Public Law 94-440
94th Congress

An Act
Making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1977, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1977, and for other purposes, namely:

TITLE I

SENATE

COMPENSATION AND MILEAGE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT AND SENATORS AND EXPENSE ALLOWANCES OF THE VICE PRESIDENT AND LEADERS OF THE SENATE

For compensation and mileage of the Vice President and Senators of the United States, $5,052,630.

For expense allowance of the Vice President, $10,000; Majority Leader of the Senate, $3,000; and Minority Leader of the Senate, $3,000; in all, $16,000.

SALARIES, OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES

For compensation of officers, employees, clerks to Senators, and others as authorized by law, including agency contributions and longevity compensation as authorized, which shall be paid from this appropriation without regard to the below limitations, as follows:

OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT

For clerical assistance to the Vice President, $615,015.

OFFICES OF THE MAJORITY AND MINORITY LEADERS

For offices of the Majority and Minority Leaders, $251,540.

OFFICES OF THE MAJORITY AND MINORITY WHIPS

For offices of the Majority and Minority Whips, $195,260.

OFFICE OF THE CHAPLAIN

For office of the Chaplain, $31,800.
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

For office of the Secretary, $3,323,290, including $151,370 required for the purpose specified and authorized by section 7413 of Title 2, United States Code: Provided, That, effective October 1, 1976, the Secretary may appoint and fix the compensation of a Bill Clerk at not to exceed $25,440 per annum in lieu of not to exceed $19,080 per annum; an Assistant Bill Clerk at not to exceed $19,080 per annum in lieu of not to exceed $12,720 per annum; a Secretary at not to exceed $17,172 per annum in lieu of a Receptionist at not to exceed $17,172 per annum; a Registrar at not to exceed $16,218 per annum in lieu of a Secretary to the Curator at not to exceed $16,218 per annum; a Clerk at not to exceed $10,812 per annum in lieu of an Assistant Messenger at not to exceed $10,812 per annum; an Historian at not to exceed $29,574 per annum; an Associate Historian at not to exceed $18,126 per annum; a Photo Historian at not to exceed $25,281 per annum; a Research Assistant to Historian at not to exceed $10,017 per annum; a Secretary to Historian at not to exceed $13,356 per annum: Provided further, That, effective October 1, 1976, the allowance for clerical assistance and readjustment of salaries in the Disbursing Office is increased by $37,842.

COMMITTEE EMPLOYEES

For professional and clerical assistance to standing committees and the Select Committee on Small Business, $9,660,685.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEES

For clerical assistance to 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, $227,255 for each such committee; in all, $454,510.

ADMINISTRATIVE AND CLERICAL ASSISTANTS TO SENATORS

For administrative and clerical assistants to Senators, $48,190,355.

LEGISLATIVE ASSISTANCE TO SENATORS

For legislative assistance to Senators, $5,500,000.

OFFICE OF SERGEANT AT ARMS AND DOORKEEPER

For office of the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper, $15,579,010: Provided, That, effective October 1, 1976, the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper may appoint and fix the compensation of an Administrative Assistant to the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper at not to exceed $36,729 per annum in lieu of not to exceed $35,298 per annum; a Superintendent, Service Department at not to exceed $35,457 per annum in lieu of not to exceed $34,882 per annum; a Director, Computer Center at not to exceed $35,457 per annum in lieu of not to exceed $34,344 per annum; a Director, Recording Studio at not to exceed $34,662 per annum; a Telecommunications Adviser at not to exceed $29,574 per annum in lieu of not to exceed $29,574 per annum in lieu of not to exceed $27,348 per annum; a Chief Cabinetmaker at not to exceed $22,737 per annum in lieu of not to exceed $20,577 per annum; a Chief Janitor at not to exceed $19,557 per annum in lieu of
not to exceed $17,808 per annum; an Assistant Superintendent, Service Department at not to exceed $22,578 per annum in lieu of not to exceed $20,988 per annum; a Night Supervisor, Service Department at not to exceed $19,875 per annum in lieu of not to exceed $15,264 per annum; a Supervisor, Printing Section at not to exceed $18,921 per annum in lieu of a Foreman of Duplicating Department at not to exceed $17,808 per annum; a Supervisor, Folding Section at not to exceed $18,921 per annum in lieu of a Chief Machine Operator at not to exceed $15,582 per annum; a Supervisor, Addressograph Section at not to exceed $18,921 per annum in lieu of not to exceed $14,628 per annum; two Audio Engineers at not to exceed $13,356 per annum each in lieu of an Audio Engineer at not to exceed $13,356 per annum; a Micrographics Supervisor at not to exceed $21,147 per annum; an Assistant Micrographics Supervisor at not to exceed $16,536 per annum; a Secretary-Receptionist at not to exceed $10,812 per annum; a Senior Folding Machine Operator at not to exceed $12,243 per annum; a Senior Addressograph Operator at not to exceed $12,243 per annum; twenty Laborers, Service Department at not to exceed $9,222 per annum each in lieu of seventeen Laborers, Service Department at not to exceed $9,222 per annum each; ten Office Systems Specialists at not to exceed $15,582 per annum each in lieu of seven Office Systems Specialists at not to exceed $15,582 per annum each; ten Senior Programmer Analysts at not to exceed $25,122 per annum each in lieu of eight Senior Programmer Analysts at not to exceed $25,122 per annum each; three Network Technicians at not to exceed $20,352 per annum each in lieu of a Network Technician at not to exceed $20,352 per annum; two Secretary-Typists at not to exceed $12,402 per annum each; three Systems Supervisors at not to exceed $29,892 per annum each in lieu of a Systems Supervisor at not to exceed $29,892 per annum; an Operations Supervisor at not to exceed $20,988 per annum; eight Lead Operators at not to exceed $14,628 per annum each in lieu of six Lead Operators at not to exceed $14,628 per annum each; two Data Conversion Operators at not to exceed $10,017 per annum each in lieu of a Data Conversion Operator at not to exceed $10,017 per annum; a Training Specialist at not to exceed $20,034 per annum; five Printing Operators at not to exceed $14,946 per annum each; three Quality Controllers at not to exceed $14,946 per annum each; three Assistant Chief Telephone Operators at not to exceed $13,356 per annum each and an Auditor at not to exceed $13,356 per annum in lieu of four Assistant Chief Telephone Operators at not to exceed $13,356 per annum each; twenty-one Telephone Operators at not to exceed $10,494 per annum each, a Secretary at not to exceed $10,494 per annum, four Clerks at not to exceed $10,494 per annum each, and an Auditor at not to exceed $10,494 per annum in lieu of twenty-seven Telephone Operators at not to exceed $10,494 per annum each; a Chief Barber at not to exceed $12,084 per annum in lieu of a Foreman of Skilled Laborers at not to exceed $12,084 per annum; a Chief Barber at not to exceed $10,371 per annum; two Barbers at not to exceed $11,130 per annum each in lieu of two Skilled Laborers at not to exceed $11,130 per annum each; three Barbers at not to exceed $9,381 per annum each; forty-eight Laborers at not to exceed $9,222 per annum each and a Barber Shop Attendant at not to exceed $9,222 per annum in lieu of forty-two Laborers at not to exceed $9,222 per annum each; a Barber Shop Attendant at not to exceed $4,134 per annum; seven Detectives, Police Force at not to exceed $14,946 per annum each in lieu of not to exceed $13,992 per annum each; sixteen Technicians, Police Force at not to
exceed $13,992 per annum each in lieu of not to exceed $13,038 per annum each; eight Plainclothesmen, Police Force at not to exceed $13,992 per annum each in lieu of not to exceed $13,038 per annum each; and six K-9 Officers, Police Force at not to exceed $13,992 per annum each in lieu of not to exceed $13,038 per annum each: Provided further, That not to exceed $45,000 of this appropriation may be used to employ special deputies.

**OFFICES OF THE SECRETARIES FOR THE MAJORITY AND MINORITY**

For offices of the Secretary for the Majority and the Secretary for the Minority, $311,645.

**AGENCY CONTRIBUTIONS AND LONGEVITY COMPENSATION**

For agency contributions for employee benefits and longevity compensation, as authorized by law, $5,500,000.

**OFFICE OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL OF THE SENATE**

For salaries and expenses of the office of the Legislative Counsel of the Senate, $629,700.

**CONTINGENT EXPENSES OF THE SENATE**

**SENATE POLICY COMMITTEES**

For salaries and expenses of the Majority Policy Committee and the Minority Policy Committee, $422,855 for each such committee; in all, $845,710.

**AUTOMOBILES AND MAINTENANCE**

For purchase, lease, exchange, maintenance, and operation of vehicles, one for the Vice President, one for the President pro tempore, one for the Majority Leader, one for the Minority Leader, one for the Majority Whip, one for the Minority Whip, for carrying the mails, and for official use of the offices of the Secretary and the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper, $45,000.

**INQUIRIES AND INVESTIGATIONS**

For expenses of inquiries and investigations ordered by the Senate, or conducted pursuant to section 134(a) of Public Law 601, Seventy-ninth Congress, as amended, including $600,385 for the Committee on Appropriations, to be available also for the purposes mentioned in Senate Resolution Numbered 193, agreed to October 14, 1943, and Senate Resolution Numbered 140, agreed to May 14, 1975, $21,854,485.

**FOLDING DOCUMENTS**

For the employment of personnel for folding speeches and pamphlets at a gross rate of not exceeding $4.07 per hour per person $90,905.

**MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS**

For miscellaneous items, $19,098,000: Provided, That not to exceed $736,000 shall be available for the lease and alteration of space for the Senate Computer Center if the Committee on Rules and Administration determines that such facility cannot be located in existing space available to the Senate or the House of Representatives.
For postage stamps for the offices of the Secretaries for the Majority and Minority, $420; Chaplain, $200; and for air mail and special delivery stamps for the office of the Secretary, $610; office of the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper, $240; and the President of the Senate, as authorized by law, $1,215; in all, $2,685.

**STATIONERY (REVOLVING FUND)**

For stationery for the President of the Senate, $4,500, and for committees and officers of the Senate, $27,150; in all, $31,650.

**Administrative Provisions**

Sec. 101. (a) Effective October 1, 1976, section 105(d)(1) of the Legislative Branch Appropriation Act, 1968, as amended and modified, is amended by striking out "calendar year" each place it appears and inserting in lieu thereof "fiscal year".

(b) Subject to the provisions of section 105(d)(2) of the Legislative Branch Appropriation Act, 1968, as amended and modified, the amount of accrued surplus available to any Senator under section 105(d)(1) of such Act at the close of September 30, 1976, shall be available to that Senator during the period beginning on October 1, 1976, and ending on December 31, 1976, for the purposes of fixing the number and rates of compensation of employees in his office.

Sec. 102. Section 105(c) of the Legislative Branch Appropriation Act, 1976, is amended by inserting "(1)" after "(c)" and by adding at the end thereof the following new paragraph:

"(2) If (A) a Senator's service on a committee terminates (other than by reason of his ceasing to be a Member of the Senate) or a Senator's status on a committee as the chairman or ranking minority member of such committee or a subcommittee thereof changes, and (B) the appointment of an employee appointed under this section and designated to such committee by such Senator would (but for this paragraph) thereby terminate, such employee shall, subject to the provisions of subsection (e), be continued as an employee appointed by such Senator under this section until whichever of the following first occurs: (1) the close of the tenth day following the day on which such Senator's service on such committee terminates or his status on such committee changes or (2) the effective date on which such Senator notifies the Secretary of the Senate, in writing, that such employee is no longer to be continued as an employee appointed under this section. An employee whose appointment is continued under this paragraph shall perform such duties as the Senator who appointed him may assign."

Sec. 103. Section 5533(c)(1) of title 5, United States Code, is amended by inserting before the period at the end thereof "($10,540, in the case of pay disbursed by the Secretary of the Senate)".

Sec. 104. (a) The Secretary of the Senate is authorized to reimburse any bank which clears items for the United States Senate for the costs incurred therein. Such reimbursements shall be made from the contingent fund of the Senate.

(b) The Secretary of the Senate is authorized to prescribe such regulations as he deems necessary to govern the cashing of personal checks by the Disbursing Office of the Senate.
(c) Whenever an employee whose compensation is disbursed by the Secretary of the Senate becomes indebted to the Senate and such employee fails to pay such indebtedness, the Secretary of the Senate is authorized to withhold the amount of the indebtedness from any amount which is disbursed by him and which is due to, or on behalf of, such employee. Whenever an amount is withheld under this section, the appropriate account shall be credited in an amount equal to the amount so withheld.

Sec. 105. (a) Effective October 1, 1976, except as provided in subsections (b) and (c), the maximum annual compensation of a mail carrier in the Senate post office shall not exceed $8,109.

(b) In the case of a mail carrier in the Senate post office who was serving as such a mail carrier on September 30, 1976, the maximum annual rate of compensation shall not exceed $11,130, so long as his service as such a mail carrier remain continuous.

(c) In the case of a mail carrier in the Senate post office (other than a mail carrier whose compensation is fixed under subsection (b)) whose regularly scheduled daily tour of duty begins on or before 6 a.m., the annual rate of compensation may be increased, in the discretion of the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper, by not to exceed 10 percent. If such annual rate of compensation, as so increased, is not a multiple of the figure set forth in the applicable Order of the President pro tempore of the Senate issued under authority of section 4 of the Federal Pay Comparability Act of 1970, such rate shall be adjusted to the next higher multiple of such figure.

Sec. 106. (a) There is hereby established in the Treasury of the United States a revolving fund within the contingent fund of the Senate to be known as the Senate Employees Barber Shop Revolving Fund (hereafter in this section referred to as the “revolving fund”).

(b) All moneys received by the Senate employees barber shop from fees for services or from any other source shall be deposited to the credit of the revolving fund. Moneys in the revolving fund shall be available without fiscal year limitation for disbursement by the Secretary of the Senate for additional compensation of personnel of the Senate employees barber shop, as determined by the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate, and for necessary supplies for the Senate employees barber shop.

(c) On or before December 31 of each year, the Secretary of the Senate shall withdraw from the revolving fund and deposit in the Treasury of the United States as miscellaneous receipts an amount equal to the amount in the revolving fund at the close of the preceding fiscal year, reduced by the amount of outlays from the revolving fund after the close of such year attributable to obligations incurred during such year.

(d) Disbursements from the revolving fund shall be made upon vouchers signed by the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate.

(e) The Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate is authorized to prescribe such regulations as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this section.

(f) This section shall take effect on October 1, 1976.

Sec. 107. No provision of this Act or of any Act hereafter enacted which specifies a rate of compensation (including a maximum rate) for any position or employee whose compensation is disbursed by the Secretary of the Senate shall, unless otherwise specifically provided therein, be construed to affect the applicability of section 4 of the Federal Pay Comparability Act of 1970 to such rate.
Sec. 108. The second paragraph under the heading “Administrative Provisions” in the Legislative Branch Appropriation Act, 1959 (72 Stat. 442; 2 U.S.C. 65b), is amended by striking out “$2,000” and inserting in lieu thereof “$4,000 during any fiscal year”.

Sec. 109. Section 502(b) of the Mutual Security Act of 1954 (22 U.S.C. 1754(b)) is amended—

(1) by inserting after “Joint Committee on Congressional Operations” the following: “and the Select Committee on Intelligence of the Senate”; and

(2) by adding at the end thereof the following new sentence: “In the case of the Select Committee on Intelligence of the Senate, such consolidated report may, in the discretion of the chairman of such select committee, omit such information as would identify the foreign countries in which members and employees of such select committee traveled.”.

Sec. 110. (a)(1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law but subject to the provisions of paragraph (2), the Committee on Government Operations is authorized, during the fiscal year ending September 30, 1977, to employ one additional professional staff member at a per annum rate not to exceed the rate provided for the four professional staff members referred to in section 105(e)(3)(A) of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 1968, as amended and modified.

(2) The provisions of paragraph (1) shall cease to be effective when and if the individual who was a reemployed annuitant and was employed by such Committee at the per annum rate referred to in such paragraph on August 25, 1976, ceases to be so employed at such rate.

(b) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law but subject to the provisions of paragraph (2), the Committee on Commerce is authorized, during the fiscal year ending September 30, 1977, to pay one additional professional staff member at a per annum rate not to exceed the rate provided for the two professional staff members referred to in section 105(e)(3)(A) of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 1968, as amended and modified.

(2) The provisions of paragraph (1) shall cease to be effective when and if any of the individuals who were paid by such Committee at the per annum rate referred to in such paragraph on August 25, 1976, cease to be paid at such rate.

Sec. 111. Amounts required to be deposited in the Treasury of the United States to the credit of the Civil Service Retirement and Disability Fund under section 8344 of title 5, United States Code, with respect to any officer or employee of the Senate, including an employee in the office of a Senator, shall be paid from the contingent fund of the Senate during the fiscal year ending September 30, 1977.

**TITLE II**

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

**Payments to Widows and Heirs of Deceased Members of Congress**

For payment to Phyllis Macdonald, widow of Torbert H. Macdonald, late a Representative from the State of Massachusetts, $44,600.

For payment to Charles and Mildred Litton, father and mother of Jerry L. Litton, late a Representative from the State of Missouri, $44,600.
COMPENSATION AND MILEAGE FOR THE MEMBERS

COMPENSATION OF MEMBERS

For compensation of Members, as authorized by law (wherever used herein the term "Member" shall include Members of the House of Representatives, the Resident Commissioner from Puerto Rico, the Delegate from the District of Columbia, the Delegate from Guam, and the Delegate from the Virgin Islands), $21,543,800: Provided, That none of the funds contained in this Act shall be used to increase salaries of Members of the House of Representatives pursuant to section 204a of Public Law 94-82 in excess of the salary rate in effect on September 30, 1976, for such position or officer. No part of the funds appropriated in this Act or any other Act shall be used to pay the salary of an individual in a position or office referred to in section 225(f) of the Federal Salary Act of 1967, as amended (2 U.S.C. 356), including a Delegate to the House of Representatives, at a rate which exceeds the salary rate in effect on September 30, 1976, for such position or office except increases submitted by the President pursuant to section 225 of the Federal Salary Act of 1967.

MILEAGE OF MEMBERS

For mileage of Members, as authorized by law, $210,000.

HOUSE LEADERSHIP OFFICES

For salaries and expenses, as authorized by law, $1,568,500, including: Office of the Speaker, $460,500 including $10,000 for official expenses of the Speaker; Office of the Majority Floor Leader, $292,700, including $5,000 for official expenses of the Majority Leader; Minority Floor Leader, $292,700, including $5,000 for official expenses of the Minority Leader; Majority Whip, $261,300, including not to exceed $46,432 for the Chief Deputy Majority Whip; Minority Whip, $261,300, including not to exceed $46,432 for the Chief Deputy Minority Whip.

SALARIES, OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES

For compensation and expenses of officers and employees, as authorized by law, $20,420,100, including: Office of the Clerk, $4,672,000; Office of the Sergeant at Arms, $8,456,000; Office of the Doorkeeper, $3,537,400; Office of the Postmaster, $1,073,000; including $18,657 for employment of substitute messengers and extra services of regular employees when required at the salary rate of not to exceed, $10,039 per annum each; Office of the Chaplain, $19,800; Office of the Parliamentarian, including the Parliamentarian and $2,000 for preparing the Digest of the Rules, $228,000; for compiling the precedents of the House of Representatives, $255,000; Official Reporters of Debates, $188,000; Official Reporters to Committees, $560,800; two printing clerks, one for the majority appointed by the majority leader and one for the minority appointed by the minority leader, $90,000 to be equally divided; a technical assistant in the Office of the Attending Physician, to be appointed by the Attending Physician subject to the approval of the Speaker, $27,000; the House Democratic Steering Committee, $357,200; the House Democratic Caucus, $69,300; the House Republican Conference, $426,500; and six minority employees, $220,100.
Such amounts as deemed necessary for the payment of salaries of officers and employees within this appropriation may be transferred among offices upon the approval of the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives.

**Committee Employees**

For professional and clerical employees of standing committees, including the Committee on Appropriations and the Committee on the Budget, $21,805,000.

**Committee on Appropriations (Studies and Investigations)**

For salaries and expenses, studies and examinations of executive agencies, by the Committee on Appropriations, and temporary personal services for such committee, to be expended in accordance with section 202(b) of the Legislative Reorganization Act, 1946, and to be available for reimbursement to agencies for services performed, $2,608,000.

**Committee on the Budget (Studies)**

For salaries, expenses, and studies by the Committee on the Budget, and temporary personal services for such committee to be expended in accordance with sections 101(c), 606, 703, and 901(e), of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, and to be available for reimbursement to agencies for services performed, $329,000.

**Office of the Law Revision Counsel**

For salaries and expenses of the Office of the Law Revision Counsel of the House, $357,000.

**Office of the Legislative Counsel**

For salaries and expenses of the Office of the Legislative Counsel of the House, $1,293,000.

**Members' Clerk Hire**

For staff employed by each Member in the discharge of his official and representative duties, $96,566,000.

**Contingent Expenses of the House**

**Allowances and Expenses**

For allowances and expenses as authorized by House resolution or law, $48,137,450, including: Computer and related services for Members, $3,500,000; constituent communication expenses, $2,195,000; equipment (purchase, lease, and maintenance), $5,150,000; district office expenses, $835,000; postage stamps for official special delivery and overseas mail for the first session of the Ninety-fifth Congress to be procured and furnished by the Clerk of the House of Representatives (1) to each Representative, the Resident Commissioner of Puerto Rico, and the Delegates from the District of Columbia, Guam, and the Virgin Islands, upon request by such person, in an amount not exceeding $290, (2) to the Speaker, the majority and minority leaders, and majority and minority whips of the House of Representatives, upon request by such person, in an amount not exceeding $260, (3) to each standing committee of the House of Representatives, upon request of
the chairman thereof, in an amount not exceeding $170, and (4) to each of the following officers of the House of Representatives, upon request of such person, in an amount not exceeding $370 for the Clerk of the House, $270 for the Sergeant at Arms, $230 for the Doorkeeper, $180 for the Postmaster, and $50 for the Chaplain, in all, $1,333,450; rental of district office space, $6,220,000; transportation for Members, $2,350,000; transportation for staff, $900,000; telegraph and telephone, $9,383,000; supplies and materials, $1,512,000; furniture and furnishings, $1,500,000; reporting hearings for stenographic reports of hearings of committees, including special and select committees, $1,525,000; salaries authorized by House resolutions, $1,680,000; Government contributions to employees' life insurance fund, retirement fund, and health benefits fund, $10,141,300; miscellaneous items including, but not limited to, purchase, exchange, hire, driving, maintenance, repair, and operation of House motor vehicles, and not to exceed $5,000 for the purposes authorized by section 1 of House Resolution 348, approved June 29, 1961, $1,082,700.

Such amounts as deemed necessary for the payment of allowances and expenses within this appropriation may be transferred among accounts upon approval of the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives.

STATIONERY (REVOLVING FUND)

For a stationery allowance for each Member for the first session of the Ninety-fifth Congress, as authorized by law, $2,853,500, to remain available until expended.

SPECIAL AND SELECT COMMITTEES

For salaries and expenses of special and select committees authorized by the House, $23,993,000.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISION

SEC. 101. The provisions of House Resolution 698, Ninety-fourth Congress, authorizing the payment of overtime compensation to employees of the Publication Distribution Service of the House of Representatives; House Resolution 732, Ninety-fourth Congress, authorizing the voluntary withholding of State income taxes of Members of the House of Representatives and employees whose compensation is disbursed by the Clerk of the House of Representatives; House Resolution 1368, Ninety-fourth Congress, establishing a Commission on Administrative Review in the House of Representatives; and House Resolution 1372, Ninety-fourth Congress, limiting the authority of the Committee on House Administration to fix and adjust allowances, shall be the permanent law with respect thereto.

TITLE III

JOINT ITEMS

For joint committees, as follows:

CONTINGENT EXPENSES OF THE SENATE

JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE

For salaries and expenses of the Joint Economic Committee $1,423,475.
JOINT COMMITTEE ON ATOMIC ENERGY

For salaries and expenses of the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy, $663,600.

JOINT COMMITTEE ON PRINTING

For salaries and expenses of the Joint Committee on Printing, $478,325.

AMERICAN INDIAN POLICY REVIEW COMMISSION

For salaries and expenses of the American Indian Policy Review Commission necessary to carry out the provisions of Public Law 93-580, $263,000: Provided, That, not to exceed $100,000 of the funds appropriated under this heading for fiscal year 1976 and for the period ending September 30, 1976, shall remain available until June 30, 1977.

CONTINGENT EXPENSES OF THE HOUSE

JOINT COMMITTEE ON INTERNAL REVENUE TAXATION

For salaries and expenses of the Joint Committee on Internal Revenue Taxation, $1,636,000.

JOINT COMMITTEE ON DEFENSE PRODUCTION

For salaries and expenses of the Joint Committee on Defense Production, $168,000.

JOINT COMMITTEE ON CONGRESSIONAL OPERATIONS

For salaries and expenses of the Joint Committee on Congressional Operations, including the Office of Placement and Office Management, $661,500.

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 $1,000 per month to the Attending Physician; (2) an allowance of $600 per month to one senior medical officer while on duty in the Attending Physician's office; (3) an allowance of $200 per month each to two medical officers while on duty in the Attending Physician's office; (4) an allowance of $200 per month each to not exceed eight assistants on the basis heretofore provided for such assistance; and (5) $262,073 for reimbursement to the Department of the Navy for expenses incurred for staff and equipment assigned to the Office of the Attending Physician, such amount 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, $387,800.

CAPITOL POLICE

GENERAL EXPENSES

For purchasing and supplying uniforms; the purchase, maintenance, and repair of police motor vehicles, including two-way police radio equipment; contingent expenses, including advance payment for travel for training or other purposes, and expenses associated with
the relocation of instructor personnel to and from the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center as approved by the Chairman of the Capitol Police Board, and including $40 per month for extra services performed for the Capitol Police Board by such member of the staff of the Sergeant at Arms of the Senate or the House as may be designated by the Chairman of the Board, $702,000.

CAPITOL POLICE BOARD

To enable the Capitol Police Board to provide additional protection for the Capitol Buildings and Grounds, including the Senate and House Office Buildings and the Capitol Power Plant, $1,618,860. Such sum shall be expended only for payment of salaries and other expenses of personnel detailed from the Metropolitan Police of the District of Columbia, and the Mayor of the District of Columbia is authorized and directed to make such details upon the request of the Board. Personnel so detailed shall, during the period of such detail, serve under the direction and instructions of the Board and are authorized to exercise the same authority as members of such Metropolitan Police and members of the Capitol Police and to perform such other duties as may be assigned by the Board. Reimbursement for salaries and other expenses of such detail personnel shall be made to the Government of the District of Columbia, and any sums so reimbursed shall be credited to the appropriation or appropriations from which such salaries and expenses are payable and shall be available for all the purposes thereof: Provided, That any person detailed under the authority of this paragraph or under similar authority in the Legislative Branch Appropriation Act, 1942, and the Second Deficiency Appropriation Act, 1940, from the Metropolitan Police of the District of Columbia shall be deemed a member of such Metropolitan Police during the period or periods of any such detail for all purposes of rank, pay, allowances, privileges, and benefits to the same extent as though such detail had not been made, and at the termination thereof any such person shall have a status with respect to rank, pay, allowances, privileges, and benefits which is not less than the status of such person in such police at the end of such detail: Provided further, That the Mayor of the District of Columbia is directed (1) to pay the assistant chief detailed under the authority of this paragraph and serving as Chief of the Capitol Police, the salary of assistant chief plus $2,000 and such increases in basic compensation as may be subsequently provided by law so long as this position is held by the present incumbent, (2) to pay the two deputy chiefs detailed under the authority of this paragraph and serving as assistants to the Chief of the Capitol Police the salary of deputy chief and such increases in basic compensation as may be subsequently provided by law so long as these positions are held by the present incumbents, (3) to pay the inspector detailed under the authority of this paragraph the salary of inspector and such increases in basic compensation as may be subsequently provided by law so long as this position is held by the present incumbent, (4) to pay the captain detailed under the authority of this paragraph the salary of captain plus $1,625 and such increases in basic compensation as may be subsequently provided by law so long as this position is held by the present incumbent, (5) to pay the captain detailed under the authority of this paragraph the salary of captain plus $1,625 and such increases in basic compensation as may be subsequently provided by law so long as this position is held by the present incumbent, (6) to pay the lieutenant detailed under the authority of this paragraph the salary of lieutenant.
and such increases in basic compensation as may be subsequently provided by law so long as this position is held by the present incumbent, (7) to elevate and pay the sergeant detailed under the authority of this paragraph the rank and salary of lieutenant and such increases in basic compensation as may be subsequently provided by law so long as this position is held by the present incumbent, (8) to pay the three detective sergeants detailed under the authority of this paragraph the salary of detective sergeant and such increases in basic compensation as may be subsequently provided by law so long as these positions are held by the present incumbents, (9) to elevate and pay the detective, grade 2, detailed under the authority of this paragraph the rank and salary of detective sergeant and such increases in basic compensation as may be subsequently provided by law so long as these positions are held by the present incumbent, and (10) to pay the three sergeants of the uniform force detailed under the authority of this paragraph the salary of sergeant and such increases in basic compensation as may be subsequently provided by law so long as these positions are held by the present incumbents: Provided further, That $109,230 of this amount is provided to cover the costs of a 6 percent salary increase, approved retroactive to October 1, 1975, for the purpose of reimbursing the District of Columbia government for the costs of that salary increase from October 1, 1975, through September 30, 1976.

No part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall be paid as compensation to any person appointed after June 30, 1935, as an officer or member of the Capitol Police who does not meet the standards to be prescribed for such appointees by the Capitol Police Board: Provided, That the Capitol Police Board is hereby authorized to detail police from the House Office, Senate Office, and Capitol Buildings for police duty on the Capitol Grounds and on the Library of Congress Grounds.

**Education of Pages**

For education of congressional pages and pages of the Supreme Court, pursuant to part 9 of title IV of the Legislative Reorganization Act, 1970, and section 243 of the Legislative Reorganization Act, 1946, $180,200, which amount shall be advanced and credited to the applicable appropriation of the District of Columbia, and the Board of Education of the District of Columbia is hereby authorized to employ such personnel for the education of pages as may be required and to pay compensation for such services in accordance with such rates of compensation as the Board of Education may prescribe.

**Official Mail Costs**

For expenses necessary for official mail costs pursuant to title 39, U.S.C., section 3216, $46,904,000, to be available immediately on enactment of this Act.

The foregoing amounts under "other joint items" shall be disbursed by the Clerk of the House.

**Capitol Guide Service**

For salaries and expenses of the Capitol Guide Service, $389,100, to be disbursed by the Secretary of the Senate: Provided, That none of these funds shall be used to employ more than twenty-eight individuals.
STATEMENTS OF APPROPRIATIONS

For the preparation, under the direction of the Committees on Appropriations of the Senate and House of Representatives, of the statements for the second session of the Ninety-fourth Congress, showing appropriations made, indefinite appropriations, and contracts authorized, together with a chronological history of the regular appropriation bills as required by law, $13,000, to be paid to the persons designated by the chairman of such committees to supervise the work.

TITLE IV
OFFICE OF TECHNOLOGY ASSESSMENT
SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For salaries and expenses necessary to carry out the provisions of the Technology Assessment Act of 1972 (Public Law 92-484), $6,624,000.

TITLE V
CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For salaries and expenses necessary to carry out the provisions of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 (Public Law 93-344), $9,319,200:
Provided, That none of these funds shall be available for the purchase or hire of a passenger motor vehicle:
Provided further, That none of the funds in this Act shall be available for salaries or expenses of any employee of the Congressional Budget Office in excess of 208 staff employees:
Provided further, That the Congressional Budget Office shall have the authority to contract without regard to section 5 of title 41 of the United States Code (section 3709 of the Revised Statutes, as amended).

TITLE VI
ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL
Office of the Architect of the Capitol
SALARIES

For the Architect of the Capitol; the Assistant Architect of the Capitol; the Executive Assistant; and other personal services; at rates of pay provided by law, $1,770,100.

Appropriations under the control of the Architect of the Capitol shall be available for expenses of travel on official business not to exceed in the aggregate under all funds the sum of $20,000.

CONTINGENT EXPENSES

To enable the Architect of the Capitol to make surveys and studies, to incur expenses authorized by the Act of December 13, 1973 (87 Stat. 704), and to meet unforeseen expenses in connection with activities under his care $120,000.
For necessary expenditures for the Capitol Building and electrical substations of the Senate and House Office Buildings, under the jurisdiction of the Architect of the Capitol, including improvements, maintenance, repair, equipment, supplies, material, fuel, oil, waste, and appurtenances; security installations authorized by H. Con. Res. 550, Ninety-second Congress, agreed to September 19, 1972, the cost limitation of which is hereby further increased by $800,000; furnishings and office equipment; special and protective clothing for workmen; uniforms or allowances therefor as authorized by law (5 U.S.C. 5901-5902); personal and other services; cleaning and repairing works of art and prevention and eradication of insect and other pests without regard to section 3709 of the Revised Statutes, as amended; preservation of historic drawings through use of document conservation laboratory facilities of the Library of Congress on a reimbursable basis; purchase or exchange, maintenance and operation of a passenger motor vehicle; purchase of necessary reference books and periodicals; for expenses of attendance, when specifically authorized by the Architect of the Capitol, at meetings or conventions in connection with subjects related to work under the Architect of the Capitol, $5,853,900.

Not to exceed $15,000 of the unobligated balance of the appropriation under this head for the fiscal year 1976 is hereby continued available until September 30, 1977.

Not to exceed $193,500 of the unobligated balance of that part of the appropriation under this head for the fiscal year 1975, continued available until June 30, 1976, is hereby continued available until September 30, 1977.

For care and improvement of grounds surrounding the Capitol, the Senate and House Office Buildings, and the Capitol Power Plant; personal and other services; care of trees; planting; fertilizer; repairs to pavements, walks, and roadways; waterproof wearing apparel; maintenance of signal lights; and for snow removal by hire of men and equipment or under contract without regard to section 3709 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, $1,832,800: Provided, That hereafter, funds appropriated under this heading shall be available for the purchase or rental, maintenance and operation of passenger motor vehicles to provide shuttle service for Members and employees of Congress to and from the buildings in the Legislative group.

Not to exceed $94,500 of the unobligated balance of the appropriation under this head for the fiscal year 1976 is hereby continued available until September 30, 1977.

For maintenance, miscellaneous items and supplies, including furniture, furnishings, and equipment, and for labor and material incident thereto, and repairs thereof; for purchase of waterproof wearing apparel, and for personal and other services; for the care and operation of the Senate Office Buildings; including the subway and subway transportation systems connecting the Senate Office Buildings with the Capitol; uniforms or allowances therefor as authorized by law (5 U.S.C. 5901-5902), prevention and eradication of insect and other...
pests without regard to section 3709 of the Revised Statutes as amended; to be expended under the control and supervision of the Architect of the Capitol in all $10,408,000, of which $980,000 shall remain available until expended.

Not to exceed $120,000 of the unobligated balance of the appropriation under this head for the fiscal year 1975, continued available until June 30, 1976, is hereby continued available until September 30, 1977.

SENATE GARAGE

For maintenance, repairs, alterations, personal and other services, and all other necessary expenses, $130,500.

HOUSE OFFICE BUILDINGS

For maintenance, including equipment; waterproof wearing apparel; uniforms or allowances therefor as authorized by law (5 U.S.C. 5901-5902); prevention and eradication of insect and other pests without regard to section 3709 of the Revised Statutes, as amended; miscellaneous items; and for all necessary services, including the position of Superintendent of Garages as authorized by law, $14,448,000, of which $2,065,000 shall remain available until expended.

CAPITOL POWER PLANT

For lighting, heating, and power (including the purchase of electrical energy) for the Capitol, Senate and House Office Buildings, Supreme Court Building, Congressional Library Buildings, and the grounds about the same, Botanic Garden, Senate garage, and for air-conditioning refrigeration not supplied from plants in any of such buildings; for heating the Government Printing Office, Washington City Post Office, and Folger Shakespeare Library, reimbursement for which shall be made and covered into the Treasury; personal and other services, fuel, oil, materials, waterproof wearing apparel, and all other necessary expenses in connection with the maintenance and operation of the plant, $11,172,000.

MODIFICATIONS AND ENLARGEMENT, CAPITOL POWER PLANT

For an additional amount for “Modifications and Enlargement, Capitol Power Plant”, $12,000,000, to remain available until expended, and the limit of cost authorized by Public Law 93-50 (87 Stat. 109-110) for such project is increased by such additional amount.

LIBRARY BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

STRUCTURAL AND MECHANICAL CARE

For necessary expenditures for mechanical and structural maintenance, including improvements, equipment, supplies, waterproof wearing apparel, and personal and other services, $2,241,200, of which $150,000 shall remain available until expended.

Not to exceed $71,000 of the unobligated balance of the appropriation under this head for the fiscal year 1976 is hereby continued available until September 30, 1977.

AUTOMATIC ELEVATOR OPERATORS

No part of the funds appropriated under this Act shall be used for the payment of compensation for more than forty-six elevator
operator positions under the heading "Architect of the Capitol, Capitol Buildings"; sixteen elevator operator positions under the heading "Architect of the Capitol, Senate Office Buildings"; and twenty-eight elevator operator positions under the heading "Architect of the Capitol, House Office Buildings": Provided, That such provision shall not be applicable to present incumbents of elevator operator positions.

TITLE VII
BOTANIC GARDEN
SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For all necessary expenses incident to maintaining, operating, repairing, and improving the Botanic Garden and the nurseries, buildings, grounds, collections, and equipment pertaining thereto, including personal services; waterproof wearing apparel; not to exceed $25 for emergency medical supplies; traveling expenses, including bus fares, not to exceed $275; the prevention and eradication of insect and other pests and plant diseases by purchase of materials and procurement of personal services by contract without regard to the provisions of any other Act; purchase and exchange of motor trucks; purchase and exchange, maintenance, repair, and operation of a passenger motor vehicle; purchase of botanical books, periodicals, and books of reference, not to exceed $100; all under the direction of the Joint Committee on the Library, $1,164,900.

TITLE VIII
LIBRARY OF CONGRESS
SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Library of Congress, not otherwise provided for, including development and maintenance of the Union Catalogs; custody, care, and maintenance of the Library Buildings; special clothing; cleaning, laundering, and repair of uniforms; preservation of motion pictures in the custody of the Library; for the National Program for Acquisition and Cataloging of Library material; and expenses of the Library of Congress Trust Fund Board not properly chargeable to the income of any trust fund held by the Board, $66,978,000.

COPYRIGHT OFFICE
SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Copyright Office, including publication of the decisions of the United States courts involving copyrights, $9,408,300: Provided, That $1,683,000 of this appropriation shall be available only upon enactment into law of S. 22 or equivalent legislation.

NATIONAL COMMISSION ON NEW TECHNOLOGICAL USES OF COPYRIGHTED WORKS
SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the National Commission on New Technological Uses of Copyrighted Works, $559,500.
CONGRESSIONAL RESEARCH SERVICE
SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions of section 203 of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946, as amended by section 321 of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1970 (2 U.S.C. 166), $19,293,200: Provided, That no part of this appropriation 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 or the Senate Committee on Rules and Administration.

DISTRIBUTION OF CATALOG CARDS
SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses for the preparation and distribution of catalog cards and other publications of the Library, $11,993,000.

BOOKS FOR THE GENERAL COLLECTIONS

For necessary expenses (except personal services) for acquisition of books, periodicals, and newspapers, and all other material for the increase of the Library, $1,760,000, to remain available until expended, including $40,000 to be available solely for the purchase, when specifically approved by the Librarian, of special and unique materials for additions to the collections.

BOOKS FOR THE LAW LIBRARY

For necessary expenses (except personal services) for acquisition of books, legal periodicals, and all other material for the increase of the law library, $286,000, to remain available until expended.

BOOKS FOR THE BLIND AND PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED
SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For salaries and expenses to carry out the provisions of the Act approved March 3, 1981 (2 U.S.C. 135a), as amended, $21,729,000.

COLLECTION AND DISTRIBUTION OF LIBRARY MATERIALS
(SPECIAL FOREIGN CURRENCY PROGRAM)

For necessary expenses for carrying out the provisions of section 104(b)(5) of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1704), to remain available until expended, $2,910,200, of which $2,680,200 shall be available only for payments in any foreign currencies owed to or owned by the United States which the Treasury Department shall determine to be excess to the normal requirements of the United States.

FURNITURE AND FURNISHINGS

For necessary expenses for the purchase and repair of furniture, furnishings, office and library equipment, $2,942,000, of which $1,729,000 shall be available until expended only for the purchase and
supply of furniture, book stacks, shelving, furnishings, and related costs necessary for the initial outfitting of the James Madison Memorial Library Building.

REVISION OF ANNOTATED CONSTITUTION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses to enable the Librarian to revise and extend the Annotated Constitution of the United States of America, $36,000, to remain available until expended.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

SEC. 801. Appropriations in this Act available to the Library of Congress for salaries shall be available for expenses of personnel security and suitability investigations of Library employees; special and temporary services (including employees engaged by day or hour or in piecemeal work); and services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109.

SEC. 802. Not to exceed fifteen positions in the Library of Congress may be exempt from the provisions of appropriation acts concerning the employment of aliens during the current fiscal year, but the Librarian shall not make any appointment to any such position until he has ascertained that he cannot secure for such appointments a person in any of the categories specified in such provisions who possesses the special qualifications for the particular position and also otherwise meets the general requirements for employment in the Library of Congress.

SEC. 803. Funds available to the Library of Congress may be expended to reimburse the Department of State for medical services rendered to employees of the Library of Congress stationed abroad and for contracting on behalf of and hiring alien employees for the Library of Congress under compensation plans comparable to those authorized by section 444 of the Foreign Service Act of 1946, as amended (22 U.S.C. 2396(a)); for purchase or hire of passenger motor vehicles; for payment of travel, storage and transportation of household goods, and transportation and per diem expenses for families en route (not to exceed twenty-four); for benefits comparable to those payable under sections 911(9), 911(11), and 941 of the Foreign Service Act of 1946, as amended (22 U.S.C. 1136(9), 1136(11), and 1156, respectively); and travel benefits comparable with those which are now or hereafter may be granted single employees of the Agency for International Development, including single Foreign Service personnel assigned to A.I.D. projects, by the Administrator of the Agency for International Development—or his designee—under the authority of section 636(b) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (Public Law 87-195, 22 U.S.C. 2396(b)); subject to such rules and regulations as may be issued by the Librarian of Congress.

SEC. 804. Payments in advance for subscriptions or other charges for bibliographical data, publications, materials in any other form, and services may be made by the Librarian of Congress whenever he determines it to be more prompt, efficient, or economical to do so in the interest of carrying out required Library programs.

SEC. 805. Appropriations in this Act available to the Library of Congress shall be available, in an amount not to exceed $92,000, when specifically authorized by the Librarian, for expenses of attendance of A.I.D. projects, by the Administrator of the Agency for International Development—or his designee—under the authority of section 636(b) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (Public Law 87-195, 22 U.S.C. 2396(b)); subject to such rules and regulations as may be issued by the Librarian of Congress.

SEC. 803. Funds available to the Library of Congress may be expended to reimburse the Department of State for medical services rendered to employees of the Library of Congress stationed abroad and for contracting on behalf of and hiring alien employees for the Library of Congress under compensation plans comparable to those authorized by section 444 of the Foreign Service Act of 1946, as amended (22 U.S.C. 2396(a)); for purchase or hire of passenger motor vehicles; for payment of travel, storage and transportation of household goods, and transportation and per diem expenses for families en route (not to exceed twenty-four); for benefits comparable to those payable under sections 911(9), 911(11), and 941 of the Foreign Service Act of 1946, as amended (22 U.S.C. 1136(9), 1136(11), and 1156, respectively); and travel benefits comparable with those which are now or hereafter may be granted single employees of the Agency for International Development, including single Foreign Service personnel assigned to A.I.D. projects, by the Administrator of the Agency for International Development—or his designee—under the authority of section 636(b) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (Public Law 87-195, 22 U.S.C. 2396(b)); subject to such rules and regulations as may be issued by the Librarian of Congress.

SEC. 804. Payments in advance for subscriptions or other charges for bibliographical data, publications, materials in any other form, and services may be made by the Librarian of Congress whenever he determines it to be more prompt, efficient, or economical to do so in the interest of carrying out required Library programs.

SEC. 805. Appropriations in this Act available to the Library of Congress shall be available, in an amount not to exceed $92,000, when specifically authorized by the Librarian, for expenses of attendance.
at meetings concerned with the function or activity for which the appropriation is made.

Sec. 806. Funds available to the Library of Congress may be expended to provide additional parking facilities for Library of Congress employees in an area or areas in the District of Columbia outside the limits of the Library of Congress grounds, and to provide for transportation of such employees to and from such area or areas and the Library of Congress grounds without regard to the limitations imposed by 31 U.S.C. 638a(c)(2).

Sec. 807. Funds available to the Library of Congress may be expended to purchase, lease, maintain, and otherwise acquire automatic data processing equipment without regard to the provisions of 40 U.S.C. 759.

Sec. 808. The Disbursing Officer of the Library of Congress is authorized to disburse funds appropriated for the Congressional Budget Office, and the Library of Congress shall provide financial management support to the Congressional Budget Office as may be required and mutually agreed to by the Librarian of Congress and the Director of the Congressional Budget Office.

All vouchers certified for payment by duly authorized certifying officers of the Library of Congress shall be supported with a certification by an officer or employee of the Congressional Budget Office duly authorized in writing by the Director of the Congressional Budget Office to certify payments from appropriations of the Congressional Budget Office. The Congressional Budget Office certifying officers shall (1) be held responsible for the existence and correctness of the facts recited in the certificate or otherwise stated on the voucher or its supporting paper and the legality of the proposed payment under the appropriation or fund involved, (2) be held responsible and accountable for the correctness of the computations of certifications made, and (3) be held accountable for and required to make good to the United States the amount of any illegal, improper, or incorrect payment resulting from any false, inaccurate, or misleading certificate made by him, as well as for any payment prohibited by law which did not represent a legal obligation under the appropriation or fund involved: Provided, That the Comptroller General of the United States may, at his discretion, relieve such certifying officer or employee of liability for any payment otherwise proper whenever he finds (1) that the certification was based on official records and that such certifying officer or employee did not know, and by reasonable diligence and inquiry could not have ascertained the actual facts, or (2) that the obligation was incurred in good faith, that the payment was not contrary to any statutory provision specifically prohibiting payments of the character involved, and the United States has received value for such payment: Provided further, That the Comptroller General shall relieve such certifying officer or employee of liability for an overpayment for transportation services made to any common carrier covered by section 66 of title 49, whenever he finds that the overpayment occurred solely because the administrative examination made prior to payment of the transportation bill did not include a verification of transportation rates, freight classifications, or land grant deduction. (Public Law 85-53, paragraph 3, June 13, 1957, 71 Stat. 81.)

The Disbursing Officer of the Library of Congress shall not be held accountable or responsible for any illegal, improper, or incorrect payment resulting from any false, inaccurate, or misleading certificate, the responsibility for which is imposed upon a certifying officer or employee of the Congressional Budget Office.
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TITLE IX
COPYRIGHT ROYALTY COMMISSION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Copyright Royalty Commission, $268,000, which shall be available only upon enactment into law of S. 22 or equivalent legislation.

TITLE X
GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE

PRINTING AND BINDING

For authorized printing and binding for the Congress; for printing and binding for the Architect of the Capitol; expenses necessary for preparing the semimonthly and session index to the Congressional Record, as authorized by law (44 U.S.C. 902); printing, binding, and distribution of the Federal Register (including the Code of Federal Regulations) as authorized by law (44 U.S.C. 1509, 1510); and printing and binding of Government publications authorized by law to be distributed without charge to the recipient, $93,639,000: Provided, That this appropriation shall not be available for printing and binding part 2 of the annual report of the Secretary of Agriculture (known as the Yearbook of Agriculture): Provided further, that this appropriation shall be available for the payment of obligations incurred under the appropriations for similar purposes for preceding fiscal years.

Hereafter, notwithstanding any other provisions of law, appropriations for the automatic distribution to Senators and Representatives (including Delegates to Congress and the Resident Commissioner from Puerto Rico) of copies of the United States Statutes at Large shall not be available with respect to any Senator or Representative unless such Senator or Representative specifically, in writing, requests that he receive copies of such document.

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF DOCUMENTS

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Office of Superintendent of Documents, including compensation of all employees in accordance with the provisions of 44 U.S.C. 305; travel expenses (not to exceed $88,300): Provided, That expenditures in connection with travel expenses of the Depository Library Council to the Public Printer shall be deemed necessary to carry out the provisions of chapter 19 of title 44, United States Code; price lists and bibliographies; repairs to buildings, elevators, and machinery; and supplying books to depository libraries; $47,188,400: Provided, That $300,000 of this appropriation shall be apportioned for use pursuant to section 3679 of the Revised Statutes, as amended (31 U.S.C. 663), with the approval of the Public Printer, only to the extent necessary to provide for expenses (excluding permanent personal services) for workload increases not anticipated in the budget estimates and which cannot be provided for by normal budgetary adjustments.
The Government Printing Office is hereby authorized to make such expenditures, within the limits of funds available and in accord with the 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 and purposes set forth in the budget for the current fiscal year for the "Government Printing Office revolving fund":

Provided, That not to exceed $3,500 may be expended on the certification of the Public Printer in connection with special studies of governmental printing, binding, and distribution practices and procedures:

Provided further, That during the current fiscal year the revolving fund shall be available for the hire of two passenger motor vehicles and the purchase of one passenger motor vehicle:

Provided further, That funds available to the Government Printing Office may be expended to purchase, lease, maintain and otherwise acquire automatic data processing equipment without regard to the provisions of 40 U.S.C. 759:

Provided further, That funds available to the Government Printing Office may be expended to maintain, repair, purchase, lease, and otherwise acquire any motor vehicle without regard to the provision of 31 U.S.C. 638a.

**TITLE XI**

**GENERAL ACCOUNTING OFFICE**

**SALARIES AND EXPENSES**

For necessary expenses of the General Accounting Office, including not to exceed $5,000 to be expended on the certification of the Comptroller General of the United States in connection with special studies of governmental financial practices and procedures; 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 grade GS-18; hire of one passenger motor vehicle; advance payments in foreign countries notwithstanding section 3648, Revised Statutes, as amended (31 U.S.C. 529); benefits comparable to those payable under section 911(9), 911(11) and 942(a) of the Foreign Service Act of 1946, as amended (22 U.S.C. 1136(9), 1136(11), and 1157(a), respectively); and under regulations prescribed by the Comptroller General of the United States, rental of living quarters in foreign countries and travel benefits comparable with those which are now or hereafter may be granted single employees of the Agency for International Development, including single Foreign Service personnel assigned to A.I.D. projects, by the Administrator of the Agency for International Development—or his designee—under the authority of section 636(b) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (Public Law 87-195, 22 U.S.C. 2396(b)), $150,580,000: Provided, That this appropriation and appropriations for administrative expenses of any other department or agency which is a member of the Joint Financial Management Improvement Program (JFMIP) shall be available to finance an appropriate share of JFMIP costs as determined by the JFMIP, including but not limited to the salary of the Executive Secretary and secretarial support:

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 Forum costs as determined by the Forum, including necessary travel expenses of non-Federal participants. Payments hereunder to either the Forum or the JFMIP may be
credited as reimbursements to any appropriation from which costs involved are initially financed.

TITLE XII
COST-ACCOUNTING STANDARDS BOARD

For expenses of the Cost-Accounting Standards Board necessary to carry out the provisions of section 719 of the Defense Production Act of 1950, as amended (Public Law 91-379, approved August 15, 1970), $1,700,000.

TITLE XIII
GENERAL PROVISIONS

SEC. 1301. 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.

SEC. 1302. Whenever any office or position not specifically established by the Legislative Pay Act of 1929 is appropriated for herein or whenever the rate of compensation or designation of any position appropriated for herein is different from that specifically established for such position by such Act, the rate of compensation and the designation of the position, or either, appropriated for or provided herein, shall be the permanent law with respect thereto: Provided, That the provisions herein for the various items of official expenses of Members, officers, and committees of the Senate and House, and clerk hire for Senators and Members shall be the permanent law with respect thereto.

SEC. 1303. 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. 1304. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, none of the funds in this Act shall be used to pay Pages of the House of Representatives at a gross annual maximum rate of compensation in excess of that in effect on June 30, 1975. Effective October 1, 1976, the gross annual maximum rate of compensation of Pages of the Senate shall be $9,063, and such rate shall not be adjusted under any Order of the President pro tempore of the Senate issued under authority of section 4 of the Federal Pay Comparability Act of 1970, except to the multiple specified in any such Order which is nearest to but not less than $9,060.

SEC. 1305. (a) The Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate and Sergeant at Arms of the House may (1) designate as a private, first class, any private of the Capitol Police whose pay is disbursed by the Secretary of the Senate or Clerk of the House who has served satisfactorily as a member of the Capitol Police for thirty months or more, and (2) fix the compensation of any such private, first class, at not to exceed $13,038 per annum: Provided, That the Sergeant at Arms of the House may fix the compensation of seven Detectives, Police Force at not to exceed $14,946 per annum each in lieu of not to exceed $13,992 per annum each; nineteen Technicians, Police Force at not to exceed $13,992 per annum each in lieu of not to exceed $13,038 per annum each; eight Plainclothesmen, Police Force at not to exceed $13,992 per annum each in lieu of not to exceed $13,038 per annum.
each; and six K-9 Officers, Police Force at not to exceed $13,992 per annum each in lieu of not to exceed $13,038 per annum each.

(b) Subsection (a) shall take effect on October 1, 1976. Any designation of a private of the Capitol Police as a private, first class, shall be made effective on the first day of a month, and no such designation may be effective before the first day of the first month which begins after the day on which such private has served satisfactorily as a member of the Capitol Police for thirty months.

COST OF LIVING ADJUSTMENTS

Sec. 1306. (a) Section 8340(b) of title 5, United States Code, is amended by striking out "1 percent plus".

(b) The amendment made by subsection (a) shall apply to any increase in annuities after the date of enactment of this Act.

(c) (1) Section 8340(b) of title 5, United States Code, as amended by subsection (a), is amended to read as follows:

"(b) (1) The Commission shall—
   "(A) on January 1 of each year, or within a reasonable time thereafter, determine the percent change in the price index published for December of the preceding year over the price index published for June of the preceding year; and
   "(B) on July 1 of each year, or within a reasonable time thereafter, determine the percent change in the price index published for June of such year over the price index published for December of the preceding year.

   "(2) If in any year the percent change determined under either paragraph (1)(A) or (1) (B) indicates a rise in the price index, then—
   "(A) effective March 1 of such year, in the case of an increase under paragraph (1) (A), each annuity payable from the Fund having a commencing date not later than such March 1 shall be increased by the percent change computed under such paragraph, adjusted to the nearest 1/10 of 1 percent, or
   "(B) effective September 1 of such year, in the case of an increase under paragraph (1) (B), each annuity payable from the Fund having a commencing date not later than such September 1 shall be increased by the percent change computed under such paragraph, adjusted to the nearest 1/10 of 1 percent."

(2) The amendment made by subsection (1) shall apply to any increase in annuities after the date of enactment of this Act, except that with respect to the first date after the date of enactment of this Act on which the Commission is to determine a percent change, such percent change shall be determined by computing the change in the price index published for the month immediately preceding such first date over the price index for the last month prior to the date of enactment of this Act which the price index showed a percent rise forming the basis for a cost-of-living annuity increase under section 8340(b) of title 5, United States Code, as in effect immediately prior to the date of the enactment of this Act.

(d) (1) Section 1401a (b) of title 10, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

"(b) (1) The Secretary of Defense shall—
   "(A) on January 1 of each year, or within a reasonable time thereafter, determine the percent change in the index published for December of the preceding year over the index published for June of the preceding year; and
“(B) on July 1 of each year, or within a reasonable time thereafter, determine the percent change in the index published for June of such year over the index published for December of the previous year.

“(2) If in any year the percent change determined under either paragraph (1)(A) or (1)(B) indicates a rise in the index, then—

“(A) effective March 1 of such year, in the case of an increase under paragraph (1)(A), the retired pay and retainer pay of members and former members of the armed forces who become entitled to that pay before such March 1 shall be increased by the percent change computed under such paragraph, adjusted to the nearest 1/10 of 1 percent; and

“(B) effective September 1 of such year, in the case of an increase under paragraph (1)(B), the retired pay and retainer pay of members and former members of the armed forces who become entitled to that pay before such September 1 shall be increased by the percent change computed under such paragraph, adjusted to the nearest 1/10 of 1 percent.”.

(2) The amendment made by subsection (1) shall apply to any increase in retired pay or retainer pay after the date of enactment of this Act, except that with respect to the first date after the date of enactment of this Act on which the Secretary of Defense is to determine a percent change, such percent change shall be determined by computing the change in the index published for the month immediately preceding such first date over the index for the last month preceding the date of enactment of this Act used as the basis for the most recent adjustment of retired pay and retainer pay under section 1401a(b) of title 10, United States Code, as in effect immediately prior to the date of enactment of this Act.

(e) (1) Section 882(b) of the Foreign Service Act of 1946 (22 U.S.C. 1121(b)), is amended to read as follows:

“(b) (1) The Secretary shall—

“(A) on January 1 of each year, or within a reasonable time thereafter, determine the percent change in the price index published for December of the preceding year over the price index published for June of the preceding year, and

“(B) on July 1 of each year, or within a reasonable time thereafter, determine the percent change in the price index published for June of such year over the price index published for December of the preceding year.

“(2) If in any year the percent change determined under either paragraph (1)(A) or (1)(B) indicates a rise in the price index, then—

“(A) effective March 1 of such year, in the case of an increase under paragraph (1)(A), each annuity payable from the Fund having a commencing date not later than such March 1 shall be increased by the percent change computed under such paragraph, adjusted to the nearest 1/10 of 1 percent, or

“(B) effective September 1 of such year, in the case of an increase under paragraph (1)(B), each annuity payable from the Fund having a commencing date not later than such September 1 shall be increased by the percent change computed under such paragraph adjusted to the nearest 1/10 of 1 percent.”.

(2) The amendment made by subsection (1) shall apply to any increase in annuities after the date of enactment of this Act, except that with respect to the first date after the date of enactment of this Act on which the Secretary is to determine a percent change, such percent change shall be determined by computing the change in the
price index published for the month immediately preceding such first date over the price index for the last month prior to the date of enactment of this Act for which the price index showed a percent rise forming the basis for a cost-of-living increase under section 882(b) of the Foreign Service Act of 1946 (22 U.S.C. 1121(b)), as in effect immediately prior to the date of enactment of this Act.

This Act may be cited as the "Legislative Branch Appropriation Act, 1977".

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