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To establish a Department of Peace and Nonviolence.

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Mr. DAYTON introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

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## A BILL

To establish a Department of Peace and Nonviolence.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.**

4 (a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the  
5 “Department of Peace and Nonviolence Act”.

6 (b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents for  
7 this Act is as follows:

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# **1 TITLE I—ESTABLISHMENT OF 2 DEPARTMENT OF PEACE AND 3 NONVIOLENCE**

## **4 SEC. 101. ESTABLISHMENT OF DEPARTMENT OF PEACE 5 AND NONVIOLENCE.**

6 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is hereby established a  
 7 Department of Peace and Nonviolence (hereinafter in this  
 8 Act referred to as the “Department”), which shall—

9 (1) be a cabinet-level department in the execu-  
 10 tive branch of the Federal Government; and

11 (2) be dedicated to peacemaking and the study  
 12 of conditions that are conducive to both domestic  
 13 and international peace.

14 (b) SECRETARY OF PEACE AND NONVIOLENCE.—  
 15 There shall be at the head of the Department a Secretary

1 of Peace and Nonviolence (hereinafter in this Act referred  
2 to as the “Secretary”), who shall be appointed by the  
3 President, with the advice and consent of the Senate.

4 (c) MISSION.—The Department shall—

5 (1) hold peace as an organizing principle, co-  
6 ordinating service to every level of American society;

7 (2) endeavor to promote justice and democratic  
8 principles to expand human rights;

9 (3) strengthen nonmilitary means of peace-  
10 making;

11 (4) promote the development of human poten-  
12 tial;

13 (5) work to create peace, prevent violence, di-  
14 vert from armed conflict, use field-tested programs,  
15 and develop new structures in nonviolent dispute  
16 resolution;

17 (6) take a proactive, strategic approach in the  
18 development of policies that promote national and  
19 international conflict prevention, nonviolent interven-  
20 tion, mediation, peaceful resolution of conflict, and  
21 structured mediation of conflict;

22 (7) address matters both domestic and inter-  
23 national in scope; and

1           (8) encourage the development of initiatives  
2           from local communities, religious groups, and non-  
3           governmental organizations.

4 **SEC. 102. RESPONSIBILITIES AND POWERS.**

5           (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall—

6           (1) work proactively and interactively with each  
7           branch of the Federal Government on all policy mat-  
8           ters relating to conditions of peace;

9           (2) serve as a delegate to the National Security  
10          Council;

11          (3) call on the intellectual and spiritual wealth  
12          of the people of the United States and seek partici-  
13          pation in its administration and in its development  
14          of policy from private, public, and nongovernmental  
15          organizations; and

16          (4) monitor and analyze causative principles of  
17          conflict and make policy recommendations for devel-  
18          oping and maintaining peaceful conduct.

19          (b) DOMESTIC RESPONSIBILITIES.—The Secretary  
20          shall—

21          (1) develop policies that address domestic vio-  
22          lence, including spousal abuse, child abuse, and mis-  
23          treatment of the elderly;

24          (2) create new policies and incorporate existing  
25          programs that reduce drug and alcohol abuse;

1           (3) develop new policies and incorporate exist-  
2           ing policies regarding crime, punishment, and reha-  
3           bilitation;

4           (4) develop policies to address violence against  
5           animals;

6           (5) analyze existing policies, employ successful,  
7           field-tested programs, and develop new approaches  
8           for dealing with the implements of violence, includ-  
9           ing gun-related violence and the overwhelming pres-  
10          ence of handguns;

11          (6) develop new programs that relate to the so-  
12          cietal challenges of school violence, gangs, racial or  
13          ethnic violence, violence against gays and lesbians,  
14          and police-community relations disputes;

15          (7) make policy recommendations to the Attor-  
16          ney General regarding civil rights and labor law;

17          (8) assist in the establishment and funding of  
18          community-based violence prevention programs, in-  
19          cluding violence prevention counseling and peer me-  
20          diation in schools;

21          (9) counsel and advocate on behalf of women  
22          victimized by violence;

23          (10) provide for public education programs and  
24          counseling strategies concerning hate crimes;

1           (11) promote racial, religious, and ethnic toler-  
2       ance;

3           (12) finance local community initiatives that  
4       can draw on neighborhood resources to create peace  
5       projects that facilitate the development of conflict  
6       resolution at a national level and thereby inform and  
7       inspire national policy; and

8           (13) provide ethical-based and value-based anal-  
9       yses to the Department of Defense.

10       (c) INTERNATIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES.—The Sec-  
11     retary shall—

12           (1) advise the Secretary of Defense and the  
13       Secretary of State on all matters relating to national  
14       security, including the protection of human rights  
15       and the prevention of, amelioration of, and de-esca-  
16       lation of unarmed and armed international conflict;

17           (2) provide for the training of all civilian  
18       United States personnel who administer postconflict  
19       reconstruction and demobilization in war-torn soci-  
20       eties;

21           (3) sponsor country and regional conflict pre-  
22       vention and dispute resolution initiatives, create spe-  
23       cial task forces, and draw on local, regional, and na-  
24       tional expertise to develop plans and programs for

1       addressing the root sources of conflict in troubled  
2       areas;

3           (4) provide for exchanges between the United  
4       States and other nations of individuals who endeavor  
5       to develop domestic and international peace-based  
6       initiatives;

7           (5) encourage the development of international  
8       sister city programs, pairing United States cities  
9       with cities around the globe for artistic, cultural,  
10      economic, educational, and faith-based exchanges;

11          (6) administer the training of civilian peace-  
12      keepers who participate in multinational nonviolent  
13      police forces and support civilian police who partici-  
14      pate in peacekeeping;

15          (7) jointly with the Secretary of the Treasury,  
16      strengthen peace enforcement through hiring and  
17      training monitors and investigators to help with the  
18      enforcement of international arms embargoes;

19          (8) facilitate the development of peace summits  
20      at which parties to a conflict may gather under care-  
21      fully prepared conditions to promote nonviolent com-  
22      munication and mutually beneficial solutions;

23          (9) submit to the President recommendations  
24      for reductions in weapons of mass destruction, and  
25      make annual reports to the President on the sale of

1 arms from the United States to other nations, with  
2 analysis of the impact of such sales on the defense  
3 of the United States and how such sales affect  
4 peace;

5 (10) in consultation with the Secretary of State,  
6 develop strategies for sustainability and management  
7 of the distribution of international funds; and

8 (11) advise the United States Ambassador to  
9 the United Nations on matters pertaining to the  
10 United Nations Security Council.

11 (d) HUMAN SECURITY RESPONSIBILITIES.—The Sec-  
12 retary shall address and offer nonviolent conflict resolu-  
13 tion strategies to all relevant parties on issues of human  
14 security if such security is threatened by conflict, whether  
15 such conflict is geographic, religious, ethnic, racial, or  
16 class-based in its origin, derives from economic concerns  
17 (including trade or maldistribution of wealth), or is initi-  
18 ated through disputes concerning scarcity of natural re-  
19 sources (such as water and energy resources), food, trade,  
20 or environmental concerns.

21 (e) MEDIA-RELATED RESPONSIBILITIES.—Respect-  
22 ing the first amendment of the Constitution of the United  
23 States and the requirement for free and independent  
24 media, the Secretary shall—



1           (1) seek assistance in the design and implemen-  
2           tation of nonviolent policies from media profes-  
3           sionals;

4           (2) study the role of the media in the escalation  
5           and de-escalation of conflict at domestic and inter-  
6           national levels and make findings public; and

7           (3) make recommendations to professional  
8           media organizations in order to provide opportuni-  
9           ties to increase media awareness of peace-building  
10          initiatives.

11       (f) EDUCATIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES.—The Sec-  
12       retary shall—

13           (1) develop a peace education curriculum, which  
14           shall include studies of—

15                (A) the civil rights movement in the United  
16                States and throughout the world, with special  
17                emphasis on how individual endeavor and in-  
18                volvement have contributed to advancements in  
19                peace and justice; and

20                (B) peace agreements and circumstances  
21                in which peaceful intervention has worked to  
22                stop conflict;

23           (2) in cooperation with the Secretary of Edu-  
24           cation—

1 (A) commission the development of such  
2 curricula and make such curricula available to  
3 local school districts to enable the utilization of  
4 peace education objectives at all elementary and  
5 secondary schools in the United States; and

6 (B) offer incentives in the form of grants  
7 and training to encourage the development of  
8 State peace curricula and assist schools in ap-  
9 plying for such curricula;

10 (3) work with educators to equip students to  
11 become skilled in achieving peace through reflection,  
12 and facilitate instruction in the ways of peaceful  
13 conflict resolution;

14 (4) maintain a site on the Internet for the pur-  
15 poses of soliciting and receiving ideas for the devel-  
16 opment of peace from the wealth of political, social  
17 and cultural diversity;

18 (5) proactively engage the critical thinking ca-  
19 pabilities of grade school, high school, and college  
20 students and teachers through the Internet and  
21 other media and issue periodic reports concerning  
22 submissions;

23 (6) create and establish a Peace Academy,  
24 which shall—

1 (A) be modeled after the military service  
2 academies; and

3 (B) provide a 4-year course of instruction  
4 in peace education, after which graduates will  
5 be required to serve 5 years in public service in  
6 programs dedicated to domestic or international  
7 nonviolent conflict resolution; and

8 (7) provide grants for peace studies depart-  
9 ments in colleges and universities throughout the  
10 United States.

11 **SEC. 103. PRINCIPAL OFFICERS.**

12 (a) DEPUTY SECRETARY OF PEACE AND NON-  
13 VIOLENCE.—There shall be in the Department a Deputy  
14 Secretary of Peace and Nonviolence, who shall be ap-  
15 pointed by the President, by and with the advice and con-  
16 sent of the Senate. During the absence or disability of the  
17 Secretary, or in the event of a vacancy in the office of  
18 the Secretary, the Deputy Secretary shall act as Secretary.  
19 The Secretary shall designate the order in which other of-  
20 ficials of the Department shall act for and perform the  
21 functions of the Secretary during the absence or disability  
22 of both the Secretary and Deputy Secretary or in the event  
23 of vacancies in both of those offices.

24 (b) ADDITIONAL POSITIONS.—(1) There shall be in  
25 the Department—

1 (A) an Assistant Secretary for Peace Education  
2 and Training;

3 (B) an Assistant Secretary for Domestic Peace  
4 Activities;

5 (C) an Assistant Secretary for International  
6 Peace Activities;

7 (D) an Assistant Secretary for Technology for  
8 Peace;

9 (E) an Assistant Secretary for Arms Control  
10 and Disarmament;

11 (F) an Assistant Secretary for Peaceful Coex-  
12 istence and Nonviolent Conflict Resolution;

13 (G) an Assistant Secretary for Human and  
14 Economic Rights; and

15 (H) a General Counsel.

16 (2) Each of the Assistant Secretaries and the General  
17 Counsel shall be appointed by the President.

18 (3) There shall be in the Department an Inspector  
19 General, who shall be appointed in accordance with the  
20 provisions in the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C.  
21 App.).

22 (4) There shall be in the Department 4 additional  
23 officers who shall be appointed by the President. The offi-  
24 cers appointed under this paragraph shall perform such  
25 functions as the Secretary shall prescribe, including—

1 (A) congressional relations functions;

2 (B) public information functions, including pro-  
3 viding, through the use of the latest technologies,  
4 useful information about peace and the work of the  
5 Department;

6 (C) management and budget functions; and

7 (D) planning, evaluation, and policy develop-  
8 ment functions, including development of policies to  
9 promote the efficient and coordinated administration  
10 of the Department and its programs and encourage  
11 improvements in conflict resolution and violence pre-  
12 vention.

13 (c) **AUTHORITY OF SECRETARY.**—Each officer de-  
14 scribed in this section shall report directly to the Secretary  
15 and shall, in addition to any functions vested in or re-  
16 quired to be delegated to such officer, perform such addi-  
17 tional functions as the Secretary may prescribe.

18 **SEC. 104. OFFICE OF PEACE EDUCATION AND TRAINING.**

19 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—There shall be in the Department  
20 an Office of Peace Education and Training, the head of  
21 which shall be the Assistant Secretary for Peace Edu-  
22 cation and Training. The Assistant Secretary for Peace  
23 Education and Training shall carry out those functions  
24 of the Department relating to the creation, encourage-  
25 ment, and impact of peace education and training at the

1 elementary, secondary, university, and postgraduate levels,  
 2 including the development of a Peace Academy.

3 (b) PEACE CURRICULUM.—The Assistant Secretary  
 4 of Peace Education and Training, in cooperation with the  
 5 Secretary of Education, shall develop a peace curriculum  
 6 and supporting materials for distribution to departments  
 7 of education in each State and territory of the United  
 8 States. The peace curriculum shall include the building of  
 9 communicative peace skills, nonviolent conflict resolution  
 10 skills, and other objectives to increase the knowledge of  
 11 peace processes.

12 (c) GRANTS.—The Assistant Secretary of Peace Edu-  
 13 cation and Training shall—

14 (1) provide peace education grants to colleges  
 15 and universities for the creation and expansion of  
 16 peace studies departments; and

17 (2) create a Community Peace Block Grant  
 18 program under which grants shall be provided to  
 19 not-for-profit community and nongovernmental orga-  
 20 nizations for the purposes of developing creative, in-  
 21 novative neighborhood programs for nonviolent con-  
 22 flict resolution and local peacebuilding initiatives.

23 **SEC. 105. OFFICE OF DOMESTIC PEACE ACTIVITIES.**

24 (a) IN GENERAL.—There shall be in the Department  
 25 an Office of Domestic Peace Activities, the head of which

1 shall be the Assistant Secretary for Domestic Peace Ac-  
 2 tivities. The Assistant Secretary for Domestic Peace Ac-  
 3 tivities shall carry out those functions in the Department  
 4 affecting domestic peace activities, including the develop-  
 5 ment of policies that increase awareness about interven-  
 6 tion and counseling on domestic violence and conflict.

7 (b) RESPONSIBILITIES.—The Assistant Secretary for  
 8 Domestic Peace Activities shall—

9 (1) develop policy alternatives for the treatment  
 10 of drug and alcohol abuse;

11 (2) develop new policies and build on existing  
 12 programs responsive to the prevention of crime, in-  
 13 cluding the development of community policing  
 14 strategies and peaceful settlement skills among po-  
 15 lice and other public safety officers; and

16 (3) develop community-based strategies for cele-  
 17 brating diversity and promoting tolerance.

18 **SEC. 106. OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL PEACE ACTIVITIES.**

19 (a) IN GENERAL.—There shall be in the Department  
 20 an Office of International Peace Activities, the head of  
 21 which shall be the Assistant Secretary for International  
 22 Peace Activities. The Assistant Secretary for International  
 23 Peace Activities shall carry out those functions in the De-  
 24 partment affecting international peace activities and shall  
 25 be a member of the National Security Council.

1 (b) RESPONSIBILITIES.—The Assistant Secretary for  
2 International Peace Activities shall—

3 (1) provide for the training and deployment of  
4 all Peace Academy graduates and other nonmilitary  
5 conflict prevention and peacemaking personnel;

6 (2) sponsor country and regional conflict pre-  
7 vention and dispute resolution initiatives in countries  
8 experiencing social, political, or economic strife;

9 (3) advocate the creation of a multinational  
10 nonviolent peace force;

11 (4) provide training for the administration of  
12 postconflict reconstruction and demobilization in  
13 war-torn societies; and

14 (5) provide for the exchanges between individ-  
15 uals of the United States and other nations who are  
16 endeavoring to develop domestic and international  
17 peace-based initiatives.

18 **SEC. 107. OFFICE OF TECHNOLOGY FOR PEACE.**

19 (a) IN GENERAL.—There shall be in the Department  
20 an Office of Technology for Peace, the head of which shall  
21 be the Assistant Secretary of Technology for Peace. The  
22 Assistant Secretary of Technology for Peace shall carry  
23 out those functions in the Department affecting the  
24 awareness, study, and impact of developing new tech-



1 nologies on the creation and maintenance of domestic and  
2 international peace.

3 (b) GRANTS.—The Assistant Secretary of Technology  
4 for Peace shall provide grants for the research and devel-  
5 opment of technologies in transportation, communications,  
6 and energy that—

7 (1) are nonviolent in their application; and

8 (2) encourage the conservation and sustain-  
9 ability of natural resources in order to prevent fu-  
10 ture conflicts regarding scarce resources.

11 **SEC. 108. OFFICE OF ARMS CONTROL AND DISARMAMENT.**

12 (a) IN GENERAL.—There shall be in the Department  
13 an Office of Arms Control and Disarmament, the head  
14 of which shall be the Assistant Secretary of Arms Control  
15 and Disarmament. The Assistant Secretary of Arms Con-  
16 trol and Disarmament shall carry out those functions in  
17 the Department affecting arms control programs and  
18 arms limitation agreements.

19 (b) RESPONSIBILITIES.—The Assistant Secretary of  
20 Arms Control and Disarmament shall—

21 (1) advise the Secretary on all interagency dis-  
22 cussions and all international negotiations regarding  
23 the reduction and elimination of weapons of mass  
24 destruction throughout the world, including the dis-

1       mantling of such weapons and the safe and secure  
2       storage of materials related thereto;

3           (2) assist nations, international agencies and  
4       nongovernmental organizations in assessing the loca-  
5       tions of the buildup of nuclear arms;

6           (3) develop nonviolent strategies to deter the  
7       testing or use of offensive or defensive nuclear weap-  
8       ons, whether based on land, air, sea, or in outer  
9       space;

10          (4) serve as a depository for copies of all con-  
11       tracts, agreements, and treaties that deal with the  
12       reduction and elimination of nuclear weapons or the  
13       protection of outer space from militarization; and

14          (5) provide technical support and legal assist-  
15       ance for the implementation of such agreements.

16 **SEC. 109. OFFICE OF PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE AND NON-**  
17 **VIOLENT CONFLICT RESOLUTION.**

18       (a) IN GENERAL.—There shall be in the Department  
19 an Office of Peaceful Coexistence and Nonviolent Conflict  
20 Resolution, the head of which shall be the Assistant Sec-  
21 retary for Peaceful Coexistence and Nonviolent Conflict  
22 Resolution. The Assistant Secretary for Peaceful Coexist-  
23 ence and Nonviolent Conflict Resolution shall carry out  
24 those functions in the Department affecting research and  
25 analysis relating to creating, initiating, and modeling ap-

1 proaches to peaceful coexistence and nonviolent conflict  
2 resolution.

3 (b) RESPONSIBILITIES.—The Assistant Secretary for  
4 Peaceful Coexistence and Nonviolent Conflict Resolution  
5 shall—

6 (1) study the impact of war, especially on the  
7 physical and mental condition of children (using the  
8 ten-point agenda in the United Nations Childrens  
9 Fund report, State of the World’s Children 1996, as  
10 a guide), which shall include the study of the effect  
11 of war on the environment and public health;

12 (2) publish a monthly journal of the activities  
13 of the Department and encourage scholarly partici-  
14 pation;

15 (3) gather information on effective community  
16 peacebuilding activities and disseminate such infor-  
17 mation to local governments and nongovernmental  
18 organizations in the United States and abroad;

19 (4) research the effect of violence in the media  
20 and make such reports available to the Congress an-  
21 nually; and

22 (5) sponsor conferences throughout the United  
23 States to create awareness of the work of the De-  
24 partment.

1 **SEC. 110. OFFICE OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND ECONOMIC**  
2 **RIGHTS.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—There shall be in the Department  
4 an Office of Human Rights and Economic Rights, the  
5 head of which shall be the Assistant Secretary for Human  
6 Rights and Economic Rights. The Assistant Secretary for  
7 Human Rights and Economic Rights shall carry out those  
8 functions in the Department supporting the principles of  
9 the Universal Declaration of Human Rights passed by the  
10 General Assembly of the United Nations on December 10,  
11 1948.

12 (b) RESPONSIBILITIES.—The Assistant Secretary for  
13 Human Rights and Economic Rights shall—

14 (1) assist the Secretary, in cooperation with the  
15 Secretary of State, in furthering the incorporation of  
16 principles of human rights, as enunciated in the  
17 United Nations General Assembly Resolution 217A  
18 (III) of December 10, 1948, into all agreements be-  
19 tween the United States and other nations to help  
20 reduce the causes of violence;

21 (2) gather information on and document human  
22 rights abuses, both domestically and internationally,  
23 and recommend to the Secretary nonviolent re-  
24 sponses to correct abuses;

1           (3) make such findings available to other agen-  
2           cies in order to facilitate nonviolent conflict resolu-  
3           tion;

4           (4) provide trained observers to work with non-  
5           governmental organizations for purposes of creating  
6           a climate that is conducive to the respect for human  
7           rights;

8           (5) conduct economic analyses of the scarcity of  
9           human and natural resources as a source of conflict  
10          and make recommendations to the Secretary for  
11          nonviolent prevention of such scarcity, nonviolent  
12          intervention in case of such scarcity, and the devel-  
13          opment of programs of assistance for people experi-  
14          encing such scarcity, whether due to armed conflict,  
15          maldistribution of resources, or natural causes;

16          (6) assist the Secretary, in cooperation with the  
17          Secretary of State and the Secretary of the Treas-  
18          ury, in developing strategies regarding the sustain-  
19          ability and the management of the distribution of  
20          funds from international agencies, the conditions re-  
21          garding the receipt of such funds, and the impact of  
22          those conditions on the peace and stability of the re-  
23          cipient nations; and

24          (7) assist the Secretary, in cooperation with the  
25          Secretary of State and the Secretary of Labor, in

1        developing strategies to promote full compliance with  
2        domestic and international labor rights law.

3    **SEC. 111. INTERGOVERNMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL ON**  
4        **PEACE AND NONVIOLENCE.**

5        (a) IN GENERAL.—There shall be in the Department  
6    an advisory committee to be known as the Intergovern-  
7    mental Advisory Council on Peace and Nonviolence (here-  
8    inafter in this Act referred to as the “Council”). The  
9    Council shall provide assistance and make recommenda-  
10   tions to the Secretary and the President concerning inter-  
11   governmental policies relating to peace and nonviolent  
12   conflict resolution.

13        (b) RESPONSIBILITIES.—The Council shall—

14            (1) provide a forum for representatives of Fed-  
15        eral, State, and local governments to discuss peace  
16        issues;

17            (2) promote better intergovernmental relations;  
18        and

19            (3) submit, biennially or more frequently if de-  
20        termined necessary by the Council, a report to the  
21        Secretary, the President, and the Congress reviewing  
22        the impact of Federal peace activities on State and  
23        local governments.

1 **SEC. 112. CONSULTATION REQUIRED.**

2 (a) CONSULTATION IN CASES OF CONFLICT.—(1) In  
3 any case in which a conflict between the United States  
4 and any other government or entity is imminent or occur-  
5 ring, the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of State  
6 shall consult with the Secretary concerning nonviolent  
7 means of conflict resolution.

8 (2) In any case in which such a conflict is ongoing  
9 or recently concluded, the Secretary shall conduct inde-  
10 pendent studies of diplomatic initiatives undertaken by the  
11 United States and other parties to the conflict.

12 (3) In any case in which such a conflict has recently  
13 concluded, the Secretary shall assess the effectiveness of  
14 those initiatives in ending the conflict.

15 (4) The Secretary shall establish a formal process of  
16 consultation in a timely manner with the Secretary of the  
17 Department of State and the Secretary of the Department  
18 of Defense—

19 (A) prior to the initiation of any armed conflict  
20 between the United States and any other nation;  
21 and

22 (B) for any matter involving the use of Depart-  
23 ment of Defense personnel within the United States.

24 (b) CONSULTATION IN DRAFTING TREATIES AND  
25 AGREEMENTS.—The executive branch shall consult with  
26 the Secretary in drafting treaties and peace agreements.

1 **SEC. 113. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—There is authorized to be appro-  
3 priated to carry out this Act for a fiscal year beginning  
4 after the date of the enactment of this Act an amount  
5 equal to at least 2 percent of the total amount appro-  
6 priated for that fiscal year for the Department of Defense.

7 (b) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this sec-  
8 tion shall be construed to require a reduction in appropria-  
9 tions for the Department of Defense.

10 **TITLE II—ADMINISTRATIVE PRO-**  
11 **VISIONS AND TRANSFERS OF**  
12 **AGENCY FUNCTIONS**

13 **SEC. 201. STAFF.**

14 The Secretary may appoint and fix the compensation  
15 of such employees as may be necessary to carry out the  
16 functions of the Secretary and the Department. Except  
17 as otherwise provided by law, such employees shall be ap-  
18 pointed in accordance with the civil service laws and their  
19 compensation fixed in accordance with title 5 of the  
20 United States Code.

21 **SEC. 202. TRANSFERS.**

22 There are hereby transferred to the Department the  
23 functions, assets, and personnel of—

- 24 (1) the Peace Corps;  
25 (2) the United States Institute of Peace;



1           (3) the Office of the Under Secretary for Arms  
2       Control and International Security Affairs of the  
3       Department of State;

4           (4) the Gang Resistance Education and Train-  
5       ing Program of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and  
6       Firearms; and

7           (5) the SafeFutures program of the Office of  
8       Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention of the  
9       Department of Justice.

10 **SEC. 203. CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.**

11       Not later than 90 days after the date of the enact-  
12       ment of this Act, the Secretary shall prepare and submit  
13       to Congress proposed legislation containing any necessary  
14       and appropriate technical and conforming amendments to  
15       the laws of the United States to reflect and carry out the  
16       provisions of this Act.

17 **TITLE     III—FEDERAL     INTER-**  
18 **AGENCY     COMMITTEE     ON**  
19 **PEACE AND NONVIOLENCE**

20 **SEC. 301. FEDERAL INTERAGENCY COMMITTEE ON PEACE**  
21 **AND NONVIOLENCE.**

22       There is established a Federal Interagency Com-  
23       mittee on Peace and Nonviolence (hereinafter in this Act  
24       referred to as the “Committee”). The Committee shall—

1           (1) assist the Secretary in providing a mecha-  
2           nism to assure that the procedures and actions of  
3           the Department and other Federal agencies are fully  
4           coordinated; and

5           (2) study and make recommendations for assur-  
6           ing effective coordination of Federal programs, poli-  
7           cies, and administrative practices affecting peace.

8       **TITLE IV—ESTABLISHMENT OF**  
9       **PEACE DAY**

10   **SEC. 401. PEACE DAY.**

11       All citizens should be encouraged to observe and cele-  
12       brate the blessings of peace and endeavor to create peace  
13       on a Peace Day. Such day shall include discussions of the  
14       professional activities and the achievements in the lives of  
15       peacemakers.

