Executive Offices	14,000	14,708	14,708	+708	---
Administration Support Offices	517,647	517,803	518,303	+656	+500
Program Office Salaries and Expenses:					
Public and Indian Housing	216,000	216,633	216,633	+633	---
Community Planning and Development	110,000	107,554	107,554	-2,446	---
Housing	392,000	365,829	383,000	-9,000	+17,171
Policy Development and Research	24,000	24,065	24,065	+65	---
Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity	72,000	69,808	69,808	-2,192	---
Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes	9,353	7,600	7,600	-1,753	---
Subtotal	823,353	791,489	808,660	-14,693	+17,171
Total, Management and Administration	1,355,000	1,324,000	1,341,671	-13,329	+17,671
Public and Indian Housing					
Tenant-based Rental Assistance:					
Renewals	18,355,000	17,583,826	19,600,000	+1,245,000	+2,016,174
Tenant protection vouchers	110,000	60,000	85,000	-25,000	+25,000
Administrative fees	1,650,000	1,550,000	1,760,000	+110,000	+210,000
Sec. 811 vouchers, incremental and renewals	120,000	107,074	505,000	+385,000	+397,926
Incremental VASH vouchers	40,000	---	40,000	---	+40,000

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Tribal veterans affairs supportive housing renewals	7,000	7,000	5,000	-2,000	-2,000
Incremental family unification vouchers	10,000	---	20,000	+10,000	+20,000
PHA Modernization	---	10,000	---	---	-10,000
Subtotal (available this fiscal year)	20,292,000	19,317,900	22,015,000	+1,723,000	+2,697,100
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	20,292,000	19,317,900	22,015,000	+1,723,000	+2,697,100
Public Housing Capital Fund	1,941,500	628,000	2,750,000	+808,500	+2,122,000
Public Housing Operating Fund	4,400,000	3,900,000	4,550,000	+150,000	+650,000
Choice Neighborhoods	137,500	---	150,000	+12,500	+150,000
Family Self-Sufficiency	75,000	75,000	75,000	---	---
Native American Housing Block Grants	654,000	600,000	755,000	+101,000	+155,000
Indian Housing Loan Guarantee Fund Program Account	7,227	---	1,000	-6,227	+1,000
(Limitation on guaranteed loans)	(1,762,683)	---	(270,270)	(-1,492,413)	(+270,270)
Native Hawaiian Housing Block Grant	2,000	---	2,000	---	+2,000
Total, Public and Indian Housing	27,509,227	24,520,900	30,298,000	+2,788,773	+5,777,100

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Community Planning and Development					
Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS	356,000	330,000	375,000	+19,000	+45,000
Community Development Fund:					
CDBG formula	3,000,000	---	3,300,000	+300,000	+3,300,000
Indian CDBG	60,000	---	65,000	+5,000	+65,000
Subtotal	3,060,000	---	3,365,000	+305,000	+3,365,000
Community Development Loan Guarantees (Section 108):					
(Limitation on guaranteed loans)	(300,000)	---	(300,000)	---	(+300,000)
HOME Investment Partnerships Program	950,000	---	1,362,000	+412,000	+1,362,000
Self-help and Assisted Homeownership Opportunity Program	54,000	---	54,000	---	+54,000
Homeless Assistance Grants	2,383,000	2,250,000	2,513,000	+130,000	+263,000
Total, Community Planning and Development	6,803,000	2,580,000	7,669,000	+866,000	+5,089,000
Housing Programs					
Project-based Rental Assistance:					
Renewals	10,581,000	10,466,100	11,230,000	+649,000	+763,900
Contract administrators	235,000	285,000	285,000	+50,000	---
Subtotal (available this fiscal year)	10,816,000	10,751,100	11,515,000	+699,000	+763,900

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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	10,816,000	10,751,100	11,515,000	+699,000	+763,900
Housing for the Elderly	502,400	510,000	678,000	+175,600	+168,000
Housing for Persons with Disabilities	146,200	121,300	229,600	+83,400	+108,300
Housing Counseling Assistance	55,000	47,000	55,000	---	+8,000
Rental Housing Assistance	20,000	14,000	14,000	-6,000	---
Manufactured Housing Fees Trust Fund	10,500	11,000	11,000	+500	---
Offsetting collections	-10,500	-11,000	-11,000	-500	---
Total, Housing Programs	11,539,600	11,443,400	12,491,600	+952,000	+1,048,200
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)	(5,000)	(5,000)	(5,000)	---	---
Offsetting receipts	-7,437,000	-7,392,000	-7,392,000	+45,000	---
Proposed offsetting receipts (HECM)	-97,000	300,000	-309,000	-212,000	-609,000
Additional offsetting receipts (Sec. 222)	---	-30,000	---	---	+30,000
Administrative contract expenses	130,000	160,000	130,000	---	-30,000

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General and Special Risk Program Account:					
(Limitation on guaranteed loans)	(30,000,000)	(30,000,000)	(30,000,000)	---	---
(Limitation on direct loans)	(5,000)	(5,000)	(5,000)	---	---
Offsetting receipts	-464,000	-619,000	-619,000	-155,000	---
Total, Federal Housing Administration	-7,868,000	-7,581,000	-8,190,000	-322,000	-609,000
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	25,400	27,000	+4,000	+1,600
Offsetting receipts	-101,000	-116,000	-116,000	-15,000	---
Offsetting receipts	-1,102,000	-1,560,000	-1,560,000	-458,000	---
Proposed offsetting receipts (HECM)	-21,000	60,000	-59,000	-38,000	-119,000
Additional contract expenses	1,000	1,000	1,000	---	---
Total, Gov't National Mortgage Association	-1,200,000	-1,589,600	-1,707,000	-507,000	-117,400
Policy Development and Research					
Research and Technology	89,000	85,000	89,000	---	+4,000
Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity					
Fair Housing Activities	65,300	65,300	65,300	---	---

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Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes					
Lead Hazard Reduction	145,000	130,000	230,000	+85,000	+100,000
Information Technology Fund	257,000	250,000	267,000	+10,000	+17,000
Office of Inspector General	128,082	126,000	128,082	---	+2,082
Total, title II, Department of Housing and Urban Development	38,823,209	31,354,000	42,682,653	+3,859,444	+11,328,653
Appropriations	(43,655,709)	(36,322,000)	(48,348,653)	(+4,692,944)	(+12,026,653)
Advance appropriations	(4,400,000)	(4,400,000)	(4,400,000)	---	---
Offsetting receipts	(-9,222,000)	(-9,357,000)	(-10,055,000)	(-833,000)	(-698,000)
Offsetting collections	(-10,500)	(-11,000)	(-11,000)	(-500)	---
(Limitation on direct loans)	(10,000)	(10,000)	(10,000)	---	---
(Limitation on guaranteed loans)	(932,062,683)	(930,000,000)	(930,570,270)	(-1,492,413)	(+570,270)
TITLE III - OTHER INDEPENDENT AGENCIES					
Access Board	8,190	7,928	8,190	---	+262
Federal Maritime Commission	27,490	26,149	27,490	---	+1,341
National Railroad Passenger Corporation Office of Inspector General	23,274	23,274	23,274	---	---

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National Transportation Safety Board	106,000	105,170	110,400	+4,400	+5,230
Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation	140,000	27,400	140,000	---	+112,600
Surface Transportation Board	37,000	37,100	37,100	+100	---
Offsetting collections	-1,250	-1,250	-1,250	---	---
Subtotal	35,750	35,850	35,850	+100	---
United States Interagency Council on Homelessness	3,600	570	3,600	---	+3,030
Total, title III, Other Independent Agencies	344,304	226,341	348,804	+4,500	+122,463
TITLE IV - GENERAL PROVISIONS - THIS ACT					
Unobligated balances (Sec. 417) (rescission)	-4,000	---	-7,000	-3,000	-7,000
Emergency Relief Program (Sec 419) (emergency)	528,000	---	---	-528,000	---
CDBG Disaster Relief (Sec 420) (emergency)	400,000	---	---	-400,000	---
Total, title IV, General Provisions This Act	924,000	---	-7,000	-931,000	-7,000

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OTHER APPROPRIATIONS					
FURTHER ADDITIONAL SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR DISASTER RELIEF ACT, 2018 (P.L. 115-123)					
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION					
Federal Aviation Administration					
Operations (Airport and Airway Trust Fund) (emergency)	---	---	35,000	+35,000	+35,000
Facilities and Equipment (Airport and Airway Trust Fund) (emergency)	---	---	79,589	+79,589	+79,589
Total, Federal Aviation Administration	---	---	114,589	+114,589	+114,589
Federal Highway Administration					
Federal-Aid Highways:					
Emergency Relief Program (emergency)	---	---	1,374,000	+1,374,000	+1,374,000
Federal Transit Administration					
Public Transportation Emergency Relief Program (emergency)	---	---	330,000	+330,000	+330,000

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Maritime Administration					
Operations and Training (emergency).....	---	---	10,000	+10,000	+10,000
Total, Department of Transportation.....	---	---	1,828,589	+1,828,589	+1,828,589
DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT					
Community Planning and Development					
Community Development Fund (emergency).....	---	---	28,000,000	+28,000,000	+28,000,000
Total, Further Additional Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2018.....	---	---	29,828,589	+29,828,589	+29,828,589

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Grand total	58,579,000	47,928,181	100,128,589	+41,549,589	+52,200,408
Appropriations	(63,345,750)	(52,928,631)	(75,974,250)	(+12,628,500)	(+23,045,619)
Emergency appropriations	(928,000)	---	(29,828,589)	(+28,900,589)	(+29,828,589)
Rescissions	(-4,000)	(-31,200)	(-7,000)	(-3,000)	(+24,200)
Rescissions of contract authority	(-857,000)	---	---	(+857,000)	---
Advance appropriations	(4,400,000)	(4,400,000)	(4,400,000)	---	---
Offsetting receipts	(-9,222,000)	(-9,357,000)	(-10,055,000)	(-833,000)	(-698,000)
Offsetting collections	(-11,750)	(-12,250)	(-12,250)	(-500)	---
(Limitation on obligations)	(57,725,278)	(58,721,994)	(58,908,994)	(+1,183,716)	(+187,000)
Total budgetary resources	(116,304,278)	(106,650,175)	(159,037,583)	(+42,733,305)	(+52,387,408)