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H. R. 2811

Making supplemental appropriations for the National Institutes of Health for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 24, 2013

Mr. COHEN (for himself, Mr. HUFFMAN, and Mr. GRIJALVA) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Appropriations

A BILL

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

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Research First Act
5 of 2013”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7 The Congress finds as follows:

8 (1) In fiscal year 2013, the budget of the Na-
9 tional Institutes of Health was decreased by approxi-
10 mately \$1.55 billion pursuant to section 251A of the

1 Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control
2 Act of 1985 (2 U.S.C. 901a).

3 (2) The National Institutes of Health is the
4 true Department of Defense for the citizens of the
5 United States, conducting vital research to fight the
6 enemy of disease and protect the infrastructure of
7 the human body. Such research funding should not
8 be slashed while the Pentagon budget continues to
9 increase.

10 (3) The national security interests of the
11 United States can be well served by reducing the
12 total number of deployed nuclear warheads and their
13 delivery systems, as suggested by the Department of
14 Defense's January 2012 strategic guidance titled
15 "Sustaining U.S. Global Leadership: Priorities for
16 21st Century Defense".

17 (4) The Government Accountability Office has
18 found that there is significant waste in the construc-
19 tion of the nuclear facilities of the National Nuclear
20 Security Administration of the Department of En-
21 ergy. Significant savings can also be found by reduc-
22 ing expenditures on weapons which the military has
23 not requested such as the Abrams Tank, bringing
24 military and infrastructure operations in Afghani-

1 stan to a close, and decreasing the Nation’s reliance
2 on expensive, private contractors.

3 **SEC. 3. SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE NA-**
4 **TIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH.**

5 There is appropriated to the National Institute of
6 Health, for an additional amount for the purpose of car-
7 rying out title IV of the Public Health Service Act (42
8 U.S.C. 281 et seq.), \$1,550,000,000, out of any money
9 in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for fiscal year
10 2013.

11 **SEC. 4. RESCISSIONS.**

12 Of the unobligated balances of the following accounts,
13 the following amounts are rescinded:

14 (1) “Department of Defense—Overseas Contin-
15 gency Operations—Operation and Maintenance—Af-
16 ghanistan Infrastructure Fund”, \$400,000,000.

17 (2) “Department of Defense”, \$1,150,000,000.

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