

the city and had come to an agreement that—and when, in addition, those who have been most adamant about maintaining the Height Act, including the organization which has been the real guardian of the Height Act, the Committee of 100, says it has no objection to this compromise, I think we have finally reached a compromise of the kind that we would like to see more often occur right here in the House of Representatives.

And with that, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. ISSA. Madam Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

In closing, I want to urge all Members to support the passage of H.R. 4192, and I want to close by reminding people that this is, in fact, the best vetted piece of legislation for Congress to pass in cooperation with the city in my tenure.

Thirteen D.C. city councilmen signed on to a sense of council-introduced resolution in November that stated: The Height Act should not be amended at this time.

All 13 now support this modest recommendation, and I understand the additional member also would. I am glad that the city council is seeing this modest reform as in their favor—their benefit to enhancing the beauty of those buildings, those few buildings that reach the maximum of the Height Act.

In closing, I think it is important that we echo what Delegate NORTON just said. The vast majority of homes and buildings in the District of Columbia are far lower than the Height Act. In fact, it is a relatively small part of what some people sometimes call K Street and some other corridors, where the infrastructure of the city has pressed to occupy more densely.

My hope is, by maintaining the height, the total occupancy, these penthouses will enhance that property, in many cases, with cafeteria or public access areas while still continuing to induce people to make reasonable changes in outlying areas if, in fact, additional capacity is needed either for residents of this city or, in fact, the thriving businesses of this city.

Madam Speaker, we seldom come to you with a 100-year-old bill that hasn't been dusted off. We come to you today with a 104-year-old bill, which has not been dusted off and not for a lack of a reason.

The water towers of 1910 are gone. It is time for us to use this space to maintain a view that is unmarred by highrises, but is, in fact, enhanced by the architectural creation, invention, and ingenuity of the architects who work and strive to make the buildings of Washington, D.C., pleasant and functional.

With that, I urge passage and yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from California (Mr. ISSA) that the House suspend the rules

and pass the bill, H.R. 4192, as amended.

The question was taken.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. In the opinion of the Chair, two-thirds being in the affirmative, the ayes have it.

Mr. GOHMERT. Madam Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, further proceedings on this motion will be postponed.

#### GOVERNMENT REPORTS ELIMINATION ACT OF 2014

Mr. ISSA. Madam Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 4194) to provide for the elimination or modification of Federal reporting requirements, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 4194

*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 “Government Reports Elimination Act of 2014”.

#### SEC. 2. TABLE OF CONTENTS.

The table of contents for this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Short title.

Sec. 2. Table of contents.

#### TITLE I—DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Sec. 101. Reports eliminated.

#### TITLE II—DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Sec. 201. Reports eliminated.

#### TITLE III—CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

Sec. 301. Reports eliminated.

#### TITLE IV—DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Sec. 401. Reports eliminated.

#### TITLE V—DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Sec. 501. Report on Impact Aid construction justifying discretionary grant awards eliminated.

#### TITLE VI—DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Sec. 601. Reports eliminated.

#### TITLE VII—ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Sec. 701. Great Lakes management comprehensive report eliminated.

#### TITLE VIII—EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

Sec. 801. Report relating to waiver of certain sanctions against North Korea eliminated.

#### TITLE IX—GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE

Sec. 901. Reports eliminated.

Sec. 902. Reports modified.

#### TITLE X—DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Sec. 1001. Reports eliminated.

#### TITLE XI—DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

Sec. 1101. Reports eliminated.

#### TITLE XII—DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Sec. 1201. Royalties In-Kind Report eliminated.

#### TITLE XIII—DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Sec. 1301. Reports eliminated.

#### TITLE XIV—OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE

Sec. 1401. Reports eliminated.

#### TITLE XV—DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Sec. 1501. Reports eliminated.

#### TITLE XVI—DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Sec. 1601. Reports eliminated.

Sec. 1602. Reports modified.

#### TITLE XVII—DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Sec. 1701. Reports eliminated.

#### TITLE XVIII—DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Sec. 1801. Reports eliminated.

#### TITLE I—DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

##### SEC. 101. REPORTS ELIMINATED.

(a) INFORMATION ON ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES ON COMMODITY PROMOTION PROGRAMS.—Section 501 of the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996 (7 U.S.C. 7401) is amended—

(1) by striking subsection (d); and

(2) by redesignating subsections (e) and (f) as subsections (d) and (e), respectively.

(b) UNFAIR TRADE PRACTICES REPORT AND RELATED MEETING.—Section 108 of the Act of August 28, 1954 (commonly known as the Agricultural Act of 1954; 7 U.S.C. 1748) is repealed.

(c) FARMLAND PROTECTION POLICY ACT ANNUAL REPORT.—Section 1546 of the Agriculture and Food Act of 1981 (7 U.S.C. 4207) is repealed.

(d) PEANUT BASE ACRES DATA COLLECTION AND PUBLICATION.—Section 1302(d) of the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 8752(d)) is amended by striking paragraph (3).

(e) OTHER BASE ACRES DATA COLLECTION AND PUBLICATION.—Section 1101(d) of the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 8711(d)) is amended by striking paragraph (3).

(f) BEGINNING FARMER AND RANCHER INDIVIDUAL DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNTS PILOT PROGRAM REPORT.—Section 333B of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1983b) is amended by striking subsection (e) and redesignating subsections (f) through (h) as subsections (e) through (g), respectively.

(g) RURAL BROADBAND ACCESS PROGRAM REPORT.—Section 601 of the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 (7 U.S.C. 950bb) is amended—

(1) in subsection (d)(1)(B), by striking “(k)” and inserting “(j)”; and

(2) by striking subsection (j) and redesignating subsections (k) and (l) as subsections (j) and (k), respectively.

(h) REPORT ON EXPORT CREDIT GUARANTEES TO EMERGING MARKETS.—Section 1542(e) of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (Public Law 101-624; 7 U.S.C. 5622 note) is amended—

(1) by striking “(1) EFFECT OF CREDITS.—”; and

(2) by striking paragraph (2).

(i) COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION QUARTERLY REPORT.—Section 13 of the Commodity Credit Corporation Charter Act (15 U.S.C. 714k) is amended by striking the second sentence.

(j) EVALUATION OF THE RURAL DEVELOPMENT, BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY GUARANTEED LOAN PROGRAM FINANCING OF LOCALLY OR REGIONALLY PRODUCED FOOD PRODUCTS.—Section 310B(g)(9)(B) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1932(g)(9)(B)) is amended by striking clause (iv) and redesignating clause (v) as clause (iv).

(k) UNITED STATES GRAIN STANDARDS ACT REPORTS.—Section 17B of the United States

Grain Standards Act (7 U.S.C. 87f-2) is repealed.

(1) LISTING OF AREAS RURAL IN CHARACTER.—Section 6018 of the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 (122 Stat. 1933; Public Law 110-246) is amended—

- (1) by striking “(a) RURAL AREA.—”; and
- (2) by striking subsection (b).

(m) NOTIFICATIONS TO CONGRESS ON RELEASE OF NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF PRODUCERS OPERATING UNDER MARKETING AGREEMENTS AND ORDERS.—Section 8d(2) of the Agricultural Adjustment Act (7 U.S.C. 608d(2)) is amended by striking “The Secretary shall notify the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Senate and the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives not later than 10 legislative days before the contemplated release under law, of the names and addresses of producers participating in such marketing agreements and orders, and shall include in such notice a statement of reasons relied upon by the Secretary in making the determination to release such names and addresses.”.

(n) PLANT PEST AND DISEASE MANAGEMENT AND DISASTER PREVENTION ACTION PLANS REPORTS.—Section 420(c) of the Plant Protection Act (7 U.S.C. 7721(c)) is amended by striking paragraph (3).

(o) QUARTERLY EXPORT ASSISTANCE REPORTS.—Section 603 of the Agricultural Trade Act of 1978 (7 U.S.C. 5713) is repealed.

(p) RURAL COLLABORATIVE INVESTMENT PROGRAM.—

(1) SECRETARIAL REPORT ON REGIONAL RURAL INVESTMENT BOARDS.—Section 385C(b)(7) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 2009dd-2(b)(7)) is amended—

(A) by adding “and” at the end of subparagraph (B);

(B) by striking “; and” at the end of subparagraph (C) and inserting a period; and

(C) by striking subparagraph (D).

(2) REPORT BY REGIONAL RURAL INVESTMENT BOARD TO NATIONAL RURAL INVESTMENT BOARD AND THE SECRETARY.—Section 385D(a)(7) of such Act (7 U.S.C. 2009dd-3(a)(7)) is amended—

(A) by adding “and” at the end of subparagraph (C); and

(B) by striking subparagraph (D) and redesignating subparagraph (E) as subparagraph (D).

(q) STATUS REPORT FOR FOOD FOR PROGRESS PROGRAM.—Subsection (j) of the Food for Progress Act of 1985 (7 U.S.C. 1736o) is amended by striking paragraph (3).

(r) STATUS REPORT FOR FOREIGN MARKET DEVELOPMENT.—Section 702 of the Agricultural Trade Act of 1978 (7 U.S.C. 5722) is amended by striking subsection (c).

(s) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOR SPECIALTY CROPS STATUS REPORTS.—Section 3205 of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 (7 U.S.C. 5680) is amended—

(1) by striking subsection (d); and

(2) by redesignating subsection (e) as subsection (d).

(t) SOUTHEASTERN ALASKA TIMBER REPORTS.—Section 706 of the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act is repealed.

## TITLE II—DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### SEC. 201. REPORTS ELIMINATED.

(a) EFFORTS AND PROGRESS IN BECOMING DESIGNATED AS SEA GRANT COLLEGE OR INSTITUTE.—Section 207 of the National Sea Grant Program Act (33 U.S.C. 1126) is amended by striking subsection (e).

(b) ENTERPRISE INTEGRATION STANDARDIZATION AND IMPLEMENTATION.—Section 3(c) of the Enterprise Integration Act of 2001 (15 U.S.C. 278g-5 note) is repealed.

(c) ENSURING EQUAL ACCESS TO SEA GRANT FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM.—Section 208(a) of the National Sea Grant Program Act (33 U.S.C.

1127(a)) is amended by striking the fourth sentence.

(d) TIP ACTIVITIES.—Section 28(g) of the National Institute of Standards and Technology Act (15 U.S.C. 278n(g)) is repealed.

(e) TIP ADVISORY BOARD ANNUAL REPORT.—Section 28(k)(5) of the National Institute of Standards and Technology Act (15 U.S.C. 278n(k)(5)) is repealed.

(f) NORTHWEST ATLANTIC FISHERIES ACTIVITIES.—Section 212 of the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Convention Act of 1995 (16 U.S.C. 5611) is repealed.

## TITLE III—CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

### SEC. 301. REPORTS ELIMINATED.

(a) REPORTS BY OTHER FEDERAL AGENCIES TO THE CORPORATION.—Section 182 of the National and Community Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12642) is amended by striking subsection (b).

(b) SERVICE-LEARNING IMPACT STUDY.—The National and Community Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12655) is amended by repealing part IV of subtitle B of title I.

## TITLE IV—DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### SEC. 401. REPORTS ELIMINATED.

(a) AMENDMENTS TO NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACTS.—

(1) DISPLAY OF ANNUAL BUDGET REQUIREMENTS FOR AIR SOVEREIGNTY ALERT MISSION.—Section 354 of the Duncan Hunter National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2009 (Public Law 110-417; 10 U.S.C. 221 note) is hereby repealed.

(2) ANNUAL REPORT ON RELIABILITY OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.—Section 1008 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2002 (Public Law 107-107; 10 U.S.C. 113 note) is amended—

(A) by striking subsections (a) and (b); and

(B) in subsection (d)(1), by striking “(b) or”.

(b) AMENDMENTS TO TITLE 10.—

(1) ANNUAL REPORT ON EMERGENCY AND EXTRAORDINARY EXPENSES.—Section 127 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by striking subsection (d).

(2) REPORT ON ASSISTANCE PROVIDED TO FOREIGN NATIONS TO ACCOUNT FOR MISSING U.S. PERSONNEL.—Section 408 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by striking subsection (f).

(3) INCLUSION OF NET FLOOR AREA IN REQUESTS TO BUILD MILITARY FAMILY HOUSING.—Section 2826 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(A) by striking “(a) LOCAL COMPARABILITY.—”; and

(B) by striking subsection (b).

(c) AMENDMENT TO SMALL BUSINESS ACT COMMERCIALIZATION READINESS PROGRAM.—Section 9(y)(5) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 638(y)(5)) is amended—

(1) by striking subparagraph (B);

(2) by striking “authorized to—” through “establish goals” and inserting “authorized to establish goals”; and

(3) by striking “; and” at the end and inserting a period.

## TITLE V—DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### SEC. 501. REPORT ON IMPACT AID CONSTRUCTION JUSTIFYING DISCRETIONARY GRANT AWARDS ELIMINATED.

Section 8007(b) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 7707) is amended by striking paragraph (7).

## TITLE VI—DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### SEC. 601. REPORTS ELIMINATED.

(a) SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING EDUCATION PILOT PROGRAM.—Section 983(d) of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 16323(d)) is repealed.

(b) STRATEGIC UNCONVENTIONAL FUELS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM.—Section 369(i)(3) of

Energy Policy Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 15927(i)(3)) is repealed.

(c) ENERGY EFFICIENCY STANDARDS FOR INDUSTRIAL EQUIPMENT.—Section 342(a)(6)(C)(v) of Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. 6313(a)(6)(C)(v)) is repealed.

## TITLE VII—ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

### SEC. 701. GREAT LAKES MANAGEMENT COMPREHENSIVE REPORT ELIMINATED.

Section 118(c)(10) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1268(c)(10)) is repealed.

## TITLE VIII—EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

### SEC. 801. REPORT RELATING TO WAIVER OF CERTAIN SANCTIONS AGAINST NORTH KOREA ELIMINATED.

Section 1405 of the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2008 (22 U.S.C. 2799aa-1 note) is amended by striking subsection (c).

## TITLE IX—GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE

### SEC. 901. REPORTS ELIMINATED.

(a) EXPENDITURES OF LOCAL EDUCATIONAL AGENCIES.—Section 1904 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6574) is repealed.

(b) USE OF RECOVERY ACT FUNDS BY STATES AND LOCALITIES REPORT.—Section 901 of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Public Law 111-5; 123 Stat. 191) is repealed.

(c) HELP AMERICA VOTE ACT FUNDS AUDIT.—

(1) ELIMINATION OF AUDIT.—Section 902(b) of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (42 U.S.C. 15542(b)) is amended—

(A) by striking paragraph (3); and

(B) by redesignating paragraphs (4) through (6) as paragraphs (3) through (5).

(2) PRESERVATION OF AUTHORITY TO RECOUP FUNDS RESULTING FROM PRIOR AUDITS.—Section 902(c) of such Act (42 U.S.C. 15542(c)) is amended by inserting after “subsection (b)” the following: “prior to the date of the enactment of the Government Reports Elimination Act of 2014”.

(d) STATE SMALL BUSINESS CREDIT INITIATIVE AUDIT AND REPORT.—Section 3011 of the Small Business Jobs Act of 2010 (12 U.S.C. 5710) is amended by striking subsection (b).

(e) SMALL BUSINESS LENDING FUND PROGRAM AUDIT AND REPORT.—Section 4107 of the Small Business Jobs Act of 2010 (12 U.S.C. 4741 note) is amended by striking subsection (c).

(f) HOUSING ASSISTANCE COUNCIL FINANCIAL STATEMENT AUDIT REPORT.—Section 6303(a) of the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 (42 U.S.C. 1490e note) is amended by striking paragraph (3).

### SEC. 902. REPORTS MODIFIED.

(a) NATIONAL PREVENTION, HEALTH PROMOTION AND PUBLIC HEALTH COUNCIL.—Subsection (i) of section 4001 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (42 U.S.C. 300u-1) is amended by striking “The Secretary and the Comptroller General of the United States shall jointly conduct periodic reviews” and inserting “The Secretary shall conduct periodic reviews”.

(b) POSTCARD MANDATE.—Section 719(g)(2) of title 31, United States Code is amended—

(1) by striking the first sentence and inserting the following: “The Comptroller General shall make each list available through the public website of the Government Accountability Office.”; and

(2) in the second sentence, by inserting “of Congress” after “committee or member”.

(c) ANNUAL AUDIT OF THE CONGRESSIONAL AWARD FOUNDATION.—

(1) USE OF PRIVATE AUDITOR.—Section 107 of the Congressional Award Act (2 U.S.C. 807) is amended to read as follows:

## “AUDITS

“SEC. 107. (a) CONTRACTS WITH PRIVATE AUDITOR.—The Board shall enter into a contract with an accredited private auditor to conduct an annual audit of the financial records of the Board and of any corporation established under section 106(i), and shall ensure that the auditor has access for the purpose of the audit to any books, documents, papers, and records of the Board or such corporation (or any agent of the Board or such corporation) which the auditor reasonably determines to be pertinent to the Congressional Award Program.

“(b) ANNUAL REPORT TO CONGRESS ON AUDIT RESULTS.—Not later than May 15 of each calendar year, the Board shall submit to appropriate officers, committees, and subcommittees of Congress a report on the results of the most recent audit conducted pursuant to this section, and shall include in the report information on any such additional areas as the auditor who conducted the audit determines deserve or require evaluation.”.

(2) CONFORMING AMENDMENT RELATING TO COMPLIANCE WITH FISCAL CONTROL AND FUND ACCOUNTING PROCEDURES.—Section 104(c)(2)(A) of such Act (2 U.S.C. 804(c)(2)(A)) is amended—

(A) in the first sentence, by striking “The Comptroller General of the United States” and inserting “The accredited private auditor conducting the annual audit of the financial records of the Board pursuant to section 107(a)”;

(B) in the second sentence, by striking “the Comptroller General” and inserting “the auditor”.

(d) ANNUAL GAO REVIEW OF PROPOSED HHS RECOVERY THRESHOLD.—The third sentence of section 1862(b)(9)(B)(i) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395y(b)(9)(B)(i)) is amended by striking “for a year” and inserting “for 2014”.

## TITLE X—DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### SEC. 1001. REPORTS ELIMINATED.

(a) PROHIBITION ON IMPORTATION OF PRODUCTS MADE WITH DOG OR CAT FUR.—Section 308 of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1308) is amended by striking subsection (e).

(b) PORT OF ENTRY INFRASTRUCTURE ASSESSMENT STUDY AND NATIONAL LAND BORDER SECURITY PLAN.—The Border Infrastructure and Technology Modernization Act of 2007 (title VI of division E of Public Law 110-161; 6 U.S.C. 1401 et seq.) is amended by striking sections 603 and 604.

(c) FEES FOR CERTAIN CUSTOMS SERVICES.—(1) REPEAL.—Section 13031 of the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985 (Public Law 99-272; 19 U.S.C. 58c) is amended—

(A) in subsection (a)(9), by striking subparagraph (C) and redesignating subparagraph (D) as subparagraph (C); and

(B) in subsection (f)—  
(i) in paragraph (3)—  
(I) by striking subparagraph (D); and  
(II) by redesignating subparagraph (E) as subparagraph (D);

(ii) by striking paragraph (4); and  
(iii) by redesignating paragraphs (5) and (6) as paragraphs (4) and (5), respectively.

(2) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Subsection (f) of such section is further amended—

(A) in paragraph (1)(B), by striking “paragraph (5)” and inserting “paragraph (4)”;

(B) in paragraph (3)(A), by striking “paragraph (5)” and inserting “paragraph (4)”.

(d) MODERNIZATION OF NATIONAL DISTRESS AND RESPONSE SYSTEM.—Section 346 of the (Public Law 107-295) Maritime Transportation Security Act of 2002 (14 U.S.C. 88 note), and the item relating to such section in the table of contents in section 1(b) of such Act, are repealed.

## TITLE XI—DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

### SEC. 1101. REPORTS ELIMINATED.

(a) INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SPENDING PLAN FOR TRANSFORMATION INITIATIVE.—The first sentence of the second paragraph under the heading “Department of Housing and Urban Development—Management and Administration—Transformation Initiative” in title II of division A of Public Law 111-117 (123 Stat. 3093), as amended by section 2259 of title XII of division B of Public Law 112-10 (125 Stat. 197), is amended by striking “; *Provided, That*” and all that follows through “Government Accountability Office”.

(b) SOLE SOURCE CONTRACTS REPORT.—Section 218 of the Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2012 (division C of Public Law 112-55; 125 Stat. 699) is repealed.

## TITLE XII—DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### SEC. 1201. ROYALTIES IN-KIND REPORT ELIMINATED.

Section 342(e) of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 15902(e)) is amended by striking subsection (e).

## TITLE XIII—DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### SEC. 1301. REPORTS ELIMINATED.

(a) OLDER AMERICANS ACT.—Section 515 of the Older Americans Act (42 U.S.C. 3056m) is repealed.

(b) ANDEAN TRADE PREFERENCE ACT.—Section 207 of the Andean Trade Preference Act (19 U.S.C. 3205) is repealed.

## TITLE XIV—OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE

### SEC. 1401. REPORTS ELIMINATED.

(a) TREATY ON CONVENTIONAL ARMED FORCES IN EUROPE.—Section 2(5)(E) of the Senate resolution advising and consenting to ratification of the Document Agreed Among the States Parties to the Treaty on Conventional Armed Forces in Europe (CFE) of November 19, 1990, adopted at Vienna May 31, 1996 (Treaty Doc. 105-5) (commonly referred to as the “CFE Flank Document”), 105th Congress, agreed to May 14, 1997, is repealed.

(b) REPORTS ON COMMERCE WITH, AND ASSISTANCE TO, CUBA FROM OTHER FOREIGN COUNTRIES.—

(1) REPEAL.—Section 108 of the Cuban Liberty and Democratic Solidarity (LIBERTAD) Act of 1996 (22 U.S.C. 6038) is repealed.

(2) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of contents in section 1(b) of such Act is amended by striking the item relating to section 108.

(c) IDENTIFICATION OF COUNTRIES OF CONCERN WITH RESPECT TO THE DIVERSION OF CERTAIN GOODS, SERVICES, AND TECHNOLOGIES TO OR THROUGH IRAN.—

(1) REPEAL.—Section 302 of the Comprehensive Iran Sanctions, Accountability, and Divestment Act of 2010 (22 U.S.C. 8542) is repealed.

(2) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 303(b) of such Act (22 U.S.C. 8543(b)) is amended—

(A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by striking “a report—” and inserting “a report notifying those committees of the designation of the country.”; and

(B) by striking paragraphs (1) and (2).

(3) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of contents in section 1(b) of such Act is amended by striking the item relating to section 302.

## TITLE XV—DEPARTMENT OF STATE

### SEC. 1501. REPORTS ELIMINATED.

(a) REPORT ON PROGRESS TOWARD REGIONAL NON-PROLIFERATION IN SOUTH ASIA.—Section 620F of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2376) is amended by striking subsection (c).

(b) REPORT ON TIBET NEGOTIATIONS.—Section 613 of the Foreign Relations Authorization Act, Fiscal Year 2003 (22 U.S.C. 6901 note) is amended to read as follows:

### “SEC. 613. TIBET NEGOTIATIONS.

“(a) IN GENERAL.—The President and the Secretary should encourage the Government of the People’s Republic of China to enter into a dialogue with the Dalai Lama or his representatives leading to a negotiated agreement on Tibet.

“(b) COMPLIANCE.—After such an agreement is reached, the President and the Secretary should work to ensure compliance with the agreement.”.

## TITLE XVI—DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### SEC. 1601. REPORTS ELIMINATED.

(a) REPORTS OF AIR TRAFFIC SERVICES COMMITTEE.—Section 106(p)(7) of title 49, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by striking subparagraph (H); and  
(2) by redesignating subparagraph (I) as subparagraph (H).

(b) ANNUAL SUMMARIES OF AIRPORT FINANCIAL REPORTS.—Section 47107(k) of title 49, United States Code, is repealed.

(c) ANNUAL REPORT ON PIPELINE SAFETY INFORMATION GRANTS TO COMMUNITIES.—Section 60130 of title 49, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by striking subsection (c); and  
(2) by redesignating subsection (d) as subsection (c).

(d) ANNUAL REPORT ON PILOT PROGRAM FOR INNOVATIVE FINANCING OF AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL EQUIPMENT.—Section 182 of the Vision 100—Century of Aviation Reauthorization Act (117 Stat. 2515; 49 U.S.C. 44502 note) is amended—

(1) by striking subsection (e); and  
(2) by redesignating subsection (f) as subsection (e).

(e) REPORTS ON JUSTIFICATIONS FOR AIR DEFENSE IDENTIFICATION ZONES.—Section 602 of the Vision 100—Century of Aviation Reauthorization Act (117 Stat. 2563), and the item relating to that section in the table of contents contained in section 1(b) of that Act, are repealed.

(f) ANNUAL REPORT ON STANDARDS FOR AIRCRAFT AND AIRCRAFT ENGINES TO REDUCE NOISE LEVELS.—Section 726 of the Wendell H. Ford Aviation Investment and Reform Act for the 21st Century (114 Stat. 167; 49 U.S.C. 47508 note) is amended by striking subsection (c).

### SEC. 1602. REPORTS MODIFIED.

Section 1138(a) of title 49, United States Code, is amended by striking “at least annually, but may be conducted”.

## TITLE XVII—DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### SEC. 1701. REPORTS ELIMINATED.

(a) ANNUAL REPORT ON THE NORTH AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK.—Section 2 of Public Law 108-215 is repealed.

(b) REPORT ON VOTING ON INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS LOAN PROPOSALS.—Section 701 of the International Financial Institutions Act (22 U.S.C. 262d) is amended by striking subsection (c) and redesignating subsection (d) through subsection (g) (as added by section 501(g) of Public Law 96-259) as subsections (c) through (f), respectively.

(c) REPORT ON NEW IMF ARRANGEMENTS REGARDING RATES AND MATURITIES.—Section 605 of the Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 1999 (112 Stat. 2681-223), as enacted into law by section 101(d) of division A of the Omnibus Consolidated and Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1999 (Public Law 105-277), is amended by striking subsection (d).

(d) REPORT ON SIGNIFICANT MODIFICATIONS.—The Government Securities Act

Amendments of 1993 (Public Law 103-202) is amended—

- (1) by striking section 203; and
- (2) in the table of contents for such Act, by striking the item relating to section 203.

#### **TITLE XVIII—DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**

##### **SEC. 1801. REPORTS ELIMINATED.**

(a) ANNUAL REPORT ON ACTIVITIES AND PROPOSALS INVOLVING CONTRACTING FOR PERFORMANCE BY CONTRACTOR PERSONNEL OF WORK PREVIOUSLY PERFORMED BY DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES.—Section 8110 of such title is amended—

- (1) by striking subsection (c); and
- (2) by redesignating subsections (d), (e), and (f) as subsections (c), (d), and (e), respectively.

(b) ANNUAL REPORT ON PROCUREMENT OF HEALTH-CARE ITEMS.—Section 8125 of such title is amended—

- (1) by striking subsection (d); and
- (2) by redesignating subsection (e) as subsection (d).

(c) ANNUAL REPORT ON STAFFING FOR NURSES AND NURSE ANAESTHETISTS AT DEPARTMENT FACILITIES.—Section 7451(e) of such title is amended—

- (1) by striking paragraph (5); and
- (2) by redesignating paragraph (6) as paragraph (5).

(d) ANNUAL REPORT ON USE OF AUTHORITIES TO ENHANCE RETENTION OF EXPERIENCED NURSES.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter II of chapter 73 of such title is amended by striking section 7324.

(2) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections at the beginning of such chapter is amended by striking the item relating to section 7324.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from California (Mr. ISSA) and the gentlewoman from the District of Columbia (Ms. NORTON) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from California.

##### **GENERAL LEAVE**

Mr. ISSA. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous materials on the bill under consideration.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from California?

There was no objection.

Mr. ISSA. I yield myself such time as I may consume.

I urge my colleagues to support H.R. 4194, the Government Reports Elimination Act of 2014. The Government Reports Elimination Act is part of the committee's efforts to reduce waste and duplication in the Federal Government.

It eliminates 69 unnecessary agency reports to Congress and eliminates or streamlines 10 required GAO, Government Accountability Office, mandates.

The Congressional Budget Office estimates that H.R. 4194 will save several million dollars. That doesn't sound like a lot in the Federal budget, but think of the key people who have to prepare those reports. The people that are most knowledgeable of what is going on are often the people taken away for these reports.

These reports were vetted by sending out a questionnaire to every chairman and every ranking member in the House, asking them do they still need these reports. After going through multiple rounds, we determined that these were the reports that no Member of Congress or no committee any longer needed.

This is a modest reform. I would have liked to have done a few more. In fact, I would like to make sure that, in every Congress, every 2 years, a similar bill be brought, asking are those reports still needed and eliminating the ones that are not.

I am assured that if we do so, as we create 69 new reports every year, we can eliminate 69 old reports, saving millions of dollars, but more importantly, freeing up the most valuable people often in the executive branch that must participate in the preparation of these.

The GPRA Modernization Act of 2010 directs agencies and the OMB to work together to identify duplicative and outdated reports to Congress. In January of 2013, the Office of Management and Budget posted that list on their Web site, [www.performance.gov](http://www.performance.gov), and these reports come from that list.

Madam Speaker, I think enough has been said. The American people want us not to waste their money. Congress is determined that we should eliminate unnecessary reports. The Office of Management and Budget has produced a list. We have culled through that list, worked with all the chairmen, and today give you this list of savings.

With that, I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. NORTON. Madam Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

As a member of the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee, I rise in support of this important legislation. I am pleased to join my colleagues and Chairman ISSA today in support of H.R. 4194, the Government Reports Elimination Act, as amended.

Congress often requires reports from executive branch agencies, and these reports can be a valuable tool to scrutinize performance and assess agency goals. However, with the passage of time, reporting requirements can become outdated and unnecessary.

Congress and the executive branch recognized in the Government Performance and Results Modernization Act of 2010 that improved coordination across the Federal Government benefits the taxpayer and government alike.

Pursuant to that act, the Office of Management and Budget publishes a list of plans or reports that are produced by the executive branch pursuant to congressional mandate. The act requires the administration to identify potentially outdated or duplicative plans and reports and provide views for their elimination.

In January 2013, the Office of Management and Budget produced a list that identified over 300 congression-

ally-mandated plans and reports as potentially outdated or duplicative. Majority and minority staffs of our committee worked together to identify specific reports that are currently produced, but should be eliminated.

H.R. 4194 would eliminate the statutory requirements to prepare reports that are produced by 18 Federal agencies. Implementing H.R. 4194 would reduce the administrative costs to these agencies by reducing the number of reports that must be prepared and printed.

The Congressional Budget Office estimates that implementing the bill reduces the costs that are subject to appropriation by about \$1 million over the next 5 years. The bill contains no intergovernmental or private sector mandates and would impose no costs on State, local, and tribal governments.

H.R. 4194 provides for greater efficiency for a more effective Federal Government with the elimination of duplicative or unnecessary reports.

Madam Speaker, I strongly urge my colleagues to join me in supporting this bill, and I am pleased to yield back the balance of my time.

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Mr. ISSA. Madam Speaker, I urge all Members to support the passage of H.R. 4194, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from California (Mr. ISSA) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 4194, as amended.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### **BATTLE OF MILL SPRINGS STUDY**

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska. Madam Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 298) to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study to evaluate the significance of the Mill Springs Battlefield located in Pulaski and Wayne Counties, Kentucky, and the feasibility of its inclusion in the National Park System, and for other purposes.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 298

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

##### **SECTION 1. BATTLE OF MILL SPRINGS STUDY.**

(a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds as follows:

(1) In 1994, the Mills Springs Battlefield in Pulaski and Wayne Counties in Kentucky was designated as a National Historic Landmark by the Department of the Interior.

(2) The Battle of Mill Springs was the first significant Union victory in the western theater of the Civil War.

(3) The outcome of the Battle of Mill Springs, along with Union victories at Fort Henry and