

Mikulski	Roberts	Toomey
Murkowski	Rockefeller	Udall (CO)
Murphy	Schatz	Udall (NM)
Murray	Schumer	Walsh
Nelson	Shaheen	Warner
Pryor	Stabenow	Wicker
Reid	Thune	

NAYS—40

Blumenthal	Hirono	Reed
Booker	Johnson (WI)	Risch
Boxer	Klobuchar	Rubio
Brown	Lee	Sanders
Cantwell	Levin	Scott
Corker	Manchin	Sessions
Crapo	Markey	Shelby
Cruz	McCain	Tester
Flake	McCaskill	Vitter
Franken	Menendez	Warren
Gillibrand	Merkley	Whitehouse
Grassley	Moran	Wyden
Harkin	Paul	
Heller	Portman	

NOT VOTING—4

Chambliss	Feinstein
Coburn	Inhofe

The motion was agreed to.

Ms. MIKULSKI. I move to reconsider the vote.

Mr. REID. I move to lay that motion on the table.

The motion to lay on the table was agreed to.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. HEINRICH). The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

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

CORRECTING THE ENROLLMENT OF H.R. 83

Mr. REID. I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of H. Con. Res. 122, correcting the enrollment of H.R. 83, providing a new title; that the concurrent resolution be agreed to; and the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table with no intervening action or debate.

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

The concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 122) was agreed to.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGREE-MENT—MANDATORY QUORUM REQUIRED UNDER RULE XXII

Mr. REID. I ask unanimous consent that the mandatory quorum required under rule XXII be waived with respect to the cloture motions filed during today's discussion on the nominations.

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

MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. REID. I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to a period of morning business, during which time Senators be permitted to speak for up to 10 minutes each.

EXPLANATION OF CONGRESSIONAL INTENT

Mr. REID. Mr. President, the intent of division N, section 101 is to establish separate limits for funds raised into separate, segregated accounts established by national political party committees for certain specified purposes. All of these funds are "hard money" subject to all of the source limitations, prohibitions, and disclosure provisions of the act.

The first account, described in section 315(a)(9)(A) of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, "FECA", as amended, is intended to allow a national committee of a political party—other than a national congressional campaign committee—to defray expenses related to a Presidential nominating convention using funds raised under separate, increased limits. Section 315(a)(9)(A) also caps the aggregate amount of expenditures a national political party committee may make from such account with respect to any convention at \$20,000,000. This section is intended to provide national political party committees with a means of acquiring additional resources to be used specifically in connection with the funding of Presidential nominating conventions because such conventions may no longer be paid for with public funds. It is the intent to allow these funds to be used in the same manner as the former public funds could have been used, as well as to pay for the costs of fundraising for this segregated account.

The second account, described in section 315(a)(9)(B) of FECA, as amended, is intended to permit a national committee of a political party—including a national congressional campaign committee of a political party—to defray expenses incurred with respect to the construction, purchase, renovation, operation and furnishing of party headquarters buildings located throughout the United States, including the cost of fundraising for this segregated account, using funds raised under separate, increased limits. Funds in these accounts also may be used to repay loans and other obligations incurred for the purpose of defraying such building expenses, including loans and obligations incurred 2 years before the date of the enactment of this act.

The third account, described in section 315(a)(9)(C) of FECA, as amended, is intended to permit a national committee of a political party—including a national congressional campaign committee of a political party—to defray expenses incurred with respect to the preparation for and the conduct of election recounts and contests and other legal proceedings, including the costs of fundraising for this segregated account, using funds raised under a separate limit. Section 101 of division N is not intended to modify Federal Election Commission precedent permitting the raising and spending of funds by campaign or State or national party committees. See FEC Advisory Opin-

ions 2006-24, 2009-4. Section 101 is also intended to permit the national parties to use such funds for costs, fees, and disbursements associated with other legal proceedings.

Finally, under current law coordinated limits do not apply even absent these provisions to the existing accounts as described in section 315 of FECA and therefore it is the intent of the amendments contained herein that expenditures made from the accounts described in section 315(a)(9) of FECA, many of which, such as recount and legal proceeding expenses, are not for the purpose of influencing Federal elections, do not count against the coordinated party expenditure limits described in section 315(d) of FECA.

FIRST STATE HISTORICAL NATIONAL PARK

Mr. CARPER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to engage in a colloquy with the chair of the Energy and Natural Resources Committee, Senator LANDRIEU, concerning the authorization of the First State National Historical Park that was included within H.R. 3979, the National Defense Authorization Act.

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

Mr. CARPER. As the chairman is aware, our staffs worked diligently with property owners and other stakeholders in the drafting of the language authorizing the First State National Historical Park within H.R. 3979. The authorization includes language that redesignates the sites currently within the boundary of the First State National Monument and authorizes four additional sites—the Old Swedes Church, Fort Christina, the John Dickinson Plantation, and the Ryves Holt House—to be included within the boundary of the new First State National Historical Park. The language authorizes the National Park Service to acquire the listed additional sites only under very specific parameters, including by purchase from a willing seller; by exchange, which can only be achieved if the property owner consents; or by donation. No lands or interests in land can be acquired by condemnation, so no landowner can be forced to sell their property for inclusion in the park. To further clarify our intent, the legislation references a map outlining the boundaries for each of the eligible sites.

I would like to ask the Chair of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources whether she agrees with my intent and understanding of the language authorizing the First State National Historical Park within H.R. 3979 in that no additional property can be included in the boundaries of the park until the U.S. government has acquired the property, and furthermore, that no property can be acquired—either in fee title or an interest in land, such as an easement—unless acquired from a landowner who willingly desires to sell or

donate. I would also like to ask the chairman if it is her understanding that none of these properties could be acquired for inclusion within the boundaries of the park by the exercise of Federal power of eminent domain?

Ms. LANDRIEU. I want to thank the Senator from Delaware for raising these important issues. I agree with his understanding and description of the land acquisition provisions for the First State National Historical Park within H.R. 3979, that the language does not permit condemnation, so that the only way a specific property can be acquired by the Federal Government is through a voluntary sale by the landowner.

Mr. CARPER. I thank the Senator from Louisiana for her comments and her leadership on this issue. I also would like to thank the committee staff, especially David Brooks, for all the hard work they have done over the years to make a national park a reality in Delaware.

BUDGETARY REVISIONS

Mrs. MURRAY. Mr. President, the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2013, which Congress passed a year ago this month, not only provided relief to families, servicemembers, and the economy from the harmful effects of sequestration, but also put an end to the recent fiscal crises and uncertainty by establishing a bipartisan budget for two years.

Pursuant to section 116 of the Bipartisan Budget Act, I previously filed budgetary aggregates and committee allocations for budget year 2015. Today, I am adjusting those levels to account for H.R. 83, the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015.

Section 251 of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 establishes statutory limits on discretionary spending and allows for various adjustments to those limits, while sections 302 and 314(a) of the Congressional Budget Act allows the Chairman of the Budget Committee to establish and make revisions to allocations, aggregates, and levels consistent with those adjustments. H.R. 83, which has

passed the House, is eligible for the following adjustments:

Division A, the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, which includes \$91 million in budget authority and \$40 million in outlays that is designated as disaster funding, and \$25 million in budget authority and \$7 million in outlays designated as an emergency.

Division C, the Department of Defense Appropriations Act, which includes \$64 billion in budget authority and \$30.476 billion in outlays that is designated as Overseas Contingency Operations funding, and \$112 million in budget authority and \$119 million in outlays that is designated as emergency funding.

Division G, the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, which includes \$1.484 billion in budget authority and \$1.277 billion in outlays for program integrity initiatives, and \$2.742 billion in budget authority and \$933 million in outlays designated as an emergency.

Division I, the Military Construction and Veterans Affairs and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, which includes \$221 million in budget authority that is designated as Overseas Contingency Operations.

Division J, the State, Foreign Operations, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, which includes \$9.258 billion in budget authority and \$2.233 billion in outlays that is designated as Overseas Contingency Operations funding, and \$2.526 billion in budget authority and \$468 million in outlays designated as an emergency.

Because I previously filed adjustments for most of these bills after they were reported by the Committee on Appropriations, the adjustments I am making today takes into account those existing adjustments and reflect only the net difference.

In total, I am revising the budgetary aggregates for 2015 by a total of \$11.351 billion in budget authority and \$3.983 billion in outlays. I am also revising the budget authority and outlay allocations to the appropriations com-

mittee for 2015 by a total of \$6.048 billion in revised nonsecurity budget authority, \$5.967 billion in revised security budget authority, and \$4.567 billion in total outlays.

I am pleased to note that the funding in the omnibus appropriations bill is fully consistent with the bipartisan limits on discretionary spending agreed to in the Bipartisan Budget Act.

Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the following tables detailing the changes to the allocation to the Committee on Appropriations and the budgetary aggregates be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

DETAIL BY CATEGORY ON ADJUSTMENTS TO FISCAL YEAR 2015 ALLOCATIONS TO COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 302 AND 314(a) OF THE CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET ACT

[\$s in billions]

	Adjustments Made for Committee-Reported Bills*	Total Funding Eligible for Adjustments in H.R. 83	Changes to Existing Adjustments to Match Total H.R. 83 Adjustments
Overseas Contingency Operations			
BA	68.344	73.479	5.135
Outlays	30.868	32.709	1.841
Emergency			
BA	0.000	5.405	5.405
Outlays	0.075	1.527	1.452
Program Integrity Initiatives			
BA	0.000	1.484	1.484
Outlays	0.000	1.277	1.277
Disaster			
BA	0.100	0.091	-0.009
Outlays	0.043	0.040	-0.003
Total			
BA	68.444	80.459	12.015
Outlays	30.986	35.553	4.567

* Excludes adjustments made for the Department of Homeland Security Appropriations bill, which is funded in H.R. 83 on a temporary basis through February 27th, 2015, and therefore no further adjustments are appropriate at this time.

DETAIL ON ADDITIONAL ADJUSTMENTS BY SUBCOMMITTEE TO FISCAL YEAR 2015 ALLOCATIONS TO COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 302 AND 314(a) OF THE CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET ACT

[\$s in billions]

	Program Integrity	Disaster Relief	Emergency	Overseas Contingency Operations	Total
H.R. 83. Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015*					
Agriculture					
Budget Authority	0.000	-0.009	0.025	0.000	0.016
Outlays	0.000	-0.003	0.007	0.000	0.004
Defense					
Budget Authority	0.000	0.000	0.112	4.281	4.393
Outlays	0.000	0.000	0.044	2.108	2.152
Labor-HHS-ED					
Budget Authority	1.484	0.000	2.742	0.000	4.226
Outlays	1.277	0.000	0.933	0.000	2.210
MilCon-VA					
Budget Authority	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.221	0.221
Outlays	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
State-Foreign Operations					
Budget Authority	0.000	0.000	2.526	0.633	3.159
Outlays	0.000	0.000	0.468	-0.267	0.201
Total					
Budget Authority	1.484	-0.009	5.405	5.135	12.015
Outlays	1.277	-0.003	1.452	1.841	4.567
Breakdown of Above Adjustments by Category					
Revised Security Category Budget Authority	0.000	0.000	0.112	5.855	5.967