

SEC. 404. INCREASE IN REQUIRED DISTRIBUTION OF CAPITAL GAIN NET INCOME.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Subparagraph (B) of section 4982(b)(1) is amended by striking “98 percent” and inserting “98.2 percent”.

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to calendar years beginning after the date of the enactment of this Act.

TITLE V—OTHER PROVISIONS**SEC. 501. REPEAL OF ASSESSABLE PENALTY WITH RESPECT TO LIABILITY FOR TAX OF REGULATED INVESTMENT COMPANIES.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Part I of subchapter B of chapter 68 is amended by striking section 6697 (and by striking the item relating to such section in the table of sections of such part).

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 860 is amended by striking subsection (j).

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after the date of the enactment of this Act.

SEC. 502. MODIFICATION OF SALES LOAD BASIS DEFERRAL RULE FOR REGULATED INVESTMENT COMPANIES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Subparagraph (C) of section 852(f)(1) is amended by striking “subsequently acquires” and inserting “acquires, during the period beginning on the date of the disposition referred to in subparagraph (B) and ending on January 31 of the calendar year following the calendar year that includes the date of such disposition.”.

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by this section shall apply to charges incurred in taxable years beginning after the date of the enactment of this Act.

SA 4745. Mr. REID (for Mr. CARPER) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 3167, to amend title 13 of the United States Code to provide for a 5-year term of office for the Director of the Census and to provide for authority and duties of the Director and Deputy Director of the Census, and for other purposes; as follows:

Beginning on page 5, strike line 7 and all that follows through page 6, line 23, and insert the following:

“(6) ADVISORY COMMITTEES.—

“(A) ADVISORY COMMITTEES GENERALLY.—

“(i) AUTHORITY TO ESTABLISH.—The Director may establish such advisory committees as the Director considers appropriate to provide advice with respect to any function of the Director.

“(ii) COMPENSATION AND EXPENSES.—Members of any advisory committee established under clause (i) shall serve without compensation, but shall be entitled to transportation expenses and per diem in lieu of subsistence in accordance with section 5703 of title 5.

“(B) TECHNOLOGY ADVISORY COMMITTEE.—

“(i) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of the Census Oversight Efficiency and Management Reform Act of 2010, the Director shall establish a technology advisory committee under subparagraph (A).

“(ii) MEMBERSHIP.—Members of the technology advisory committee shall be selected from the public, private, and academic sectors from among those who have experience in technologies and services relevant to the planning and execution of the census.

“(iii) DUTIES.—The technology advisory committee shall make recommendations to the Director and publish reports on the use of commercially available technologies and services to improve efficiencies and manage costs in the implementation of the census

and census-related activities, including pilot projects.

“(7) REGULATIONS.—The Director may, in consultation with the Secretary, prescribe such rules and regulations as the Director considers necessary or appropriate to carry out the functions of the Director.

“(8) DELEGATIONS, ETC.—The Director may assign duties, and delegate, or authorize successive redelegations of, authority to act and to render decisions, to such officers and employees of the Bureau as the Director may find necessary. Within the limitations of such assignments, delegations, or redelegations, all official acts and decisions of such officers and employees shall have the same force and effect as though performed or rendered by the Director. An assignment, delegation, or redelegation under this paragraph may not take effect before the date on which notice of such assignment, delegation, or redelegation (as the case may be) is published in the Federal Register.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS AND THE COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

Mrs. McCASKILL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs and the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on December 8, 2010, at 3:30 p.m., to conduct a joint hearing entitled “Examining the Efficiency, Stability, and Integrity of the U.S. Capital Markets.”

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mrs. McCASKILL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on December 8, 2010, at 10 a.m. in SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct an executive business meeting.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

ORDER OF PROCEDURE

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the cloture vote on the motion to proceed to Calendar No. 443, S. 3992, occur at 11 a.m. tomorrow, December 9, with the time following any leader time until 11 a.m. equally divided and controlled between the leaders or their designees; that following any leader statement, Senator DURBIN be recognized for up to 10 minutes, and the Senate then resume consideration of the motion to proceed to S. 3992; that during Thursday’s session, Senator BENNETT be recognized to speak for up to 20 minutes for his farewell speech and also Senator DORGAN be recognized at 2 p.m. for up to 20 minutes for his farewell speech and that Senator BUNNING be recognized for up to 30 minutes for his farewell speech.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

REGULATED INVESTMENT COMPANY MODERNIZATION ACT OF 2010

Mr. REID. I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of Calendar No. 640, H.R. 4337.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 4337) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify certain rules applicable to regulated investment companies, and for other purposes.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Mr. REID. I ask unanimous consent that the Bingaman substitute amendment which is at the desk be agreed to; the bill, as amended, be read three times, passed; the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; and any statements relating to this matter be printed in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The amendment (No. 4744) was agreed to.

(The amendment is printed in today’s RECORD under “Text of Amendments.”)

The amendment was ordered to be engrossed and the bill read a third time.

The bill (H.R. 4337), as amended, was read the third time and passed.

CENSUS OVERSIGHT EFFICIENCY AND MANAGEMENT REFORM ACT OF 2010

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to proceed to Calendar No. 647, S. 3167.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 3167) to amend title 13 of the United States Code to provide for a 5-year term of office for the Director of the Census and to provide for the authority and duties of the Director and Deputy Director of the Census, and for other purposes.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill, which had been reported from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, with amendments, as follows:

(The parts of the bill intended to be stricken are shown in boldface brackets and the parts of the bill intended to be inserted are shown in *Italic*.)

S. 3167

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Census Oversight Efficiency and Management Reform Act of 2010”.

SEC. 2. AUTHORITY AND DUTIES OF DIRECTOR AND DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE CENSUS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 21 of the title 13, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

“§ 21. Director of the Census; Deputy Director of the Census; authority and duties

“(a) DEFINITIONS.—As used in this section—

“(1) ‘Director’ means the Director of the Census;

“(2) ‘Deputy Director’ means the Deputy Director of the Census; and

“(3) ‘function’ includes any duty, obligation, power, authority, responsibility, right, privilege, activity, or program.

“(b) DIRECTOR OF THE CENSUS.—

“(1) APPOINTMENT.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—The Bureau shall be headed by a Director of the Census, appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate.

“(B) QUALIFICATIONS.—Such appointment shall be made from individuals who have a demonstrated ability in [management] *managing large organizations* and experience in the collection, analysis, and use of statistical data.

“(2) GENERAL AUTHORITY AND DUTIES.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—The Director shall report directly to the Secretary without being required to report through any other official of the Department of Commerce.

“(B) DUTIES.—The Director shall perform such duties as may be imposed upon the Director by law, regulations, or orders of the Secretary.

“(C) INDEPENDENCE OF DIRECTOR.—No officer or agency of the United States shall have any authority to require the Director to submit legislative recommendations, or testimony, or comments for review prior to the submission of such recommendations, testimony, or comments to Congress if such recommendations, testimony, or comments to Congress include a statement indicating that the views expressed therein are those of the Bureau and do not necessarily represent the views of the President.

“(3) TERM OF OFFICE.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—The term of office of the Director shall be 5 years, and shall begin on January 1, 2012, and every fifth year thereafter. An individual may not serve more than 2 full terms as Director.

“(B) VACANCIES.—Any individual appointed to fill a vacancy in such position, occurring before the expiration of the term for which such individual's predecessor was appointed, shall be appointed for the remainder of that term. The Director may serve after the end of the Director's term until reappointed or until a successor has been appointed, but in no event longer than 1 year after the end of such term.

“(C) REMOVAL.—An individual serving as Director may be removed from office by the President. The President shall communicate in writing the reasons for any such removal to both Houses of Congress not later than [30 days] 60 days before the removal.

“(4) FUNCTIONS.—The Director shall be responsible for the exercise of all powers and the discharge of all duties of the Bureau, and shall have authority and control over all personnel and activities thereof.

“(5) ORGANIZATION.—The Director may establish, alter, consolidate, or discontinue such organizational units or components within the Bureau as the Director considers necessary or appropriate, except that this paragraph shall not apply with respect to any unit or component provided for by law.

“(6) ADVISORY COMMITTEES.—The Director may establish advisory committees to provide advice with respect to any function of the Director. Members of any such committee shall serve without compensation, but shall be entitled to transportation expenses and per diem in lieu of subsistence in accordance with section 5703 of title 5.

“(7) REGULATIONS.—The Director may, in consultation with the Secretary, prescribe such rules and regulations as the Director considers necessary or appropriate to carry out the functions of the Director.

“(8) DELEGATIONS, ETC.—The Director may assign duties, and delegate, or authorize successive redelegations of, authority to act and

to render decisions, to such officers and employees of the Bureau as the Director may find necessary. Within the limitations of such assignments, delegations, or redelegations, all official acts and decisions of such officers and employees shall have the same force and effect as though performed or rendered by the Director. An assignment, delegation, or redelegation under this paragraph may not take effect before the date on which notice of such assignment, delegation, or redelegation (as the case may be) is published in the Federal Register.

“(9) BUDGET REQUESTS.—At the time the Director submits a budget request to the Secretary for inclusion in the President's budget request for a fiscal year submitted under section 1105 of title 31, and prior to the submission of the Department of Commerce budget to the Office of Management and Budget, the Director shall provide that budget information to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Governmental Affairs of the Senate, as well as the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate. All other budget requests from the Bureau to the Secretary shall be made available to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate.

“(10) OTHER AUTHORITIES.—

“(A) PERSONNEL.—Subject to sections 23 and 24, but notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Director, in carrying out the functions of the Director or the Bureau, may use the services of officers and other personnel in other Federal agencies, including personnel of the Armed Forces, with the consent of the head of the agency concerned.

“(B) VOLUNTARY SERVICES.—Notwithstanding section 1342 of title 31, or any other provision of law, the Director may accept and use voluntary and uncompensated services.

“(c) DEPUTY DIRECTOR.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—There shall be in the Bureau a Deputy Director of the Census, who shall be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Director. The position of Deputy Director shall be a career reserved position within the meaning of section 3132(a)(8) of title 5.

“(2) FUNCTIONS.—The Deputy Director shall perform such functions as the Director shall designate.

“(3) TEMPORARY AUTHORITY TO PERFORM FUNCTIONS OF DIRECTOR.—The provisions of sections 3345 through 3349d of title 5 shall apply with respect to the office of Director. The first assistant to the office of Director is the Deputy Director for purposes of applying such provisions.”

(b) TRANSITION RULES.—

(1) APPOINTMENT OF INITIAL DIRECTOR.—The initial Director of the Bureau of the Census shall be appointed in accordance with the provisions of section 21(b) of title 13, United States Code, as amended by subsection (a).

(2) INTERIM ROLE OF CURRENT DIRECTOR OF THE CENSUS AFTER DATE OF ENACTMENT.—If, as of January 1, 2012, the initial Director of the Bureau of the Census has not taken office, the officer serving on December 31, 2011, as Director of the Census (or Acting Director of the Census, if applicable) in the Department of Commerce—

(A) shall serve as the Director of the Bureau of the Census;

(B) shall assume the powers and duties of such Director, until the initial Director has taken office; and

(C) shall report directly to the Secretary of Commerce.

(c) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The item relating to section 21 in the table of sections for chapter 1 of title 13, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

“21. Director of the Census; Deputy Director of the Census; authority and duties.”

(d) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Not later than January 1, 2011, the Secretary of Commerce, in consultation with the Director of the Census, shall submit to each House of the Congress draft legislation containing any technical and conforming amendments to title 13, United States Code, and any other provisions which may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act.

SEC. 3. INTERNET RESPONSE OPTION.

Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Director of the Census, shall provide a plan to Congress on how the Bureau of the Census will test, develop, and implement an Internet response option for the 2020 Census and the American Community Survey. The plan shall include a description of how and when feasibility will be tested, the stakeholders to be consulted, when and what data will be collected, and how data will be protected.

SEC. 4. ANNUAL REPORTS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter I of chapter 1 of title 13, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

“§ 17. Annual reports

“(a) Not later than the date of the submission of the President's budget request for a fiscal year under section 1105 of title 31, the Director of the Census shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a comprehensive status report on the next decennial census, beginning with the 2020 decennial census. Each report shall include the following information:

“(1) A description of the Bureau's performance goals for each significant decennial operation, including the performance measures for each operation.

“(2) An assessment of the risks associated with each significant decennial operation, including the interrelationships between the operations and a description of relevant mitigation plans.

“(3) Detailed milestone estimates for each significant decennial operation, including estimated testing dates, and justification for any changes to milestone estimates.

“(4) Updated cost estimates for the life cycle of the decennial census, including sensitivity analysis and an explanation of significant changes in the assumptions on which such cost estimates are based.

“(5) A detailed description of all contracts over \$50,000,000 entered into for each significant decennial operation, including—

“(A) any changes made to the contracts from the previous fiscal year;

“(B) justification for the changes; and

“(C) actions planned or taken to control growth in such contract costs.

“(b) For purposes of this section, the term ‘significant decennial operation’ includes any program or information technology related to—

“(1) the development of an accurate address list;

“(2) data collection, processing, and dissemination;

“(3) recruiting and hiring of temporary employees;

“(4) marketing, communications, and partnerships; and

“(5) coverage measurement.”

(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections for chapter 1 of title 13, United States Code, is amended by inserting after the item relating to section 16 the following new item:

“17. Annual reports.”

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to budget requests for fiscal years beginning after September 30, 2010.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the committee-reported amendments be considered; the Carper amendment which is at the desk be agreed to; the committee-reported amendments be agreed to; and the bill, as amended, be read a third time and passed; the motions to reconsider be laid upon the table, with no intervening action or debate, and any statements relating to this matter be printed in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The amendment (No. 4745) was agreed to, as follows:

(Purpose: To provide for the establishment of a technology advisory committee and to strike the requirement that the Director of the Census submit a budget request each year to the Secretary of Commerce for inclusion in the President's budget request for that year)

Beginning on page 5, strike line 7 and all that follows through page 6, line 23, and insert the following:

“(6) ADVISORY COMMITTEES.—

“(A) ADVISORY COMMITTEES GENERALLY.—

“(i) AUTHORITY TO ESTABLISH.—The Director may establish such advisory committees as the Director considers appropriate to provide advice with respect to any function of the Director.

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“(B) TECHNOLOGY ADVISORY COMMITTEE.—

“(i) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of the Census Oversight Efficiency and Management Reform Act of 2010, the Director shall establish a technology advisory committee under subparagraph (A).

“(ii) MEMBERSHIP.—Members of the technology advisory committee shall be selected from the public, private, and academic sectors from among those who have experience in technologies and services relevant to the planning and execution of the census.

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The committee amendments were agreed to.

The bill (S. 3167), as amended, was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, was read the third time, and passed, as follows:

S. 3167

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

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(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 21 of the title 13, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

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“(a) DEFINITIONS.—As used in this section—

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“(b) DIRECTOR OF THE CENSUS.—

“(1) APPOINTMENT.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—The Bureau shall be headed by a Director of the Census, appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate.

“(B) QUALIFICATIONS.—Such appointment shall be made from individuals who have a demonstrated ability in managing large organizations and experience in the collection, analysis, and use of statistical data.

“(2) GENERAL AUTHORITY AND DUTIES.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—The Director shall report directly to the Secretary without being required to report through any other official of the Department of Commerce.

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“(3) TERM OF OFFICE.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—The term of office of the Director shall be 5 years, and shall begin on January 1, 2012, and every fifth year thereafter. An individual may not serve more than 2 full terms as Director.

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“(5) ORGANIZATION.—The Director may establish, alter, consolidate, or discontinue such organizational units or components within the Bureau as the Director considers necessary or appropriate, except that this paragraph shall not apply with respect to any unit or component provided for by law.

“(6) ADVISORY COMMITTEES.—

“(A) ADVISORY COMMITTEES GENERALLY.—

“(i) AUTHORITY TO ESTABLISH.—The Director may establish such advisory committees as the Director considers appropriate to provide advice with respect to any function of the Director.

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“(B) TECHNOLOGY ADVISORY COMMITTEE.—

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“(9) OTHER AUTHORITIES.—

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“(c) DEPUTY DIRECTOR.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—There shall be in the Bureau a Deputy Director of the Census, who shall be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Director. The position of Deputy Director shall be a career reserved position within the meaning of section 3132(a)(8) of title 5.

“(2) FUNCTIONS.—The Deputy Director shall perform such functions as the Director shall designate.

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(b) TRANSITION RULES.—

(1) APPOINTMENT OF INITIAL DIRECTOR.—The initial Director of the Bureau of the Census shall be appointed in accordance with the provisions of section 21(b) of title 13, United States Code, as amended by subsection (a).

(2) INTERIM ROLE OF CURRENT DIRECTOR OF THE CENSUS AFTER DATE OF ENACTMENT.—If, as of January 1, 2012, the initial Director of the Bureau of the Census has not taken office, the officer serving on December 31, 2011, as Director of the Census (or Acting Director of the Census, if applicable) in the Department of Commerce—

(A) shall serve as the Director of the Bureau of the Census;

(B) shall assume the powers and duties of such Director, until the initial Director has taken office; and

(C) shall report directly to the Secretary of Commerce.

(c) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The item relating to section 21 in the table of sections for chapter 1 of title 13, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

“21. Director of the Census; Deputy Director of the Census; authority and duties.”.

(d) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Not later than January 1, 2011, the Secretary of Commerce, in consultation with the Director of the Census, shall submit to each House of the Congress draft legislation containing any technical and conforming amendments to title 13, United States Code, and any other provisions which may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act.

SEC. 3. INTERNET RESPONSE OPTION.

Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Director of the Census, shall provide a plan to Congress on how the Bureau of the Census will test, develop, and implement an Internet response option for the 2020 Census and the American Community Survey. The plan shall include a description of how and when feasibility will be tested, the stakeholders to be consulted, when and what data will be collected, and how data will be protected.

SEC. 4. ANNUAL REPORTS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter I of chapter 1 of title 13, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

“§ 17. Annual reports

“(a) Not later than the date of the submission of the President’s budget request for a fiscal year under section 1105 of title 31, the Director of the Census shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a comprehensive status report on the next decennial census, beginning with the 2020 decennial census. Each report shall include the following information:

“(1) A description of the Bureau’s performance goals for each significant decennial operation, including the performance measures for each operation.

“(2) An assessment of the risks associated with each significant decennial operation, including the interrelationships between the operations and a description of relevant mitigation plans.

“(3) Detailed milestone estimates for each significant decennial operation, including estimated testing dates, and justification for any changes to milestone estimates.

“(4) Updated cost estimates for the life cycle of the decennial census, including sensitivity analysis and an explanation of sig-

nificant changes in the assumptions on which such cost estimates are based.

“(5) A detailed description of all contracts over \$50,000,000 entered into for each significant decennial operation, including—

“(A) any changes made to the contracts from the previous fiscal year;

“(B) justification for the changes; and

“(C) actions planned or taken to control growth in such contract costs.

“(b) For purposes of this section, the term ‘significant decennial operation’ includes any program or information technology related to—

“(1) the development of an accurate address list;

“(2) data collection, processing, and dissemination;

“(3) recruiting and hiring of temporary employees;

“(4) marketing, communications, and partnerships; and

“(5) coverage measurement.”.

(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections for chapter 1 of title 13, United States Code, is amended by inserting after the item relating to section 16 the following new item:

“17. Annual reports.”.

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to budget requests for fiscal years beginning after September 30, 2010.

NATIONAL ALZHEIMER’S PROJECT ACT

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to proceed to S. 3036.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 3036) to establish the Office of the National Alzheimer’s Project.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill which had been reported from the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, with an amendment to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof the following:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “National Alzheimer’s Project Act”.

SEC. 2. THE NATIONAL ALZHEIMER’S PROJECT.

(a) DEFINITION OF ALZHEIMER’S.—In this Act, the term “Alzheimer’s” means Alzheimer’s disease and related dementias.

(b) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established in the Office of the Secretary of Health and Human Services the National Alzheimer’s Project (referred to in this Act as the “Project”).

(c) PURPOSE OF THE PROJECT.—The Secretary of Health and Human Services, or the Secretary’s designee, shall—

(1) be responsible for the creation and maintenance of an integrated national plan to overcome Alzheimer’s;

(2) provide information and coordination of Alzheimer’s research and services across all Federal agencies;

(3) accelerate the development of treatments that would prevent, halt, or reverse the course of Alzheimer’s;

(4) improve the—

(A) early diagnosis of Alzheimer’s disease; and

(B) coordination of the care and treatment of citizens with Alzheimer’s;

(5) ensure the inclusion of ethnic and racial populations at higher risk for Alzheimer’s or least likely to receive care, in clinical, research, and service efforts with the purpose of decreasing health disparities in Alzheimer’s; and

(6) coordinate with international bodies to integrate and inform the fight against Alzheimer’s globally.

(d) DUTIES OF THE SECRETARY.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Health and Human Services, or the Secretary’s designee, shall—

(A) oversee the creation and updating of the national plan described in paragraph (2); and

(B) use discretionary authority to evaluate all Federal programs around Alzheimer’s, including budget requests and approvals.

(2) NATIONAL PLAN.—The Secretary of Health and Human Services, or the Secretary’s designee, shall carry out an annual assessment of the Nation’s progress in preparing for the escalating burden of Alzheimer’s, including both implementation steps and recommendations for priority actions based on the assessment.

(e) ADVISORY COUNCIL.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—There is established an Advisory Council on Alzheimer’s Research, Care, and Services (referred to in this Act as the “Advisory Council”).

(2) MEMBERSHIP.—

(A) FEDERAL MEMBERS.—The Advisory Council shall be comprised of the following experts:

(i) A designee of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

(ii) A designee of the Administration on Aging.

(iii) A designee of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

(iv) A designee of the Indian Health Service.

(v) A designee of the Office of the Director of the National Institutes of Health.

(vi) The Surgeon General.

(vii) A designee of the National Science Foundation.

(viii) A designee of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

(ix) A designee of the Food and Drug Administration.

(x) A designee of the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality.

(B) NON-FEDERAL MEMBERS.—In addition to the members outlined in subparagraph (A), the Advisory Council shall include 12 expert members from outside the Federal Government, which shall include—

(i) 2 Alzheimer’s patient advocates;

(ii) 2 Alzheimer’s caregivers;

(iii) 2 health care providers;

(iv) 2 representatives of State health departments;

(v) 2 researchers with Alzheimer’s-related expertise in basic, translational, clinical, or drug development science; and

(vi) 2 voluntary health association representatives, including a national Alzheimer’s disease organization that has demonstrated experience in research, care, and patient services, and a State-based advocacy organization that provides services to families and professionals, including information and referral, support groups, care consultation, education, and safety services.

(3) MEETINGS.—The Advisory Council shall meet quarterly and such meetings shall be open to the public.

(4) ADVICE.—The Advisory Council shall advise the Secretary of Health and Human Services, or the Secretary’s designee.

(5) ANNUAL REPORT.—The Advisory Council shall provide to the Secretary of Health and Human Services, or the Secretary’s designee and Congress—

(A) an initial evaluation of all federally funded efforts in Alzheimer’s research, clinical care, and institutional-, home-, and community-based programs and their outcomes;

(B) initial recommendations for priority actions to expand, eliminate, coordinate, or condense programs based on the program’s performance, mission, and purpose;

(C) initial recommendations to—

(i) reduce the financial impact of Alzheimer’s on—

(I) Medicare and other federally funded programs; and

(II) families living with Alzheimer’s disease; and