

By fiscal year, in millions of dollars—

	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2018–2022
INCREASES IN SPENDING SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION						
Estimated Authorization Level	0	3	6	6	6	21
Estimated Outlays	0	3	6	6	6	21

BASIS OF ESTIMATE

This estimate assumes that H.R. 5089 will be enacted near the start of fiscal year 2019 and that necessary funds will be appropriated each year.

H.R. 5089 would direct DHS to prioritize the assignment of federal officers and intelligence analysts to existing fusion centers in jurisdictions where high-risk surface transportation systems are located to enhance information sharing about security-related threats. (Fusion centers are state and locally owned facilities that serve as focal points for coordinating the efforts of government agencies and other entities involved in law enforcement and other security-related activities.) The act also would require the department to establish a framework for operators of transportation facilities to follow in establishing centers to integrate and oversee daily operations and authorize DRS to provide training to nonfederally enforcement agencies.

The act does not specify how DHS should prioritize the assignment of its employees, but based on information from the department about current staffing levels, CBO expects that providing the envisioned level of support to fusion centers would require additional federal personnel. Using information from DHS, CBO estimates that as many as 36 such centers oversee high-risk transportation-related assets. For this estimate, CBO assumes that DRS would deploy one full-time employee (at an average annual cost of about \$175,000) to each of those centers. Assuming the department would hire additional staff gradually over the next year, CBO estimates that implementing the legislation would cost \$3 million in 2019 and \$21 million over the next five years. Costs could be higher or lower depending on how many employees DRS determines are necessary to work with the fusion centers and carry out other activities under the act.

PAY-AS-YOU-GO CONSIDERATIONS

None.

INCREASE IN LONG-TERM DIRECT SPENDING AND DEFICITS

CBO estimates that enacting H.R. 5089 would not increase net direct spending or on-budget deficits in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2028.

MANDATES

H.R. 5089 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in UMRA.

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HONORING HOOSIER HOMESTEAD
AWARD RECIPIENTS

HON. LUKE MESSER

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 29, 2018

Mr. MESSER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate 18 farms in the Sixth Congressional District of Indiana who have received a

Hoosier Homestead Award for their commitment to Indiana agriculture.

In honor of Indiana's rich agricultural heritage, the Hoosier Homestead Award Program recognizes farms that have been owned by the same family for 100 years or more. I am proud that 18 farms within the Sixth Congressional District have met these qualifications and have received the Hoosier Homestead award. These include:

William S. Emly Farm (Decatur County).
Oesterling Homestead (Decatur County).
Rosfeld Farm (Franklin County).
Meyer Family Farm (Franklin County).
Kolb Farm (Franklin County).
Funke Farm (Jennings County).
Hobson Farm (Randolph County).
Huffman Family Farm (Randolph County).
Timke Farm (Ripley County).
Kohlman Farm (Ripley County).
Huber Farm (Ripley County).
Crum Farm (Ripley County).
Francis Graham Farms Inc. (Rush County).
Linville Farm (Shelby County).
Dake Farm (Shelby County).
Crandell Farm (Switzerland County).
Romerill Farm (Switzerland County).
Gavin-Beck Family Homestead (Union County).

On behalf of the entire Sixth Congressional District of Indiana, it is my privilege to recognize these farms for this award and their lasting impact and commitment on our community.

CELEBRATING THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY
OF THE RESERVE OFFICERS
ASSOCIATION NATIONAL
HEADQUARTERS BUILDING

HON. JACK BERGMAN

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 29, 2018

Mr. BERGMAN. Mr. Speaker, it is my honor to congratulate the Reserve Officers Association of the United States (ROA) on the 50th anniversary celebration of their national headquarters building in Washington, D.C. On February 22, 1968, the ROA Minuteman Memorial Building officially opened at One Constitution Avenue, NE at the corners of 1st Street and Constitution across the street from the U.S. Capitol Building and the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

ROA is a professional association of federally commissioned Reserve and National Guard officers, non-commissioned officers (E5 and above), former officers, and spouses of the uniformed services of the United States to include Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, and Coast Guard, plus the U.S. Public Health Service and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. ROA advocates for adequate funding of equipment and training requirements, recruiting and retention incentives, and employment rights for all members of the Reserve Components. ROA also advises and

educates Congress, the president, and the American people on national security issues.

The Association was founded in 1922 when one hundred forty-four officers, most of them combat veterans of World War I, first gathered with General of the Armies John J. "Black Jack" Pershing at the Willard Hotel in Washington, D.C., to formally establish a new organization.

During World War II, the Association became inactive "for the duration" as its members went off to war. ROA was reactivated in 1946, and in 1948, Reserve Officers of the Naval Services (RONS) merged with ROA. The Marine Corps joined later the same year, with the Coast Guard entering in 1949. When law created a separate Department of the Air Force, for the first time the nation had, in ROA, a Reserve association embracing all the Services.

Public Law 595 of the 81st Congress established the objective of ROA, to "support and promote the development and execution of a military policy for the United States that will provide adequate National Defense." President Harry S. Truman, one of the early members of ROA, signed the charter on June 30, 1950.

ROA was first headquartered in The Lee House at 1653 Pennsylvania Ave NW from 1924 to 1938. The house, which later became the presidential Blair-Lee House, was conveniently located directly across the street from what was then called the State-War-Navy Building (now the Eisenhower Executive Office Building) and cater-cornered to the White House. The intervening years between 1938 and 1966 resulted in ROA outgrowing several headquarter "homes" around the capital city.

Finally, in early 1966, ROA decided to have a permanent headquarters building and purchased three brick boarding houses at 1 Constitution Ave NE on Capitol Hill for \$314,000 and, thus, began building a permanent national headquarters called the Minuteman Memorial Building.

The architectural firm Mills, Pettitcord & Mills of Washington, D.C. was asked to proceed with the final plans and specifications for the new ROA headquarters while a major fundraising campaign began with a \$1,500,000 goal to offset the cost of purchasing the land and erecting a new building. The entire project cost ROA \$1,610,156, but with the generosity of ROA members and benefactors, no mortgage was needed in the end.

ROA members worldwide were actively involved in the concept, design, construction and fundraising of the Minuteman Memorial building, including Lieutenant Commander Alan B. Mills, one of the architects of the new building.

So much pride went into the new Minuteman Memorial building that a sign at the construction site reminded all passersby that "The Reserves Care Enough to Share Enough to Keep our Country Free." This legacy continues today with the 821,600 Reserve Component members who serve daily from every state and in dozens of countries around the globe.

Mr. Speaker, I ask the 115th Congress to join me in congratulating ROA on the 50th anniversary celebration of their national headquarters building. On behalf of my constituents, I wish the ROA all the best in its future endeavors.

HONORING FIRST CHOICE HEALTH CARE

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 29, 2018

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor an organization who has shown what can be done through hard work, dedication and a desire to serve their community, First Choice Health Care. First Choice Health Care has served as a support system to families of Yazoo County.

Veronica Starling attended Hinds Nursing Allie Health Center. She was in the first LPN to RN bridge program. Five years later, Starling decided to take her career to the next level by becoming a business woman. Starling formed First Choice Health Care through her career as a nurse. First Choice Health Care opened in Yazoo County, Mississippi in 2015. With 52 employees, the local facility provides quality care for loved ones in a home-like atmosphere.

First Choice Home Health can provide services to all 82 counties within the State of Mississippi. Overall the company employs 218 people and currently provides services in 39 counties. The Yazoo City locations have the largest staff.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing First Choice Home Health for its dedication to serving others and giving back to the community.

RECOGNIZING McMAHON/RYAN CHILD ADVOCACY CENTER DURING CHILD ABUSE AWARENESS & PREVENTION MONTH

HON. JOHN KATKO

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 29, 2018

Mr. KATKO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize April as Child Abuse Awareness & Prevention Month and to honor the tremendous work of McMahon/Ryan Child Advocacy Center in Syracuse, New York.

According to the Department of Health and Human Services, over 683,000 children were victims of child abuse or neglect in 2015, a number that has held steady for years. Additionally, 1,670 children died from child abuse or neglect in 2015 and according to the National Child Traumatic Stress Network, the majority of these deaths could have been prevented.

Since 1983, April has been designated as Child Abuse Awareness & Prevention month. In recent years, the focus of the month on recognition and prevention has expanded to include promoting healthier parenting and strong families.

In Central New York, we are incredibly fortunate to have McMahon/Ryan Child Advocacy

Center as a strong resource. This organization works to prevent child abuse and neglect and to provide care and support for those who have endured abuse. The goal of McMahon/Ryan is to end child abuse, and to ensure that the community fully understands the impact of abuse.

The McMahon/Ryan Child Advocacy Center offers a variety of life-changing programs which work efficiently every day to support victims of Child Abuse, and stop child abuse outright. Throughout the month of April, McMahon/Ryan will recognize Child Abuse Prevention Month with its annual "Go Blue 4 Kids" Campaign. In 1989, Bonnie Finney, a grandmother in Virginia began the blue-ribbon campaign as a tribute to her three-year-old grandson who had died at the hands of abuse. The blue ribbon remains a symbol of childhood abuse and neglect prevention across the United States. Additionally, the blue pinwheel is a national symbol of child abuse and neglect prevention. It stands as an uplifting reminder that all children deserve a happy childhood and future. Purchasing a pinwheel this month helps McMahon/Ryan contribute to the lives of children directly in our community.

I encourage all Central New Yorkers to "Go Blue" during the month of April and to support the work of McMahon/Ryan Child Advocacy Center to help end child abuse.

RECOGNIZING THE 39TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE TAIWAN RELATIONS ACT

HON. ILEANA ROS-LEHTINEN

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 29, 2018

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN. Mr. Speaker, April 10, 2018 marks the 39th anniversary of the Taiwan Relations Act, one of the most important components of U.S. policy toward Taiwan. In addition to President Reagan's 1982 Six Assurances, the Taiwan Relations Act forms the cornerstone of the U.S.-Taiwan relationship, providing unequivocal guidance for relations with our ally, an ally whose progress has been an inspiration to all those still suffering under repressive governments. Taiwan's vibrant democracy, open society, and free market are examples to the world of what can be achieved when innovation and human rights are allowed to flourish. They also make Taiwan a natural partner for the United States, a partnership that has served as an anchor for peace and security in the Western Pacific. As we celebrate the 39th anniversary of this critical law, it is incumbent upon the United States to ensure we are doing everything in our power to ensure the promise of the Taiwan Relations Act, assisting Taiwan so that she can resist all types of political, economic, and military coercion by the regime in Beijing, and strengthening the already formidable U.S.-Taiwan partnership.

The American Institute in Taiwan's new compound in Taipei's Neihu district exemplifies the significant progress being made in the U.S.-Taiwan relationship and our long-term commitment to our ally. Built with American materials and by American workers, the compound is a symbol of strong U.S.-Taiwan relations, and made even more powerful by the fact that our lease is for 99 years, a number

signifying longevity in Taiwanese culture. With an inaugural ceremony for the new compound to be held on June 12, 2018, I am looking forward to visiting as soon as possible and I encourage all my colleagues to visit and support the U.S.-Taiwan relationship.

Signed into law on March 16, 2018, the Taiwan Travel Act is another illustration of our strong partnership with Taiwan. I was a proud cosponsor of this law which states that it should be U.S. policy to not only allow visits from Taiwanese officials at all levels of government, but to encourage and facilitate these visits. It also states that our own policy-makers, including at the highest levels of government, should visit Taiwan for face-to-face meetings with their counterparts. For too long, administration after administration have caved to Chinese pressure and self-imposed restrictions in our relations with Taiwan. With the Taiwan Travel Act, the United States is doing the right thing by our friend and ally and taking another step toward taking full advantage of our wonderful partnership.

Finally, the U.S.-Taiwan economic relationship is very robust as Taiwan is the United States' eleventh largest trading partner and the United States is Taiwan's second largest. Taiwan's free market and importance in global supply chains make it an ideal place for foreign investment and Americans have recognized this fact with the United States becoming Taiwan's largest investor and an important exporter of agricultural goods to Taiwan. We must keep looking for ways to mutually benefit from our growing partnership, including through new trade deals.

With the anniversary of the Taiwan Relations Act fast approaching, this is an opportune time to review the U.S.-Taiwan partnership and work toward making our relations even stronger, and I am looking forward to working with all my colleagues to see how we can do just that.

WILLIAM R. HOSEY

HON. DONALD NORCROSS

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 29, 2018

Mr. NORCROSS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor William R. Hosey, a constituent of Haddon Heights, Camden County, located in New Jersey's First Congressional District, on the occasion of his retirement as assistant business manager of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW), Local Union 351.

Mr. Hosey has been a member of IBEW for 37 years, serving as president, business agent, and assistant business manager. In his roles and responsibilities, Mr. Hosey has represented more than 2,300 IBEW members and distinguished himself as an influential labor advocate for fair, equal, and safe working conditions for the hardworking men and women of Southern New Jersey.

Brother Hosey is a 1978 graduate of Lenape High School in Medford, New Jersey, and graduated in 1986 from an electrical apprenticeship.

Throughout his career, Brother Hosey has been a valued member of IBEW Local 351 & 439's Pension, Annuity and Health and Welfare Funds.