(b) PUBLIC COMMENT.—The Secretaries shall— (1) develop a process to allow members of the public to comment regarding the identification of trails and args under subsection (a); and

of trails and areas under subsection (a); and (2) consider the identification, development, and completion of long-distance bike trails in a

(c) MAPS, SIGNAGE, AND PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS.—For any long-distance bike trail identified under subsection (a), the Secretary concerned may—

geographically equitable manner.

(1) publish and distribute maps, install signage, and issue promotional materials; and

(2) coordinate with stakeholders to leverage any non-Federal resources necessary for the stewardship, development, or completion of trails.

(d) REPORT.—Not later than 2 years after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretaries, in partnership with interested organizations, shall prepare and publish a report that lists the trails identified under subsection (a), including a summary of public comments received in accordance with the process developed under subsection (b).

(e) CONFLICT AVOIDANCE WITH OTHER USES.— The Secretary concerned shall ensure that each long-distance bike trail or area identified under subsection (a)—

(1) does not conflict with—

(A) the uses, before the date of the enactment of this Act, of any trail or road that is part of that long-distance bike trail;

(B) multiple-use areas where biking, hiking, horseback riding, or use by pack and saddle stock are existing uses on the date of the enactment of this Act:

(C) the purposes for which any trail was or is established under the National Trails System Act (16 U.S.C. 1241 et seq.); and

(D) any area managed under the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.); and

(2) complies with land use and management plans of the Federal recreational lands that are part of that long-distance bike trail.

### GATEWAY SOLIDARITY ACT

### H.R. 7002

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 "Gateway Solidarity Act".

### SEC. 2. ILLUMINATION OF THE GATEWAY ARCH IN SUPPORT OF UKRAINE.

To show support and solidarity with the Ukrainian people, the Secretary of the Interior shall illuminate the Gateway Arch in St. Louis, Missouri, by blue and yellow lights—

(A) in 2022, within 15 days following enactment of this act, for no fewer than 5 consecutive days; and

(B) annually on August 24, in recognition of Ukrainian Independence Day, until the President reports to Congress that the government of the Russian Federation has ceased its destabilizing activities with respect to the sovereignty and territorial integrity of Ukraine.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to House Resolution 1232, the ordering of the yeas and nays on postponed motions to suspend the rules with respect to such measures is vacated to the end that all such motions are considered as withdrawn.

The question is on the motion offered by the gentlewoman from Connecticut (Ms. Delauro) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bills.

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. JORDAN. Mr. 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 question are postponed.

TRANSPORTATION, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, AND RE-LATED AGENCIES APPROPRIA-TIONS ACT, 2023

#### GENERAL LEAVE

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members have 5 legislative days to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material on H.R. 8294.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentlewoman from Connecticut?

There was no objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to House Resolution 1232 and rule XVIII, the Chair declares the House in the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for the consideration of the bill, H.R. 8294.

The Chair appoints the gentlewoman from North Carolina (Ms. Manning) to preside over the Committee of the Whole.

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### IN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Accordingly, the House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for the consideration of the bill (H.R. 8294) making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2023, and for other purposes, with Ms. Manning in the chair.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The CHAIR. Pursuant to the rule, the bill is considered read the first time.

General debate shall be confined to the bill and shall not exceed 1 hour equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations or their respective designees.

The gentlewoman from Connecticut (Ms. DELAURO) and the gentlewoman from Texas (Ms. GRANGER) each will control 30 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Connecticut.

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Ms. DELAURO. Madam Chair, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Over this last year, Congress began to restore our investments after the years of disinvestment that working families, the middle class, and vulnerable people believe was wrong. Spending has favored the biggest corporations and special interests, which got heard first in Washington. But hardworking Americans are still paying high taxes and have not seen a pay increase in years.

The spike in the cost of living, gas prices, and rent are blows to so many. That has guided our priorities, and it has guided these bills.

In the Appropriations Committee, we were determined to put together bills that ensure we offset the rise in prices produced by blocked supply chains, the greed of oil companies, and the Russian invasion of Ukraine.

H.R. 8294, the package of the six 2023 appropriations bills before us, provides the critical funding America needs. Instead of catering to big corporations and the wealthy, we uphold our commitment with this legislation that helps lower the cost of living, creates American jobs, gives working families a better shot, and supports small businesses. As we do so, we tackle our Nation's and the world's toughest crises.

We reach some of our most vulnerable Americans by funding the programs that keep roofs over the heads of millions and keep food on the tables of millions more. We strengthen nutrition assistance through WIC, food stamps, and child nutrition programs like school meals. We increase access to affordable housing with rental assistance programs and improve the safety and living conditions of those in public housing. We also expand opportunities for families with support for homeownership programs.

These bills help invigorate rural communities as we expand broadband, strengthen water programs in rural areas, and invest in single-family home loans.

We support Native Americans and honor the Federal Government's responsibilities to Native families by investing in strong and resilient Tribal communities, including through housing, education, and healthcare programs.

We also transform the ways we meet the needs of our veterans, who deserve and who have earned our support, including the 9.2 million veterans who rely on the VA for their healthcare, by increasing funding for medical programs. For the first time ever, we put VA medical care into its own funding category so that funding for veterans does not have to compete with other critical programs.

Supporting those who protect us also means protecting servicemembers and their families and communities all over our Nation. We invest in our national security and improve our military readiness through robust investments in critical military installations at home and abroad and in the wellbeing of our servicemembers and their families.

At the same time, we also make our communities safer by supporting victims while fighting crime, violence, and corruption.

This package strengthens our capacity to work for all Americans. We ensure the IRS has the resources to crack down on big corporations and the wealthy who do not pay their fair share and provide better customer service to families navigating the tax system. We protect consumers with more funding for critical consumer protection agencies by strengthening our food safety

infrastructure, including oversight of the baby formula industry.

We do this while bolstering economic development in distressed communities and strengthening our economy and our economic growth by supporting small businesses and entrepreneurs as they pursue the American Dream. We create jobs and put Americans to work rebuilding our infrastructure. We help small businesses grow and thrive, foster the green energy jobs of tomorrow, and support a skilled and growing workforce.

We confront the existential threat of climate change and strengthen our resiliency on various fronts, including by investing in cleaner, safer, and more affordable American energy, advancing climate science, conserving our land and water, expanding environmental enforcement, and embracing stronger environmental justice efforts.

Finally, with inclusion of nearly 2,700 community project funding requests totaling over \$6 billion, we are directly meeting the needs of Americans everywhere in ways that will have a profound and lasting impact.

When taken together, this package meets the moment at a time when so many want to see critical changes in our priorities. It reaches every corner of our Nation to give hardworking Americans, the middle class, and the vulnerable a better shot. I urge my colleagues to support these bills.

I thank the subcommittee staff, led by our clerks, for all of their work: Christina Monroe with the Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Subcommittee; Martha Foley with the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Subcommittee; Scott McKee with the Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies Subcommittee; Matt Smith with Financial Services and General Government Subcommittee; Rita Culp with the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Subcommittee; and Jenny Neuscheler with the Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Subcommittee.

I also thank all the subcommittee chairs and ranking members for their efforts and their dedication to these efforts. Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Subcommittee Chair PINGREE is not here today, but I specifically thank her for her work. This bill makes transformative investments in our environment, and this is in large part because of her relentless advocacy.

Madam Chair, I urge support for the bill, and I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. GRANGER. Madam Chair, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Madam Chair, I rise today in opposition to H.R. 8294, a package of six appropriations bills.

As we sit here today, inflation is 9.1 percent above last year, the highest it has been in more than 40 years. Econo-

mists recommend that American households budget an extra \$5,000 this year to cover rising prices. That is over \$400 a month. Many families simply can't afford this.

Under this administration, prices of everyday goods are skyrocketing. For example, gas prices hit an unprecedented \$5 a gallon; energy services, like electricity and natural gas, are up 19 percent; and groceries have increased over 12 percent, the highest jump since 1979.

Americans are paying more for just about everything. The social spending pushed by Members on the other side of the aisle is a key driver of today's inflation. Simply put, record-high spending by the government means recordhigh prices for the American people. Unfortunately, the bills before us do not reduce spending or reflect the economic realities we face.

Many of these bills receive doubledigit percentage increases, including a 70 percent increase for Financial Services and General Government, an 18 percent increase for Interior-Environment, and a 12.2 percent increase for Transportation-Housing and Urban Development.

At a time when Americans are struggling to pay for gas and groceries, the Federal Government should be reducing spending. We should prioritize core responsibilities, such as our national security, and we must cut extravagant social programs.

In addition to my concerns about funding levels, the policies proposed in these bills do not reflect a bipartisan agreement. In particular, the bills before us today drop longstanding pro-life protections that prevent taxpayer funding for abortions. The bills allow for the closure and transfer of dangerous criminals from Guantanamo Bay to the United States and worsen our Nation's energy crisis.

Just a few months ago, we were able to come to an agreement and enact the fiscal year 2022 appropriations bills. Those bills continued longstanding policies supported in the past by Members of both parties and drop new controversial provisions. I hope we will be able to do the same this year so that those bills can get to the President's desk and be signed into law.

Madam Chair, I urge a "no" vote, and I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. DELAURO. Madam Chair, I yield 4 minutes to the gentlewoman from Ohio (Ms. KAPTUR), the chairwoman of the Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies.

Ms. KAPTUR. Madam Chair, I thank Chair Delauro very much for her indefatigable leadership of this committee in service to the American people. I also thank Ranking Member Granger, as well as the dedicated staff. Special plaudits to Ranking Member SIMPSON, a hardworking, serious Member of Congress who devotes his considerable talents to real challenges facing our Nation

Our 2023 Energy and Water bill takes a significant step forward to secure American energy independence, rebuild critical infrastructure, foster scientific innovation, and sustain life on our corner of Mother Earth.

We meet at a time when Lake Mead, once the largest water reservoir in the United States, is now at record-low levels due to a punishing Western drought across seven States that is sucking the Colorado River dry. London, England, has experienced its hottest day at 104 degrees, and forest fires are raging now across Europe and in our Nation, as well.

Madam Chair, 6,600 wildland firefighters and support personnel are containing 85 large fires and complexes that have already burned over 3 million acres in 13 of our States. Fourteen new large fires have been reported, seven in Texas, two in Alaska, two in Washington, and one each in Arizona, California, and Idaho.

In addition, Putin's unjust war against Ukraine crystalizes how essential having a comprehensive energy independence strategy is for our Nation, for our economy, and surely for our security.

America has been making great progress since the Department of Energy was established in 1977, but we are not at home plate in energy independence. With this bill, we are rounding second base and running hard toward third on our way to home plate. We are diversifying across many energy sectors that hold promise and are climate-friendly: advanced nuclear, hydrogen, solar, and wind, but also thermal heat recapture, conservation, and so much more.

In traditional sectors since 2010, oil production has doubled, and natural gas production is about 60 percent higher. But, of course, those supplies are finite. We must advance to infinite energy sources for the long haul of our country and world.

Our bill invests over \$56 billion for America's energy and water priorities while supporting good-paying jobs across the country. Key investments include \$48.2 billion for the Department of Energy, \$3.3 billion above enacted. Within the Department of Energy, as our citizens experience water shortages, wildfires, and fiercer weather events, energy efficiency and renewable energy receive record funding of \$4 billion—yes, an \$800 million increase above enacted. We live in unusual times.

That includes a new office of State and community energy programs that receives \$562 million to increase energy affordability at a time of inflation and transform our energy economy by working more cooperatively with State, local, and community-level partners.

ARPA-E receives \$550 million, \$100 million above enacted, to literally invent a new energy future for this country

The Office of Science receives \$8 billion, \$525 million above enacted, which

is so vital to America's energy innovation and research in the physical sciences.

The new Defense Production Act Domestic Clean Energy Accelerator receives \$100 million to expand domestic manufacturing and help America lead in solar and other clean energy industries that are being hacked every day by, frankly, our political enemies.

We responsibly fund our nuclear deterrent while increasing funding for

nonproliferation programs.

The bill provides nearly \$11 billion, \$2.8 billion above the budget request, to rebuild our water infrastructure and respond to the severe Western drought.

The CHAIR. The time of the gentle-

woman has expired.

Ms. DELAURO. Madam Chair, I yield an additional 1 minute to the gentlewoman from Ohio.

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These investments in the Army Corps of Engineers and Bureau of Reclamation are critical to protecting and supplying communities in every district of our Nation.

Our bill increases funding for regional commissions which promote economic development in economically challenged regions and distressed counties across our country. Our bill will strengthen the foundational components that underpin every aspect of decent life in our Nation and represents a strategic investment in America's future, without question.

Madam Chair, I thank the staff who worked tirelessly to put this bill together: Scott McKee, Brian Smith, Will Ostertag, Daniela Todesco, Eric Lipka, John Howes, and Angie Giancarlo.

Ms. GRANGER. Madam Chair, I yield 5 minutes to the gentleman from Idaho (Mr. SIMPSON), the ranking member of Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies Subcommittee.

Mr. SIMPSON. Madam Chair, I thank the gentlewoman for yielding time.

Madam Chair, I rise today in opposition to H.R. 8294, the six-bill fiscal year 2023 appropriations package that includes the Energy and Water Development appropriations bill.

Unfortunately, these bills are based on funding levels that passed the House without any Republican support—zero Republican support. Like the President's budget request, the majority's Energy and Water bill overfunds certain nondefense programs and short-changes our national security needs.

For example, the bill before us is below the budget request for weapons activities and naval reactors—a budget request that many of us considered insufficient to address the current global threats.

We must uphold our Nation's strong nuclear deterrence posture, and to do that, we must adequately fund the activities necessary to maintain a safe, reliable, and effective stockpile. Yet, the bill before us cuts some of these programs below last year, below the budget request, and leaves other items completely out.

On the other hand, the bill increases energy efficiency and renewable energy activities by more than 25 percent over last year's—and that is on top of the tens of billions—I repeat—tens of billions of dollars in the infrastructure bill programs that are in the early stages of implementation.

The bill includes funding for the President's proposal to use the Defense Production Act for nonemergency issues. For instance, even the Department of Energy has indicated that there is no supply shortage of insulation. Yet, the administration is claiming it is such an emergency that it justifies use of the Defense Production Act.

With inflation at the highest levels in 40 years, we need to be more judicious about how much and where we allocate our discretionary appropriations.

While Republicans have concerns with the overall direction of this bill, I would note there are also programs that, if considered individually, House Republicans could support. For example, strong support for the Army Corps of Engineers including specific Community Project Funding and additional programmatic funding that has long been a bipartisan priority.

Of great importance to me, of course, is the Department of Energy's Nuclear Energy program. I appreciate that the bill continues support for:

Work on microreactors, including the MARVEL program.

Work to ensure a supply of highassay low-enriched uranium, which will be necessary for many of the next generation of reactors.

The Advanced Reactors Demonstration Program; and

The national laboratories infrastructure necessary to enable these other activities to succeed.

I would like to work with my colleagues as we move the bill forward to better support the Advanced Small Modular Reactors demonstration program.

The NuScale SMR is the first ever NRC-approved SMR design, and we need to ensure this demonstration succeeds.

Madam Chair, before I yield back, I would acknowledge Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Chairwoman KAPTUR's continued commitment to addressing individual Member priorities on both sides of the aisle. I thank the chair for that consideration, and she has been a pleasure to work with across the aisle.

I also thank the staff for their hard work over the past several months, particularly Scott, Brian, Will, Daniela, and Jaime of the majority staff; Angie and Austin of the minority staff; and Sarah in my personal staff.

Finally, I thank Chairwoman DELAURO and Ranking Member GRANGER of the full committee for their leadership and support of the important programs in this bill and doing the appropriations process in regular order.

Ms. Delauro. Madam Chair, I yield myself such time as I may consume. Before I yield to the gentleman from North Carolina, I would say that Chairman Price, this will be the last time he brings an appropriations bill to the floor of the House of Representatives. I think I speak for all of us when I say that his honesty, his integrity, his commitment to the legislative process and making it work for the people, not only in his district but all over the United States, is really pretty extraordinary.

I quote from Shirley Chisholm, the first African-American woman who was elected to the House of Representatives, when she said that public service is the rent you pay for space on this Earth.

DAVID PRICE has paid that rent over and over and over again.

Madam Chair, it gives me great pleasure to yield 6 minutes to the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. PRICE), the chairman of the Transportation, and Housing, and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Subcommittee.

Mr. PRICE of North Carolina. Madam Chair, I thank the chairwoman for those kind and generous words. And I do rise in strong support of this critical legislation. As chairman of the Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Subcommittee, or T-HUD as we call it, I first thank my partner and ranking member, Mario Diaz-Balart, for his cooperative and collaborative relationship this year and for many years prior, including when our roles were reversed.

Madam Chair, the bipartisan work we do in assembling our subcommittee bills reflects an earlier era when the Appropriations Committee presented a united front throughout the process. That era, regrettably, has passed, but the cooperative work remains at the subcommittee level. What we have done has made this a better bill, and hopefully will help us achieve agreement eventually and finalize T-HUD and other bills.

Division A of the bill, the T-HUD section, represents our continued commitment to upgrading our aging transportation infrastructure, addressing our Nation's affordable housing and homelessness crises, bolstering our resiliency in the face of climate change and natural disasters, remedving inequities and disparities in our housing and transportation systems, and prioritizing safety—whether that is eliminating hazards in public housing or improving the certification of aircraft.

Overall, the bill includes \$90.9 billion in discretionary funding; that is an increase of \$9.85 billion over the current year.

The bill also provides \$77.6 billion to fully fund programs that utilize the Highway Trust Fund as part of last year's historic and bipartisan Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act.

For housing, we continue to ensure housing stability for five million people by fully renewing all Housing Choice Vouchers and meeting the renewal needs of public housing, homeless assistance grants, and several other initiatives. This is coupled with new investments, including more than 140,000 new tenant-based vouchers for low-income families and people experiencing or at risk of homelessness, over 5,600 new affordable housing units for seniors and people with disabilities, and more than 6,700 new vouchers for veterans experiencing homelessness and youth aging out of foster care.

The bill also provides an 8 percent increase for the HOME program, an 11 percent increase for NeighborWorks programs, and a historic 29 percent increase for Choice Neighborhoods, a program that, like housing for the elderly and for people with disabilities, our subcommittee has brought back into production after they were on life sup-

port.

I was able to see some of these lifechanging investments firsthand in my own State in Winston-Salem, where I toured a Choice Neighborhood with my colleague, KATHY MANNING. And there are more to come.

Importantly, the bill provides, for the first time, a major investment in our Nation's manufactured housing, by providing \$500 million for a new program to preserve and revitalize this essential form of housing that has been too long overlooked. Many of these communities have faced significant infrastructure and resiliency challenges. This bill recognizes the opportunities that will come from direct investments in manufactured housing, a portion of our housing stock that provides for over 20 million people.

On the transportation side, the bill upholds the commitment to respond to transportation needs across all modes: highways, transit, rail, aviation, bike and pedestrian projects, and ports. It invests in the safety and reliability of our passenger and freight rail systems, including a combined \$1.2 billion for the CRISI program and the Federal-State Partnership for Intercity Passenger Rail. That has been and remains a signature emphasis of our subcommittee.

I am particularly proud of this aspect of the bill as we build out the Raleigh to Richmond corridor, the next step in the Southeast Corridor from Washington to Charlotte and eventually Atlanta. These regional corridors represent the future of passenger rail in this country, and they are critical to reducing congestion and lowering greenhouse gas emissions.

The bill also provides robust funding for our transit infrastructure, including \$3 billion for Capital Investment Grants, or New Starts, to create new transit routes nationwide, and \$646 million for Transit Infrastructure Grants to help transit agencies innovate and improve public transit.

Madam Chair, before closing, I, too, thank our staff for their immeasurable contributions to this bill and for guiding the Members and staff on both sides of the aisle through this process.

Starting with our wonderful chief clerk, Christina Monroe, as well as Josephine Eckert, Winnie Chang, Xavier Arriaga, Samhita Subramanian, and Rachel Keyes, along with Leigh Whittaker on my personal staff, and Doug Disrud on the minority side.

Since this is my last time presenting the T-HUD bill, I also want to mention all of the staff who helped me and my colleagues through the subcommittee process since I took on the ranking member and eventually the chairman's role. That includes three previous clerks: Kate Hallahan, Joe Carlisle, Matt Washington; and it includes Angela Ohm, Sarah Puro, Becky Salay, Jenny Neuscheler, and Gladys Barcena at the subcommittee, as well as Laura Thrift, Kate Roetzer, Sean Maxwell, and Nora Blalock from my own staff. A hearty thanks to all of you.

Mr. Chairman, in closing, this year's T-HUD will make forward-looking investments in our housing and transportation infrastructure while bolstering safety and uplifting vulnerable populations. It will benefit communities across America and lay a strong foundation for economic growth and resiliency.

Mr. Chair, I urge my colleagues to support this legislation.

Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Chairman, I yield 3 minutes to the gentleman from Florida (Mr. DIAZ-BALART), the ranking member of the Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development Subcommittee.

Mr. DIAZ-BALART. Mr. Chairman, I rise in opposition to the bill in its current form but there are some really good things in this legislation, and I will talk about why I can't support it at this time.

But first, I thank my dear friend, Chairman PRICE, for his work on the T-HUD portion of the bill, and, most importantly, as the chairwoman said, for his lifetime of honorable service to this country.

I know that the committee and Congress will miss Mr. PRICE. He has been, frankly, a privilege to work with. Not that we don't have disagreements, but we always work through those disagreements in a respectful, open process.

Evidence of his life and his service can be found in this bill as well as other past T-HUD bills. One example, Mr. Chairman, is the manufactured housing initiative that will, frankly, help revitalize communities across the Nation. Chairman PRICE listened to stakeholders and developed this innovative program with his characteristic deep understanding of policy.

I have said—and I know he doesn't feel it is a negative thing, on the contrary, I say it with great compliment—that he is a total policy wand, Mr. Chairman. And this is one of those areas where you see his policy involvement

Some of you may not know that the Committee on Appropriations unanimously voted to name this efficiently the Preservation and Reinvestment Initiative for Community Enhancement, PRICE, after Chairman PRICE. And I thank the chairman for including the funding that he did for port infrastructure. I would also mention that he and I, and the entire T-HUD Committee, have always made safety a priority, and this bill continues in that tradition.

The bill modernizes air traffic control systems to make sure that they are the safest in the world, as well as it makes progress in road and rail safety.

We share a priority of supporting American innovation, whether it is automated vehicles to unmanned aircraft to commercial space, this bill makes key investments in those areas as well. And it provides over \$3 billion above last year, just to maintain HUD's current rental assistance programs. And that is something that, obviously, we all support, but I want to mention that those are things that once we do, we have to continue to fund every single year. Obviously, I support renewing this assistance, especially to the elderly, our disabled, and our veterans.

Again, much of the HUD spending in this bill will create new liabilities for future years. For example, the bill expands Section 8—a program that obviously we all know about—by \$1.1 billion.

This new spending would, in essence, require several billion dollars for renewals in future years. So, in essence, it becomes a de facto mandatory requirement which creates many, many issues.

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Let me be clear. I cannot support the bill at its current spending level. The bill was written under unrealistic top-line numbers, set by the majority. As a result, this bill has an overall increase of 12 percent above last year, which is, again, not acceptable. Inflation is at a 40-year high.

The Acting CHAIR (Mr. PHILLIPS). The time of the gentleman has expired. Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Chair, I yield an additional 1 minute to the gentleman from Florida.

Mr. DIAZ-BALART. Mr. Chair, inflation is at a 40-year high. Contrary to what some say, we cannot address inflation by spending more money—by continuing to spend more and more money. Instead, we need an agreement that reduces excessive spending that balances defense and nondefense spending, and, again, removes all of the controversial riders.

Once that happens, Mr. Chair, I am confident that we will be able to reach an agreement that this House and the majority and the minority can live with.

Again, I thank Chairman PRICE for his leadership, his friendship, and openness. He will be missed. I would be remiss if I didn't thank the chairwoman and the ranking member of the full committee for their leadership.

I am confident that we will eventually be able to have numbers that we can live with and have a bipartisan bill, but until then, I have to oppose the bill.

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Chair, I yield 4 minutes to the gentleman from Georgia (Mr. BISHOP), the chairman of the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Subcommittee.

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Mr. Chair, I rise in support of H.R. 8294. As chairman of the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Subcommittee, I am pleased to highlight the national priorities funded in our division.

The impact of the agriculture division is far-reaching and it touches the lives of every single American. We all eat the food, rely on the medicine and the medical devices, and wear products made from fibers, such as cotton, that are made possible by this bill.

Our fiscal year 2023 allocation is \$27.2 billion, which is \$2 billion over the fiscal year 2022 bill. The bill provides \$4.2 billion for Rural Development initiatives, including more than \$560 million for broadband expansion to provide economic development opportunities and improved education and healthcare services. The bill continues important funding for the Community Facilities Program that supports everything from libraries and fire stations to childcare centers and nursing homes.

Our bill fully funds the SNAP, WIC, and Child Nutrition programs. It continues to enhance fruit and vegetable benefits for women and children and provides additional protections for SNAP recipients. We have record-high funding for the Food for Peace program, \$1.8 billion, and \$265 million for the McGovern-Dole program, critically needed in light of the global food crisis that has worsened following the Russian invasion of Ukraine.

The bill provides \$3.8 billion for agriculture research, which helps the United States produce the most abundant and affordable food in the world, and provides \$3.1 billion in farm and conservation programs, which includes funding to address the impacts of climate change.

The Food and Drug Administration is funded at \$3.6 billion in discretionary funding. There are important increases to help combat the opioid crisis, support unannounced inspections of foreign drug manufacturing facilities, and ensure the safety of infant formula.

Finally, the bill provides funding for 134 Community Project Funding requests for members, totaling over \$191 million.

Mr. Chair, I urge my colleagues to support this bill. I thank the ranking member, Dr. HARRIS, and his staff for helping produce this bill. I thank my personal staff and the subcommittee staff for their extraordinary work on the bill. Of course, I thank Chair-

woman DELAURO and Ranking Member GRANGER, as well as the majority and minority staffs of the full committee.

Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Chair, I yield 6 minutes to the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. JOYCE), the ranking member of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Subcommittee.

Mr. JOYCE of Ohio. Mr. Chair, I rise today in opposition to H.R. 8294.

Before I get into the details of the Interior-Environment section of the bill, I thank Chairwoman DELAURO and Ranking Member GRANGER for their leadership on the Appropriations Committee.

I also extend my sincere thanks to CHELLIE PINGREE, the chair of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Subcommittee. Chair PINGREE has been a fair leader, and I appreciate the work she has done on the many bipartisan priorities in the Interior bill, and to her staff for their tireless efforts.

The Interior bill provides funding for many important and critical programs that help conserve and protect our Nation's most critical natural, cultural, and environmental resources. More than that, it makes investments that matter to communities, businesses, and industries across the country.

The bill provides strong support for our National Parks, helps fight catastrophic wildfires, addresses our aging infrastructure, and fully funds the Payment in Lieu of Taxes, or PILT program.

I am grateful for my home district in Ohio that the bill provides increased funding for the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative. The GLRI funding is critical in our work to restore and protect the lakes for future generations.

Finally, I am pleased the bill advances longstanding efforts to increase the Federal commitment to honor our treaties and trust responsibilities with the American Indians and Alaskan Natives by providing a \$12.6 billion investment in Indian Country; and a new provision that will help ensure sovereignty of Tribal laws.

Unfortunately, while I am supportive of many of the bipartisan components of the bill, I am unable to support it today given serious spending and policy concerns.

First and foremost, the bill fails to recognize the situation the country is now in and reverse this administration's assault on conventional energy production.

It eliminates longstanding, bipartisan provisions and adds new, controversial policy riders that would weaken U.S. energy and mineral security by limiting domestic development of these and other natural resources.

Given the rising energy costs and unprecedented prices we are seeing at the gas pump, it is now more important than ever that we continue to support our all-of-the-above energy strategy.

New provisions would prevent and disincentivize domestic production, only making us more dependent on our adversaries. Simply put, these provi-

sions undermine the American energy sector and fail to put American industries and the American people first.

Similar riders were dropped from the final conference agreement last year, and the same must be done again before this bill can be signed into law.

We must also address the spending in this bill before we can reach a final agreement. With a top-line increase of nearly \$7 billion in double-digit increases across many of the agencies, the spending is simply irresponsible in the absence of a broader, fiscally responsible Federal budget.

With record-high inflation under this administration, now is the time to limit spending. The Federal Government must make the tough choices to live within its means and work to rein in Federal spending to protect families from inflationary pressures and future generations from crippling debt.

It is the combination of these funding and policy reasons that I cannot support the bill at this time.

I look forward to supporting amendments to improve H.R. 8294, including one to remove a harmful rider on trophy permits, and my amendment to add limits on the burdensome SEC climate rule.

The SEC, which has no mandate to regulate carbon emissions, wants public companies to disclose new climaterelated information, including greenhouse gas emissions. These requirements have already lessened investor enthusiasm for domestic drilling and oil protection.

At the same time, my friends on the other side of the aisle ask our energy producers to expand capacity—which, of course, requires investment.

Make no mistake, this rule will impact businesses of all kinds—small and large, public and private, energy and non-energy.

Under this rule, many public companies will be required to disclose not only their greenhouse gas emissions, but also the emissions of businesses upstream and downstream in their value chain.

Congress created the SEC to protect investors, maintain fair, orderly, and efficient markets, and facilitate capital formation—not to set climate pol-

Unfortunately, the agency has lost its focus. I look forward to the debate on these key issues across all our appropriations bills and am committed to working with Chair PINGREE and our colleagues as the fiscal year 2023 process moves forward to craft legislation that can receive bipartisan support.

Until then, I strongly urge my colleagues to vote "no" on this package.

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Chair, I yield 1 minute to the gentlewoman from California (Ms. Pelosi), the distinguished Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Ms. PELOSI. Mr. Chair, I thank the gentlewoman for yielding. I thank her for her unsurpassed leadership as chair of the Appropriations Committee, for

reflecting the values of our country, based on her leadership in terms of listening to the American people and meeting their kitchen-table needs, and, again, advancing us into the future.

We said about many of these initiatives: When we pass this, we will be making history. Not only that, we will be making progress, thanks to the leadership of Chairwoman Rosa DELAURO, chair of the committee. It is a source of great joy to me because I served on the committee with her, saw her leadership then and now as chair.

Let me just describe—people say: What is a minibus?

A minibus is a minibus. It is not an omnibus. Sometimes we would have a bill that contained all of the appropriations bills. Omni, all. Omnibus. This is a minibus, which contains six of the bills—six very important pieces of legislation—and hopefully we will move soon to pass the others.

With these bills, our Democratic majority advances many of our Nation's cherished principles and priorities, including job creation, expanding opportunity, and protecting health and wellbeing.

Let us salute the masterful Chairwoman Rosa Delauro, a maestro of the appropriations process, who is a constant source of inspiration, leadership, and strategic thinking for all of us.

I also thank our cardinals for their hard work in carefully crafting each of these six very important bills contained in this minibus. You are called a cardinal if you rise to be a chair of one of the subcommittees of Appropriations. It is a great honor.

Mr. Chair, I do want to acknowledge the work of Chairman SANFORD BISHOP. We just heard from him about food, agriculture, rural development, et cetera.

Chairwoman MARCY KAPTUR, Energy and Water Development.

Chairman MIKE QUIGLEY, Financial Services and General Government.

Chairwoman CHELLIE PINGREE, Interior-Environment.

Chairwoman Debbie Wasserman Schultz, Military Construction and Veterans Affairs.

Chairman DAVID PRICE, Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development. Mr. PRICE will be leaving us at the end of this term, but his legacy will be with our country for a long time to come.

Mr. Chair, I thank our colleague on the other side of the aisle for acknowledging Mr. PRICE's work, and naming a portion of the Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development bill in his name. Mr. DIAZ-BALART, I thank you for that beautiful recognition of Chairman PRICE. He certainly is revered on our side of the aisle, and we appreciate the bipartisan recognition of his leadership.

Mr. Chair, the House's Appropriations minibus will have an immediate impact on people's lives because it puts working families first.

This package defends health and well-being: improving the safety and

security of our Nation's food supply. A vote for this bill is a vote for the safety of our Nation's food supply. A vote against it is a vote against the safety of our Nation's food supply.

The bill supports the WIC program—Women, Infants, and Children—food stamps, and other initiatives that keep our families fed.

This package strengthens economic security with strong investments to expand access to safe, affordable housing—thank you, Mr. PRICE—support small business growth, and protect the interests of American consumers.

In doing so, these bills advance President Biden's commitment to putting justice and equity front and center, moving to close economic disparities weighing heaviest on communities of color and low-income families.

At the same time, this package will further power Democrats' mission to rebuild our Nation while reinvigorating the middle class.

Our bipartisan infrastructure law that was bipartisan and passed last year was a monumental step forward. Now, this legislation builds on that bipartisan progress: creating good-paying American jobs, rehabilitating our crumbling infrastructure; securing critical funding for roads, bridges, ports and rail, transit and aviation, and more; and improving the strength and resilience of our water systems.

This is a health issue in addition to a commerce issue. These investments lay a crucial economic foundation, better equipping our Nation to compete and win in the 21st century economy.

This package is also about protecting and preserving our planet—a responsibility we owe our children and grand-children and future generations.

The investments in this legislation, Mr. Chair, are another strong step toward independent, affordable, clean energy jobs for the future: whether spurring innovation in new, sustainable technologies; strengthening community resilience to mitigate climate disaster; or conserving our cherished public lands.

Anyone who watches the news these days sees the impact on the climate crisis on our planet.

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Throughout Europe, there are record heat waves. In our own country, we have had scores of our hottest record days, scores of them in our own country. The climate crisis is a real one. There is a short fuse on it. We must act. We cannot ignore the signs or the governance and the protections that go with it

Preserving clean air and clean water for our children is a public health issue. The air they breathe and the water they drink is an immediate health issue. It is an economic necessity, creating good-paying jobs in the industries of the future while staving off catastrophic costs of inaction.

A matter of national security is preventing violent conflicts over resources

and habitat. You have droughts; you have rising sea levels; you have encroachment of deserts; and you have change in the thermal management of the planet, Mr. Chair. All of this contributes to competition for habitats and resources, and our National Security Advisors tell us that that can be a cause of conflict, in addition to the toll it takes on people.

For many of us, it is a moral issue if you believe as I do that this is God's creation and that we have a moral responsibility to be good stewards of it. That is one purpose. But if you don't share that view, you do understand that we have a moral responsibility to our children to pass on the planet in a responsible way for future generations. This is one of the Democratic majority's top priorities, and we will never stop fighting for the climate action that we need.

Finally, and importantly—one of my favorite subjects—this package honors our Nation's sacred duty to our veterans, their families, and their caregivers. A vote for this bill is a vote for our veterans, their families, and their caregivers with robust support for veterans' healthcare, which covers more than 7 million patients, with more resources to build essential VA infrastructure, and with increased funding to address mental health, substance abuse disorder, the scourge of veteran homelessness, and much more.

As we do so, we honor the truth when the military says that, on the battlefield, we leave no soldier behind, and when they come home, we leave no veteran behind.

Mr. Chair, Democrats believe that governance is a powerful force for good when we invest in what we value most as a nation-protection of our people, their health, their safety, the planet, the air they breathe, the water they drink, and security for our country. Today, our Democratic majority advances appropriations legislation that furthers that mission with funding that will meet the needs of American families in every corner of our country, and we take an important step to advance President Biden's inspiring vision of building a better America for all with liberty and equity for all.

Mr. Chair, I urge a strong bipartisan vote for this minibus package. I salute our cardinals for their great leadership, and I again pay homage to the chair of the committee, Madam Chair Rosa Delauro, for her extraordinary leadership.

Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Chair, I yield 4 minutes to the gentleman from Maryland (Mr. HARRIS), who is the acting ranking member of the Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies.

Mr. HARRIS. Mr. Chair, I thank Ranking Member Granger for yielding.

Mr. Chair, I rise in opposition to H.R. 8294, which includes the FY23 Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and

Drug Administration, and Related Agencies appropriations bill.

First, I thank Chair DELAURO and Ranking Member GRANGER for their leadership in moving these bills through the appropriations process. I also thank the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Subcommittee chairman, Mr. BISHOP, for his leadership in crafting a bill that funds a number of programs with broad bipartisan support, such as rural broadband programs, critical ag research programs, and protections to ensure we have safe food, drugs, and medical devices.

While there are many things to like about this bill, the total discretionary spending level of \$27.2 billion, or an 8 percent increase over the previous year's funding, does not acknowledge the economic reality that our Nation faces

A stunning 88 percent of Americans believe our country is on the wrong track, according to a recent poll by the Monmouth University Polling Institute. That is what Americans are talking about around their kitchen tables.

Just last week, inflation jumped again to a 40-year high of 9.1 percent. We can't keep ignoring this situation. Americans have figured out that more government spending only ends in higher prices for the American people and adds to the inflation problem created by this Congress and the Biden administration's reckless and immoral spending included in this minibus.

In this vein, this division of the minibus provides unsustainable funding increases across the board, most notably for the Food and Drug Administration, which would receive an overwhelming and unnecessary 10 percent increase. A lot of American families wish they were getting a 10 percent increase in their paychecks. Based on how the FDA has handled the infant formula crisis, it is clear that strong leadership is needed at the FDA, not this unnecessary increase in funding.

The bill also includes increased benefits for the WIC program, a great program, but those increased benefits were intended to be a temporary, one-time increase included in the American Rescue Plan. I understand the importance of making sure WIC participants have access to fruits and vegetables. However, this bill is taking a temporary increase in response to COVID and including it in the regular, ongoing program as if to make these increased benefits permanent without regard to the inflationary pressures of out-of-control government spending that is already squeezing taxpayers.

I am also extremely concerned about providing the administration with unlimited spending authority for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, or SNAP, at the end of the next fiscal year. The administration claims this authority is needed for an unexpected increase in SNAP participation, but the President continues to tout

record-low unemployment rates, which should translate into a decrease in SNAP participation. Furthermore, the program has a reserve fund totaling up to \$9 billion already to address unexpected participation increases should they unexpectedly occur, so providing USDA with a blank check is just simply irresponsible.

In times like these, as stewards of taxpayer dollars, Congress must make tough decisions in the greater interest of the American people. While I support a number of programs in the bill, I cannot support the bill at this unsustainable spending level.

This bill touches the lives of every American, and I hope we can find common ground to support America's farmers, ranchers, and rural communities. As this process moves forward, I am committed to working with Chairman BISHOP, Chair DELAURO, Ranking Member GRANGER, and the rest of our colleagues to resolve these differences.

Mr. Chair, I urge my colleagues to oppose this bill.

Ms. Delauro. Mr. Chair, I yield 4 minutes to the gentlewoman from Florida (Ms. Wasserman Schultz), who is the chair of the Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies.

Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ. Mr. Chair, I thank the gentlewoman for yielding.

Mr. Chair, I rise in strong support of H.R. 8294, the appropriations minibus for fiscal year 2023.

I really want to start out my remarks, Mr. Chair, by saying what a joy it is to work with my counterpart, Judge Carter, as our ranking member. He and I really worked hand in glove. We are personal friends, and we worked very closely together, along with the ranking member, Ms. Granger, and Ms. Delauro. In a very divisive process, it is really nice to have met and befriended someone like Judge Carter. I wish him the best.

By now, we all know President Biden's wise words: "Don't tell me what you value. Show me your budget, and I will tell you what you value."

This minibus truly reflects our values, the values of promoting progress and opportunity, and protecting those who most need it. That is why I take tremendous pride in this bill as the Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Subcommittee chair. It is a statement of principled values, especially with its strong support for veterans, servicemembers, and their families.

We steer \$15.1 billion to critical military infrastructure, such as new barracks and child development centers, and focus on ensuring that family housing is clear of mold, lead, and contaminants. We invest in climate and energy resilience projects and devote \$200 million to PFAS contamination cleanup at closed installations.

We provide more to NATO security and support the infrastructure necessary for wartime, peace, and deter-

rence operations by bolstering requirements to confront Russian aggression and protect our European allies.

This bill improves the quality of life on military installations and honors servicemembers and their families once they leave these facilities by ensuring veterans receive the care and support they earned. We do it by providing the Department of Veterans Affairs with \$135 billion to boost medical research and fully fund medical care. We make major investments in women's health, mental health, suicide prevention, and homelessness programs, and we tackle the disability claims backlog.

The bill also tackles two issues close to my and many Members' hearts. It includes a prohibition on the painful scientific testing on dogs and cats, and it also makes permanent VA's authority to offer a full range of fertility treatment. That means expanding eligibility to include partners in addition to spouses, removing discrimination against same-sex couples, and allowing the use of donated sperm and eggs in IVF.

Outside of MILCON-VA, the Energy and Water bill appropriates a record \$407 million for Everglades restoration. The river of grass is the lifeblood of south Florida, and the chance to make this level of historic progress is hugely significant toward our restoration efforts.

I am proud that this bill makes it a priority to reduce the number of injuries and deaths associated with pools and spas. We will save lives by increasing funding by pool safety grants to \$2.5 million. Drowning poses a significant public health risk to our Nation's children, remaining the number one cause of unintentional death for children younger than 5 years old in this country.

Additionally, the Interior bill reflects the importance of protecting our coastlines from greedy oil companies by prohibiting the Department of the Interior from conducting offshore oil and gas leasing activities along Florida's coasts.

It also funds valuable community projects, and in my district, that means critical infrastructure, clean transit, and improved water quality in Hollywood, Southwest Ranches, and Sunrise.

Finally, our values are reflected by how Congress confronts the dramatic rise in highway fatalities. New data shows we lost ground in our fight to end drunk driving, the leading cause of highway deaths. But this bill directs the DOT to take immediate steps to save lives by requiring the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration to issue a rule requiring all new passenger vehicles to be equipped with advanced alcohol monitoring technology. This technology will save an estimated 9,400 lives a year. For reference, airbags save 3,000 lives annually. According to Mothers Against Drunk Driving, this may be the most significant motor vehicle safety rulemaking ever undertaken in terms of the lives it can save.

We have a chance to enhance, improve, and save millions of lives by passing this minibus, and I respectfully urge my colleagues to support these cherished American values.

Lastly, Mr. Chair, I thank my incredible staff for all the work that they did to bring this remarkable piece of legislation to the floor.

Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Chair, I yield 2 minutes to the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. CLINE), who is a member of the Appropriations Committee.

Mr. CLINE. Mr. Chair, it is with sadness that I come to the floor to speak against this measure.

We had opportunities in the Appropriations Committee to work across the aisle to address the concerns of the minority and to fund the priorities of this country and its people. Unfortunately, with a 40-year high in inflation, CPI rising to 9.1 percent in June, \$30 trillion in debt, and the CBO recently predicting \$1.6 trillion in deficits over the next decade, business as usual can no longer be contemplated.

We must take action to secure the financial stability of this country for the future, for our children, for their children, and for future generations. We have to return to fiscal sanity through these appropriations bills to rein in inflation and rescue this economy.

Transportation-Housing and Urban Development has an increase of more than 12 percent; Agriculture an increase of 8 percent; Financial Services and General Government an increase of 17 percent over FY22; Interior, 18 percent increase; MILCON, more than 10 percent above 2022.

All of these bills contain important priorities, but they also contain excessive amounts of waste and liberal priorities that are not in keeping with the priorities of the American people, so I urge their defeat.

Mr. Chair, I thank the gentlewoman from Texas for her hard work in trying to get our priorities considered.

I look forward to continuing to work to ensure that fiscal responsibility is the watchword of the day and that the American people have their tax dollars looked after by the Appropriations Committee.

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Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Chairman, I yield 4 minutes to the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. QUIGLEY), the chairman of the Financial Services and General Government Subcommittee.

Mr. QUIGLEY. Mr. Chair, as the chairman of the Financial Services and General Government Subcommittee, I rise today in strong support of the FY23 Financial Services and General Government Appropriations bill.

First, I thank the staff on both sides for their efforts in drafting this bill and preparing it to come to the House floor.

I also want to thank my colleague, the ranking member, Mr. WOMACK, for his hard work and collaboration on this bill. He has been thoughtful in his input and, frankly, a pleasure to work with

The FSGG bill includes \$29.8 billion in funding, an increase of \$4.3 billion over last year.

For Treasury, the bill includes \$15.6 billion, \$1.3 billion above last year. Within that level, there is \$336 million for CDFIs, an increase of \$41 million. The IRS gets \$13.6 billion, an increase of \$1 billion over the 2022 level.

For ONDCP, \$462 million, including \$300 million for the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas program and \$110 million for the Drug-Free Communities Program.

For the Judiciary, \$8.6 billion, within this amount, \$128 million is targeted for judiciary security, cybersecurity, and information technology modernization. For the Supreme Court, \$143 million, \$30 million above last year, included in this increase is funding to provide for enhanced security services

For the Consumer Product Safety Commission, \$166.3 million, \$27.3 million above last year, including \$2.5 million for Pool Safety Grants.

For Election Security Grants, \$400 million, an increase of \$325 million above last year. These grants will help State and local governments protect our democracy through fair and secure elections.

For the GSA, \$1.1 billion over last year, including \$500 million for a new FBI headquarters. Also included, \$100 million for both the Electric Vehicle Fund and the Technology Modernization Fund.

For SBA, \$1.1 billion, \$77 million above last year. This fund includes \$326 million for the Entrepreneurial Development Programs.

We have solid increases for the Federal Communications Commission, Securities and Exchange Commission, OPM, the Archives, and the Federal Trade Commission.

The bill is silent on the civilian pay increase, allowing the proposed 4.6 percent increase to take effect.

We removed harmful riders to the bill, including the Hyde restrictions, three "dark money" riders, and the D.C. cannabis rider.

We include language making Dreamers eligible for Federal employment.

And finally, I am proud this bill was able to include 98 percent of Members' Community Project Funding requests, including from Democrats and Republicans. This funding will go directly to important projects in Members' districts connected with the SBA, GSA, and the National Archives.

I urge all Members to support the bill.

Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Chairman, as I said before, the bills before us do not reflect the economic realities we face. At a time of record-high inflation, the Federal Government should be reducing not increasing spending. The priorities included in these bills are simply out of touch with what the American people need.

I urge my colleagues to vote "no," and I yield back the balance of my time.

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Chairman, I yield myself the balance of my time.

Mr. Chairman, first, let me just say, I thank the ranking member (Ms. GRANGER) for her commitment and her dedication to the Appropriations Committee and the process, a place where she has spent a number of years in the various subcommittees, and it is an honor to work with her in this effort.

I applaud the funding bills that help the middle class, working families, and small businesses, in what are desperate times. And that is what these bills do is to provide that kind of assistance to these families. I am proud to support these bills.

I listened to my colleagues about inflation, what they failed to mention, which has been really demonstrated, is that we are looking at oil companies who have consolidated; and what they are doing is buying back their stock, instead of lowering the price of gas.

They now have 26 million acres of Federal land in which they could deal with extraction, and they have the permits, but they refuse to do it. They are in the business of buying back their stock, thereby increasing inflation by keeping gas prices high.

We have the same situation in the meat industry with meat, poultry, and pork, which is continuing to raise the price because of the consolidation.

I would just mention one other thing. In the recommendations to vote "no" on this package, it just is interesting to look at what my colleagues view as not wanting to do; that is, to provide an increase for the Internal Revenue Service. Why is that money provided to the IRS? It is really to look at those corporations who are not paying their fair share of taxes

So they are not much interested in seeing them pay their fair share of taxes, or the wealthiest of individuals who don't pay their fair share of taxes.

They also do not want to provide money for women, infants, and children for food. They don't want to provide money for food security, for people who are on the food stamp program.

They don't want to do anything for domestic manufacturing on clean energy, which could lower the cost of energy. So, there is a bit of disingenuousness on what we are doing with the cost.

I am proud to support these bills. I urge my colleagues to support the six-bill appropriations package, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Ms. PINGREE. Mr. Chair, I rise to support the Fiscal Year 2023 Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies appropriations bill.

I thank Ranking Member JOYCE for his collaboration and partnership through this process, and I am grateful for the leadership of Chairwoman DELAURO, and Ranking Member GRANGER.

The fiscal year 2023 Interior, Environment and Related Agencies bill provides a total of \$44.8 billion dollars. This is an increase of

\$6.8 billion dollars over last year's enacted level, which is an 18 percent increase. Last year, we made unprecedented investments to fight the climate crisis, return science as the foundation for decision-making, dedicate the highest level of federal funding to the arts and humanities ever, and continue our commitment to tribal nations.

This bill continues to build on those successes. Through the investments made in this bill, our country will be better positioned to confront the climate crisis. Just last month, we witnessed Yellowstone, America's first national park, experience devastating flooding that triggered mudslides, resulting in its emergency closure and leaving damage that will take years to rebuild. Only weeks later, a destructive wildfire threatened to destroy the giant sequoias of Yosemite National Park. These tragedies underscored how vulnerable our ecosystems and species are to the impacts of climate change.

That is why the investments in this bill, such as the 15 percent increase for the land management agencies, will be meaningful for climate adaptation and resiliency efforts on our public lands. The bill also invests in renewable energy, both on and offshore, to provide opportunities for growth in this sector-creating good paying American jobs. And we make historic investments for science and environmental protection, providing the funding nec-

essary to build a strong EPA.

In addition to these critical investments to protect our natural resources, the bill also includes strong funding for cultural resources by fostering the Arts and Humanities. The bill provides \$414 million for both the National Endowment for the Arts and the National Endowment for the Humanities. These funds benefit all of our districts and are a positive tool for economic development, education, and com-

munity building.

And finally, this bill supports Native Ameration in a strong and resilican families by investing in a strong and resilient Indian Country, including through edu-

cation and health care programs.
This is a strong bill. Through its investments, the Interior bill takes a whole-of-government approach to securing a safe and habitable world for future generations. I urge my colleagues to support.

The Acting CHAIR. All time for gen-

eral debate has now expired.

Pursuant to the rule, an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 117-55 is adopted and the bill, as amended, is considered read.

The text of the bill, as amended, is as follows:

### H.R. 8294

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 "Transportation. Housing and Urban Development, Agriculture, Rural Development, Energy and Water Development, Financial Services and General Government, Interior, Environment, Military Construction, and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Act, 2023

### SEC. 2. REFERENCES TO ACT.

Except as expressly provided otherwise, any reference to "this Act" contained in any division of this Act shall be treated as referring only to the provisions of that division.

### SEC. 3. REFERENCES TO REPORT.

(a) Transportation, Housing and Urban DEVELOPMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPRO-

PRIATIONS ACT, 2023.—Any reference to a "report accompanying this Act" contained in division A of this Act shall be treated as a reference to House Report 117-402. The effect of such Report shall be limited to division A and shall apply for purposes of determining the allocation of funds provided by, and the implementation of, division A.

AGRICULTURE. RURAL DEVELOPMENT. FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2023.—Any reference to a "report accompanying this Act" contained in division B of this Act shall be treated as a reference to House Report 117-392. The effect of such Report shall be limited to division B and shall apply for purposes of determining the allocation of funds provided by, and the implementation of, division B.

(c) Energy and Water Development and RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS 2023.—Any reference to a "report accompanying this Act" contained in division C of this Act shall be treated as a reference to House Report 117-394. The effect of such Report shall be limited to division C and shall apply for purposes of determining the allocation of funds provided by, and the implementation of, division C.

(d) FINANCIAL SERVICES AND GENERAL GOV-ERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2023.—Any reference to a "report accompanying this Act" contained in division D of this Act shall be treated as a reference to House Report 117-393. The effect of such Report shall be limited to division D and shall apply for purposes of determining the allocation of funds provided by, and the implementation of, division D.

(e) DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, ENVIRON-MENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2023.—Any reference to a "report accompanying this Act" contained in division E of this Act shall be treated as a reference to House Report 117-400. The effect of such Report shall be limited to division E and shall apply for purposes of determining the allocation of funds provided by, and the implementation of, division E.

(f) MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, VETERANS AF-FAIRS, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2023.—Any reference to a "report accompanying this Act" contained in division F of this Act shall be treated as a reference to House Report 117-391. The effect of such Report shall be limited to division F and shall apply for purposes of determining the allocation of funds provided by, and the implementation of, division F. SEC. 4. STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS.

The following sums in this Act are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2023.

#### DIVISION A—TRANSPORTATION, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, AND RE-LATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2023

### $TITLE\ I$

### DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Office of the Secretary, \$176,000,000: Provided, That of the sums appropriated under this heading-

(1) \$3,569,000 shall be available for the immediate Office of the Secretary;

(2) \$1,277,000 shall be available for the imme-

diate Office of the Deputy Secretary; (3) \$27,089,000 shall be available for the Office

of the General Counsel; (4) \$17,400,000 shall be available for the Office of the Under Secretary of Transportation for Policy;

(5) \$21 026 000 shall be available for the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Budget and Pro-

(6) \$3,968,000 shall be available for the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Governmental Af-

(7) \$42,402,000 shall be available for the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Administration;

(8) \$5,727,000 shall be available for the Office of Public Affairs and Public Engagement;

(9) \$2,312,000 shall be available for the Office of the Executive Secretariat;

(10) \$18,533,000 shall be available for the Office of Intelligence, Security, and Emergency Response;

(11) \$29,195,000 shall be available for the Office of the Chief Information Officer; and

(12) \$1,500,000 shall be available for the Office of Tribal Government Affairs; and

(13) \$2,000,000 shall be available for the Office of Multimodal Freight Infrastructure and Policy:

Provided further, That the Secretary of Transportation (referred to in this title as the "Secretary") is authorized to transfer funds appropriated for any office of the Office of the Secretary to any other office of the Office of the Secretary: Provided further. That no appropriation for any office shall be increased or decreased by more than 7 percent by all such transfers: Provided further, That any change in funding greater than 7 percent shall be subject to the requirements of section 405 of this Act: Provided further, That not to exceed \$70,000 shall be for allocation within the Department for official reception and representation expenses as the Secretary may determine: Provided further, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, there may be credited to this appropriation up to \$2,500,000 in funds received in user fees.

#### RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY

For necessary expenses related to the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Research and Technology \$66,963,000 of which \$52,780,000 shall remain available until expended: Provided, That there may be credited to this appropriation, to  $be\ available\ until\ expended,\ funds\ received\ from$ States, counties, municipalities, other public authorities, and private sources for expenses incurred for training: Provided further, That any reference in law, regulation, judicial proceedings, or elsewhere to the Research and Innovative Technology Administration shall continue to be deemed to be a reference to the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Research and Technology of the Department of Transpor-

### NATIONAL INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENTS (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses to carry out section 6702 of title 49, United States Code, \$775,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That section 6702(f)(2) of title 49, United States Code, shall not apply to amounts made available under this heading in this Act: Provided further. That of amounts made available under this heading in this Act, not less than \$30,000,000 shall be awarded to projects in historically disadvantaged communities or areas of persistent poverty as such term is defined under section 6702(a)(1) of title 49, United States Code: Provided further, That section 6702(g) of title 49, United States Code, shall not apply to amounts made available under this heading in this Act: Provided further, That of the amounts made available under this heading in this Act not less than 5 percent shall be made available for the planning, preparation, or design of eligible projects and shall prioritize transit, transit oriented development, multimodal, intercity passenger rail, and pedestrian projects: Provided further, That grants awarded under this heading in this Act for eligible projects for planning, preparation, or design shall not be subject to a minimum grant size: Provided further, That in distributing amounts made available under this heading in this Act, the Secretary shall take such measures so as to ensure an equitable geographic distribution of funds, an appropriate balance in addressing the needs of urban and rural areas, including Tribal areas, and the investment in a variety of transportation modes: Provided further, That section 6702(c)(2)(C) of

title 49, United States Code, shall not apply to amounts made available under this heading in this Act: Provided further, That a grant award under this heading in this Act shall be not greater than \$50,000,000: Provided further, That section 6702(c)(3) of title 49, United States Code, shall not apply to amounts made available under this heading in this Act: Provided further, That not more than 15 percent of the amounts made available under this heading in this Act may be awarded to projects in a single state: Provided further, That for amounts made available under this heading in this Act, the Secretary shall give priority to projects that reauire a contribution of Federal funds in order to complete an overall financing package: Provided further. That section 6702(f)(1) of title 49. United States Code, shall not apply to amounts made available under this heading in this Act: Provided further, That of the amounts awarded under this heading in this Act, not more than 50 percent shall be allocated for eligible projects located in rural areas and not more than 50 percent shall be allocated for eligible projects located in urbanized areas: Provided further, That for the purpose of determining if an award for planning, preparation, or design under this heading in this Act is an urban award, the project location is the location of the project being planned, prepared, or designed: Provided further, That the Secretary shall apply to projects under this heading the Federal requirements that the Secretary determines are appropriate based on the purpose of the National Infrastructure Investments program, the requirements expressly stated under this heading, the requirements expressly stated in chapter 67 of title 49, United States Code, and the Federal reauirements applicable to comparable projects supported by other Department of Transportation financial assistance programs, including domestic preference requirements, contracting opportunities for small and disadvantaged businesses, and labor practices: Provided further, That the Secretary may retain up to 2 percent of the amounts made available under this heading in this Act, and may transfer portions of such amounts to the Administrators of the Federal Aviation Administration, the Federal Highway Administration, the Federal Transit Administration, the Federal Railroad Administration and the Maritime Administration to fund the award and oversight of grants and credit assistance made under the program authorized under section 6702 of title 49, United States Code: Provided further, That for amounts made available under this heading in this Act, the Secretary shall consider and award projects based solely on the selection criteria as identified under paragraphs (3) and (4) of section 6702(d) of title 49. United States Code.

# THRIVING COMMUNITIES INITIATIVE (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses for a thriving communities program, \$100,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2025: Provided, That the Secretary of Transportation shall make such amounts available for technical assistance and cooperative agreements to develop and implement technical assistance, planning, and capacity building to improve and foster thriving communities through transportation improvements: Provided further, That the Secretary may enter into cooperative agreements with philanthropic entities, non-profit organizations, other Federal agencies, state or local governments and their agencies, Indian Tribes, or other technical assistance providers, to provide such technical assistance, planning, and capacity building to state, local, or Tribal governments, United States territories, metropolitan planning organizations, transit agencies, or other political subdivisions of state or local governments: Provided further, That to be eligible for a cooperative agreement under this heading, a recipient shall provide assistance to entities described in the preceding proviso on engaging in public plan-

ning processes with residents, local businesses, non-profit organizations, and to the extent practicable, philanthropic organizations, educational institutions, or other community stakeholders: Provided further, That such cooperative agreements shall facilitate the planning and development of transportation and community revitalization activities supported by the Department of Transportation under titles 23, 46, and 49, United States Code, that increase mobilreduce pollution from transportation sources, expand affordable transportation options, facilitate efficient land use, preserve or expand jobs, improve housing conditions, enhance connections to health care, education, and food security, or improve health outcomes: Provided further, That the Secretary may prioritize assistance provided with amounts made available under this heading to communities that have disproportionate rates of pollution and poor air quality, communities experiencing disproportionate effects (as defined by Executive Order No. 12898), areas of persistent poverty as defined in section 6702(a)(1) of title 49, United States Code, or historically disadvantaged communities: Provided further, That the preceding proviso shall not prevent the Secretary from providing assistance with amounts made available under this heading to entities described in the second proviso under this heading that request assistance through the thriving communities program: Provided further, That planning and technical assistance made available under this heading may include pre-application assistance for capital projects eligible under titles 23, 46, and 49, United States Code: Provided further, That the Secretary may retain amounts made available under this heading for the necessary administrative expenses of (1) developing and disseminating best practices, modeling, and cost-benefit analysis methodologies to assist entities described in the second proviso under this heading with applications for financial assistance programs under titles 23, 46, and 49, United States Code, and (2) award, administration, and oversight of cooperative agreements to carry out the provisions under this heading: Provided further, That such amounts and payments as may be necessary to carry out the thriving communities program may be transferred to appropriate accounts of other operating administrations within the Department of Transportation: Provided further. That the Secretary shall notify the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations not later than 3 business days prior to a transfer carried out under the preceding proviso.

# $NATIONAL\ SURFACE\ TRANSPORTATION\ AND\\ INNOVATIVE\ FINANCE\ BUREAU$

For necessary expenses of the National Surface Transportation and Innovative Finance Bureau as authorized by 49 U.S.C. 116, \$3.800,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That the Secretary may collect and spend fees, as authorized by title 23. United States Code, to cover the costs of services of expert firms, including counsel, in the field of municipal and project finance to assist in the underwriting and servicing of Federal credit instruments and all or a portion of the costs to the Federal Government of servicing such credit instruments: Provided further, That such fees are available until expended to pay for such costs: Provided further, That such amounts are in addition to other amounts made available for such purposes and are not subject to any obligation limitation or the limitation on administrative expenses under section 608 of title 23, United States Code.

### RAILROAD REHABILITATION AND IMPROVEMENT FINANCING PROGRAM

The Secretary is authorized to issue direct loans and loan guarantees pursuant to chapter 224 of title 49, United States Code, and such authority shall exist so long as any such direct loan or loan guarantee is outstanding.

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT CAPITAL

For necessary expenses for upgrading and enhancing the Department of Transportation's financial systems and re-engineering business processes, \$5,000,000, to remain available through September 30, 2024.

### CYBER SECURITY INITIATIVES

For necessary expenses for cyber security initiatives, including necessary upgrades to network and information technology infrastructure, improvement of identity management and authentication capabilities, securing and protecting data, implementation of Federal cyber security initiatives, and implementation of enhanced security controls on agency computers and mobile devices, \$48,100,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024.

### OFFICE OF CIVIL RIGHTS

For necessary expenses of the Office of Civil Rights, \$15,000,000.

 $TRANSPORTATION\ PLANNING,\ RESEARCH,\ AND$  DEVELOPMENT

### (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses for conducting transportation planning, research, systems development, development activities, and making grants, \$19,648,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That of such amount, \$7,136,000 shall be for necessary expenses of the Interagency Infrastructure Permitting Improvement Center (IIPIC): Provided further, That there may be transferred to this appropriation, to remain available until expended, amounts transferred from other Federal agencies for expenses incurred under this heading for IIPIC activities not related to transportation infrastructure: Provided further, That the tools and analysis developed by the IIPIC shall be available to other Federal agencies for the permitting and review of major infrastructure projects not related to transportation only to the extent that other Federal agencies provide funding to the Department in accordance with the preceding proviso.

### WORKING CAPITAL FUND (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses for operating costs and capital outlays of the Working Capital Fund, not to exceed \$505,285,000, shall be paid from appropriations made available to the Department of Transportation: Provided, That such services shall be provided on a competitive basis to entities within the Department of Transportation: Provided further, That the limitation in the preceding proviso on operating expenses shall not apply to entities external to the Department of Transportation or for funds provided in Public Law 117-58: Provided further, That no funds made available by this Act to an agency of the Department shall be transferred to the Working Capital Fund without majority approval of the Working Capital Fund Steering Committee and approval of the Secretary: Provided further, That no assessments may be levied against any program, budget activity, subactivity, or project funded by this Act unless notice of such assessments and the basis therefor are presented to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations and are approved by such Committees.

### SMALL AND DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS UTILIZATION AND OUTREACH

For necessary expenses for small and disadvantaged business utilization and outreach activities, \$7,094,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024: Provided, That notwithstanding section 332 of title 49, United States Code, such amounts may be used for business opportunities related to any mode of transportation: Provided further, That appropriations made available under this heading shall be available for any purpose consistent with prior year appropriations that were made available under the heading "Office of the Secretary—Minority Business Resource Center Program".

### PAYMENTS TO AIR CARRIERS

#### (AIRPORT AND AIRWAY TRUST FUND)

In addition to funds made available from any other source to carry out the essential air service program under sections 41731 through 41742 of title 49, United States Code, \$354,827,000, to be derived from the Airport and Airway Trust Fund, to remain available until expended: Provided, That in determining between or among carriers competing to provide service to a community, the Secretary may consider the relative subsidy requirements of the carriers: Provided further, That basic essential air service minimum requirements shall not include the 15-passenger capacity requirement under section 41732(b)(3) of title 49, United States Code: Provided further. That amounts authorized to be distributed for the essential air service program under section 41742(b) of title 49. United States Code, shall be made available immediately from amounts otherwise provided to the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration: Provided further, That the Administrator may reimburse such amounts from fees credited to the account established under section 45303 of title 49, United States Code.

# ELECTRIC VEHICLE FLEET (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses for the Department's transition to the General Services Administration's leased vehicle fleet, and for the purchase of zero emission passenger motor vehicles and supporting charging or fueling infrastructure, \$11,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2025: Provided, That such amounts are in addition to amounts otherwise available for such purposes: Provided further, That amounts made available under this heading may be transferred to other accounts of the Department of Transportation for the purposes specified under this heading: Provided further, That the Secretary shall notify the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations not later than 3 business days prior to a transfer carried out under the preceding proviso.

### ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION

SEC. 101. None of the funds made available by this Act to the Department of Transportation may be obligated for the Office of the Secretary of Transportation to approve assessments or reimbursable agreements pertaining to funds appropriated to the operating administrations in this Act, except for activities underway on the date of enactment of this Act, unless such assessments or agreements have completed the normal reprogramming process for congressional notification.

SEC. 102. The Secretary shall post on the web site of the Department of Transportation a schedule of all meetings of the Council on Credit and Finance, including the agenda for each meeting, and require the Council on Credit and Finance to record the decisions and actions of each meeting.

SEC. 103. In addition to authority provided by section 327 of title 49, United States Code, the Department's Working Capital Fund is authorized to provide partial or full payments in advance and accept subsequent reimbursements from all Federal agencies from available funds for transit benefit distribution services that are necessary to carry out the Federal transit pass transportation fringe benefit program under Executive Order No. 13150 and section 3049 of SAFETEA-LU (5 U.S.C. 7905 note): Provided, That the Department shall maintain a reasonable operating reserve in the Working Capital Fund, to be expended in advance to provide uninterrupted transit benefits to Government employees: Provided further, That such reserve shall not exceed 1 month of benefits payable and may be used only for the purpose of providing for the continuation of transit benefits: Provided further, That the Working Capital Fund shall be fully reimbursed by each customer

agency from available funds for the actual cost of the transit benefit.

SEC. 104. Receipts collected in the Department's Working Capital Fund, as authorized by section 327 of title 49, United States Code, for unused transit and van pool benefits, in an amount not to exceed 10 percent of fiscal year 2023 collections, shall be available until expended in the Department's Working Capital Fund to provide contractual services in support of section 189 of this Act: Provided, That obligations in fiscal year 2023 of such collections shall not exceed \$1,000,000.

SEC. 105. None of the funds in this title may be obligated or expended for retention or senior executive bonuses for an employee of the Department of Transportation without the prior written approval of the Assistant Secretary for Administration.

SEC. 106. In addition to authority provided by section 327 of title 49, United States Code, the Department's Administrative Working Capital Fund is hereby authorized to transfer information technology equipment, software, and systems from Departmental sources or other entities and collect and maintain a reserve at rates which will return full cost of transferred assets.

SEC. 107. None of the funds provided in this Act to the Department of Transportation may be used to provide credit assistance unless not less than 3 days before any application approval to provide credit assistance under sections 603 and 604 of title 23, United States Code, the Secretary provides notification in writing to the following committees: the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations; the Committee on Environment and Public Works and the Committee on Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs of the Senate: and the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives: Provided. That such notification shall include, but not be limited to, the name of the project sponsor; a description of the project; whether credit assistance will be provided as a direct loan, loan guarantee, or line of credit; and the amount of credit assistance.

# FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION OPERATIONS

### (AIRPORT AND AIRWAY TRUST FUND)

For necessary expenses of the Federal Aviation Administration, not otherwise provided for, including operations and research activities related to commercial space transportation, administrative expenses for research and development, establishment of air navigation facilities, the operation (including leasing) and maintenance of aircraft, subsidizing the cost of aeronautical charts and maps sold to the public, the lease or purchase of passenger motor vehicles for replacement only, \$11,870,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024, of which \$9,993,821,000 to be derived from the Airport and Airway Trust Fund: Provided, That of the amounts made available under this heading—

- (1) not less than \$1,645,018,000 shall be available for aviation safety activities:
- (2) \$8,760,044,000 shall be available for air traffic organization activities:
- (3) \$33,675,000 shall be available for commercial space transportation activities;
- (4) \$915,049,000 shall be available for finance and management activities;
- (5) \$65,581,000 shall be available for NextGen and operations planning activities;
- (6) \$153,447,000 shall be available for security and hazardous materials safety; and
- (7) \$297,186,000 shall be available for staff of-

Provided further, That not to exceed 5 percent of any budget activity, except for aviation safety budget activity, may be transferred to any budget activity under this heading: Provided further, That no transfer may increase or decrease any appropriation under this heading by more than 5 percent: Provided further, That any transfer in excess of 5 percent shall be treated as a reprogramming of funds under section 405 of

this Act and shall not be available for obligation or expenditure except in compliance with the procedures set forth in that section: Provided further, That not later than 60 days after the submission of the budget request, the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration shall transmit to Congress an annual update to the report submitted to Congress in December 2004 pursuant to section 221 of the Vision 100-Century of Aviation Reauthorization Act (49 U.S.C. 40101 note): Provided further, That the amounts made available under this heading shall be reduced by \$100,000 for each day after 60 days after the submission of the budget request that such report has not been transmitted to Congress: Provided further, That not later than 60 days after the submission of the budget request, the Administrator shall transmit to Congress a companion report that describes a comprehensive strategy for staffing, hiring, and training flight standards and aircraft certification staff in a format similar to the one utilized for the controller staffing plan, including stated attrition estimates and numerical hiring goals by fiscal year: Provided further, That the amounts made available under this heading shall be reduced by \$100,000 for each day after the date that is 60 days after the submission of the budget request that such report has not been submitted to Congress: Provided further, That funds may be used to enter into a grant agreement with a nonprofit standard-setting organization to assist in the development of aviation safety standards: Provided further, That none of the funds made available by this Act shall be available for new applicants for the second career training program: Provided further, That none of the funds made available by this Act shall be available for the Federal Aviation Administration to finalize or implement any regulation that would promulgate new aviation user fees not specifically authorized by law after the date of the enactment of this Act: Provided further, That there may be credited to this appropriation, as offsetting collections, funds received from States, counties, municipalities, foreign authorities, other public authorities, and private sources for expenses incurred in the provision of agency services, including receipts for the maintenance and operation of air navigation facilities, and for issuance, renewal or modification of certificates, including airman, aircraft, and repair station certificates, or for tests related thereto, or for processing major repair or alteration forms: Provided further. That of the amounts made available under this heading, not less than \$187,800,000 shall be used to fund direct operations of the current air traffic control towers in the contract tower program, including the contract tower cost share program, and any airport that is currently qualified or that will qualify for the program during the fiscal year: Provided further, That none of the funds made available by this Act for aeronautical charting and cartography are available for activities conducted by, or coordinated through, the Working Capital Fund: Provided further, That none of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act or any other Act may be used to eliminate the Contract Weather Observers program at any airport.

### FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT

### $(AIRPORT\ AND\ AIRWAY\ TRUST\ FUND)$

For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for, for acquisition, establishment, technical support services, improvement by contract or purchase, and hire of national airspace systems and experimental facilities and equipment, as authorized under part A of subtitle VII of title 49, United States Code, including initial acquisition of necessary sites by lease or grant; engineering and service testing, including construction of test facilities and acquisition of necessary sites by lease or grant; construction and furnishing of quarters and related accommodations for officers and employees of the Federal

Aviation Administration stationed at remote localities where such accommodations are not available; and the purchase, lease, or transfer of aircraft from funds made available under this heading, including aircraft for aviation regulation and certification; to be derived from the Airport and Airway Trust Fund, \$2,900,000,000, of which \$570,000,000 is for personnel and related expenses and shall remain available until September 30, 2024, \$1,803,600,000 is for equipment and shall remain available until September 30, 2025, and \$526,400,000 is for facilities and shall remain available until September 30, 2027: Provided, That there may be credited to this appropriation funds received from States, counties, municipalities, other public authorities, and private sources, for expenses incurred in the establishment, improvement, and modernization of national airspace systems: Provided further, That not later than 60 days after submission of the budget request, the Secretary of Transportation shall transmit to the Congress an investment plan for the Federal Aviation Administration which includes funding for each budget line item for fiscal years 2024 through 2028, with total funding for each year of the plan constrained to the funding targets for those years as estimated and approved by the Office of Management and Budget: Provided further, That section 405 of this Act shall apply to amounts made available under this heading in title VIII of the Infrastructure Investments and Jobs Appropriations Act (division J of Public 117–58): Provided further, That the amounts specified for each Budget Line Item in the table included in the "Facilities and Equipment Spend Plan for Fiscal Year 2023 Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act Funding" section of the Federal Aviation Administration FY 2023 President's Budget, as submitted to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations, shall be the baseline for application of reprogramming and transfer authorities for the current fiscal year pursuant to paragraph (7) of such section 405 for amounts referred to in the preceding proviso: Provided further, That, notwithstanding paragraphs (5) and (6) of such section 405, unless prior approval is received from the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations, not to exceed 10 percent of any funding level specified for projects and activities in the table referred to in the preceding proviso may be transferred to any other funding level specified for projects and activities in such table and no transfer of such funding levels may increase or decrease any funding level in such table by more than 10 percent.

RESEARCH, ENGINEERING, AND DEVELOPMENT (AIRPORT AND AIRWAY TRUST FUND)

For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for, for research, engineering, and develonment, as authorized under part A of subtitle VII of title 49. United States Code, including construction of experimental facilities and acauisition of necessary sites by lease or grant. \$260,500,000, to be derived from the Airport and Airway Trust Fund and to remain available until September 30, 2025: Provided, That there may be credited to this appropriation as offsetting collections, funds received from States, counties, municipalities, other public authorities, and private sources, which shall be available for expenses incurred for research, engineering, and development: Provided further, That amounts made available under this heading shall be used in accordance with the report accompanying this Act: Provided further, That not to exceed 10 percent of any funding level specified under this heading in the report accompanying this Act may be transferred to any other funding level specified under this heading in the report accompanying this Act: Provided further, That no transfer may increase or decrease any funding level by more than 10 percent: Provided further, That any transfer in excess of 10 percent shall be treated as a reprogramming of funds under section 405 of this Act and shall not be available for obligation or expenditure except in compliance with the procedures set forth in that section.

GRANTS-IN-AID FOR AIRPORTS
(LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)
(LIMITATION ON OBLIGATIONS)
(AIRPORT AND AIRWAY TRUST FUND)
(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For liquidation of obligations incurred for grants-in-aid for airport planning and development, and noise compatibility planning and programs as authorized under subchapter I of chapter 471 and subchapter I of chapter 475 of title 49, United States Code, and under other law authorizing such obligations; for procurement, installation, and commissioning of runway incursion prevention devices and systems at airports of such title; for grants authorized under section 41743 of title 49, United States Code; and for inspection activities and administration of airport safety programs, including those related to airport operating certificates under section 44706 of title 49, United States Code, \$3,350,000,000, to be derived from the Airport and Airway Trust Fund and to remain available until expended: Provided, That none of the amounts made available under this heading shall be available for the planning or execution of programs the obligations for which are in excess of \$3,350,000,000, in fiscal year 2023, notwithstanding section 47117(g) of title 49, United States Code: Provided further, That none of the amounts made available under this heading shall be available for the replacement of baggage conveyor systems, reconfiguration of terminal baggage areas, or other airport improvements that are necessary to install bulk explosive detection systems: Provided further, That notwithstanding section 47109(a) of title 49, United States Code, the Government's share of allowable project costs under paragraph (2) of such section for subgrants or paragraph (3) of such section shall be 95 percent for a project at other than a large or medium hub airport that is a successive phase of a multi-phased construction project for which the project sponsor received a grant in fiscal year 2011 for the construction project: Provided further, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, of amounts limited under this heading, not less than \$137,372,000 shall be available for administration, \$15,000,000 shall be available for the AirportCooperativeResearchProgram. \$40,828,000 shall be available for Airport Technology Research, and \$10,000,000, to remain available until expended, shall be available and transferred to "Office of the Secretary, Salaries and Expenses" to carry out the Small Community Air Service Development Program: Provided further That in addition to airports eligible under section 41743 of title 49, United States Code, such program may include the participation of an airport that serves a community or consortium that is not larger than a small hub airport, according to FAA hub classifications effective at the time the Office of the Secretary issues a request for proposals.

### GRANTS-IN-AID FOR AIRPORTS

For an additional amount for "Grants-In-Aid for Airports", to enable the Secretary of Transportation to make grants for projects as authorized by subchapter 1 of chapter 471 and subchapter 1 of chapter 475 of title 49, United States Code, \$272,604,000, to remain available through September 30, 2025: Provided, That amounts made available under this heading shall be derived from the general fund, and such funds shall not be subject to apportionment formulas, special apportionment categories, or minimum percentages under chapter 471 of title 49, United States Code: Provided further, That of the amounts made available under this heading, \$172,604,000 is for Community Project Funding for the purposes, and in the amounts, specified for this account in the table titled "Transportation, Housing and Urban Development Incor-

poration of Community Project Funding Items" included in the report accompanying this Act: Provided further, That any funds made available under this heading in this Act that remain available after the distribution of funds under the preceding proviso shall be available to the Secretary to distribute as discretionary grants to airports: Provided further, That the amounts made available under this heading shall not be subject to any limitation on obligations for the Grants-in-Aid for Airports program set forth in any Act: Provided further, That the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration may retain up to 0.5 percent of the amounts made available under this heading to fund the award and oversight by the Administrator of grants made under this heading.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—FEDERAL AVIATION

ADMINISTRATION

SEC. 110. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to compensate in excess of 600 technical staff-years under the federally funded research and development center contract between the Federal Aviation Administration and the Center for Advanced Aviation Systems Development during fiscal year 2023.

SEC. 111. None of the funds made available by this Act shall be used to pursue or adopt guidelines or regulations requiring airport sponsors to provide to the Federal Aviation Administration without cost building construction, maintenance, utilities and expenses, or space in airport sponsor-owned buildings for services relating to air traffic control, air navigation, or weather reporting: Provided, That the prohibition on the use of funds in this section does not apply to negotiations between the agency and airport sponsors to achieve agreement on "below-market" rates for these items or to grant assurances that require airport sponsors to provide land without cost to the Federal Aviation Administration for air traffic control facilities.

SEC. 112. The Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration may reimburse amounts made available to satisfy section 41742(a)(1) of title 49, United States Code, from fees credited under section 45303 of title 49, United States Code, and any amount remaining in such account at the close of any fiscal year may be made available to satisfy section 41742(a)(1) of title 49, United States Code, for the subsequent fiscal year.

SEC. 113. Amounts collected under section 40113(e) of title 49, United States Code, shall be credited to the appropriation current at the time of collection, to be merged with and available for the same purposes as such appropriation.

SEC. 114. None of the funds made available by this Act shall be available for paying premium pay under section 5546(a) of title 5, United States Code, to any Federal Aviation Administration employee unless such employee actually performed work during the time corresponding to such premium pay.

SEC. 115. None of the funds made available by this Act may be obligated or expended for an employee of the Federal Aviation Administration to purchase a store gift card or gift certificate through use of a Government-issued credit card.

SEC. 116. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, none of the funds made available under this Act or any prior Act may be used to implement or to continue to implement any limitation on the ability of any owner or operator of a private aircraft to obtain, upon a request to the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration, a blocking of that owner's or operator's aircraft registration number, Mode S transponder code, flight identification, call sign, or similar identifying information from any ground based display to the public that would allow the real-time or near real-time flight tracking of that aircraft's movements, except data made available to a Government agency, for the noncommercial flights of that owner or operator.

SEC. 117. None of the funds made available by this Act shall be available for salaries and expenses of more than nine political and Presidential appointees in the Federal Aviation Administration.

SEC. 118. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to increase fees pursuant to section 44721 of title 49, United States Code, until the Federal Aviation Administration provides to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations a report that justifies all fees related to aeronautical navigation products and explains how such fees are consistent with Executive Order No. 13642.

SEC. 119. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to close a regional operations center of the Federal Aviation Administration or reduce its services unless the Administrator notifies the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations not less than 90 full business days in advance.

Sec. 119A. None of the funds made available by or limited by this Act may be used to change weight restrictions or prior permission rules at Teterboro airport in Teterboro, New Jersey.

SEC. 119B. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used by the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration to withhold from consideration and approval any new application for participation in the Contract Tower Program, or for reevaluation of Cost-share Program participants so long as the Federal Aviation Administration has received an application from the airport, and so long as the Administrator determines such tower is eligible using the factors set forth in Federal Aviation Administration published establishment criteria.

SEC. 119C. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to open, close, redesignate as a lesser office, or reorganize a regional office, the aeronautical center, or the technical center unless the Administrator submits a request for the reprogramming of funds under section 405 of this Act.

SEC. 119D. The Federal Aviation Administration Administrative Services Franchise Fund may be reimbursed after performance or paid in advance from funds available to the Federal Aviation Administration and other Federal agencies for which the Fund performs services.

SEC. 119E. None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available to the FAA may be used to carry out the FAA's obligations under section 44502(e) of title 49, United States Code, unless the eligible air traffic system or equipment to be transferred to the FAA under section 44502(e) of title 49, United States Code, was purchased by the transferor airport—

(1) during the period of time beginning on October 5, 2018 and ending on December 31, 2021; or

(2) on or after January 1, 2022 for transferor airports located in a non-contiguous states.

SEC. 119F. Of the funds provided under the heading "Grants-in-aid for Airports", up to \$3.500,000 shall be for necessary expenses, including an independent verification regime, to provide reimbursement to airport sponsors that do not provide gateway operations and providers of general aviation ground support services, or other aviation tenants, located at those airports closed during a temporary flight restriction (TFR) for any residence of the President that is designated or identified to be secured by the United States Secret Service, and for direct and incremental financial losses incurred while such airports are closed solely due to the actions of the Federal Government: Provided, That no funds shall be obligated or distributed to airport sponsors that do not provide gateway operations and providers of general aviation ground support services until an independent audit is completed: Provided further, That losses incurred as a result of violations of law, or through fault or negligence, of such operators and service providers or of third parties (including airports) are not eligible for reimbursements: Provided further, That obligation and expenditure of funds are conditional upon full release of the United States Government for all claims for financial losses resulting from such actions.

FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION
LIMITATION ON ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES
(HIGHWAY TRUST FUND)
(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

Not to exceed \$476,783,991 together with advances and reimbursements received by the Federal Highway Administration, shall be obligated for necessary expenses for administration and operation of the Federal Highway Administration or transferred to the Appalachian Regional Commission for administrative activities associated with the Appalachian Development Highway Sustem.

FEDERAL-AID HIGHWAYS
(LIMITATION ON OBLIGATIONS)
(HIGHWAY TRUST FUND)

Funds available for the implementation or execution of authorized Federal-aid highway and highway safety construction programs shall not exceed total obligations of \$58,764,510,674 for fiscal year 2023: Provided, That the limitation on obligations under this heading shall only apply to contract authority authorized from the Highway Trust Fund (other than the Mass Transit Account), unless otherwise specified in law

### (LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION) (HIGHWAY TRUST FUND)

For the payment of obligations incurred in carrying out authorized Federal-aid highway and highway safety construction programs, \$59,503,510,674 derived from the Highway Trust Fund (other than the Mass Transit Account), to remain available until expended.

# HIGHWAY INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAMS (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

There is hereby appropriated to the Secretary \$1,755,060,641: Provided, That the funds made available under this heading shall be derived from the general fund, shall be in addition to any funds provided for fiscal year 2023 in this or any other Act for: (1) "Federal-aid Highways" under chapter 1 of title 23, United States Code; or (2) the Appalachian Development Highway System as authorized under section 1069(y) of Public Law 102-240, and shall not affect the distribution or amount of funds provided in any other Act: Provided further, That section 11101(e) of Public Law 117-58 shall apply to amounts made available under this heading: Provided further, That unless otherwise specified, amounts made available under this heading shall be available until September 30, 2026. and shall not be subject to any limitation on obligations for Federal-aid highways or highway safety construction programs set forth in any Act making annual appropriations: Provided further. That of the funds made available under this heading, the Federal Highway Administration may retain an amount of \$3,000,000, to remain available until expended, to fund the oversight of projects carried out with funds made available under this heading: Provided further, That of the funds made available under this heading-

(1) \$1,275,060,641 shall be made available for Community Project Funding for the purposes, and in the amounts, specified for this account in the table titled "Transportation, Housing and Urban Development Incorporation of Community Project Funding Items" included in the report accompanying this Act: Provided, That, except as otherwise provided under this heading, the funds made available under this paragraph shall be administered as if apportioned under chapter 1 of title 23, United States Code: Provided further, That funds made available under this paragraph that are used for Tribal projects shall be administered as if allocated under chapter 2 of title 23, United States Code, except that the set-asides described in subparagraph (C) of section 202(b)(3) of title 23, United States Code, and subsections (a)(6), (c), and (e) of section 202 of such title, and section 1123(h)(1) of MAP-21 (as amended by Public Law 117-58), shall not apply to such funds;

(2) \$100,000,000 shall be for necessary expenses for construction of the Appalachian Development Highway System as authorized under section 1069(u) of Public Law 102-240: Provided That for the purposes of funds made available under this paragraph, the term "Appalachian State" means a State that contains 1 or more counties (including any political subdivision located within the area) in the Appalachian region as defined in section 14102(a) of title 40. United States Code: Provided further, That funds made available under this heading for construction of the Appalachian Development Hiahwau Sustem shall remain available until expended: Provided further, That, except as provided in the following proviso, funds made available under this heading for construction of the Appalachian Development Highway System shall be administered as if apportioned under chapter 1 of title 23. United States Code: Provided further, That a project carried out with funds made available under this heading for construction of the Appalachian Development Highway System shall be carried out in the same manner as a project under section 14501 of title 40. United States Code: Provided further. That subject to the following proviso, funds made available under this heading for construction of the Appalachian Development Highway System shall be apportioned to the Appalachian States according to the percentages derived from the 2021 Appalachian Development Highway System Cost-to-Complete Estimate, adopted in Appalachian Regional Commission Resolution Number 788, and confirmed as each Appalachian State's relative share of the estimated remaining need to complete the Appalachian Development Highway System, adjusted to exclude those corridors that such States have no current plans to complete, as reported in the 2013 Appalachian Development Highway System Completion Report, unless those States have modified and assigned a higher priority for completion of an Appalachian Development Highway System corridor, as reported in the 2021 Appalachian Development Highway System Future Outlook: Provided further, That the Secretary shall adjust apportionments made under the preceding proviso so that no Appalachian State shall be apportioned an amount in excess of 30 percent of the amount made available for construction of the Appalachian Development Highway System under this heading: Provided further, That the Secretary shall consult with the Appalachian Regional Commission in making adjustments under the preceding two provisos: Provided further. That the Federal share of the costs for which an expenditure is made for construction of the Appalachian Development Highway System under this heading shall be up to 100 percent;

(3) \$75,000,000 shall be for the nationally significant Federal lands and Tribal projects program under section 1123 of the FAST Act (23 U.S.C. 201 note), of which not less than \$37,500,000 shall be for competitive grants to tribal governments:

(4) \$12,000,000 shall be for the regional infrastructure accelerator demonstration program authorized under section 1441 of the FAST Act (23 U.S.C. 601 note): Provided, That for funds made available under this paragraph, the Federal share of the costs shall be, at the option of the recipient, up to 100 percent;

(5) \$30,000,000 shall be for the national scenic byways program under section 162 of title 23, United States Code: Provided, That, except as otherwise provided under this heading, the funds made available under this paragraph shall be administered as if apportioned under chapter 1 of title 23, United States Code;

(6) \$100,000,000 shall be for the safe streets and roads for all grant program under section 24112

of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (23 U.S.C. 402 note), to remain available until expended: Provided, That notwithstanding section 24112(c)(2)(B) of Pub. L. 117-58, of the total amount made available under this paragraph in this Act, the Secretary may award less than 40 to eligible projects described in 24112(a)(3)(A) of Pub. L. 117-58, but shall award not less than 20 percent to such projects: Provided further, That amounts made available under this paragraph in this Act may be transferred to and merged with the appropriations for 'Office of the Secretary''

(7) \$100,000,000 shall be for the active transportation infrastructure investment program under section 11529 of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (23 U.S.C. 217 note), to remain available until expended: Provided, That, except as otherwise provided under such section or this heading, the funds made available under this paragraph shall be administered as if apportioned under chapter 1 of title 23, United States Code:

(8) \$55,000,000 shall be for the healthy streets program under section 11406 of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (23 U.S.C. 149 note): Provided, That, except as otherwise provided under such section or this heading the funds made available under this paragraph shall be administered as if apportioned under chapter 1 of title 23, United States Code; and

(9) \$5,000,000 shall be for a cooperative series of agreements to examine the impacts of culverts, roads, and bridges on threatened or endangered salmon populations.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION

SEC. 120. (a) For fiscal year 2023, the Secretary of Transportation shall-

(1) not distribute from the obligation limitation for Federal-aid highways-

(A) amounts authorized for administrative expenses and programs by section 104(a) of title 23, United States Code; and

(B) amounts authorized for the Bureau of Transportation Statistics:

(2) not distribute an amount from the obligation limitation for Federal-aid highways that is equal to the unobligated balance of amounts—

(A) made available from the Highway Trust Fund (other than the Mass Transit Account) for Federal-aid highway and highway safety construction programs for previous fiscal years the funds for which are allocated by the Secretary (or apportioned by the Secretary under sections 202 or 204 of title 23. United States Code); and

(B) for which obligation limitation was provided in a previous fiscal year:

(3) determine the proportion that—

 $(A)\ the\ obligation\ limitation\ for\ Federal-aid$ highways, less the aggregate of amounts not distributed under paragraphs (1) and (2) of this subsection: bears to

(B) the total of the sums authorized to be appropriated for the Federal-aid highway and highway safety construction programs (other than sums authorized to be appropriated for provisions of law described in paragraphs (1) through (11) of subsection (b) and sums authorized to be appropriated for section 119 of title 23, United States Code, equal to the amount referred to in subsection (b)(12) for such fiscal year), less the aggregate of the amounts not distributed under paragraphs (1) and (2) of this subsection:

(4) distribute the obligation limitation for Federal-aid highways, less the aggregate amounts not distributed under paragraphs (1) and (2), for each of the programs (other than programs to which paragraph (1) applies) that are allocated by the Secretary under authorized Federal-aid highway and highway safety construction programs, or apportioned by the Secretary under sections 202 or 204 of title 23, United States Code, by multiplying-

(A) the proportion determined under paragraph (3); by

(B) the amounts authorized to be appropriated for each such program for such fiscal year; and

(5) distribute the obligation limitation for Federal-aid highways, less the aggregate amounts not distributed under paragraphs (1) and (2) and the amounts distributed under paragraph (4), for Federal-aid highway and highway safetu construction programs that are apportioned by the Secretary under title 23, United States Code (other than the amounts apportioned for the National Highway Performance Program in section 119 of title 23, United States Code, that are exempt from the limitation under subsection (b)(12) and the amounts apportioned under sections 202 and 204 of that title) in the proportion

(A) amounts authorized to be appropriated for the programs that are apportioned under title 23, United States Code, to each State for such fiscal year; bears to

(B) the total of the amounts authorized to be appropriated for the programs that are apportioned under title 23, United States Code, to all States for such fiscal year.

(b) EXCEPTIONS FROM OBLIGATION LIMITA-TION.—The obligation limitation for Federal-aid highways shall not apply to obligations under or for-

(1) section 125 of title 23, United States Code; (2) section 147 of the Surface Transportation Assistance Act of 1978 (23 U.S.C. 144 note; 92

(3) section 9 of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1981 (95 Stat. 1701):

(4) subsections (b) and (j) of section 131 of the Surface Transportation Assistance Act of 1982 (96 Stat. 2119);

(5) subsections (b) and (c) of section 149 of the Surface Transportation and Uniform Relocation Assistance Act of 1987 (101 Stat. 198);

(6) sections 1103 through 1108 of the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 (105 Stat. 2027);

(7) section 157 of title 23, United States Code (as in effect on June 8, 1998);

(8) section 105 of title 23, United States Code (as in effect for fiscal years 1998 through 2004, but only in an amount equal to \$639,000,000 for each of those fiscal years);

(9) Federal-aid highway programs for which obligation authority was made available under the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (112 Stat. 107) or subsequent Acts for multiple years or to remain available until expended, but only to the extent that the obligation authority has not lapsed or been used;

(10) section 105 of title 23, United States Code (as in effect for fiscal years 2005 through 2012, but only in an amount equal to \$639,000,000 for each of those fiscal years);

(11) section 1603 of SAFETEA-LU (23 U.S.C. 118 note; 119 Stat. 1248), to the extent that funds obligated in accordance with that section were not subject to a limitation on obligations at the time at which the funds were initially made available for obligation; and

(12) section 119 of title 23, United States Code (but, for each of fiscal years 2013 through 2023, only in an amount equal to \$639,000,000).

(c) Redistribution of Unused Obligation AUTHORITY.—Notwithstanding subsection (a), the Secretary shall, after August 1 of such fiscal year-

(1) revise a distribution of the obligation limitation made available under subsection (a) if an amount distributed cannot be obligated during that fiscal year; and

(2) redistribute sufficient amounts to those States able to obligate amounts in addition to those previously distributed during that fiscal year, giving priority to those States having large unobligated balances of funds apportioned under sections 144 (as in effect on the day before the date of enactment of Public Law 112-141) and 104 of title 23, United States Code.

(d) APPLICABILITY OF OBLIGATION LIMITA-TIONS TO TRANSPORTATION RESEARCH PRO-GRAMS.

(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in paragraph (2), the obligation limitation for Federalaid highways shall apply to contract authority for transportation research programs carried out under-

(A) chapter 5 of title 23, United States Code; (B) title VI of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act; and

(C) title III of division A of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (Public Law 117-58).

(2) EXCEPTION.—Obligation authority made available under paragraph (1) shall-

(A) remain available for a period of 4 fiscal uears: and

(B) be in addition to the amount of any limitation imposed on obligations for Federal-aid highway and highway safety construction programs for future fiscal years.

(e) REDISTRIBUTION OF CERTAIN AUTHORIZED FUNDS.

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days after the date of distribution of obligation limitation under subsection (a), the Secretary shall distribute to the States any funds (excluding funds authorized for the program under section 202 of title 23, United States Code) that-

(A) are authorized to be appropriated for such fiscal year for Federal-aid highway programs: and

(B) the Secretary determines will not be allocated to the States (or will not be apportioned to the States under section 204 of title 23, United States Code), and will not be available for obligation, for such fiscal year because of the imposition of any obligation limitation for such fiscal year.

(2) RATIO.—Funds shall be distributed under paragraph (1) in the same proportion as the distribution of obligation authority under subsection (a)(5).

(3) AVAILABILITY.—Funds distributed to each State under paragraph (1) shall be available for any purpose described in section 133(b) of title 23. United States Code.

SEC. 121. Notwithstanding 31 U.S.C. 3302, funds received by the Bureau of Transportation Statistics from the sale of data products, for necessary expenses incurred pursuant to chapter 63 of title 49. United States Code, may be credited to the Federal-aid highways account for the purpose of reimbursing the Bureau for such expenses: Provided That such funds shall be subject to the obligation limitation for Federal-aid highway and highway safety construction programs.

SEC. 122. Not less than 15 days prior to waiving, under his or her statutory authority, any Buy America requirement for Federal-aid highways projects, the Secretary of Transportation shall make an informal public notice and comment opportunity on the intent to issue such waiver and the reasons therefor: Provided, That the Secretary shall provide an annual report to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations on any waivers granted under the Buy America requirements.

SEC. 123. None of the funds made available in this Act may be used to make a grant for a project under section 117 of title 23, United States Code, unless the Secretary, at least 60 days before making a grant under that section, provides written notification to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations of the proposed grant, including an evaluation and justification for the project and the amount of the proposed grant award: Provided, That the written notification required in the preceding proviso shall be made not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act.

SEC. 124. (a) A State or territory, as defined in section 165 of title 23, United States Code, may use for any project eligible under section 133(b) of title 23 or section 165 of title 23 and located within the boundary of the State or territory any earmarked amount, and any associated obligation limitation: Provided, That the Department of Transportation for the State or territory for which the earmarked amount was originally designated or directed notifies the Secretary of its intent to use its authority under this section and submits an annual report to the Secretary identifying the projects to which the funding would be applied. Notwithstanding the original period of availability of funds to be obligated under this section, such funds and associated obligation limitation shall remain available for obligation for a period of 3 fiscal years after the fiscal year in which the Secretary is notified. The Federal share of the cost of a project carried out with funds made available under this section shall be the same as associated with the earmark.

- (b) In this section, the term "earmarked amount" means—
- (1) congressionally directed spending, as defined in rule XLIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, identified in a prior law, report, or joint explanatory statement, which was authorized to be appropriated or appropriated more than 10 fiscal years prior to the current fiscal year, and administered by the Federal Highway Administration or
- (2) a congressional earmark, as defined in rule XXI of the Rules of the House of Representatives, identified in a prior law, report, or joint explanatory statement, which was authorized to be appropriated or appropriated more than 10 fiscal years prior to the current fiscal year, and administered by the Federal Highway Administration.
- (c) The authority under subsection (a) may be exercised only for those projects or activities that have obligated less than 10 percent of the amount made available for obligation as of October 1 of the current fiscal year, and shall be applied to projects within the same general geographic area within 25 miles for which the funding was designated, except that a State or territory may apply such authority to unexpended balances of funds from projects or activities the State or territory certifies have been closed and for which payments have been made under a final voucher.
- (d) The Secretary shall submit consolidated reports of the information provided by the States and territories annually to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations.

SEC. 125. Until final guidance is published, the Administrator of the Federal Highway Administration shall adjudicate requests for Buy America waivers under the criteria that were in effect prior to April 17, 2018.

### FEDERAL MOTOR CARRIER SAFETY ADMINISTRATION

 $\begin{array}{c} \textit{MOTOR CARRIER SAFETY OPERATIONS AND} \\ \textit{PROGRAMS} \end{array}$ 

(LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)

(LIMITATION ON OBLIGATIONS)

(HIGHWAY TRUST FUND)

For payment of obligations incurred in the implementation, execution, and administration of motor carrier safety operations and programs pursuant to section 31110 of title 49, United States Code, \$367,500,000, to be derived from the Highway Trust Fund (other than the Mass Transit Account), together with advances and reimbursements received by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, the sum of which shall remain available until expended: Provided, That funds available for implementation, execution, or administration of motor carrier safety operations and programs authorized under title 49, United States Code, shall not exceed total obligations of \$367,500,000, for "Motor Carrier Safety Operations and Programs' for fiscal year 2023, of which \$14,073,000, to remain available for obligation until September 30, 2025, is for the research and technology program, and of which not less than \$63,098,000, to remain available for obligation until September 30, 2025, is for development, modernization, enhancement, and continued operation and maintenance of information technology and information management.

MOTOR CARRIER SAFETY GRANTS
(LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)
(LIMITATION ON OBLIGATIONS)

(HIGHWAY TRUST FUND)

For payment of obligations incurred in carrying out sections 31102, 31103, 31104, and 31313 of title 49, United States Code, \$506,150,000, to be derived from the Highway Trust Fund (other than the Mass Transit Account) and to remain available until expended: Provided, That funds available for the implementation or execution of motor carrier safety programs shall not exceed total obligations of \$506,150,000 in fiscal year 2023 for "Motor Carrier Safety Grants": Provided further, That of the amounts made available under this heading—

(1) \$398,500,000, to remain available for obligation until September 30, 2024, shall be for the motor carrier safety assistance program:

(2) \$42,650,000, to remain available for obligation until September 30, 2024, shall be for the commercial driver's license program implementation program;

(3) \$58,800,000, to remain available for obligation until September 30, 2024, shall be for the high priority program;

(4) \$1,200,000, to remain available for obligation until September 30, 2024, shall be for the commercial motor vehicle operators grant program; and

(5) \$5,000,000, to remain available for obligation until September 30, 2024, shall be for the commercial motor vehicle enforcement training and support grant program.

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SEC. 130. The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration shall update annual inspection regulations under Appendix G to subchapter B of chapter III of title 49, Code of Federal Regulations. as recommended by GAO-19-264.

SEC. 131. None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available to the Department of Transportation by this Act or any other Act may be obligated or expended to implement, administer, or enforce the requirements of section 31137 of title 49, United States Code, or any regulation issued by the Secretary pursuant to such section, with respect to the use of electronic logging devices by operators of commercial motor vehicles, as such term is defined in section 31132 of such title, who are transporting livestock, as such term is defined in section 602 of the Emergency Livestock Feed Assistance Act of 1988 (7 U.S.C. 1471), or insects.

# $\begin{array}{c} NATIONAL\ HIGHWAY\ TRAFFIC\ SAFETY\\ ADMINISTRATION \end{array}$

OPERATIONS AND RESEARCH

For expenses necessary to discharge the functions of the Secretary, with respect to traffic and highway safety authorized under chapter 301 and part C of subtitle VI of title 49, United States Code, \$230,000,000, to remain available through September 30, 2024.

OPERATIONS AND RESEARCH
(LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)
(LIMITATION ON OBLIGATIONS)

(HIGHWAY TRUST FUND)

For payment of obligations incurred in carrying out the provisions of section 403 of title 23, United States Code, including behavioral research on Automated Driving Systems and Advanced Driver Assistance Systems and improving consumer responses to safety recalls, section 25024 of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (Public Law 117–58), and chapter 303 of title 49, United States Code, \$197,000,000, to be derived from the Highway Trust Fund (other than the Mass Transit Account) and to remain available until expended: Provided, That none of the funds in this Act shall be available for the planning or execution of programs the total obligations for which, in fiscal year 2023, are in excess of \$197,000,000: Provided further, That of the sums appropriated under this heading-

(1) \$190,000,000 shall be for programs authorized under section 403 of title 23, United States Code, including behavioral research on Automated Driving Systems and Advanced Driver Assistance Systems and improving consumer responses to safety recalls, and section 25024 of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (Public Law 117-58); and

(2) \$7,000,000 shall be for the National Driver Register authorized under chapter 303 of title 49, United States Code:

Provided further, That within the \$197,000,000 obligation limitation for operations and research, \$57,500,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2024: Provided further, That amounts for behavioral research on Automated Driving Systems and Advanced Driver Assistance Systems and improving consumer responses to safety recalls are in addition to any other funds provided for those purposes for fiscal year 2023 in this Act.

HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY GRANTS (LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION) (LIMITATION ON OBLIGATIONS)

IMITATION ON OBLIGATIONS, (HIGHWAY TRUST FUND)

For payment of obligations incurred in carrying out provisions of sections 402, 404, and 405 of title 23, United States Code, and grant administration expenses under chapter 4 of title 23. United States Code, to remain available until expended, \$795,220,000, to be derived from the Highway Trust Fund (other than the Mass Transit Account): Provided, That none of the funds in this Act shall be available for the planning or execution of programs for which the total obligations in fiscal year 2023 are in excess of \$795,220,000 for programs authorized under sections 402, 404, and 405 of title 23, United States Code, and grant administration expenses under chapter 4 of title 23, United States Code: Provided further, That of the sums appropriated under this heading-

- (1) \$370,900,000 shall be for "Highway Safety Programs" under section 402 of title 23, United States Code;
- (2) \$346,500,000 shall be for "National Priority Safety Programs" under section 405 of title 23, United States Code;
- (3) \$38,300,000 shall be for the "High Visibility Enforcement Program" under section 404 of title 23, United States Code; and
- (4) \$39,520,000 shall be for grant administrative expenses under chapter 4 of title 23, United States Code:

Provided further, That none of these funds shall be used for construction, rehabilitation, or remodeling costs, or for office furnishings and fixtures for State, local or private buildings or structures: Provided further, That not to exceed \$500,000 of the funds made available for "National Priority Safety Programs" under section 405 of title 23, United States Code, for "Impaired Driving Countermeasures" (as described in subsection (d) of that section) shall be available for technical assistance to the States: Provided further, That with respect to the "Transfers" provision under section 405(a)(8) of title 23, United States Code, any amounts transferred to increase the amounts made available under section 402 shall include the obligation authority for such amounts: Provided further. That the Administrator shall notify the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations of any exercise of the authority granted under the preceding proviso or under section 405(a)(8) of title 23, United States Code, within 5 days.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION

SEC. 140. An additional \$130,000 shall be made available to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, out of the amount limited for section 402 of title 23, United States Code, to pay for travel and related expenses for State management reviews and to pay for core competency development training and related expenses for highway safety staff.

SEC. 141. The limitations on obligations for the programs of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration set in this Act shall not apply to obligations for which obligation authority was made available in previous public laws but only to the extent that the obligation authority has not lapsed or been used.

SEC. 142. None of the funds in this Act or any other Act shall be used to enforce the requirements of section 405(a)(9) of title 23, United States Code.

# FEDERAL RAILROAD ADMINISTRATION SAFETY AND OPERATIONS

For necessary expenses of the Federal Railroad Administration, not otherwise provided for, \$250,449,000, of which \$25,000,000 shall remain available until expended.

#### RAILROAD RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

For necessary expenses for railroad research and development, \$47,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That of the amounts made available under this heading, up to \$3,000,000 shall be available pursuant to section 20108(d) of title 49, United States Code, for the construction, alteration, and repair of buildings and improvements at the Transportation Technology Center.

### $FEDERAL\text{-}STATE\ PARTNERSHIP\ FOR\ INTERCITY\\ PASSENGER\ RAIL$

For necessary expenses related to Federal-State Partnership for Intercity Passenger Rail grants as authorized by section 24911 of title 49, United States Code, \$555,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That amounts made available under the heading 'Northeast Corridor Grants to the National Railroad Passenger Corporation" in this Act may be used as non-Federal share for projects located on the Northeast Corridor selected for award under section 24911 of title 49, United States Code, notwithstanding subsection (f) of such section: Provided further. That amounts made available under the heading "National Network Grants to the National Railroad Passenger Corporation" in this Act may be used as non-Federal share for projects not located on the Northeast Corridor selected for award under section 24911 of title 49, United States Code, notwithstanding subsection (f) of such section: Provided further, That the Secretary may withhold up to 2 percent of the amounts made available under this heading in this Act for the costs of award and project management oversight of grants carried out under title 49, United States Code.

### CONSOLIDATED RAIL INFRASTRUCTURE AND SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS

For necessary expenses related to Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements grants, as authorized by section 22907 of title 49, United States Code, \$630,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That of the amounts made available under this heading in this Act—

- (1) not less than \$150,000,000 shall be for projects eligible under section 22907(c)(2) of title 49, United States Code, that support the development of new intercity passenger rail service routes including alignments for existing routes;
- (2) not less than \$25,000,000 shall be for projects eligible under section 22907(c)(11) of title 49, United States Code: Provided, That for amounts made available in this paragraph, the Secretary shall give preference to projects that are located in counties with the most pedestrian trespasser casualties; and
- (3) \$5,000,000 shall be for preconstruction planning activities and capital costs related to the deployment of magnetic levitation transportation projects:

Provided further, That for amounts made available under this heading, eligible projects under section 22907(c)(8) of title 49, United States Code, shall also include railroad systems planning (including the preparation of regional

intercity passenger rail plans and State Rail Plans) and railroad project development activities (including railroad project planning, preliminary engineering, design, environmental analysis, feasibility studies, and the development and analysis of project alternatives): Provided further, That section 22907(e)(1)(A) of title 49, United States Code, shall not apply to amounts made available under this heading: Provided further, That section 22907(e)(1)(A) of title 49, United States Code, shall not apply to amounts made available under this heading in previous fiscal years if such funds are announced in a notice of funding opportunity that includes funds made available under this heading: Provided further, That unobligated balances remaining after 6 years after the date of enactment of this Act may be used for any eligible project under section 22907(c) of title 49, United States Code: Provided further, That the Secretary may withhold up to 2 percent of the amounts made available under this heading in this Act for the costs of award and project management oversight of grants carried out under title 49, United States Code.

### $NORTHEAST\ CORRIDOR\ GRANTS\ TO\ THE\ NATIONAL$ $RAILROAD\ PASSENGER\ CORPORATION$

To enable the Secretary of Transportation to make grants to the National Railroad Passenger Corporation for activities associated with the Northeast Corridor as authorized by section 22101(a) of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (Public Law 117-58), \$882,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That the Secretary may retain up to one-half of 1 percent of the amounts made available under both this heading in this Act and the "National Network Grants to the National Railroad Passenger Corporation" heading in this Act to fund the costs of project management and oversight of activities authorized by section 22101(c) of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (Public Law 117-58): Provided further, That in addition to the project management oversight funds authorized under section 22101(c) of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (Public Law 117-58), the Secretary may retain up to an additional \$1,000,000 of the amounts made available under this heading in this Act to fund expenses associated with the Northeast Corridor Commission established under section 24905 of title 49, United States Code: Provided further, That notwithstanding section 24911(f) of title 49, United States Code, amounts made available under this heading in this Act may be used as non-Federal share for projects located on the Northeast Corridor selected for award under section 24911 of title 49. United States Code.

### $\begin{array}{c} NATIONAL \ NETWORK \ GRANTS \ TO \ THE \ NATIONAL \\ RAILROAD \ PASSENGER \ CORPORATION \end{array}$

To enable the Secretary of Transportation to make grants to the National Railroad Passenger Corporation for activities associated with the National Network as authorized by section 22101(b) of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (Public Law 117-58), \$1,463,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That the National Railroad Passenger Corporation may use up to 10 percent of the amounts made available under this heading in this Act to support planning and capital costs, and operating assistance consistent with the Federal funding limitations under section 22908 of title 49, United States Code, of corridors selected under section 25101 of title 49, United States Code, that are operated by the National Railroad Passenger Corporation: Provided further, That notwithstanding section 24911(f) of title 49, United States Code, amounts made available under this heading in this Act may be used as non-Federal share for projects not located on the Northeast Corridor selected for award under section 24911 of title 49, United States Code: Provided further, That none of the funds made available under this heading in this Act shall be used by Amtrak to give notice under subsection (a) or (c) of section 24706 of title 49, United States Code, with respect to long-distance routes (as defined in section 24102 of title 49, United States Code) on which Amtrak is the sole operator on a host railroad's line and a positive train control system is not required by law or regulation, or, except in an emergency or during maintenance or construction outages impacting such routes, to otherwise discontinue, reduce the frequency of, suspend, or substantially alter the route of rail service on any portion of such route operated in fiscal year 2018, including implementation of service permitted by section 24305(a)(3)(A) of title 49, United States Code, in lieu of rail service.

# $\begin{array}{c} \textit{ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS} \\ \textit{--FEDERAL} \\ \textit{RAILROAD ADMINISTRATION} \end{array}$

(INCLUDING RESCISSION)

#### (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 150. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used by the National Railroad Passenger Corporation in contravention of the Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification Act (29 U.S.C. 2101 et seq.).

SEC. 151. Amounts made available in this and prior Acts to the Secretary or to the Federal Railroad Administration for the costs of award, administration, and project management oversight of financial assistance which are administered by the Federal Railroad Administration may be transferred to the Federal Railroad Administration's "Financial Assistance Oversight and Technical Assistance" account for necessary expenses to support the award, administration, project management oversight, and technical assistance of financial assistance administered by the Federal Railroad Administration, in the same manner as appropriated in this and prior Acts: Provided, That this section shall not apply to amounts that were previously designated by the Congress as an emergency requirement pursuant to a concurrent resolution on the budget or the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

SEC. 152. Amounts made available under the heading "Department of Transportation—Federal Railroad Administration—Restoration and Enhancement" in any prior fiscal years are subject to the requirements of section 22908 of title 49, United States Code, as in effect on the effective date of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (Public Law 117–58): Provided, That the limitation in subsection (e)(2) of section 22908 of title 49, United States Code, shall not apply to amounts made available for grants under such section in any prior Act.

SEC. 153. Amounts transferred to a "Financial Assistance Oversight and Technical Assistance' account pursuant to section 802 of title VIII of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Approprintions Act (division I of Public Law 117–58) as amended by section 156 of this title, from amounts appropriated for fiscal year 2023 may also be used by the Federal Railroad Administration for the Northeast Corridor Commission established under section 24905 of title 49, United States Code, and for the State-Supported Route Committee established under section 24712(a) of title 49, United States Code, including to assist the Federal Railroad Administration with the delivery of projects carried out with amounts made available under the head- $``Department\ of\ Transportation{--} Federal$ inas Railroad Administration—Northeast Corridor Grants to the National Railroad Passenger Corporation". "Department of Transportation-Federal Railroad Administration—National Network Grants to the National Railroad Passenger Corporation", and "Department of Transportation-Federal Railroad Administration-Federal-State Partnership for Intercity Passenger Rail Grants" in such title: Provided, That the Federal Railroad Administration shall notify the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations not less than 15 days prior to making any amounts available to the Northeast Corridor

Commission or State-Supported Route Committee pursuant to this section: Provided further, That amounts repurposed by this section that were previously designated by the Congress as an emergency requirement pursuant to the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 or a concurrent resolution on the budget are designated as an emergency requirement pursuant to section 4001(a)(1) of S. Con. Res. 14 (117th Congress), the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2022, and section 1(e) of H. Res. 1151 (117th Congress) as engrossed in the House of Representatives on June 8, 2022.

SEC. 154. The matter under the heading "Department of Transportation—Federal Railroad Administration—Northeast Corridor Grants to the National Railroad Passenger Corporation" in title VIII of division J of Public Law 117-58 is amended—

(1) in the fourth proviso, by striking "Secretary of Transportation shall submit" and inserting "Secretary of Transportation, in consultation with Amtrak, shall submit";

(2) in the fifth proviso, by striking "Secretary of Transportation shall submit" and inserting "Secretary of Transportation, in consultation with Amtrak, shall prepare and submit"; and (3) in the tenth proviso, by striking ", to fa-

(3) in the tenth proviso, by striking ", to facilitate a coordinated and efficient delivery of projects carried out under this heading in this Act":

Provided, That amounts repurposed by the amendments made by this section that were previously designated by the Congress as an emergency requirement pursuant to the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 or a concurrent resolution on the budget are designated as an emergency requirement pursuant to section 4001(a)(1) of S. Con. Res. 14 (117th Congress), the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2022, and section 10 of H. Res. 1151 (117th Congress) as engrossed in the House of Representatives on June 8, 2022.

SEC. 155. The matter under the heading "Department of Transportation—Federal Railroad Administration—National Network Grants to the National Railroad Passenger Corporation" in title VIII of division J of Public Law 117–58 is amended—

(1) in the third proviso, by striking "Secretary of Transportation shall submit" and inserting "Secretary of Transportation, in consultation with Amtrak, shall submit"; and

(2) in the fourth proviso, by striking "Secretary of Transportation shall submit" and inserting "Secretary of Transportation, in consultation with Amtrak, shall prepare and submit":

Provided, That amounts repurposed by the amendments made by this section that were previously designated by the Congress as an emergency requirement pursuant to the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 or a concurrent resolution on the budget are designated as an emergency requirement pursuant to section 4001(a)(1) of S. Con. Res. 14 (117th Congress), the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2022, and section 1(e) of H. Res. 1151 (117th Congress) as engrossed in the House of Representatives on June 8, 2022.

SEC. 156. Section 802 of title VIII of division J of Public Law 117–58 is amended—

(1) in the first proviso, by inserting "that could be" after "amounts"; and

(2) in the second proviso, by inserting "that could be" after "amounts":

Provided, That amounts repurposed by the amendments made by this section that were previously designated by the Congress as an emergency requirement pursuant to the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 or a concurrent resolution on the budget are designated as an emergency requirement pursuant to section 4001(a)(1) of S. Con. Res. 14 (117th Congress), the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2022, and section 1(e) of H. Res. 1151 (117th Congress) as engrossed in the House of Representatives on June 8, 2022.

SEC. 157. Of the unobligated balances of funds remaining from the "Rail Line Relocation and Improvement Program" account totaling \$1,811,124.16 appropriated by Public Law 112–10 is hereby permanently rescinded.

FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION
TRANSIT FORMULA GRANTS
(LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)
(LIMITATION ON OBLIGATIONS)
(HIGHWAY TRUST FUND)

For payment of obligations incurred in the Federal Public Transportation Assistance Program in this account, and for payment of obligations incurred in carrying out the provisions of sections 5305, 5307, 5310, 5311, 5312, 5314, 5318, 5329(e)(6), 5334, 5335, 5337, 5339, and 5340 of title 49, United States Code, section 20005(b) of MAP-21 (Public Law 112–141), and section 3006(b) of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (Public Law 114-94), \$13,634,000,000, to be derived from the Mass Transit Account of the Highway Trust Fund and to remain available until expended: Provided, That funds available for the implementation or execution of programs authorized under sections 5305, 5307, 5310, 5311, 5312, 5314, 5318, 5329(e)(6), 5334, 5335, 5337, 5339, and 5340 of title 49, United States Code, section 20005(b) of MAP-21 (Public Law 112-141), and section 3006(b) of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (Public Law 114-94), shall not exceed total obligations of \$13,634,000,000 in fiscal year 2023.

#### TRANSIT INFRASTRUCTURE GRANTS

For an additional amount for buses and bus facilities competitive grants under section 5339(b) of title 49 United States Code low or no emission grants under section 5339(c) of such title, passenger ferry grants under section 5307(h) of such title, bus testing facilities under section 5318 of such title, Community Project Funding for projects and activities eligible under chapter 53 of such title, administrative expenses and ongoing program management oversight as authorized under sections 5334 and 5338(c)(2) of such title, ferry service for rural communities under section 71103 of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (Public Law 117-58), and competitive integrated smart mobility grants, \$646,428,324, to remain available until expended: Provided, That of the amounts made available under this heading in this Act-

(1) \$200,000,000 shall be for buses and bus facilities competitive grants as authorized under section 5339(b) of such title;
(2) \$75,000,000 shall be for low or no emission

(2) \$75,000,000 shall be for low or no emission grants as authorized under section 5339(c) of such title: Provided, That for amounts made available in this paragraph, the minimum grant award shall be not less than \$750,000;

(3) \$20,000,000 shall be for passenger ferry grants as authorized under section 5307(h) of such title:

(4) \$2,000,000 shall be for the operation and maintenance of the bus testing facilities selected under section 5318 of such title: Provided, That for amounts made available in this paragraph, the Federal cost share shall be 100 percent;

(5) \$267,428,324 shall be for Community Project Funding for the purposes, and in the amounts, specified for this account in the table titled Transportation, Housing and Urban Development Incorporation of Community Project Funding Items" included in the report accompanying this Act: Provided, That unless otherwise specified, applicable requirements under chapter 53 of title 49, United States Code, shall apply to amounts made available in this paragraph, except that the Federal share of the costs for a project in this paragraph shall be in an amount equal to 80 percent of the net costs of the project, unless the Secretary approves a higher maximum Federal share of the net costs of the project consistent with administration of similar projects funded under chapter 53 of title 49. United States Code:

(6) \$2,000,000 shall be for administrative expenses and ongoing program management over-

sight as authorized under sections 5334 and 5338(c)(2) of title 49, United States Code, including for administering amounts made available for Community Project Funding in paragraph (5) under this heading in this Act, and shall be in addition to any other appropriations available for such purpose:

(7) \$30,000,000 shall be for ferry service for rural communities under section 71103 of the Infrastructure Investment and Johs Act (Public Law 117-58): Provided, That for amounts made available in this paragraph, notwithstanding section 71103(a)(2)(B), eligible service shall include passenger ferry service that serves at least two rural areas with a single segment over 20 miles between the two rural areas and is not otherwise eligible under section 5307(h) of title 49, United States Code: Provided further, That entities that provide eligible service pursuant to the preceding proviso may use amounts made available in this paragraph for public transportation capital projects to support any ferry service between two rural areas: Provided further, That entities eligible for amounts made available in this paragraph shall only provide ferry service to rural areas; and (8) \$50,000,000 shall be for integrated smart

mobility grants to recipients eligible under sections 5307 and 5311 of title 49 United States Code, for planning and capital projects eligible under chapter 53 of such title that support the adoption of innovative approaches to mobility that will improve safety, accessibility, air-quality, and equity in access to community services and economic opportunities: Provided, That such innovative approaches may include changes to service frequencies, patterns, areas of coverage, and first and last mile options such as optimizing transit route planning and using integrated travel planning and payment systems; fare improvement projects; deployment of transit ambassadors; data and systems integration; and other activities designed to improve public transportation services: Provided further, That the Secretary shall give preference to projects that will improve access to jobs and affordable housing; enhance connections to health care, education, and food security; improve health outcomes; address how individuals without access to advanced technology will benefit from such innovative solutions; or include job retention and retraining for current employees: Provided further, That the Secretary shall award not less than 5 but not more than 10 integrated smart mobility grants with amounts made available in this paragraph: Provided further, That the Secretary shall award, to not less than 3 distinct recipients, not less than 1 such grant to a recipient eligible under section 5307 of title 49. United States Code, not less than 1 such grant to a recipient eligible under section 5311 of title 49 United States Code, and not less than 1 such grant to a recipient eligible under sections 5307 or 5311 of title 49, United States Code, that provides commuter rail passenger transportation: Provided further, That capital and operating expenses shall be eligible for amounts made available in this paragraph: Provided further, That an eligible subrecipient under section 5307 or 5311 of title 49, United States Code, shall be eligible to be a direct recipient: Provided further, That the Federal share for planning and capital projects funded with amounts made available in this paragraph shall not exceed 80 percent of the net project cost: Provided further, That the Federal share for operating expenses funded with amounts made available in this paragraph shall not exceed 50 percent of the net project cost: Provided further, That the Secretary shall not waive requirements in section 5333 of title 49, United States Code, for projects funded with amounts made available in this paragraph: Provided further, That unless otherwise specified, applicable requirements under chapter 53 of title 49, United States Code, shall apply to amounts made available in this paragraph:

Provided further, That amounts made available under this heading in this Act shall be derived from the general fund: Provided further, That amounts made available under this heading in this Act shall not be subject to any limitation on obligations for transit programs set forth in this or any other Act.

### TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND TRAINING

For necessary expenses to carry out section 5314 of title 49, United States Code, \$8,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024: Provided, That the assistance provided under this heading does not duplicate the activities of section 5311(b) or section 5312 of title 49, United States Code: Provided further, That amounts made available under this heading are in addition to any other amounts made available for such purposes: Provided further, That amounts made available under this heading shall not be subject to any limitation on obligations set forth in this or any other Act.

### CAPITAL INVESTMENT GRANTS

For necessary expenses to carry out fixed auideway capital investment grants under section 5309 of title 49, United States Code, and section 3005(b) of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (Public Law 114-94), \$3,012,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That of the amounts made available under this heading in this Act. \$1.897.166.000 shall be available for projects authorized under section 5309(d) of title 49. United States Code, \$40,714,000 shall be available for projects authorized under section 5309(e) of title 49, United States Code, \$94,000,000 shall be available for projects authorized under section 5309(h) of title 49. United States Code, and \$350,000,000 shall be available for projects authorized under section 3005(b) of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (Public Law 114-94): Provided further. That the Secretary shall continue to administer the capital investment grants program in accordance with the procedural and substantive requirements of section 5309 of title 49 United States Code and of section 3005(b) of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (Public Law 114-94): Provided further, That projects that receive a grant agreement under the Expedited Project Delivery for Capital Investment Grants Pilot Program under section 3005(b) of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (Public Law 114-94) shall be deemed eligible for funding provided for projects under section 5309 of title 49, United States Code, without further evaluation or rating under such section: Provided further. That such funding shall not exceed the Federal share under section 3005(b) of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (Public Law 114-94): Provided further, That upon submission to the Congress of the fiscal year 2024 President's budget, the Secretary of Transportation shall transmit to Congress the annual report on capital investment grants, including proposed allocations for fiscal year 2024.

# GRANTS TO THE WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY

For grants to the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority as authorized under section 601 of division B of the Passenger Rail Investment and Improvement Act of 2008 (Public Law 110-432), \$150,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That the Secretary of Transportation shall approve grants for capital and preventive maintenance expenditures for the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority only after receiving and reviewing a request for each specific project: Provided further, That the Secretary shall determine that the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority has placed the highest priority on those investments that will improve the safety of the system before approving such grants.

# $\begin{array}{c} ADMINISTRATIVE\ PROVISIONS - FEDERAL\ TRANSIT\\ ADMINISTRATION \end{array}$

SEC. 160. The limitations on obligations for the programs of the Federal Transit Administration

shall not apply to any authority under section 5338 of title 49, United States Code, previously made available for obligation, or to any other authority previously made available for obligation.

SEC. 161. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, funds appropriated or limited by this Act under the heading "Capital Investment Grants" of the Federal Transit Administration for projects specified in this Act or identified in the report accompanying this Act not obligated by September 30, 2026, and other recoveries, shall be directed to projects eligible to use the funds for the purposes for which they were originally provided.

SEC. 162. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any funds appropriated before October 1, 2022, under any section of chapter 53 of title 49, United States Code, that remain available for expenditure, may be transferred to and administered under the most recent appropriation heading for any such section.

SEC. 163. None of the funds made available by this Act or any other Act shall be used to adjust apportionments or withhold funds from apportionments pursuant to section 9503(e)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. 9503(e)(4)).

SEC. 164. None of the funds made available by this Act or any other Act shall be used to impede or hinder project advancement or approval for any project seeking a Federal contribution from the capital investment grants program of greater than 40 percent of project costs as authorized under section 5309 of title 49, United States Code

SEC. 165. Of the amounts made available under the heading "Department of Transportation—Federal Transit Administration—Capital Investment Grants" in this Act, \$600,000,000 shall be made available for allocation to recipients with existing full funding grant agreements under sections 5309(d) and 5309(e) of title 49, United States Code, that received allocations for fiscal year 2022 and have either (1) a capital investment grant share of 40 percent or less; or (2) signed a full funding grant agreement between January 20, 2017 and January 20, 2021: Provided, That recipients with projects open for revenue service shall not be eligible to receive an allocation of funding under this section: Provided further. That amounts shall be provided to recipients proportionally based on the noncapital investment grant share of the project: Provided further, That no project may receive an allocation of more than 40 percent of the total amount in this section: Provided further. That the Secretary shall proportionally distribute funds in excess of such 40 percent to recipients for which the percent of funds does not exceed 40 percent: Provided further, That a recipient may not receive an allocation of funding under this section if the recipient has (1) expended less than 75 percent of the allocations received under paragraph (4) of section 3401(b) of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Public Law 117-2); and (2) expended less than 50 percent of the federal operating assistance allocations received under section 5307 of title 49, United States Code, in the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (Public Law 116-136), the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 (Public Law 116-260), or the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Public Law 117-2): Provided further, That amounts allocated pursuant to this section shall be provided to eligible recipients notwithstanding the limitation of any calculation of the maximum amount of Federal financial assistsectionfor theprojectunder 5309(k)(2)(C)(ii) of title 49, United States Code: Provided further. That the Federal Transit Administration shall allocate amounts under this section no later than 30 days after the date of enactment of this Act.

SEC. 166. The remaining unobligated balances, as of September 30, 2023, from amounts made available to the Department of Transportation

under the heading "Federal Transit Administration—Capital Investment Grants" in division H of the Further Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2020 (Public Law 116-94) are hereby rescinded, and an amount of additional new budget authority equivalent to the amount rescinded is hereby appropriated on September 30, 2023, for an additional amount for fiscal year 2023, to remain available until September 30, 2024, and shall be available for the same purposes and under the same authorities for which such amounts were originally provided in Public Law 116-94.

SEC. 167. Notwithstanding section 5302(4)(L) of title 49, United States Code, fuel for vehicle operations, including the cost of utilities used for the propulsion of electrically driven vehicles, may be treated, at the option of the recipient, as an associated capital maintenance item for purposes of grants made under sections 5307 and 5311 of such title in fiscal year 2023: Provided, That an amount equal to not more than 5 percent of the total funding allocated under sections 5307 or 5311 of such title to an urbanized area, state, or territory in fiscal year 2023 may be obligated for such purpose from available amounts allocated in fiscal year 2023 or prior years.

### GREAT LAKES ST. LAWRENCE SEAWAY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

The Great Lakes St. Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation is hereby authorized to make such expenditures, within the limits of funds and borrowing authority available to the Corporation, and in accord with law, and to make such contracts and commitments without regard to fiscal year limitations, as provided by section 9104 of title 31, United States Code, as may be necessary in carrying out the programs set forth in the Corporation's budget for the current fiscal year.

### OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE (HARBOR MAINTENANCE TRUST FUND)

For necessary expenses to conduct the operations, maintenance, and capital infrastructure activities on portions of the St. Lawrence Seaway owned, operated, and maintained by the Great Lakes St. Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation, \$41,500,000, to be derived from the Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund, pursuant to section 210 of the Water Resources Development Act of 1986 (33 U.S.C. 2238): Provided, That of the amounts made available under this heading. not less than \$14,800,000 shall be for the seaway infrastructure program: Provided further, That not more than \$1,000,000 of the unobligated balances from the amounts made available for capital asset renewal activities under this heading or under the heading "Saint Lawrence Seaway Corporation—Operations Development Maintenance" in any prior Act shall be for activities pursuant to section 984(a)(12) of title 33, United States Code.

### $MARITIME\ ADMINISTRATION$

### MARITIME SECURITY PROGRAM

For necessary expenses to maintain and preserve a U.S.-flag merchant fleet as authorized under chapter 531 of title 46, United States Code, to serve the national security needs of the United States, \$318,000,000, to remain available until expended.

### CABLE SECURITY FLEET

For the cable security fleet program, as authorized under chapter 532 of title 46, United States Code, \$10,000,000, to remain available until expended.

### $TANKER\ SECURITY\ PROGRAM$

For the tanker security fleet program, as authorized under chapter 534 of title 46, United States Code, \$60,000,000, to remain available until expended.

### OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

For necessary expenses of operations and training activities authorized by law,

\$192,000,000: Provided, That of the amounts made available under this heading—

(1) \$87,848,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024, shall be for the operations of the United States Merchant Marine Academy;

(2) \$11,900,000, to remain available until expended, shall be for facilities maintenance and repair, and equipment, at the United States Merchant Marine Academy;

(3) \$6,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024 shall be for the Maritime Environmental and Technical Assistance program authorized under section 50307 of title 46, United States Code: and

(4) \$14,819,000, to remain available until expended, shall be for the America's Marine Highway Program to make grants for the purposes authorized under paragraphs (1) and (3) of section 55601(b) of title 46. United States Code:

tion 55601(b) of title 46, United States Code: Provided further, That the Administrator of the Maritime Administration shall transmit to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations the annual report on sexual assault and sexual harassment at the United States Merchant Marine Academy as required pursuant to section 3510 of the National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2017 (46 U.S.C. 51318): Provided further, That available balances under this heading for the Short Sea Transportation Program (now known as the America's Marine Highway Program) from prior year recoveries shall be available to carry out activities authorized under paragraphs (1) and (3) of section 55601(b) of title 46, United States Code.

### STATE MARITIME ACADEMY OPERATIONS

For necessary expenses of operations, support, and training activities for State Maritime Academies, \$77,700,000: Provided, That of the amounts made available under this heading—

(1) \$30,500,000, to remain available until expended, shall be for maintenance, repair, life extension, insurance, and capacity improvement of National Defense Reserve Fleet training ships, and for support of training ship operations at the State Maritime Academies, of which not more than \$8,000,000, to remain available until expended, shall be for expenses related to training mariners; and for costs associated with training vessel sharing pursuant to section 51504(a)(3) of title 46. United States Code, for costs associated with mobilizing, operating and demobilizing the vessel, including travel costs for students, faculty and crew, the costs of the general agent, crew costs, fuel, insurance, operational fees, and vessel hire costs. as determined by the Secretary;

(2) \$35,000,000, to remain available until expended, shall be for the National Security Multi-Mission Vessel Program, including funds for construction, planning, administration, design of school ships, and necessary expenses to construct infrastructure to berth such ships;

(3) \$2,400,000, to remain available until September 30, 2027, shall be for the Student Incentive Program:

(4) \$3,800,000, to remain available until expended, shall be for training ship fuel assistance; and

(5) \$6,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024, shall be for direct payments for State Maritime Academies.

### ASSISTANCE TO SMALL SHIPYARDS

To make grants to qualified shipyards as authorized under section 54101 of title 46, United States Code, \$20,000,000, to remain available until expended.

### $SHIP\ DISPOSAL$

For necessary expenses related to the disposal of obsolete vessels in the National Defense Reserve Fleet of the Maritime Administration, \$6,000,000, to remain available until expended.

MARITIME GUARANTEED LOAN (TITLE XI) PROGRAM

# ${\it ACCOUNT} \\ ({\it INCLUDING~TRANSFER~OF~FUNDS})$

For administrative expenses to carry out the guaranteed loan program, \$3,000,000, which

shall be transferred to and merged with the appropriations for "Maritime Administration—Operations and Training".

PORT INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

To make grants to improve port facilities as authorized under section 54301 of title 46, United States Code, \$300,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That projects eligible for amounts made available under this heading in this Act shall be projects for coastal seaports, inland river ports, or Great Lakes ports: Provided further, That of the amounts made available under this heading in this Act, not less than \$275,000,000 shall be for coastal seaports or Great Lakes ports: Provided further, That amounts made available under this heading in this Act may not be used for the purchase or installation of fully automated cargo handling equipment or terminal infrastructure that is designed for fully automated cargo handling equipment: Provided further, That for the purposes of the preceding proviso, "fully automated cargo handling equipment" means cargo handling equipment that is remotely operated or remotely monitored and does not require the exercise of human intervention or control: Provided further, That for grants awarded under this heading in this Act, the minimum grant size shall be \$1,000,000: Provided further, That the proceeds of Federal credit assistance under chapter 6 of title 23. United States Code. or chapter 224 of title 49, United States Code, shall be considered to be part of the non-Federal share of project costs if the loan is repayable from non-Federal funds, unless otherwise requested.

### ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISION—MARITIME ADMINISTRATION

SEC. 170. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, in addition to any existing authority, the Maritime Administration is authorized to furnish utilities and services and make necessary repairs in connection with any lease, contract, or occupancy involving Government property under control of the Maritime Administration: Provided, That payments received therefor shall be credited to the appropriation charged with the cost thereof and shall remain available until expended: Provided further, That rental payments under any such lease, contract, or occupancy for items other than such utilities, services, or repairs shall be deposited into the Treasury as miscellaneous receipts.

### PIPELINE AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SAFETY ADMINISTRATION

### OPERATIONAL EXPENSES

For necessary operational expenses of the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, \$30,150,000, of which \$4,500,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2025.

### HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SAFETY

For expenses necessary to discharge the hazardous materials safety functions of the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration \$70,710,500 to remain available until Sentember 30, 2025, of which \$1,000,000 shall be made available for carrying out section 5107(i) of title 49. United States Code: Provided. That up to \$800,000 in fees collected under section 5108(a) of title 49. United States Code, shall be deposited in the general fund of the Treasury as offsetting receipts: Provided further, That there may be credited to this appropriation, to be available until expended, funds received from States, counties, municipalities, other public authorities, and private sources for expenses incurred for training, for reports publication and dissemination, and for travel expenses incurred in performance of hazardous materials exemptions and approvals functions.

# PIPELINE SAFETY (PIPELINE SAFETY FUND)

### $(OIL\ SPILL\ LIABILITY\ TRUST\ FUND)$

For expenses necessary to carry out a pipeline safety program, as authorized by section 60107

of title 49, United States Code, and to discharge the pipeline program responsibilities of the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 (Public Law 101-380), \$187,800,000, to remain available until September 30, 2025, of which \$29,000,000 shall be derived from the Oil Spill Liability Trust Fund; of which \$151,400,000 shall be derived from the Pipeline Safety Fund; of which \$400,000 shall be derived from the fees collected under section 60303 of title 49, United States Code, and deposited in the Liquefied Natural Gas Siting Account for compliance reviews of liquefied natural gas facilities; and of which \$7,000,000 shall be derived from fees collected under section 60302 of title 49. United States Code, and deposited in the Underground Natural Gas Storage Facility Safety Account for the purpose of carrying out section 60141 of title 49, United States Code: Provided, That not less than \$1,058,000 of the amounts made available under this heading shall be for the One-Call State grant program: Provided further, That any amounts made available under this heading in this Act or in prior Acts for research contracts, grants, cooperative agreements or research other transactions agreements ("OTAs") shall require written notification to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations not less than 3 full business days before such research contracts, grants, cooperative agreements, or research OTAs are announced by the Department of Transportation: Provided further, That the Secretary shall transmit to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations the report on pipeline safety testing enhancement as required pursuant to section 105 of the Protecting our Infrastructure of Pipelines and Enhancing Safety Act of 2020 (division R of Public Law 116-260): Provided further, That the Secretary may obligate amounts made available under this heading to engineer, erect, alter, and repair buildings or make any other public improvements for re-search facilities at the Transportation Technology Center after the Secretary submits an updated research plan and the report in the preceding proviso to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations and after such plan and report in the preceding proviso are approved by the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations.

### EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS GRANTS (LIMITATION ON OBLIGATIONS) (EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS FUND)

For expenses necessary to carry out the Emergency Preparedness Grants program, not more than \$28.318.000 shall remain available until September 30, 2025, from amounts made available by section 5116(h) and subsections (b) and (c) of section 5128 of title 49, United States Code: Provided. Thatnotwithstanding section 5116(h)(4) of title 49, United States Code, not more than 4 percent of the amounts made available from this account shall be available to pay the administrative costs of carrying out sections 5116, 5107(e), and 5108(g)(2) of title 49, United States Code: Provided further, That notwithstanding subsections (b) and (c) of section 5128 of title 49. United States Code, and the limitation on obligations provided under this heading, prior year recoveries recognized in the current year shall be available to develop and deliver hazardous materials emergency response training for emergency responders, including response activities for the transportation of crude oil, ethanol, flammable liquids, and other hazardous commodities by rail, consistent with National Fire Protection Association standards and to make such training available through an electronic format: Provided further, That the prior year recoveries made available under this heading shall also be available to carry out sections 5116(a)(1)(C), 5116(h), 5116(i), 5116(j), and 5107(e) of title 49. United States Code.

### Office of Inspector General Salaries and expenses

For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector General to carry out the provisions of the Inspector General Act of 1978, as amended, \$108,073,000: Provided, That the Inspector General shall have all necessary authority, in carrying out the duties specified in the Inspector General Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. App.), to investigate allegations of fraud, including false statements to the government (18 U.S.C. 1001), by any person or entity that is subject to regulation by the Department of Transportation.

# $\begin{array}{c} \textit{General Provisions--Department of} \\ \textit{Transportation} \end{array}$

SEC. 180. (a) During the current fiscal year, applicable appropriations to the Department of Transportation shall be available for maintenance and operation of aircraft; hire of passenger motor vehicles and aircraft; purchase of liability insurance for motor vehicles operating in foreign countries on official department business; and uniforms or allowances therefor, as authorized by sections 5901 and 5902 of title 5, United States Code.

(b) During the current fiscal year, applicable appropriations to the Department and its operating administrations shall be available for the purchase, maintenance, operation, and deployment of unmanned aircraft systems that advance the missions of the Department of Transportation or an operating administration of the Department of Transportation.

(c) Any unmanned aircraft system purchased, procured, or contracted for by the Department prior to the date of enactment of this Act shall be deemed authorized by Congress as if this provision was in effect when the system was purchased, procured, or contracted for.

SEC. 181. Appropriations contained in this Act for the Department of Transportation shall be available for services as authorized by section 3109 of title 5, United States Code, but at rates for individuals not to exceed the per diem rate equivalent to the rate for an Executive Level IV.

SEC. 182. (a) No recipient of amounts made available by this Act shall disseminate personal information (as defined in section 2725(3) of title 18, United States Code) obtained by a State department of motor vehicles in connection with a motor vehicle record as defined in section 2725(1) of title 18, United States Code, except as provided in section 2721 of title 18, United States Code, for a use permitted under section 2721 of title 18, United States Code.

(b) Notwithstanding subsection (a), the Secretary shall not withhold amounts made available by this Act for any grantee if a State is in noncompliance with this provision.

SEC. 183. None of the funds made available by this Act shall be available for salaries and expenses of more than 125 political and Presidential appointees in the Department of Transportation: Provided, That none of the personnel covered by this provision may be assigned on temporary detail outside the Department of Transportation.

SEC. 184. Funds received by the Federal Highway Administration and Federal Railroad Administration from States, counties, municipalities, other public authorities, and private sources for expenses incurred for training may be credited respectively to the Federal Highway Administration's "Federal-Aid Highways" account and to the Federal Railroad Administration's "Safety and Operations" account, except for State rail safety inspectors participating in training pursuant to section 20105 of title 49, United States Code.

SEC. 185. None of the funds made available by this Act or in title VIII of division J of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (Public Law 117-58) to the Department of Transportation may be used to make a loan, loan guarantee, line of credit, letter of intent, federally funded cooperative agreement, full funding grant agreement, or discretionary grant unless the Secretary of Transportation notifies the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations not less than 3 full business days before any project competitively selected to receive any

discretionary grant award, letter of intent, loan commitment, loan guarantee commitment, line of credit commitment, federally funded cooperative agreement, or full funding grant agreement is announced by the Department or its operating administrations: Provided, That the Secretary of Transportation shall provide the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations with a comprehensive list of all such loans, loan guarantees, lines of credit, letters of intent, federally funded cooperative agreements, full funding grant agreements, and discretionary grants prior to the notification required under the preceding proviso: Provided further, That the Secretary gives concurrent notification to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations for any "quick release" of funds from the emergency relief program: Provided further, That no notification shall involve funds that are not available for obligation.

SEC. 186. Rebates, refunds, incentive payments, minor fees, and other funds received by the Department of Transportation from travel management centers, charge card programs, the subleasing of building space, and miscellaneous sources are to be credited to appropriations of the Department of Transportation and allocated to organizational units of the Department of Transportation using fair and equitable criteria and such funds shall be available until expended.

SEC. 187. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, if any funds provided by or limited by this Act are subject to a reprogramming action that requires notice to be provided to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations, transmission of such reprogramming notice shall be provided solely to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations, and such reprogramming action shall be approved or denied solely by the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations: Provided. That the Secretary of Transportation may provide notice to other congressional committees of the action of the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations on such reprogramming but not sooner than 30 days after the date on which the reprogramming action has been approved or denied by the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations.

SEC. 188. Funds appropriated by this Act to the operating administrations may be obligated for the Office of the Secretary for the costs related to assessments or reimbursable agreements only when such amounts are for the costs of goods and services that are purchased to provide a direct benefit to the applicable operating administration or administrations.

SEC. 189. The Secretary of Transportation is authorized to carry out a program that establishes uniform standards for developing and supporting agency transit pass and transit benefits authorized under section 7905 of title 5, United States Code, including distribution of transit benefits by various paper and electronic media.

SEC. 190. The Department of Transportation may use funds provided by this Act, or any other Act, to assist a contract under title 49 or 23 of the United States Code utilizing geographic, economic, or any other hiring preference not otherwise authorized by law, or to amend a rule, regulation, policy or other measure that forbids a recipient of a Federal Highway Administration or Federal Transit Administration grant from imposing such hiring preference on a contract or construction project with which the Department of Transportation is assisting, only if the grant recipient certifies the following:

(1) that except with respect to apprentices or trainees, a pool of readily available but unemployed individuals possessing the knowledge, skill, and ability to perform the work that the contract requires resides in the jurisdiction;

(2) that the grant recipient will include appropriate provisions in its bid document ensuring that the contractor does not displace any of its

existing employees in order to satisfy such hiring preference; and

(3) that any increase in the cost of labor, training, or delays resulting from the use of such hiring preference does not delay or displace any transportation project in the applicable Statewide Transportation Improvement Program or Transportation Improvement Program.

SEC. 191. The Secretary of Transportation shall coordinate with the Secretary of Homeland Security to ensure that best practices for Industrial Control Systems Procurement are up-to-date and shall ensure that systems procured with funds provided under this title were procured using such practices.

This title may be cited as the "Department of Transportation Appropriations Act, 2023".

### TITLE II

### $\begin{array}{c} DEPARTMENT\ OF\ HOUSING\ AND\ URBAN\\ DEVELOPMENT \end{array}$

MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION EXECUTIVE OFFICES

For necessary salaries and expenses for Executive Offices, which shall be comprised of the offices of the Secretary, Deputy Secretary, Adjudicatory Services, Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations, Public Affairs, Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, and the Center for Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships, \$18,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024: Provided, That not to exceed \$25,000 of the amount made available under this heading shall be available to the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development (referred to in this title as "the Secretary") for official reception and representation expenses as the Secretary may determine.

### ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT OFFICES

For necessary salaries and expenses for Administrative Support Offices, \$690,900,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024: Provided, That of the sums appropriated under this heading—

- (1) \$97,000,000 shall be available for the Office of the Chief Financial Officer:
- (2) \$126,100,000 shall be available for the Office of the General Counsel, of which not less than \$18,500,000 shall be for the Departmental Enforcement Center:
- (3) \$239,566,000 shall be available for the Office of Administration, of which not less than \$3,500,000 may be for modernization and deferred maintenance of the Weaver Building;
- (4) \$54,776,000 shall be available for the Office of the Chief Human Capital Officer;
- (5) \$32,058,000 shall be available for the Office of the Chief Procurement Officer;
- (6) \$66,200,000 shall be available for the Office of Field Policy and Management;
- (7) \$5,000,000 shall be available for the Office of Departmental Equal Employment Opportunity: and
- (8) \$70,200,000 shall be available for the Office of the Chief Information Officer:

Provided further, That funds made available under this heading may be used for necessary administrative and non-administrative expenses of the Department, not otherwise provided for, including purchase of uniforms, or allowances therefor, as authorized by sections 5901 and 5902 of title 5, United States Code; hire of passenger motor vehicles; and services as authorized by section 3109 of title 5, United States Code: Provided further, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, funds appropriated under this heading may be used for advertising and promotional activities that directly support program activities funded in this title: Provided further, That the Secretary shall provide the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations quarterly written notification regarding the status of pending congressional reports: Provided further, That the Secretary shall provide in electronic form all signed reports required by Congress.

### PROGRAM OFFICES

For necessary salaries and expenses for Program Offices, \$1,091,200,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024; Provided, That of the sums appropriated under this heading-

(1) \$285,900,000 shall be available for the Office of Public and Indian Housing;

(2) \$158 100 000 shall be available for the Office of Community Planning and Development;

(3) \$488,500,000 shall be available for the Office of Housing, of which not less than \$13,000,000 shall be for the Office of Recapitalization:

(4) \$41,600,000 shall be available for the Office of Policy Development and Research:

(5) \$105,800,000 shall be available for the Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity; and

(6) \$11,300,000 shall be available for the Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes.

### WORKING CAPITAL FUND

### (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For the working capital fund for the Department of Housing and Urban Development (referred to in this paragraph as the "Fund"), pursuant, in part, to section 7(f) of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Act (42 U.S.C. 3535(f)), amounts transferred, including reimbursements pursuant to section 7(f), to the Fund under this heading shall be available only for Federal shared services used by offices and agencies of the Department, and for any such portion of any office or agency's printing, records management, space renovation, furniture, or supply services the Secretary has determined shall be provided through the Fund, and the operational expenses of the Fund: Provided, That amounts within the Fund shall not be available to provide services not specifically authorized under this heading: Provided further, That upon a determination by the Secretary that any other service (or portion thereof) authorized under this heading shall be provided through the Fund, amounts made available in this title for salaries and expenses under the headings "Executive Offices", "Administrative Support Offices", "Program Offices", and "Government National Mortgage Association" for such services shall be transferred to the Fund, to remain available until expended: Provided further, That the Secretary shall notify the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations of its plans for executing such transfers at least 15 days in advance of such transfers.

### PUBLIC AND INDIAN HOUSING

### TENANT-BASED RENTAL ASSISTANCE

For activities and assistance for the provision of tenant-based rental assistance authorized under the United States Housing Act of 1937, as amended (42 U.S.C. 1437 et seq.) (in this title Act''not otherwise provided for, \$27.042,932,000, to remain available until expended, which shall be available on October 1. 2022 (in addition to the \$4,000,000,000 previously appropriated under this heading that shall be available on October 1, 2022), and \$4,000,000,000, to remain available until expended, which shall be available on October 1, 2023: Provided, That the amounts made available under this heading

are provided as follows:

(1) \$26,184,000,000 shall be available for renewals of expiring section 8 tenant-based annual contributions contracts (including renewals of enhanced vouchers under any provision of law authorizing such assistance under section 8(t) of the Act) and including renewal of other special purpose incremental vouchers: Provided, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, from amounts provided under this paragraph and any carryover, the Secretary for the calendar year 2023 funding cycle shall provide renewal funding for each public housing agency based on validated voucher management system (VMS) leasing and cost data for the prior calendar year and by applying an inflation factor as established by the Secretary, by notice pub-

lished in the Federal Register, and by making any necessary adjustments for the costs associated with the first-time renewal of vouchers under this paragraph including tenant protection and Choice Neighborhoods vouchers: Provided further, That funds provided under this paragraph and prior Acts may be used to fund a total number of unit months under lease which exceeds a public housing agency's authorized level of units under contract, except for public housing agencies participating in the Moving to Work (MTW) demonstration, which are instead governed in accordance with the re $quirements\ of\ the\ MTW\ demonstration\ program$ or their MTW agreements, if any: Provided further, That amounts repurposed pursuant to the preceding proviso that were previously designated by the Congress as an emergency requirement pursuant to the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 or a concurrent resolution on the budget are designated as an emergency requirement pursuant to section 4001(a)(1) of S. Con. Res. 14 (117th Congress), the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2022, and section 1(e) of H. Res. 1151 (117th Congress) as engrossed in the House of Representatives on June 8, 2022: Provided further, That costs associated with any forgone increases in tenant rent payments due to the implementation of rent incentives as authorized pursuant to waivers or alternative requirements of the Jobs-Plus initiative as described under the heading "Self-Sufficiency Programs" shall be renewed: Provided further, That costs associated with any forgone increases in tenant rent payments due to the implementation of rent incentives as authorized pursuant to waivers or alternative requirements of the Jobs-Plus initiative as described under the heading "Self-Sufficiency Programs" shall be renewed: Provided further. That the Secretary shall, to the extent necessary to stay within the amount specified under this paragraph (except as otherwise modified under this paragraph), prorate each public housing agency's allocation otherwise established pursuant to this paragraph: Provided further That except as provided in the following provisos, the entire amount specified under this paragraph (except as otherwise modified under this paragraph) shall be obligated to the public housing agencies based on the allocation and pro rata method described above, and the Secretary shall notify public housing agencies of their annual hudget by the latter of 60 days after the date of enactment of this Act or March 1, 2023: Provided further, That the Secretary may extend the notification period with the prior written approval of the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations: Provided further, That public housing agencies participating in the MTW demonstration shall be funded in accordance with the requirements of the MTW demonstration program or their MTW gareements, if any, and shall be subject to the same pro rata adjustments under the preceding provisos: Provided further, That the Secretary may offset public housing agencies' calendar year 2023 allocations based on the excess amounts of public housing agencies' net restricted assets accounts, including HUD-held programmatic reserves (in accordance with VMS data in calendar year 2022 that is verifiable and complete). as determined by the Secretary: Provided further, That public housing agencies participating in the MTW demonstration shall also be subject to the offset, as determined by the Secretary, excluding amounts subject to the single fund budget authority provisions of their MTW agreements, from the agencies' calendar year 2023 MTW funding allocation: Provided further, That the Secretary shall use any offset referred to in the preceding two provisos throughout the calendar year to prevent the termination of rental assistance for families as the result of insufficient funding, as determined by the Secretary, and to avoid or reduce the proration of renewal funding allocations: Provided further, That up to \$100,000,000 shall be available only:

(1) for adjustments in the allocations for public housing agencies, after application for an adjustment by a public housing agency that experienced a significant increase, as determined by the Secretary, in renewal costs of vouchers resulting from unforeseen circumstances or from portability under section  $\delta(r)$  of the Act; (2) for vouchers that were not in use during the previous 12-month period in order to be available to meet a commitment pursuant to section 8(0)(13) of the Act, or an adjustment for a funding obligation not yet expended in the previous calendar year for a MTW-eligible activity to develop affordable housing for an agency added to the MTW demonstration under the expansion authority provided in section 239 of the Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2016 (division L of Public Law 114-113); (3) for adjustments for costs associated with HUD-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (HUD-VASH) vouchers; (4) for public housing agencies that despite taking reasonable cost savings measures. as determined by the Secretary, would otherwise be required to terminate rental assistance as a result of insufficient funding; (5) for adjustments in the allocations for public housing agencies that (i) are leasing a lower-than-average percentage of their authorized vouchers, (ii) have low amounts of budget authority in their net restricted assets accounts and HUD-held programmatic reserves, relative to other agencies, and (iii) are not participating in the Moving to Work demonstration, to enable such agencies to lease more vouchers; (6) for withheld within accordance section payments 8(o)(8)(A)(ii) of the Act for months in the previous calendar year that were subsequently paid by the public housing agency after the agency's actual costs were validated: and (7) for public housing agencies that have experienced increased costs or loss of units in an area for which the President declared a disaster under title IV of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5170 et

(2) \$230,000,000 shall be for section 8 rental assistance for relocation and replacement of housing units that are demolished or disposed of pursuant to section 18 of the Act, conversion of section 23 projects to assistance under section 8 the family unification program under section 8(x) of the Act, relocation of witnesses (including victims of violent crimes) in connection with efforts to combat crime in public and assisted housing pursuant to a request from a law enforcement or prosecution agency, enhanced vouchers under any provision of law authorizing such assistance under section  $\delta(t)$  of the Act, Choice Neighborhood vouchers, mandatory and voluntary conversions, and tenant protection assistance including replacement and relocation assistance or for project-based assistance to prevent the displacement of unassisted elderly tenants currently residing in section 202 properties financed between 1959 and 1974 that are refinanced pursuant to Public Law 106-569, as amended, or under the authority as provided under this Act: Provided, That of the amounts made available under this paragraph, up to \$10,000,000 shall be available to provide public housing agencies with enhanced vouchers for families residing in State-assisted projects financed between 1970 and 1979 that were subject to a use agreement under the Low-Income Housing Preservation and Resident Homeownership Act of 1990 (title VI of Public Law 101-625; LIHPRHA) or the Emergency Low Income Housing Preservation Act of 1987 (title II of Public Law 100-242; ELIHPA) on the date the affordability protections at such projects expire or terminate during calendar years 2022 and 2023: Provided further, That that the State housing finance agency shall submit the request to the Secretary for enhanced vouchers for families residing in such eligible State-assisted projects no

later than the latter of 120 days prior to the expiration or termination of affordability protections at such projects or 120 days after enactment of this Act: Provided further, That such enhanced vouchers shall not be considered replacement vouchers: Provided further, That when a public housing development is submitted for demolition or disposition under section 18 of the Act, the Secretary may provide section 8 rental assistance when the units pose an imminent health and safety risk to residents: Provided further, That the Secretary may provide section 8 rental assistance from amounts made available under this paragraph for units assisted under a project-based subsidu contract funded under the "Project-Based Rental Assistance" heading under this title where the owner has received a Notice of Default and the units pose an imminent health and safety risk to residents: Provided further, That to the extent that the Secretary determines that such units are not feasible for continued rental assistance payments or transfer of the subsidy contract associated with such units to another project or projects and owner or owners, any remaining amounts associated with such units under such contract shall be recaptured and such recaptured amounts, in an amount equal to the cost of rental assistance provided pursuant to the previous proviso, up to the total amounts recaptured, shall be transferred to and merged with amounts under this paragraph: Provided further, That of the amounts made available under this paragraph, no less than \$5,000,000 may be available to provide tenant protection assistance, not otherwise provided under this paragraph, to residents residing in low vacancy areas and who may have to pay rents greater than 30 percent of household income, as the result of: (A) the maturity of a HUD-insured. HIID-held or section 202 loan that requires the permission of the Secretary prior to loan prepayment: (B) the expiration of a rental assistance contract for which the tenants are not eligible for enhanced voucher or tenant protection assistance under existing law: or (C) the expiration of affordability restrictions accompanying a mortgage or preservation program administered by the Secretary: Provided further, That such tenant protection assistance made available under the preceding proviso may be provided under the authority of section  $\delta(t)$  or section 8(o)(13) of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437f(t)): Provided further, That the Secretary shall issue guidance to implement the previous two provisos, including, but not limited to, requirements for defining eligible at-risk households not later than 60 days after the date of enactment of this Act: Provided further, That any tenant protection voucher made available from amounts under this paragraph shall not be reissued by any public housing agency, except the replacement vouchers as defined by the Secretary by notice, when the initial family that received any such voucher no longer receives such voucher, and the authority for any public housing agency to issue any such voucher shall cease to exist: Provided further, That the Secretary may only provide replacement vouchers for units that were occupied within the previous 24 months that cease to be available as assisted housing, subject only to the availability of funds;

(3) \$2,756,932,000 shall be for administrative and other expenses of public housing agencies in administering the section 8 tenant-based rental assistance program, of which up to \$10,000,000 shall be available to the Secretary to allocate to public housing agencies that need additional funds to administer their section 8 programs, including fees associated with section 8 tenant protection rental assistance, the administration of disaster related vouchers, HUD-VASH vouchers, and other special purpose incremental vouchers: Provided, That noless \$2,746,932,000 of the amount provided in this paragraph shall be allocated to public housing agencies for the calendar year 2023 funding

cycle based on section 8(q) of the Act (and related Appropriation Act provisions) as in effect immediately before the enactment of the Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act of 1998 (Public Law 105-276): Provided further, That if the amounts made available under this paragraph are insufficient to pay the amounts determined under the preceding proviso, the Secretary may decrease the amounts allocated to agencies by a uniform percentage applicable to all agencies receiving funding under this paragraph or may, to the extent necessary to provide full payment of amounts determined under the preceding proviso, utilize unobligated balances, including recaptures and carryover, remaining from funds appropriated to the Department of Housing and Urban Development under this heading from prior fiscal years, excluding special purpose vouchers, notwithstanding the purposes for which such amounts were appropriated: Provided further, That all public housing agencies participating in the MTW demonstration shall be funded in accordance with the requirements of the MTW demonstration program or their MTW agreements, if any, and shall be subject to the same uniform percentage decrease as under the preceding proviso: Provided further, That amounts provided under this paragraph shall be only for activities related to the provision of tenant-based rental assistance authorized under section 8, including

related development activities:

(4) \$667,000,000 for the renewal of tenantbased assistance contracts under section 811 of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 8013), including necessary administrative expenses: Provided, That administrative and other expenses of public housing agencies in administering the special purpose vouchers in this paragraph shall be funded under the same terms and be subject to the same pro rata reduction as the percent decrease for administrative and other expenses to public housing agencies under paragraph (3) of this heading: Provided further, That up to \$10,000,000 shall be available only (1) for adjustments in the allocation for public housing agencies, after applications for an adjustment by a public housing agency that experienced a significant increase, as determined by the Secretary, in Mainstream renewal costs resulting from unforeseen circumstances, and (2) for public housing agencies that despite taking reasonable cost savings measures, as determined by the Secretary, would otherwise be required to terminate the rental assistance for Mainstream families as a result of insufficient funding: Provided further, That the Secretary shall allocate amounts under the preceding proviso based on need, as determined by the Secretary: Provided further. That of the amounts made available under this paragraph, up to \$5,000,000 shall be available for a pilot program for public housing agencies that partner with administering entities under the Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness (PATH) program as authorized by the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Amendments Act of 1990 or other eligible entities, as determined by the Secretary, to assist persons with serious mental illness: Provided further, That the amounts made available in the preceding proviso shall be for incremental rental voucher assistance, including projectbased vouchers, under such section 811 for nonelderly persons with serious mental illness, and for administrative and other expenses of public housing agencies: Provided further, That in awarding assistance under such pilot program the Secretary may give bonus points to public housing agencies giving preference to individuals referred from the Coordinated Entry System (CES) or operating a Family Self-Sufficiency program: Provided further, That in administering such pilot program, the Secretary may waive, or specify alternative requirements for, any provision of any statute or regulation that the Secretary administers in connection with the use of funds made available under such pilot

(except for requirements related to fair housing, nondiscrimination, labor standards, and the environment), upon a finding by the Secretary that any such waivers or alternative requirements are necessary for the effective delivery and administration of such voucher assistance: Provided further, That upon turnover, section 811 special purpose vouchers funded under this heading in this or prior Acts, or under any other heading in prior Acts, shall be provided to nonelderly persons with disabilities;

(5) Of the amounts provided under paragraph (1) up to \$5,000,000 shall be for rental assistance and associated administrative fees for Tribal HUD-VASH to serve Native American veterans that are homeless or at-risk of homelessness living on or near a reservation or other Indian areas: Provided, That such amount shall be made available for renewal grants to recipients that received assistance under prior Acts under the Tribal HUD-VASH program: Provided further, That the Secretary shall be authorized to specify criteria for renewal grants, including data on the utilization of assistance reported by grant recipients: Provided further, That such assistance shall be administered in accordance with program requirements under the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 and modeled after the HUD-VASH program: Provided further, That the Secretary shall be authorized to waive, or specify alternative requirements for any provision of any statute or regulation that the Secretary administers in connection with the use of funds made available under this paragraph (except for requirements related to fair housing, nondiscrimination, labor standards, and the environment), upon a finding by the Secretary that any such waivers or alternative requirements are necessary for the effective delivery and administration of such assistance: Provided further, That grant recipients shall report to the Secretary on utilization of such rental assistance and other program data, as prescribed by the Secretary: Provided further. That the Secretary may reallocate, as determined by the Secretary, amounts returned or recaptured from awards under the Tribal HUD-VASH program under prior Acts to existing recipients under the Tribal HUD-VASH program;

(6) \$50,000,000 for incremental rental voucher assistance for use through a supported housing program administered in conjunction with the Department of Veterans Affairs as authorized under section 8(0)(19) of the United States Housing Act of 1937: Provided, That the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development shall make such funding available, notwithstanding section 203 (competition provision) of this title, to public housing agencies that partner with eligible VA Medical Centers or other entities as designated by the Secretary of the Department of Veterans Affairs, based on geographical need for such assistance as identified by the Secretary of the Department of Veterans Affairs, public housing agency administrative performance, and other factors as specified by the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development in consultation with the Secretary of the Department of Veterans Affairs: Provided further, That of the amounts made available under this paragraph, up to \$5,000,000 may be allocated to public housing agencies administering temporary case management and supportive services to HUD-VASH eligible veterans that have not yet received a referral from the Department of Veterans Affairs: Provided further, That the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development may waive, or specify alternative requirements for (in consultation with the Secretary of the Department of Veterans Affairs), any provision of any statute or regulation that the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development administers in connection with the use of funds made available under this paragraph (except for requirements related to fair housing, nondiscrimination, labor standards, and the environment), upon a finding by

the Secretary that any such waivers or alternative requirements are necessary for the effective delivery and administration of such voucher assistance: Provided further, That assistance made available under this paragraph shall continue to remain available for homeless veterans upon turn-over;

(7) \$30,000,000 shall be made available for the family unification program as authorized under section 8(x) of the Act: Provided, That the amounts made available under this paragraph

are provided as follows:
(A) \$5,000,000 shall be for new incremental voucher assistance: Provided, That the assistance made available under this subparagraph shall continue to remain available for family

unification upon turnover; and (B) \$25,000,000 shall be for new incremental voucher assistance to assist eligible youth as defined by such section  $\delta(x)(2)(B)$ : Provided, That assistance made available under this subparagraph shall continue to remain available for such eligible youth upon turnover: Provided further, That of the total amount made available under this subparagraph, up to \$15,000,000 shall be available on a noncompetitive basis to public housing agencies that partner with public child welfare agencies to identify such eligible youth, that request such assistance to timely assist such eligible youth, and that meet any other criteria as specified by the Secretary: Provided further. That the Secretary shall review utilization of the assistance made available under the preceding proviso, at an interval to be determined by the Secretary, and unutilized voucher assistance that is no longer needed shall be recaptured by the Secretary and reallocated pursuant to the preceding proviso:

Provided further, That for any public housing agency administering voucher assistance appropriated in a prior Act under the family unification program, or made available and competitively selected under this paragraph, that determines that it no longer has an identified need for such assistance upon turnover, such agency shall notify the Secretary, and the Secretary shall recapture such assistance from the agency and reallocate it to any other public housing agency or agencies based on need for voucher assistance in connection with such specified program or eligible youth, as applicable;

(8) \$1 100 000 000 shall be made available for new incremental voucher assistance under section 8(0) of the United States Housing Act of 1937 to be allocated pursuant to a method, as determined by the Secretary, which may include a formula that may include such factors as severe cost burden, overcrowding, substandard housing for very low-income renters, homelessness, and administrative capacity, where such allocation method shall include both rural and urban areas: Provided, That the Secretary may specify additional terms and conditions to ensure that public housing agencies provide vouchers for use by survivors of domestic violence, or individuals and families who are homeless, as defined in section 103(a) of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11302(a)), or at risk of homelessness, as defined in section 401(1) of such Act (42 U.S.C. 11360(1));

(9) \$25,000,000 shall be for mobility-related services, as defined by the Secretary, for voucher families with children modeled after services provided in connection with the mobility demonstration authorized under section 235 of division G of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2019 (42 U.S.C. 1437f note; Public Law 116-6): Provided, That the Secretary shall make funding available to public housing agencies on a competitive basis and shall give preference to public housing agencies with higher concentrations of housing choice voucher families with children residing in high-poverty neighborhoods: Provided further, That the Secretary may recapture from the public housing agencies unused balances based on utilization of such awards and reallocate such amounts to any other public housing agency or agencies based on need for such mobility-related services as identified under such competition; and

(10) the Secretary shall separately track all special purpose vouchers funded under this heading: Provided, That the Secretary may waive, or specify alternative requirements for, any provision of any statute or regulation that the Secretary administers in connection with the use of funds made available for new incremental voucher assistance or renewals for the Mainstream program, the HUD-VASH program (in consultation with the Secretary of the Department of Veterans Affairs), and the family unification program (including the Foster Youth to Independence program) in this and prior Acts (except for requirements related to fair housing, nondiscrimination, labor standards, and the environment), upon a finding by the Secretary that any such waivers or alternative requirements are necessary for the effective delivery and administration of voucher assistance in such respective programs.

### HOUSING CERTIFICATE FUND

### (INCLUDING RESCISSIONS)

Unobligated balances, including recaptures and carryover, remaining from funds appropriated to the Department of Housing and Urban Development under this heading, the heading "Annual Contributions for Assisted Housing" and the heading "Project-Based Rental Assistance", for fiscal year 2023 and prior years may be used for renewal of or amendments to section 8 project-based contracts and for performance-based contract administrators, notwithstanding the purposes for which such funds were appropriated: Provided, That any obligated balances of contract authority from fiscal year 1974 and prior fiscal years that have been terminated shall be rescinded: Provided further, That amounts heretofore recaptured, or recaptured during the current fiscal year, from section 8 project-based contracts from source years fiscal year 1975 through fiscal year 1987 are hereby rescinded, and an amount of additional new budget authority equivalent to the amount rescinded is hereby appropriated, to remain available until expended, for the purposes set forth under this heading, in addition to amounts otherwise available.

### PUBLIC HOUSING FUND

For 2023 payments to public housing agencies for the operation and management of public housing, as authorized by section 9(e) of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437g(e)) (the "Act"), and to carry out capital and management activities for public housing agencies, as authorized under section 9(d) of the Act (42 U.S.C. 1437g(d)), \$8,733,500,000, to remain available until September 30, 2026: Provided, That the amounts made available under this heading are provided as follows:

(1) \$5,038,500,000 shall be available to the Secretary to allocate pursuant to the Operating Fund formula at part 990 of title 24, Code of Federal Regulations, for 2023 payments: Provided, That the amount of any forgone increases in tenant rent payments due to the implementation of rent incentives as authorized pursuant to waivers or alternative requirements of the Jobs-Plus initiative as described under the heading "Self-Sufficiency Programs" shall be factored into the PHA's general operating fund eligibility pursuant to such formula;

(2) \$25,000,000 shall be available to the Secretary to allocate pursuant to a need-based application process notwithstanding section 203 of this title and not subject to such Operating Fund formula to public housing agencies that experience, or are at risk of, financial shortfalls, as determined by the Secretary: Provided, That after all such shortfall needs are met, the Secretary may distribute any remaining funds to all public housing agencies on a pro-rata basis pursuant to such Operating Fund formula;

(3) \$3,400,000,000 shall be available to the Secretary to allocate pursuant to the Capital Fund

formula at section 905.400 of title 24, Code of Federal Regulations: Provided, That for funds provided under this paragraph, the limitation in section 9(g)(1) of the Act shall be 25 percent: Provided further, That the Secretary may waive the limitation in the preceding proviso to allow public housing agencies to fund activities authorized under section 9(e)(1)(C) of the Act: Provided further, That the Secretary shall notify public housing agencies requesting waivers under the preceding proviso if the request is approved or denied within 14 days of submitting the request: Provided further, That from the funds made available under this paragraph, the Secretary shall provide bonus awards in fiscal year 2023 to public housing agencies that are designated high performers: Provided further. That the Department shall notify public housing agencies of their formula allocation within 60 days of enactment of this Act;

(4) \$65,000,000 shall be available for the Secretary to make grants, notwithstanding section 203 of this title, to public housing agencies for emergency capital needs, including safety and security measures necessary to address crime and drug-related activity, as well as needs resulting from unforeseen or unpreventable emergencies and natural disasters excluding Presidentially declared emergencies and natural disasters under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Act (42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq.) occurring in fiscal year 2023, ofwhich \$45,000,000 shall be available for public housing agencies under administrative and judicial receiverships or under the control of a Federal monitor: Provided, That of the amount made available under this paragraph, not less than \$10,000,000 shall be for safety and security measures: Provided further, That in addition to the amount in the preceding proviso for such safety and security measures, any amounts that remain available, after all applications received on or before September 30, 2024, for emergency capital needs have been processed, shall be allocated to public housing agencies for such safety and security measures:

(5) \$65,000,000 shall be for competitive grants to public housing agencies to evaluate and reduce residential health hazards in public housing, including lead-based paint (by carrying out the activities of risk assessments, abatement, and interim controls, as those terms are defined in section 1004 of the Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act of 1992 (42 U.S.C. 4851b)), carbon monoxide, mold, radon, and fire safety: Provided, That not less than \$25,000,000 of the amounts provided under this paragraph shall be awarded for evaluating and reducing lead-based paint hazards: Provided further, That for purposes of environmental review, a grant under this paragraph shall be considered funds for projects or activities under title I of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437 et seq.) for purposes of section 26 of such Act (42 U.S.C. 1437x) and shall be subject to the regulations implementing such section: Provided further. That amounts made available under this paragraph shall be combined with amounts made available under the sixth paragraph under this heading in the Consolidated Appropriations Act. 2021 (Public Law 116-260) and shall be used in accordance with the purposes and requirements under this paragraph: Provided further. That amounts made available under this paragraph may be used for competitive grants to public housing agencies that improve water and energy efficiency, or reduce the risk of harm to occupants or property from natural hazards;

(6) \$15,000,000 shall be to support the costs of administrative and judicial receiverships and for competitive grants to PHAs in receivership, designated troubled or substandard, or otherwise at risk, as determined by the Secretary, for costs associated with public housing asset improvement, in addition to other amounts for that purpose provided under any heading under this title.

(7) \$50,000,000 shall be to support ongoing public housing financial and physical assessment activities:

(8) \$75,000,000 shall be available to improve the energy or water efficiency or climate resilience of public housing, including for competitive grants to public housing agencies for capital improvements to achieve such purposes: Provided, That of the amounts made available under this paragraph, up to \$20,000,000, shall be available for utility benchmarking, including research and evaluations, technical assistance, to develop systems and tools necessary to collect and analyze PHA utility benchmarking data, to remain available until September 30, 2026: Provided further, That for purposes of environmental review, grants under this paragraph shall be considered funds for projects or activities under title I of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437 et seq.) for purposes of section 26 of such Act (42 U.S.C. 1437x) and shall be subject to the regulations implementing such section:

Provided further, That notwithstanding any other provision of law or regulation, during fiscal year 2023, the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development may not delegate to any Department official other than the Deputy Secretary and the Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing any authority under paragraph (2) of section 9(j) of the Act regarding the extension of the time periods under such section: Provided further, That for purposes of such section 9(j), the term "obligate" means, with respect to amounts, that the amounts are subject to a binding agreement that will result in outlays, immediately or in the future.

### CHOICE NEIGHBORHOODS INITIATIVE

For competitive grants under the Choice Neighborhoods Initiative (subject to section 24 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437v) unless otherwise specified under this heading), for transformation, rehabilitation, and replacement housing needs of public and HUD-assisted housing and to transform neighborhoods of poverty into functioning, sustainable, mixed-income neighborhoods with appropriate services, schools, public assets, transportation, and access to jobs, \$450,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2027: Provided, That grant funds may be used for resident and community services, community development, and affordable housing needs in the community, and for conversion of vacant or foreclosed properties to affordable housing: Provided further, That not more than 20 percent of the amount of any grant made with amounts made available under this heading may be used for necessary supportive services notwithstanding subsection (d)(1)(L) of such section 24: Provided further, That the use of amounts made available under this heading shall not be deemed to be for public housing, notwithstanding section 3(b)(1) of such Act: Provided further, That grantees shall commit to an additional period of affordability determined by the Secretary of not fewer than 20 years: Provided further, That the Secretary may specify a period of affordability that is less than 20 years with respect to owner-occupied homeownership units developed with grants from amounts made available under this heading: Provided further, That grantees shall provide a match in State, local, other Federal, or private funds: Provided further, That grantees may include local governments, Tribal entities, public housing agencies, and nonprofit organizations: Provided further, That for-profit developers may apply jointly with a public entity: Provided further, That for purposes of environmental review, a grantee shall be treated as a public housing agency under section 26 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437x), and grants made with amounts available under this heading shall be subject to the regulations issued by the Secretary to implement such section: Provided further, That of the amounts made available under

this heading, not less than \$225,000,000 shall be awarded to public housing agencies: Provided further, That such grantees shall create partnerships with other local organizations, including assisted housing owners, service agencies, and resident organizations: Provided further, That the Secretary shall consult with the Secretaries of Education, Labor, Transportation, Health and Human Services, Agriculture, and Commerce, the Attorney General, and the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to coordinate and leverage other appropriate Federal resources: Provided further, That not more than \$10,000,000 of the amounts made available under this heading may be provided as grants to undertake comprehensive local planning with input from residents and the communitu: Provided further, That unobligated balances, including recaptures, remaining from amounts made available under the heading "Revitalization of Severely Distressed Public Housing (HOPE VI)" in fiscal year 2011 and prior fiscal years may be used for purposes under this heading, notwithstanding the purposes for which such amounts were appropriated: Provided further, That the Secretary shall make grant awards not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act in such amounts that the Secretary determines: Provided further, That notwithstanding section 24(0) of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437v(o)), the Secretary may, until September 30, 2023, obligate any available unobligated balances made available under this heading in this or any prior Act.

### SELF-SUFFICIENCY PROGRAMS

For activities and assistance related to Self-Sufficiency Programs, to remain available until September 30, 2026, \$175,000,000: Provided, That the amounts made available under this heading are provided as follows:

(1) \$125,000,000 shall be for the Family Self-Sufficiency program to support family self-sufficiency coordinators under section 23 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437u), to promote the development of local strategies to coordinate the use of assistance under sections 8 and 9 of such Act with public and private resources, and enable eligible families to achieve economic independence and selfsufficiency: Provided, That the Secretary may, by Federal Register notice, waive or specify alternative requirements under subsections (b)(3). (b)(4), (b)(5), or (c)(1) of section 23 of such Actin order to facilitate the operation of a unified self-sufficiency program for individuals receiving assistance under different provisions of such Act. as determined by the Secretary: Provided further, That an owner or sponsor of a multifamily property receiving project-based rental assistance under section 8 of such Act shall be eligible to receive awards from the Secretary under this paragraph in this and prior Acts to support family self-sufficiency coordinators as established in the final rule "Streamlining and Implementation of Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act Changes to Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) Program" published in the Federal Register on May 17, 2022 (87 Fed. Reg. 30020): Provided further, That owners or sponsors of a multifamily property receiving project-based rental assistance under section 8 of such Act may voluntarily make a Family Self-Sufficiency program available to the assisted tenants of such property in accordance with procedures established by the Secretary: Provided further, That such procedures established pursuant to the preceding proviso shall permit participating tenants to accrue escrow funds in accordance with section 23(d)(2) of such Act and shall allow owners to use funding from residual receipt accounts to hire coordinators for their own Family Self-Sufficiency program:

(2) \$35,000,000 shall be for the Resident Opportunity and Self-Sufficiency program to provide for supportive services, service coordinators, and

congregate services as authorized by section 34 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437z-6) and the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (25 U.S.C. 4101 et seq.): Provided, That amounts made available under this paragraph may be made available for grant renewal for the Resident Opportunity and Self-Sufficiency program for any public housing agency or owner of a multifamily property receiving project-based rental assistance under section 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437f) that lost any amount of funding for the Resident Opportunity and Self-Sufficiency program as a result of participation in the program created under the heading "Rental Assistance Dem-onstration" in the Department of Housing and Urban Development Appropriations Act, 2012 (Public Law 112-55), as amended (42 U.S.C. 1437f note): and

(3) \$15,000,000 shall be for a Jobs-Plus initiative modeled after the Johs-Plus demonstration: Provided, That funding provided under this paragraph shall be available for competitive grants to partnerships between public housing authorities or owners or sponsors of multifamily properties receiving project-based rental assistance under section 8, that, in partnership with local workforce investment boards established under section 107 of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2014 (29 U.S.C. 3122). and other agencies and organizations provide support to help public housing residents, or tenants residing in units assisted under a projectbased section 8 contract (including section 8(0)(13) of the United States Housing Act of 1937), obtain employment or increase earnings. or both: Provided further, That applicants must demonstrate the ability to provide services to residents, partner with workforce investment boards, and leverage service dollars: Provided further, That the Secretary may allow public housing agencies to request exemptions from rent and income limitation requirements under sections 3 and 6 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437a, 1437d), as necessary to implement the Jobs-Plus program, on such terms and conditions as the Secretary may approve upon a finding by the Secretary that any such waivers or alternative requirements are necessary for the effective implementation of the Jobs-Plus initiative as a voluntary program for residents: Provided further, That the Secretary shall publish by notice in the Federal Register any waivers or alternative requirements pursuant to the preceding proviso no later than 10 days before the effective date of such notice: Provided further, That the costs of any rent incentives as authorized pursuant to such waivers or alternative requirements shall not be charged against the competitive grant amounts made available under this paragraph.

### NATIVE AMERICAN PROGRAMS

For activities and assistance authorized under title I of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (in this heading "NAHASDA") (25 U.S.C. 4111 et seq.), title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5301 et seq.) with respect to Indian tribes, and related training and technical assistance, \$1,000,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2027: Provided, That the amounts made available under this heading are provided as follows:

(1) \$772,000,000 shall be for the Native American Housing Block Grants program, as authorized under title I of NAHASDA: Provided, That, notwithstanding NAHASDA, to determine the amount of the allocation under title I of such Act for each Indian tribe, the Secretary shall apply the formula under section 302 of such Act with the need component based on single-race census data and with the need component based on multi-race census data, and the amount of the allocation for each Indian tribe shall be the greater of the two resulting allocation amounts: Provided further, That the Secretary shall notify grantees of their formula allocation not

later than 60 days after the date of enactment of this Act:

(2) \$150,000,000 shall be for competitive grants under the Native American Housing Block Grants program, as authorized under title I of NAHASDA: Provided, That the Secretary shall obligate such amount for competitive grants to eliaible recipients authorized under NAHASDA that apply for funds: Provided further. That in awarding amounts made available in this paragraph, the Secretary shall consider need and administrative capacity, and shall give priority to projects that will spur construction and rehabilitation of housing: Provided further, That a arant funded pursuant to this paragraph shall be in an amount not greater than \$7.500,000; Provided further, That any amounts transferred for the necessary costs of administering and overseeing the obligation and expenditure of such amounts in prior Acts may also be used for the necessary costs of administering and overseeing such amounts:

(3) \$1,000,000 shall be for the cost of guaranteed notes and other obligations, as authorized by title VI of NAHASDA: Provided, That such costs, including the cost of modifying such notes and other obligations, shall be as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 (2 U.S.C. 661a): Provided further, That amounts made available in this and prior Acts for the cost of such guaranteed notes and other obligations, that are unobligated, including recaptures and carryover, shall be available to subsidize the total principal amount of any notes and other obligations, any part of which is to be guaranteed, not to exceed \$50,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024;

(4) \$70,000,000 shall be for grants to Indian tribes for carrying out the Indian Community Development Block Grant program under title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, notwithstanding section 106(a)(1) of such Act, of which, notwithstanding any other provision of law (including section 203 of this Act), not more than \$5,000,000 may be used for emergencies that constitute imminent threats to health and safety: Provided, That not to exceed 20 percent of any grant made with amounts made available in this paragraph shall be expended for planning and management development and administration; and

(5) \$7,000,000, in addition to amounts otherwise available for such purposes, shall be for providing training and technical assistance to Indian tribes. Indian housing authorities, and tribally designated housing entities, to support the inspection of Indian housing units, for contract expertise, and for training and technical assistance related to amounts made available under this heading and other headings in this Act for the needs of Native American families and Indian country: Provided. That of the amounts made available in this paragraph, not less than \$2,000,000 shall be for a national organization as authorized under section 703 of NAHASDA (25 U.S.C. 4212): Provided further That amounts made available in this paragraph may be used, contracted, or competed as determined by the Secretary: Provided further, That notwithstanding chapter 63 of title 31, United States Code (commonly known as the Federal Grant and Cooperative Agreements Act of 1977), the amounts made available in this paragraph may be used by the Secretary to enter into cooperative agreements with public and private organizations, agencies, institutions, and other technical assistance providers to support the administration of negotiated rulemaking under section 106 of NAHASDA (25 U.S.C. 4116), the administration of the allocation formula under section 302 of NAHASDA (25 U.S.C. 4152), and the administration of performance tracking and reporting under section 407 of NAHASDA (25 U.S.C. 4167).

### INDIAN HOUSING LOAN GUARANTEE FUND PROGRAM ACCOUNT

For the cost of guaranteed loans, as authorized by section 184 of the Housing and Commu-

nity Development Act of 1992 (12 U.S.C. 1715z-13a), \$5,521,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That such costs, including the costs of modifying such loans, shall be as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 (2 U.S.C. 661a): Provided further, That amounts made available in this and prior Acts for the cost of guaranteed loans, as authorized by section 184 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992 (12 U.S.C. 1715z-13a), that are unobligated, including recaptures and carryover, shall be available to subsidize total loan principal, any part of which is to be guaranteed, not to exceed \$1,400,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024.

### NATIVE HAWAIIAN HOUSING BLOCK GRANT

For the Native Hawaiian Housing Block Grant program, as authorized under title VIII of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (25 U.S.C. 4221 et seq.), \$10,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2027: Provided, That notwithstanding section 812(b) of such Act, the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands may not invest grant amounts made available under this heading in investment securities and other obligations: Provided further, That amounts made available under this heading in this and prior fiscal years may be used to provide rental assistance to eligible Native Hawaiian families both on and off the Hawaiian Home Lands, notwithstanding any other provision of law.

### NATIVE HAWAIIAN HOUSING LOAN GUARANTEE FUND PROGRAM ACCOUNT

New commitments to guarantee loans, as authorized by section 184A of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992 (12 U.S.C. 1715z-13b), any part of which is to be guaranteed, shall not exceed \$28,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024, in total loan principal: Provided, That the Secretary may enter into commitments to guarantee loans used for refinancing.

# COMMUNITY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONS WITH AIDS

For carrying out the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS program, as authorized by the AIDS Housing Opportunity Act (42 U.S.C. 12901 et seq.), \$600,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024, except that amounts allocated pursuant to section \$54(c)(5) of such Act shall remain available until September 30, 2025: Provided, That the Department shall notify grantees of their formula allocation within 60 days of enactment of this Act.

### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND

For assistance to States and units of general local government, and other entities, for economic and community development activities, and other nurposes \$5,299,157,664 to remain available until September 30, 2026, unless otherwise specified: Provided, That of the total provided under heading. amount this\$3,300,000,000 is for carrying out the community development block grant program under title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended (42 U.S.C. 5301 et seq.) (in this heading "the Act"): Provided further, That unless explicitly provided for under this head $ing,\ not\ to\ exceed\ 20\ percent\ of\ any\ grant\ made$ with funds made available under this heading shall be expended for planning and management development and administration: Provided further, That a metropolitan city, urban county, unit of general local government, or insular area that directly or indirectly receives funds under this heading may not sell, trade, or otherwise transfer all or any portion of such funds to another such entity in exchange for any other funds, credits, or non-Federal considerations, but shall use such funds for activities eligible under title I of the Act: Provided further, That notwithstanding section 105(e)(1) of the Act, no funds made available under this heading may be provided to a for-profit entity for an economic

development project under section 105(a)(17) unless such project has been evaluated and selected in accordance with guidelines required under subsection (e)(2) of section 105: Provided further, That of the total amount provided under this heading, \$25,000,000 shall be for activities authorized under section 8071 of the SUPPORT for Patients and Communities Act (Public Law 115-271): Provided further, That the funds allocated pursuant to the preceding proviso shall not adversely affect the amount of any formula assistance received by a State under the first proviso: Provided further, That the Secretary shall allocate the funds for such activities based on the notice establishing the funding formula published in 84 FR 16027 (April 17, 2019) except that the formula shall use ageadjusted rates of drug overdose deaths for 2019 based on data from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: Provided further, That of the total amount made available under this heading, \$1,974,157,664 shall be available for grants for the Economic Development Initiative (EDI) for the purposes, and in amounts, specified for Community Project Funding in the table titled "Transportation, Housing and Urban Development Incorporation of Community Project Funding Items" included in the report accompanying this Act: Provided further, That none of the amounts made available in the preceding proviso shall be used for reimbursement of expenses incurred prior to the obligation of funds: Provided further, That the Department of Housing and Urban Development shall notify grantees of their formula allocation within 60 days of enactment of this Act: Provided further, That for fiscal year 2023 section 105(a)(8) of the Act (42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(8)) and section 570.201(e) of title 24, Code of Federal Regulations, shall not apply for public services activities to prevent, prepare for, and respond to homelessness and emergency rental assistance needs.

### $COMMUNITY\ DEVELOPMENT\ LOAN\ GUARANTEES$ $PROGRAM\ ACCOUNT$

Subject to section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 (2 U.S.C. 661a), during fiscal year 2023, commitments to guarantee loans under section 108 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5308), any part of which is guaranteed, shall not exceed a total principal amount of \$300,000,000, notwithstanding any aggregate limitation on outstanding obligations guaranteed in subsection (k) of such section 108: Provided, That the Secretary shall collect fees from borrowers, notwithstanding subsection (m) of such section 108, to result in a credit subsidy cost of zero for auaranteeina such loans, and any such fees shall be collected in accordance with section 502(7) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974: Provided further, That such commitment authority funded by fees may be used to ayarantee, or make commitments to augrantee, notes or other obligations issued by any State on behalf of non-entitlement communities in the State in accordance with the requirements of such section 108: Provided further, That any State receiving such a guarantee or commitment under the preceding proviso shall distribute all funds subject to such guarantee to the units of general local government in non-entitlement areas that received the commitment: Provided further, That \$60,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2025, shall be for competitive economic development grants, as authorized by section 108(q) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, for projects that improve community resilience by supporting distributed clean energy plus storage, flood-control infrastructure, or redevelopment of brownfields or grayfields, such as foreclosed, vacant, contaminated, abandoned, or blighted properties, obsolete manufactured housing, vacant shopping malls, landfills, or otherwise underutilized commercial or industrial properties: Provided further, That no funds made available under this heading may be used to establish loan loss

reserves for the section 108 Community Development Loan Guarantee program: Provided further, That amounts made available under this heading may be used for the payment of costs associated with private sector financing of debt obligations and fees collected in connection with the section 108 Community Development Loan Guarantee program.

HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM

For the HOME Investment Partnerships program, as authorized under title II of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act, amended (42 U.S.C. 12721 et \$1,675,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2026: Provided, That of the amount made available under this heading, up to \$50,000,000 shall be for awards to States and insular areas for assistance to homebuyers as authorized under section 212(a)(1) of such Act (42 U.S.C. 12742(a)(1)), in addition to amounts made otherwise available for such purpose: Provided further, That amounts made available under the preceding proviso shall be allocated in the same manner as other amounts made available under this heading, except that amounts that would have been reserved and allocated to units of general local government within the State pursuant to section 217 of such Act (42 U.S.C. 12747) shall be provided to the State: Provided further. That the Secretary may waive or specify alternative requirements for any provision of such Act in connection with the use of amounts made available under the preceding two provisos (except for requirements related to fair housing. nondiscrimination, labor standards, and the environment) upon a finding that any such waivers or alternative requirements are necessary to expedite or facilitate the use of amounts awarded pursuant to the preceding provisos: Provided further, That notwithstanding section 231(b) of such Act (24 U.S.C. 12771(b)), all unobligated balances remaining from amounts recaptured pursuant to such section that remain available until expended shall be combined with amounts made available under this heading and allocated in accordance with the formula under section 217(b)(1)(A) of such Act (42) 12747(b)(1)(A)): Provided further, That the Department shall notify grantees of their formula allocations not later than 60 days after enactment of this Act: Provided further, That section 218(g) of such Act (42 U.S.C. 12748(g)) shall not apply with respect to the right of a jurisdiction to draw funds from its HOME Investment Trust Fund that otherwise expired or would expire in any calendar year from 2016 through 2025 under that section: Provided further, That section 231(b) of such Act (42 U.S.C. 12771(b)) shall not apply to any uninvested funds that otherwise were deducted or would be deducted from the line of credit in the participating jurisdiction's HOME Investment Trust Fund in any calendar year from 2018 through 2025 under that section.

PRESERVATION AND REINVESTMENT INITIATIVE FOR COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT

For competitive grants to preserve and revitalize manufactured housing and eligible manufactured housing communities (including pre-1976 mobile homes) under title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended (42 U.S.C. 5301 et seq.), \$500,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2027: Provided, That recipients of grants provided with amounts made available under this heading shall be States, units of general local government, resident-owned manufactured housing communities, cooperatives, nonprofit entities including consortia of nonprofit entities, community development financial institutions, Indian Tribes and Tribally designated housing entities, or other entities approved by the Secretary: Provided further, That the Secretary may approve entities for selection that partner with one or several residents of such eligible communities or that propose to implement a grant program that would assist residents of such eligible communities: Provided further, That eligible uses of

such grants may include infrastructure, planning, resident and community services (including relocation assistance and eviction prevention), resiliency activities, and providing other assistance to residents or owners of manufactured homes, which may include providing assistance for manufactured housing land and site acquisition: Provided further, That, except as determined by the Secretary, participation in this program shall not encumber the future transfer of title or use of property by the residents, owners, or communities: Provided further, That when selecting recipients, the Secretary shall prioritize applications that primarily benefit low- or moderately low-income residents and preserve long-term housing affordability for residents of manufactured housing or a manufactured housing community: Provided further. That eligible manufactured housing communities may include those that are-

(1) owned by the residents of the manufactured housing community through a resident-controlled entity, as defined by the Secretary: or

(2) determined by the Secretary to be subject to binding agreements that will preserve the community and maintain affordability on a long-term basis:

Provided further, That, of the amounts made available under this heading, \$50,000,000 shall be for a pilot program for the Secretary to provide grants to assist in the redevelopment of manufactured housing communities (including pre-1976 mobile homes) as replacement housing that is affordable, as defined by the Secretary: Provided further, That each such redevelopment project shall provide, for each unit of singlefamily manufactured housing (including pre-1976 mobile homes) replaced under the project. up to 4 dwelling units of such affordable housing: Provided further, That the Secretary shall define eligible activities for grant assistance under the pilot program, which may include relocation assistance or buy-outs for residents of a manufactured housing community or downpayment assistance for such residents: Provided further, That the Secretary shall require each grantee under the pilot program to supplement the amount of the grant with non-Federal amounts exceeding 50 percent of the grant: Provided further, That resiliency activities means the reconstruction, repair, or replacement of manufactured housing and manufactured housing communities to protect the health and safety of manufactured housing residents and to address weatherization and energy efficiency needs, except that for pre-1976 mobile homes, funds made available under this heading may be used only for replacement: Provided further, That the Secretary may waive or specify alternative requirements for any provision of any statute or regulation that the Secretary administers in connection with the use of amounts made available under this heading (except for requirements related to fair housing, nondiscrimination, labor standards, and the environment), upon a finding that such waiver or alternative requirement is necessary to facilitate the use of such amounts.

### SELF-HELP AND ASSISTED HOMEOWNERSHIP OPPORTUNITY PROGRAM

For the Self-Help and Assisted Homeownership Opportunity Program, as authorized under section 11 of the Housing Opportunity Program Extension Act of 1996 (42 U.S.C. 12805 note), and for related activities and assistance, \$62,500,000, to remain available until September 30, 2025: Provided, That the amounts made available under this heading are provided as follows:

(1) \$12,500,000 shall be for the Self-Help Homeownership Opportunity Program as authorized under such section 11:

(2) \$45,000,000 shall be for the second, third, and fourth capacity building entities specified in section 4(a) of the HUD Demonstration Act of 1993 (42 U.S.C. 9816 note), of which not less than \$5,000,000 shall be for rural capacity building activities: Provided, That for purposes of

awarding grants from amounts made available in this paragraph, the Secretary may enter into multiyear agreements, as appropriate, subject to the availability of annual appropriations; and

(3) \$5,000,000 shall be for capacity building by national rural housing organizations having experience assessing national rural conditions and providing financing, training, technical assistance, information, and research to local non-profit organizations, local governments, and Indian Tribes serving high need rural communities

### HOMELESS ASSISTANCE GRANTS

For assistance under title IV of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11360 et seq.), \$3,604,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2025: Provided, That of the amounts made available under this heading—

(1) \$290,000,000 shall be for the Emergency Solutions Grants program authorized under subtitle B of such title IV (42 U.S.C. 11371 et seq.). Provided, That the Department shall notify grantees of their formula allocation from amounts allocated (which may represent initial or final amounts allocated) for the Emergency Solutions Grant program not later than 60 days after enactment of this Act:

(2) \$3,200,000,000 shall be for the Continuum of Care program authorized under subtitle C of such title IV (42 U.S.C. 11381 et seq.) and the Rural Housing Stability Assistance programs authorized under subtitle D of such title IV (42 U.S.C. 11408): Provided, That the Secretary shall prioritize funding under the Continuum of Care program to continuums of care that have demonstrated a capacity to reallocate funding from lower performing projects to higher performing projects: Provided further, That the Secretary shall provide incentives to create projects that coordinate with housing providers and healthcare organizations to provide permanent supportive housing and rapid re-housing services: Provided further, That for fiscal year 2023 the Secretary may establish by notice an alternative maximum amount for administrative costs related to the requirements described in paragraphs (1) and (2) of section 402(f) of subtitle A of such title IV of no more than 5 percent \$50,000, whichever is greater, notwithstanding the 3 percent limitation in section 423(a)(10) of such subtitle C: Provided further, That of the amounts made available for the Continuum of Care program under this paragraph, not less than \$75,000,000 shall be for grants for new rapid re-housing projects and supportive service projects providing coordinated entry, and for eligible activities that the Secretary determines to be critical in order to assist survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking: Provided further, That amounts made available for the Continuum of Care program under this heading in this Act and any remaining unobligated balances from prior Acts may be used to competitively or non-competitively renew or replace grants for youth homeless demonstration projects under the Continuum of Care program, notwithstanding any conflict with the requirements of the Continuum of Care program,

(3) \$7,000,000 shall be for the national homeless data analysis project: Provided, That notwithstanding the provisions of the Federal Grant and Cooperative Agreements Act of 1977 (31 U.S.C. 6301-6308), the amounts made available under this paragraph and any remaining unobligated balances under this heading for such purposes in prior Acts may be used by the Secretary to enter into cooperative agreements with such entities as may be determined by the Secretary, including public and private organizations, agencies, and institutions; and

(4) \$107,000,000 shall be to implement projects to demonstrate how a comprehensive approach to serving homeless youth, age 24 and under, in up to 25 communities with a priority for communities with substantial rural populations in up to eight locations, can dramatically reduce

youth homelessness: Provided, That of the amount made available under this paragraph, not less than \$25,000,000 shall be for youth homelessness system improvement grants to support communities, including but not limited to the communities assisted under the matter preceding this proviso, in establishing and implementing a response system for youth homelessness, or for improving their existing system: Provided further, That of the amount made available under this paragraph, up to \$10,000,000 shall be to provide technical assistance to communities, including but not limited to the communities assisted in the preceding proviso and the matter preceding such proviso, on improving system responses to youth homelessness, and collection, analysis, use, and reporting of data and performance measures under the comprehensive approaches to serve homeless youth, in addition to and in coordination with other technical assistance funds provided under this title: Provided further, That the Secretary may use up to 10 percent of the amount made available under the preceding proviso to build the capacity of current technical assistance providers or to train new technical assistance providers with verifiable prior experience with sustems and programs for youth experiencing homeless-

ness: Provided further, That youth aged 24 and under seeking assistance under this heading shall not be required to provide third party documentation to establish their eligibility under subsection (a) or (b) of section 103 of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11302) to receive services: Provided further, That unaccompanied wouth aged 24 and under or families headed by youth aged 24 and under who are living in unsafe situations may be served by youth-serving providers funded under this heading: Provided further. That persons eligible under section 103(a)(5) of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act may be served by any project funded under this heading to provide both transitional housing and rapid rehousing: Provided further, That for all matching funds requirements applicable to funds made available under this heading for this fiscal year and prior fiscal years, a grantee may use (or could have used) as a source of match funds other funds administered by the Secretary and other Federal agencies unless there is (or was) a specific statutory prohibition on any such use of any such funds: Provided further, That none of the funds made available under this heading shall be available to provide funding for new projects, except for projects created through reallocation, unless the Secretary determines that the continuum of care has demonstrated that projects are evaluated and ranked based on the degree to which they improve the continuum of care's system performance: Provided further, That any unobligated amounts remaining from funds made available under this heading in fiscal year 2012 and prior years for project-based rental assistance for rehabilitation projects with 10-year grant terms may be used for purposes under this heading, notwithstanding the purposes for which such funds were appropriated: Provided further, That unobligated balances, including recaptures and carryover, remaining from funds transferred to or appropriated under this heading in fiscal year 2019 or prior years. except for rental assistance amounts that were recantured and made available until expended shall be available for the current purposes authorized under this heading in addition to the purposes for which such funds originally were appropriated.

### HOUSING PROGRAMS

### PROJECT-BASED RENTAL ASSISTANCE

For activities and assistance for the provision of project-based subsidy contracts under the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437 et seq.) (in this heading "the Act"), notherwise provided for, \$14,540,000,000, to remain available until expended, shall be avail-

able on October 1, 2022 (in addition to the \$400,000,000 previously appropriated under this heading that became available October 1, 2022), and \$400,000,000, to remain available until expended, shall be available on October 1, 2023: Provided, That the amounts made available under this heading shall be for expiring or terminating section 8 project-based subsidy contracts (including section 8 moderate rehabilitation contracts), for amendments to section 8 project-based subsidy contracts (including section 8 moderate rehabilitation contracts), for contracts entered into pursuant to section 441 of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11401), for renewal of section 8 contracts for units in projects that are subject to approved plans of action under the Emergency Low Income Housing Preservation Act of 1987 or the Low-Income Housing Preservation and Resident Homeownership Act of 1990, and for administrative and other expenses associated with project-based activities and assistance funded under this heading: Provided further, That the amount of any forgone increases in tenant rent payments due to the implementation of rent incentives as authorized pursuant to waivers or alternative requirements of the Jobs-Plus initiative as described under the heading "Self-Sufficiency Programs" shall be factored into housing assistance payments under project-based subsidu contracts: Provided further. That of the total amounts made available under this heading, not to exceed \$375,000,000 shall be for performance-based contract administrators or contractors for section 8 project-based assistance, for carrying out 42 U.S.C. 1437(f): Provided further, That the Secretary may also use such amounts in the preceding proviso for performance-based contract administrators or contractors for the administration of: interest reduction payments pursuant to section 236(a) of the National Housing Act (12 U.S.C. 1715z-1(a)); rent supplement payments pursuant to section 101 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1965 (12 U.S.C. 1701s): section 236(f)(2) rental assistance payments (12 U.S.C. 1715z-1(f)(2)): project rental assistance contracts for the elderly under section 202(c)(2) of the Housing Act of 1959 (12) U.S.C. 1701a): project rental assistance contracts for supportive housing for persons with disabilities under section 811(d)(2) of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act (42) U.S.C. 8013(d)(2)); project assistance contracts pursuant to section 202(h) of the Housing Act of 1959 (Public Law 86-372: 73 Stat. 667); and loans under section 202 of the Housing Act of 1959 (Public Law 86-372; 73 Stat. 667): Provided further. That amounts recaptured under this heading, the heading "Annual Contributions for Assisted Housing", or the heading "Housing Certificate Fund", may be used for renewals of or amendments to section 8 project-based contracts or for performance-based contract administrators or contractors, notwithstanding the purposes for which such amounts were appropriated: Provided further, That, notwithstanding any other provision of law, upon the request of the Secretary, project funds that are held in residual receipts accounts for any project subject to a section 8 project-based Housing Assistance Payments contract that authorizes the Department or a housing finance agency to require that surplus project funds be deposited in an interest-bearing residual receipts account and that are in excess of an amount to be determined by the Secretary, shall be remitted to the Department and deposited in this account, to be available until expended: Provided further, That amounts deposited pursuant to the preceding proviso shall be available in addition to the amount otherwise provided under this heading for uses authorized under this heading: Provided further, That of the total amounts made available under this heading, not to exceed \$250,000,000 shall be available for rent adjustments authorized under section 515(d) of the Multifamily Assisted Housing Reform and Affordability Act of 1997 (as added by section

234(a) of this Act): Provided further, That of the total amounts made available under this heading, not to exceed \$25,000,000 shall be available for adjustments under section 524(h) of the Multifamily Assisted Housing Reform and Affordability Act of 1997 (as added by section 234(b) of this Act) necessary to address health and safety deficiencies: Provided further, That up to 2 percent of the total amounts made available in the preceding two provisos shall be for administrative contract costs, including for carrying out due diligence and underwriting functions for evaluating owners' requests and for technical assistance activities: Provided further, That of the total amounts made available under this heading, not to exceed \$31,000,000 shall be available for budget based adjustments for service coordinators for the elderly: Provided further, That any additional amounts for rent adjustments or supplemental contract funding authorized under the preceding four provisos shall be combined with other amounts obligated to such contracts and the combined total amount shall be available for all purposes under such contracts.

### HOUSING FOR THE ELDERLY

For capital advances, including amendments to capital advance contracts, for housing for the elderly as authorized by section 202 of the Housing Act of 1959 (12 U.S.C. 1701q), for project rental assistance for the elderly under section 202(c)(2) of such Act, including amendments to contracts for such assistance and renewal of expiring contracts for such assistance for up to a 5-year term, for senior preservation rental assistance contracts, including renewals, as authorized by section 811(e) of the American Homeownership and Economic Opportunity Act of 2000 (12 U.S.C. 1701q note), and for supportive services associated with the housing, \$1,200,000,000 to remain available until September 30, 2026: Provided, That of the amount made available under this heading, up to \$125,000,000 shall be for service coordinators and the continuation of existing congregate service grants for residents of assisted housing projects: Provided further, That any funding for existing service coordinators under the preceding proviso shall be provided within 120 days of enactment of this Act: Provided further, That amounts made available under this heading shall be available for Real Estate Assessment Center inspections and inspection-related activities associated with section 202 projects: Provided further, That the Secretary may waive the provisions of section 202 governing the terms and conditions of project rental assistance, except that the initial contract term for such assistance shall not exceed 5 years in duration: Provided further. That upon request of the Secretary. project funds that are held in residual receipts accounts for any project subject to a section 202 project rental assistance contract, and that upon termination of such contract are in excess of an amount to be determined by the Secretary. shall be remitted to the Department and deposited in this account, to remain available until September 30, 2026; Provided further, That amounts deposited in this account pursuant to the preceding proviso shall be available, in addition to the amounts otherwise provided by this heading, for the purposes authorized under this heading: Provided further, That unobligated balances, including recaptures and carryover, remaining from funds transferred to or appropriated under this heading shall be available for the current purposes authorized under this heading in addition to the purposes for which such funds originally were appropriated: Provided further, That of the total amount made available under this heading, up to \$25,000,000 shall be used to expand the supply of intergenerational dwelling units (as such term is defined in section 202 of the Legacy Act of 2003 (12 U.S.C. 1701q note)) for elderly caregivers raising children: Provided further, That for the purposes of the preceding proviso the Secretary may

waive, or specify alternative requirements for, any provision of section 202 of the Housing Act of 1959 (12 U.S.C. 1701q) in order to facilitate the development of such units, except for requirements related to fair housing, nondiscrimination, labor standards, and the environment: Provided further, That of the total amount made available under this heading, up to \$6,000,000 shall be used by the Secretary to support preservation transactions of housing for the elderly originally developed with a capital advance and assisted by a project rental assistance contract under the provisions of section 202(c) of the Housing Act of 1959.

### HOUSING FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

For capital advances, including amendments to capital advance contracts, for supportive housing for persons with disabilities, as authorized by section 811 of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 8013), for project rental assistance for supportive housing for persons with disabilities under section 811(d)(2) of such Act, for project assistance contracts pursuant to subsection (h) of section 202 of the Housing Act of 1959, as added by section 205(a) of the Housing and Community Development Amendments of 1978 (Public Law 95-557: 92 Stat. 2090), including amendments to contracts for such assistance and renewal of expiring contracts for such assistance for up to a 5-year term, for project rental assistance to State housing finance agencies and other appropriate entities as authorized under section 811(b)(3) of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act, and for supportive services associated with the housing for persons with disabilities as authorized by section 811(b)(1) of such Act, \$400,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2026: Provided, That amounts made available under this heading shall be available for Real Estate Assessment Center inspections and inspection-related activities associated with section 811 projects: Provided further, That, upon the request of the Secretary, project funds that are held in residual receipts accounts for any project subject to a section 811 project rental assistance contract, and that upon termination of such contract are in excess of an amount to be determined by the Secretary, shall be remitted to the Department and deposited in this account, to remain available until September 30, 2026: Provided further, That amounts deposited in this account pursuant to the preceding proviso shall be available in addition to the amounts otherwise provided by this heading for the purposes authorized under this heading: Provided further, That unobligated balances, including recaptures and carryover, remaining from funds transferred to or appropriated under this heading shall be used for the current purposes authorized under this heading in addition to the purposes for which such funds originally were appropriated.

### HOUSING COUNSELING ASSISTANCE

For contracts, grants, and other assistance excluding loans, as authorized under section 106 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, \$70,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024, including up to \$4,500,000 for administrative contract services: Provided, That funds shall be used for providing counseling and advice to tenants and homeowners, both current and prospective, with respect to property maintenance, financial management or literacy, and such other matters as may be appropriate to assist them in improving their housing conditions, meeting their financial needs, and fulfilling the responsibilities of tenancy or homeownership; for program administration; and for housing counselor training: Provided further, That for purposes of awarding grants from amounts provided under this heading, the Secretary may enter into multiyear agreements, as appropriate, subject to the availability of annual appropriations.

PAYMENT TO MANUFACTURED HOUSING FEES
TRUST FUND

For necessary expenses as authorized by the National Manufactured Housing Construction and Safety Standards Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5401 et seg.), up to \$14,000,000, to remain available until expended, of which \$14,000,000 shall be derived from the Manufactured Housing Fees Trust Fund (established under section 620(e) of such Act (42 U.S.C. 5419(e)): Provided, That not to exceed the total amount appropriated under this heading shall be available from the general fund of the Treasury to the extent necessary to incur obligations and make expenditures pending the receipt of collections to the Fund pursuant to section 620 of such Act: Provided further, That the amount made available under this heading from the general fund shall be reduced as such collections are received during fiscal year 2023 so as to result in a final fiscal year 2023 appropriation from the general fund estimated at zero, and fees pursuant to such section 620 shall be modified as necessary to ensure such a final fiscal year 2023 appropriation: Provided further, That for the dispute resolution and installation programs, the Secretary may assess and collect fees from any program participant: Provided further, That such collections shall be deposited into the Trust Fund, and the Secretary, as provided herein, may use such collections, as well as fees collected under section 620 of such Act, for necessary expenses of such Act: Provided further, That, notwithstanding the requirements of section 620 of such Act, the Secretary may carry out responsibilities of the Secretary under such Act through the use of approved service providers that are paid directly by the recipients of their services.

# FEDERAL HOUSING ADMINISTRATION MUTUAL MORTGAGE INSURANCE PROGRAM ACCOUNT

New commitments to guarantee single family loans insured under the Mutual Mortgage Insurance Fund shall not exceed \$400,000,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024: Provided, That during fiscal year 2023, obligations to make direct loans to carry out the purposes of section 204(g) of the National Housing Act, as amended, shall not exceed \$1,000,000: Provided further, That the foregoing amount in the preceding proviso shall be for loans to nonprofit and governmental entities in connection with sales of single family real properties owned by the Secretary and formerly insured under the Mutual Mortgage Insurance Fund: Provided further, That for administrative contract expenses of the Federal Housing Administration, \$150,000,000, to remain available until September Provided further, That notwithstanding the limitation in the first sentence of section 255(g) of the National Housing Act (12 U.S.C. 1715z–20(g)), during fiscal year 2023 the Secretary may insure and enter into new commitments to insure mortgages under section 255 of the National Housing Act only to the extent that the net credit subsidy cost for such insurance does not exceed zero.

### GENERAL AND SPECIAL RISK PROGRAM ACCOUNT

New commitments to guarantee loans insured under the General and Special Risk Insurance Funds, as authorized by sections 238 and 519 of the National Housing Act (12 U.S.C. 1715z-3 and 1735c), shall not exceed \$35,000,000,000 in total loan principal, any part of which is to be guaranteed, to remain available until September 30, 2024: Provided, That during fiscal year 2023, gross obligations for the principal amount of direct loans, as authorized by sections 204(g), 207(1), 238, and 519(a) of the National Housing Act, shall not exceed \$1,000,000, which shall be for loans to nonprofit and governmental entities in connection with the sale of single family real properties owned by the Secretary and formerly insured under such Act.

GOVERNMENT NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION
GUARANTEES OF MORTGAGE-BACKED SECURITIES
LOAN GUARANTEE PROGRAM ACCOUNT

New commitments to issue guarantees to carry out the purposes of section 306 of the National Housing Act, as amended (12 U.S.C. 1721(g)), shall not exceed \$900,000,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024: Provided, That \$33,500,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024, shall be for necessary salaries and expenses of the Government National Mortgage Association: Provided further, That to the extent that guaranteed loan commitments exceed \$155,000,000,000 on or before April 1, 2023 an additional \$100 for necessary salaries and expenses shall be available until expended for each \$1,000,000 in additional guaranteed loan commitments (including a pro rata amount for any amount below \$1,000,000), but in no case shall funds made available by this proviso exceed \$3,000,000: Provided further, That receipts from Commitment and Multiclass fees collected pursuant to title III of the National Housing Act (12 U.S.C. 1716 et seq.) shall be credited as offsetting collections to this account.

# POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND RESEARCH RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY

For contracts, grants, and necessary expenses of programs of research and studies relating to housing and urban problems, not otherwise provided for, as authorized by title V of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1970 (12 U.S.C. 1701z-1 et seq.), including carrying out the functions of the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development under section 1(a)(1)(i) of Reorganization Plan No. 2 of 1968, and for technical assistance, \$160,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024: Provided, That with respect to amounts made available under this heading, notwithstanding section 203 of this title, the Secretary may enter into cooperative agreements with philanthropic entities, other Federal agencies, State or local governments and their agencies, Indian Tribes, tribally designated housing entities, or colleges or universities for research projects: Provided further, That with respect to the preceding proviso, such partners to the cooperative agreements shall contribute at least a 50 percent match toward the cost of the project: Provided further, That for non-competitive agreements entered into in accordance with the preceding two provisos, the Secretary shall comply with section 2(b) of the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006 (Public Law 109-282, 31 U.S.C. note) in lieu of compliance with section 102(a)(4)(C) of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Reform Act of 1989 (42  $U.S.C.\ 3545(a)(4)(C))$  with respect to documentation of award decisions: Provided further, That prior to obligation of technical assistance funding, the Secretary shall submit a plan to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations on how the Secretary will allocate funding for this activity at least 30 days prior to obligation: Provided further, That none of the funds provided under this heading may be available for the doctoral dissertation research grant program: Provided further, That an additional \$20,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2025, shall be for competitive grants to nonprofit or governmental entities to provide legal assistance (including assistance related to pretrial activities, trial activities, post-trial activities and alternative dispute resolution) at no cost to eligible low-income tenants at risk of or subject to eviction: Provided further, That in awarding grants under the preceding proviso, the Secretary shall give preference to applicants that include a marketing strategy for residents of areas with high rates of eviction, have experience providing no-cost legal assistance to lowincome individuals, including those with limited English proficiency or disabilities, and have sufficient capacity to administer such assistance,

and may select unfunded or partially funded eligible applicants identified in the previous competition: Provided further, That the Secretary shall ensure, to the extent practicable, that the proportion of eligible tenants living in rural areas who will receive legal assistance with grant funds made available under this heading is not less than the overall proportion of eligible tenants who live in rural areas.

# FAIR HOUSING AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITY FAIR HOUSING ACTIVITIES

For contracts, grants, and other assistance, not otherwise provided for, as authorized by title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 3601 et seq.), and section 561 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1987 (42 U.S.C. 3616a), \$86,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024: Provided, That notwithstanding section 3302 of title 31, United States Code, the Secretary may assess and collect fees to cover the costs of the Fair Housing Training Academy, and may use such funds to develop on-line courses and provide such training: Provided further. That none of the funds made available under this heading may be used to lobby the executive or legislative branches of the Federal Government in connection with a specific contract, grant, or loan: Provided further, That of the funds made available under this heading, \$1,000,000 shall be available to the Secretary for the creation and promotion of translated materials and other programs that support the assistance of persons with limited English proficiency in utilizing the services provided by the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

### OFFICE OF LEAD HAZARD CONTROL AND HEALTHY HOMES LEAD HAZARD REDUCTION

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For the Lead Hazard Reduction Program, as authorized by section 1011 of the Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act of 1992 (42 U.S.C. 4852), the Healthy Homes Initiative, pursuant to sections 501 and 502 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1970 (12 U.S.C. 1701z-1 and 1701z-2), and for related activities and assistance, \$415,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2025: Provided, That the amounts made available under this heading are provided as follows:

- (1) \$290,000,000 shall be for the award of grants pursuant to such section 1011, of which not less than \$95,000,000 shall be provided to areas with the highest lead-based paint abatement needs:
- (2) \$85,000,000 shall be for the Healthy Homes Initiative, pursuant to sections 501 and 502 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1970, which shall include research, studies, testing, and demonstration efforts, including education and outreach concerning lead-based paint poisoning and other housing-related diseases and hazards, and nitigating housing-related health and safety hazards in housing of low-income families, of which—
- (A) \$5,000,000 shall be for the implementation of projects in up to five communities that are served by both the Healthy Homes Initiative and the Department of Energy weatherization programs to demonstrate whether the coordination of Healthy Homes remediation activities with weatherization activities achieves cost savings and better outcomes in improving the safety and quality of homes; and
- (B) \$10,000,000 shall be for grants to experienced non-profit organizations, States, local governments, or public housing agencies for safety and functional home modification repairs and renovations to meet the needs of low-income elderly homeowners to enable them to remain in their primary residence: Provided, That of the total amount made available under this subparagraph no less than \$3,000,000 shall be available to meet such needs in communities with substantial rural populations;

- (3) \$5,000,000 shall be for the award of grants and contracts for research pursuant to sections 1051 and 1052 of the Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act of 1992 (42 U.S.C. 4854, 4854a);
- (4) Up to \$2,000,000 in total of the amounts made available under paragraphs (2) and (3) may be transferred to the heading "Research and Technology" for the purposes of conducting research and studies and for use in accordance with the provisos under that heading for noncompetitive agreements;
- (5) \$30,000,000 shall be for a lead-risk assessment demonstration for public housing agencies to conduct lead hazard screenings or lead-risk assessments during housing quality standards inspections of units in which a family receiving assistance under section 8(0) of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437f(0)) resides or expects to reside, and has or expects to have a child under age 6 residing in the unit, while preserving rental housing availability and affordability and
- (6) \$5,000,000 shall be for grants for a radon testing and mitigation safety demonstration program (the radon demonstration) in public housing: Provided, That the testing method, mitigation method, or action level used under the radon demonstration shall be as specified by applicable state or local law, if such law is more protective of human health or the environment than the method or level specified by the Secretary:

Provided further, That for purposes of environmental review, pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.) and other provisions of law that further the purposes of such Act, a grant under the Healthy Homes Initiative, or the Lead Technical Studies program, or other demonstrations or programs under this heading or under prior appropriations Acts for such purposes under this heading, or under the heading "Housing for the Elderly" under prior Appropriations Acts, shall be considered to be funds for a special project for purposes of section 305(c) of the Multifamily Housing Property Disposition Reform Act of 1994: Provided further, That each applicant for a grant or cooperative agreement under this heading shall certify adequate capacity that is acceptable to the Secretary to carry out the proposed use of funds pursuant to a notice of fundopportunity: Providedfurther. amounts made available under this heading, except for amounts in paragraphs (2)(B) for home modification repairs and renovations, in this or prior appropriations Acts, still remaining available, may be used for any purpose under this heading notwithstanding the purpose for which such amounts were appropriated if a program competition is undersubscribed and there are other program competitions under this heading that are oversubscribed.

### INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY FUND

For Department-wide and program-specific information technology systems and infrastructure, \$382,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2025, of which up to \$16,746,000 shall be for development, modernization, and enhancement projects, including planning for such projects: Provided, That not more than 10 percent of the funds made available under this heading for development, modernization, and enhancement may be obligated until the Secretary submits and the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations approve a plan that—

- (1) identifies for each development, modernization, and enhancement project to be funded from available balances, including carryover—
- (A) plain language summaries of the project scope;
- (B) the estimated total project cost; and
- (C) key milestones to be met; and
- (2) identifies for each major modernization project—

- (A) the functional and performance capabilities to be delivered and the mission benefits to be realized:
  - (B) the estimated life-cycle cost;
- (C) key milestones to be met through the project end date, including any identified system decommissioning;
- (D) a description of the procurement strategy and governance structure for the project and the number of HUD staff and contractors supporting the project; and
- (E) certification from the Chief Information Officer that each project is compliant with the Department's enterprise architecture, life-cycle management and capital planning and investment control requirements:

Provided further, That not later than 30 days after the end of each quarter, the Secretary shall submit an updated report to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate summarizing the status, cost and plan for all modernization projects; and for each major modernization project with an approved project plan, identifuing—

- (1) results and actual expenditures of the prior quarter:
- (2) any variances in cost, schedule (including procurement), or functionality from the previously approved project plan, reasons for such variances and estimated impact on total lifecycle costs; and
- (3) risks and mitigation strategies associated with ongoing work.

### Office of Inspector General

For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of Inspector General in carrying out the Inspector General Act of 1978, as amended, \$140,000,000: Provided, That the Inspector General shall have independent authority over all personnel and acquisition issues within this office

GENERAL PROVISIONS—DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING
AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)
(INCLUDING RESCISSION)

SEC. 201. Fifty percent of the amounts of budget authority, or in lieu thereof 50 percent of the cash amounts associated with such budget authority, that are recaptured from projects described in section 1012(a) of the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Amendments Act of 1988 (42 U.S.C. 1437f note) shall be rescinded or in the case of cash, shall be remitted to the Treasury, and such amounts of budget authority or cash recaptured and not rescinded or remitted to the Treasury shall be used by State housing finance agencies or local governments or local housing agencies with projects approved by the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development for which settlement occurred after January 1, 1992, in accordance with such section. Notwithstanding the previous sentence, the Secretary may award up to 15 percent of the budget authority or cash recaptured and not rescinded or remitted to the Treasury to provide project owners with incentives to refinance their project at a lower interest rate.

SEC. 202. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to investigate or prosecute under the Fair Housing Act any otherwise lawful activity engaged in by one or more persons, including the filing or maintaining of a nonfrivolous legal action, that is engaged in solely for the purpose of achieving or preventing action by a Government official or entity, or a court of competent jurisdiction.

SEC. 203. Except as explicitly provided in law, any grant, cooperative agreement or other assistance made pursuant to title II of this Act shall be made on a competitive basis and in accordance with section 102 of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Reform Act of 1989 (42 U.S.C. 3545).

SEC. 204. Section 7 of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Act (42 U.S.C. 3535)

is amended by adding at the end the following new subsection:

'(u)(1) Funds of the Department of Housing and Urban Development subject to the Government Corporation Control Act shall be available, without regard to the limitations on administrative expenses, for legal services on a contract or fee basis, and for utilizing and making payment for services and facilities of the Federal National Mortgage Association, Government Na-Mortgage Association, Federal Home tionalLoan Mortgage Corporation, Federal Financing Bank, Federal Reserve banks or any member thereof, Federal Home Loan banks, and any insured bank within the meaning of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Act, as amended (12 U.S.C. 1811-1).

"(2) Corporations and agencies of the Department of Housing and Urban Development which are subject to chapter 91 of title 31, United States Code, are hereby authorized to make such expenditures, within the limits of funds and borrowing authority available to each such corporation or agency and in accordance with law, and to make such contracts and commitments without regard to fiscal year limitations as provided by section 9104 of such title as may be necessary in carrying out the programs set forth in the budget for such corporation or agency except as hereinafter provided: Provided, That collections of these corporations and agencies may be used for new loan or mortgage purchase commitments only to the extent expressly provided for in an appropriations Act (unless such loans are in support of other forms of assistance provided for in appropriations Acts), except that this proviso shall not apply to the mortgage insurance or guaranty operations of these corporations, or where loans or mortgage purchases are necessary to protect the financial interest of the United States Government."

SEC. 205. Unless otherwise provided for in this Act or through a reprogramming of funds, no part of any appropriation for the Department of Housing and Urban Development shall be available for any program, project or activity in excess of amounts set forth in the budget estimates submitted to Congress.

SEC. 206. The Secretary shall provide auarterly reports to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations regarding all uncommitted, unobligated, recaptured, and excess funds in each program and activity within the jurisdiction of the Department and shall submit additional, updated budget information to these Committees upon request.

SEC. 207. None of the funds made available by this title may be used for an audit of the Government National Mortgage Association that makes applicable requirements under the Federal Credit Reform Act of 1990 (2 U.S.C. 661 et

SEC. 208. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, subject to the conditions listed under this section, for fiscal years 2023 and 2024. the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development may authorize the transfer of some or all project-based assistance, debt held or insured by the Secretary and statutorily required low-income and very low-income use restrictions if any, associated with one or more multifamily housing project or projects to another multifamily housing project or projects.

(b) PHASED TRANSFERS.—Transfers of projectbased assistance under this section may be done in phases to accommodate the financina and other requirements related to rehabilitating or constructing the project or projects to which the assistance is transferred, to ensure that such project or projects meet the standards under subsection (c).

(c) The transfer authorized in subsection (a) is subject to the following conditions:

(1) Number and bedroom size of units.

(A) For occupied units in the transferring project: The number of low-income and very low-income units and the configuration (i.e., bedroom size) provided by the transferring project shall be no less than when transferred to the receiving project or projects and the net dollar amount of Federal assistance provided to the transferring project shall remain the same in the receiving project or projects.

(B) For unoccupied units in the transferring project: The Secretary may authorize a reduction in the number of dwelling units in the receiving project or projects to allow for a reconfiguration of bedroom sizes to meet current market demands, as determined by the Secretary and provided there is no increase in the projectbased assistance budget authority.

(2) The transferring project shall, as determined by the Secretary, be either physically obsolete or economically nonviable, or be reasonably expected to become economically nonviable when complying with state or Federal requirements for community integration and reduced concentration of individuals with disabilities.

(3) The receiving project or projects shall meet or exceed applicable physical standards established by the Secretary.

(4) The owner or mortgagor of the transferring project shall notify and consult with the tenants residing in the transferring project and provide a certification of approval by all appropriate local governmental officials.

(5) The tenants of the transferring project who remain eligible for assistance to be provided by the receiving project or projects shall not be required to vacate their units in the transferring project or projects until new units in the receiving project are available for occupancy.

(6) The Secretary determines that this transfer is in the best interest of the tenants.

(7) If either the transferring project or the receiving project or projects meets the condition specified in subsection (d)(2)(A), any lien on the receiving project resulting from additional financing obtained by the owner shall be subordinate to any FHA-insured mortgage lien transferred to, or placed on, such project by the Secretary, except that the Secretary may waive this requirement upon determination that such a waiver is necessary to facilitate the financing of acquisition, construction, and/or rehabilitation of the receiving project or projects.

(8) If the transferring project meets the requirements of subsection (d)(2), the owner or mortgagor of the receiving project or projects shall execute and record either a continuation of the existing use agreement or a new use agreement for the project where, in either case, any use restrictions in such agreement are of no lesser duration than the existing use restric-

(9) The transfer does not increase the cost (as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 (2 U.S.C. 661a)) of any FHAinsured mortgage, except to the extent that appropriations are provided in advance for the amount of any such increased cost.

(d) For purposes of this section—
(1) the terms "low-income" and "very low-income" shall have the meanings provided by the statute and/or regulations governing the program under which the project is insured or assisted:

(2) the term "multifamily housing project" means housing that meets one of the following conditions-

(A) housing that is subject to a mortgage insured under the National Housing Act;

(B) housing that has project-based assistance attached to the structure including projects undergoing mark to market debt restructuring under the Multifamily Assisted Housing Reform and Affordability Housing Act;

(C) housing that is assisted under section 202 of the Housing Act of 1959 (12 U.S.C. 1701a):

(D) housing that is assisted under section 202 of the Housing Act of 1959 (12 U.S.C. 1701a), as such section existed before the enactment of the Cranston-Gonzales National Affordable Housing Act

(E) housing that is assisted under section 811 of the Cranston-Gonzales National Affordable Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 8013); or

(F) housing or vacant land that is subject to a use agreement;

(3) "project-based assistance" theterm means-

(A) assistance provided under section 8(b) of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437f(h)):

(B) assistance for housing constructed or substantially rehabilitated pursuant to assistance provided under section 8(b)(2) of such Act (as such section existed immediately before October 1. 1983):

(C) rent supplement payments under section 101 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1965 (12 U.S.C. 1701s);

(D) interest reduction payments under section 236 and/or additional assistance payments under section 236(f)(2) of the National Housing Act (12 U.S.C. 1715z-1):

(E) assistance payments made under section 202(c)(2) of the Housing Act of 1959 (12 U.S.C. 1701q(c)(2); and

(F) assistance payments made under section 811(d)(2) of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Af-

fordable Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 8013(d)(2)); (4) the term "receiving project or projects" means the multifamily housing project or projects to which some or all of the projectbased assistance, debt, and statutorily required low-income and very low-income use restrictions are to be transferred;

(5) the term "transferring project" means the multifamily housing project which is transferring some or all of the project-based assistance. debt, and the statutorily required low-income and very low-income use restrictions to the receiving project or projects; and
(6) the term "Secretary" means the Secretary

of Housing and Urban Development.

(e) RESEARCH REPORT.—The Secretary shall conduct an evaluation of the transfer authority under this section, including the effect of such transfers on the operational efficiency, contract rents, physical and financial conditions, and long-term preservation of the affected properties. The Secretary shall publish by notice in the Federal Register the terms and conditions, including criteria for approval by the Department of Housing and Urban Development, of transfers pursuant to this section no later than 30 days before the effective date of such notice.

SEC. 209. (a) No assistance shall be provided under section 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437f) to any individual who-

(1) is enrolled as a student at an institution of higher education (as defined under section 102 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1002)):

(2) is under 24 years of age;

(3) is not a veteran;

(4) is unmarried:

(5) does not have a dependent child;

(6) is not a person with disabilities, as such term is defined in section 3(b)(3)(E) of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437a(b)(3)(E)) and was not receiving assistance under such section 8 as of November 30, 2005;

(7) is not a youth who left foster care at age 14 or older and is at risk of becoming homeless; and

(8) is not otherwise individually eligible, or has parents who, individually or jointly, are not eligible, to receive assistance under section 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C.

(b) For purposes of determining the eligibility of a person to receive assistance under section 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437f), any financial assistance (in excess of amounts received for tuition and any other required fees and charges) that an individual receives under the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001 et seq.), from private sources, or from an institution of higher education (as defined under section 102 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1002)), shall be considered income to that individual, except for a person over the age of 23 with dependent children.

SEC. 210. The funds made available for Native Alaskans under paragraph (1) under the heading "Native American Programs" in title II of this Act shall be allocated to the same Native Alaskan housing block grant recipients that received funds in fiscal year 2005, and only such recipients shall be eligible to apply for funds made available under paragraph (2) of such heading.

heading. SEC. 211. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, in fiscal year 2023, in managing and disposing of any multifamily property that is owned or has a mortgage held by the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, and during the process of foreclosure on any property with a contract for rental assistance payments under section 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437f) or any other Federal programs, the Secretary shall maintain any rental assistance payments under section 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 and other programs that are attached to any dwelling units in the property. To the extent the Secretary determines, in consultation with the tenants and the local government that such a multifamily property owned or having a mortgage held by the Secretary is not feasible for continued rental assistance payments under such section 8 or other programs, based on consideration of (1) the costs of rehabilitating and operating the property and all available Federal. State. and local resources, including rent adjustments under section 524 of the Multifamily Assisted Housing Reform and Affordability Act of 1997 (in this section "MAHRAA") (42 U.S.C. 1437f note), and (2) environmental conditions that cannot be remedied in a cost-effective fashion. the Secretary may, in consultation with the tenants of that property, contract for project-based rental assistance payments with an owner or owners of other existing housing properties, or provide other rental assistance. The Secretary shall also take appropriate steps to ensure that project-based contracts remain in effect prior to foreclosure, subject to the exercise of contractual abatement remedies to assist relocation of tenants for imminent major threats to health and safety after written notice to and informed consent of the affected tenants and use of other available remedies, such as partial abatements or receivership. After disposition of any multifamily property described in this section, the contract and allowable rent levels on such properties shall be subject to the requirements under section 524 of MAHRAA.

SEC. 212. Public housing agencies that own and operate 400 or fewer public housing units may elect to be exempt from any asset management requirement imposed by the Secretary in connection with the operating fund rule: Provided, That an agency seeking a discontinuance of a reduction of subsidy under the operating fund formula shall not be exempt from asset management requirements.

SEC. 213. With respect to the use of amounts provided in this Act and in future Acts for the operation, capital improvement, and management of public housing as authorized by sections 9(d) and 9(e) of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437g(d),(e)), the Secretary shall not impose any requirement or guideline relating to asset management that restricts or limits in any way the use of capital funds for central office costs pursuant to paragraph (1) or (2) of section 9(g) of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437g(g)(1), (2)): Provided, That a public housing agency may not use capital funds authorized under section 9(d) for activities that are eligible under section 9(e) for assistance with amounts from the operating fund in excess of the amounts permitted under paragraph (1) or (2) of section 9(q).

SEC. 214. No official or employee of the Department of Housing and Urban Development shall be designated as an allotment holder unless the Office of the Chief Financial Officer has determined that such allotment holder has implemented an adequate system of funds control

and has received training in funds control procedures and directives. The Chief Financial Officer shall ensure that there is a trained allotment holder for each HUD appropriation under the accounts "Executive Offices", "Administrative Support Offices", "Program Offices", "Government National Mortgage Association—Guarantees of Mortgage-Backed Securities Loan Guarantee Program Account", and "Office of Inspector General" within the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

SEC. 215. The Secretary shall, for fiscal year 2023, notify the public through the Federal Register and other means, as determined appropriate, of the issuance of a notice of funding opportunity (NOFO) for any program or discretionary fund administered by the Secretary that is to be competitively awarded. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, for fiscal year 2023, the Secretary may make the NOFO available only on the Internet at the appropriate Government website or through other electronic media, as determined by the Secretary.

SEC. 216. Payment of attorney fees in program-related litigation shall be paid from the individual program office and Office of General Counsel salaries and expenses appropriations.

SEC. 217. The Secretary is authorized to transfer up to 10 percent or \$5,000,000, whichever is less, of funds appropriated for any office under the headings "Administrative Support Offices" or "Program Offices" to any other such office under such headings: Provided, That no appropriation for any such office under such headings shall be increased or decreased by more than 10 percent or \$5,000,000, whichever is less, without prior written approval of the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations: Provided further, That the Secretary shall provide notification to such Committees 3 business days in advance of any such transfers under this section up to 10 percent or \$5,000,000, whichever is less.

SEC. 218. (a) Any entity receiving housing assistance payments shall maintain decent, safe, and sanitary conditions, as determined by the Secretary, and comply with any standards under applicable State or local laws, rules, ordinances, or regulations relating to the physical condition of any property covered under a housing assistance payment contract.

(b) The Secretary shall take action under subsection (c) when a multifamily housing project with a contract under section 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437f) or a contract for similar project-based assistance—

(1) receives a Uniform Physical Condition Standards (UPCS) score of 59 or less; or

(2) fails to certify in writing to the Secretary within 3 days that all Exigent Health and Safety deficiencies identified by the inspector at the project have been corrected.

Such requirements shall apply to insured and noninsured projects with assistance attached to the units under section 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437f), but shall not apply to such units assisted under section 8(o)(13) of such Act (42 U.S.C. 1437f(o)(13)) or to public housing units assisted with capital or operating funds under section 9 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437g).

(c)(1) Within 15 days of the issuance of the Real Estate Assessment Center ("REAC") inspection, the Secretary shall provide the owner with a Notice of Default with a specified timetable, determined by the Secretary, for correcting all deficiencies. The Secretary shall provide a copy of the Notice of Default to the tenants, the local government, any mortgagees, and any contract administrator. If the owner's appeal results in a UPCS score of 60 or above, the Secretary may withdraw the Notice of Default.

(2) At the end of the time period for correcting all deficiencies specified in the Notice of Default, if the owner fails to fully correct such deficiencies, the Secretary shall take one or more of the following actions, and provide additional notice of those actions to the owner and the parties specified above—

(A) require immediate replacement of project management with a management agent approved by the Secretary;

(B) impose civil money penalties, which shall be used solely for the purpose of supporting safe and sanitary conditions at applicable properties, as designated by the Secretary, with priority given to the tenants of the property affected by the penalty:

(C) abate the section 8 contract, including partial abatement, as determined by the Secretary, until all deficiencies have been corrected;

(D) pursue transfer of the project to an owner, approved by the Secretary under established procedures, who will be obligated to promptly make all required repairs and to accept renewal of the assistance contract if such renewal is offered;

(E) transfer the existing section 8 contract to another project or projects and owner or owners:

(F) pursue exclusionary sanctions, including suspensions or debarments from Federal programs;

(G) seek judicial appointment of a receiver to manage the property and cure all project deficiencies or seek a judicial order of specific performance requiring the owner to cure all project deficiencies:

(H) work with the owner, lender, or other related party to stabilize the property in an attempt to preserve the property through compliance, transfer of ownership, or an infusion of capital provided by a third-party that requires time to effectuate; or

(I) take any other regulatory or contractual remedies available as deemed necessary and appropriate by the Secretary.

(a) The Secretary shall take appropriate steps to ensure that project-based contracts remain in effect, subject to the exercise of contractual abatement remedies to assist relocation of tenants for major threats to health and safety after written notice to and informed consent of the affected tenants and use of other remedies set forth above. To the extent the Secretary determines, in consultation with the tenants and the local government, that the property is not feasible for continued rental assistance payments under such section 8 or other programs, based on consideration of—

(1) the costs of rehabilitating and operating the property and all available Federal, State, and local resources, including rent adjustments under section 524 of the Multifamily Assisted Housing Reform and Affordability Act of 1997 ("MAHRAA"); and

(2) environmental conditions that cannot be remedied in a cost-effective fashion, the Secretary may contract for project-based rental assistance payments with an owner or owners of other existing housing properties, or provide other rental assistance.

(e) The Secretary shall report semi-annually on all properties covered by this section that are assessed through the Real Estate Assessment Center and have UPCS physical inspection scores of less than 60 or have received an unsatisfactory management and occupancy review within the past 36 months. The report shall include—

(1) identification of the property level enforcement actions being taken to address such conditions, including imposition of civil money penalties and termination of subsidies, and identification of properties that have such conditions multiple times;

(2) identification of property level actions that the Department of Housing and Urban Development is taking to protect tenants of such identified properties; and

(3) any administrative or legislative recommendations to further improve the living conditions at properties covered under a housing assistance payment contract.

The first report shall be submitted to the Senate and House Committees on Appropriations not later than 30 days after the enactment of

this Act, and the second report shall be submitted within 180 days of the transmittal of the first report

SEC. 219. None of the funds made available by this Act, or any other Act, for purposes authorized under section 8 (only with respect to the tenant-based rental assistance program) and section 9 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437 et seq.), may be used by any public housing agency for any amount of salary, including bonuses, for the chief executive officer of which, or any other official or employee of which, that exceeds the annual rate of basic pay payable for a position at level IV of the Executive Schedule at any time during any public housing agency fiscal year 2023.

SEC. 220. None of the funds made available by this Act and provided to the Department of Housing and Urban Development may be used to make a grant award unless the Secretary notifies the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations not less than 3 full business days before any project, State, locality, housing authority, Tribe, nonprofit organization, or other entity selected to receive a grant award is announced by the Department or its offices: Provided, That such notification shall list each grant award by State and congressional district.

SEC. 221. None of the funds made available in this Act shall be used by the Federal Housing Administration, the Government National Mortagge Association, or the Department of Housing and Urban Development to insure, securitize, or establish a Federal guarantee of any mortgage or mortgage backed security that refinances or otherwise replaces a mortgage that has been subject to eminent domain condemnation or seizure, by a State, municipality, or any other political subdivision of a State.

SEC. 222. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to terminate the status of a unit of general local government as a metropolitan city (as defined in section 102 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5302)) with respect to grants under section 106 of such Act (42 U.S.C. 5306).

SEC. 223. Amounts made available by this Act that are appropriated, allocated, advanced on a reimbursable basis, or transferred to the Office of Policy Development and Research of the Department of Housing and Urban Development and functions thereof, for research, evaluation, or statistical purposes, and that are unexpended at the time of completion of a contract, grant, or cooperative agreement, may be deobligated and shall immediately become available and may be reobligated in that fiscal year or the subsequent fiscal year for the research, evaluation, or statistical purposes for which the amounts are made available to that Office subject to reprogramming requirements in section 405 of this

SEC. 224. None of the funds provided in this Act or any other Act may be used for awards, including performance, special act, or spot, for any employee of the Department of Housing and Urban Development subject to administrative discipline (including suspension from work), in this fiscal year, but this prohibition shall not be effective prior to the effective date of any such administrative discipline or after any final decision over-turning such discipline.

SEC. 225. With respect to grant amounts awarded under the heading "Homeless Assistance Grants" for fiscal years 2015 through 2023 for the Continuum of Care (CoC) program as authorized under subtitle C of title IV of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, costs paid by program income of grant recipients may count toward meeting the recipient's matching requirements, provided the costs are eligible CoC costs that supplement the recipient's CoC program.

SEC. 226. (a) From amounts made available under this title under the heading 'Homeless Assistance Grants', the Secretary may award 1-year transition grants to recipients of funds for activities under subtitle C of the McKinney-

Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11381 et seq.) to transition from one Continuum of Care program component to another.

(b) In order to be eligible to receive a transition grant, the funding recipient must have the consent of the continuum of care and meet standards determined by the Secretary.

SEC. 227. The Promise Zone designations and Promise Zone Designation Agreements entered into pursuant to such designations, made by the Secretary in prior fiscal years, shall remain in effect in accordance with the terms and conditions of such agreements.

SEC. 228. Any public housing agency designated as a Moving to Work agency pursuant to section 239 of division L of Public Law 114-113 (42 U.S.C. 1437f note: 129 Stat. 2897) may. upon such designation, use funds (except for special purpose funding, including special purpose vouchers) previously allocated to any such public housing agency under section 8 or 9 of the United States Housing Act of 1937, including any reserve funds held by the public housing agency or funds held by the Department of Housing and Urban Development, pursuant to the authority for use of section 8 or 9 funding provided under such section and section 204 of title II of the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act, 1996 (Public Law 104-134; 110 Stat. 1321-28), notwithstanding the purposes for which such funds were appropriated.

SEC. 229. None of the amounts made available by this Act may be used to prohibit any public housing agency under receivership or the direction of a Federal monitor from applying for, receiving, or using funds made available under the heading "Public Housing Fund" for competitive grants to evaluate and reduce leadbased paint hazards in this Act or that remain available and not awarded from prior Acts, or be used to prohibit a public housing agency from using such funds to carry out any required work pursuant to a settlement agreement, consent decree, voluntary agreement, or similar document for a violation of the Lead Safe Housing or Lead Disclosure Rules.

SEC. 230. None of the funds made available by this title may be used to issue rules or guidance in contravention of section 1210 of Public Law 115–254 (132 Stat. 3442) or section 312 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5155).

SEC. 231. (a) Funds previously made available in the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2016 (Public Law 114-113) for the "Choice Neighborhoods Initiative" that were available for obligation through fiscal year 2018 are to remain available through fiscal year 2024 for the liquidation of valid obligations incurred in fiscal years 2016 through 2018.

(b) Funds previously made available in the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2017 (Public Law 115-31) for the "Choice Neighborhoods Initiative" that were available for obligation through fiscal year 2019 are to remain available through fiscal year 2025 for the liquidation of valid obligations incurred in fiscal years 2017 through 2019.

(c) Funds previously made available in the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2018 (Public Law 115–141) for the "Choice Neighborhoods Initiative" that were available for obligation through fiscal year 2020 are to remain available through fiscal year 2026 for the liquidation of valid obligations incurred in fiscal years 2018 through 2020.

(d) Funds previously made available in the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2019 (Public Law 116-6) for the "Choice Neighborhoods Initiative" that were available for obligation through fiscal year 2021 are to remain available through fiscal year 2027 for the liquidation of valid obligations incurred in fiscal years 2019 through 2021.

(e) Funds previously made available in the Further Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2020

(Public Law 116–94) for the "Choice Neighborhoods Initiative" that were available for obligation through fiscal year 2022 are to remain available through fiscal year 2028 for the liquidation of valid obligations incurred in fiscal years 2020 through 2022.

(f) Funds previously made available in the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 (Public Law 116–260) for the "Choice Neighborhoods Initiative" that were available for obligation through fiscal year 2023 are to remain available through fiscal year 2029 for the liquidation of valid obligations incurred in fiscal years 2021 through 2023.

SEC. 232. For fiscal year 2023, if the Secretary determines or has determined, for any prior formula grant allocation administered by the Secretary under a program under the headings "Public and Indian Housing", "Community Planning and Development", or "Housing Programs" in this title, that a recipient received an allocation greater than the amount such recipient should have received for a formula allocation cycle pursuant to applicable statutes and regulations, the Secretary may adjust for any such funding error in the next applicable formula allocation cycle by (a) offsetting each such recipient's formula allocation (if eligible for a formula allocation in the next applicable formula allocation cycle) by the amount of any such funding error; and (b) reallocating any available balances that are attributable to the offset to the recipient or recipients that would have been allocated additional funds in the formula allocation cycle in which any such error occurred (if such recipient or recipients are eligible for a formula allocation in the next applicable formula allocation cycle) in an amount proportionate to such recipient's eligibility under the next applicable formula allocation cycle formula: Provided, That all offsets and reallocations from such available balances shall be recorded against funds available for the next applicable formula allocation cycle: Provided further, That the term "next applicable formula allocation cycle" means the first formula allocation cycle for a program that is reasonably available for correction following such a Secretarial determination: Provided further, That if, upon request by a recipient and giving consideration to all Federal resources available to the recipient for the same grant purposes, the Secretary determines that the offset in a next applicable formula allocation cycle would critically impair the recipient's ability to accomplish the purpose of the formula grant, the Secretary may adjust for the funding error across two or more formula allocation cycles.

SEC. 233. (a) Amounts made available in paragraphs (1) and (2) under the heading "Native American Programs" in title XII of division B of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (Public Law 116–136) which were allocated or awarded to Indian tribes or tribally designated housing entities, and which are not accepted as of the date of enactment of this Act, are voluntarily returned, or otherwise recaptured for any reason, may be used by the Secretary to make additional grants for the same purpose and under the same terms and conditions as amounts appropriated by section 11003(a)(2) of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Public Law 117–2).

(b) Amounts repurposed by this section that were previously designated by the Congress as an emergency requirement pursuant to the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 or a concurrent resolution on the budget are designated as an emergency requirement pursuant to section 4001(a)(1) of S. Con. Res. 14 (117th Congress), the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2022, and section 1(e) of H. Res. 1151 (117th Congress) as engrossed in the House of Representatives on June 8, 2022.

SEC. 234. The Multifamily Assisted Housing Reform and Affordability Act of 1997 (42 U.S.C. 1437f note) is amended(a) in section 515, by adding at the end the following new subsection:

"(d) Rent Adjustments and Subsequent Re-Newals.—After the initial renewal of a section 8 contract pursuant to this section and notwithstanding any other provision of law or contract regarding the adjustment of rents or subsequent renewal of such contract for a project, including such a provision in section 514 or this section, in the case of a project subject to any restrictions imposed pursuant to sections 514 or this section, the Secretary may, not more than once every 10 years, adjust such rents or renew such contracts at rent levels that are equal to the lesser of budget-based rents or comparable market rents for the market area upon the request of an owner or murchaser who—

"(1) demonstrates that—

"(A) project income is insufficient to operate and maintain the project, and no rehabilitation is currently needed, as determined by the Sec-

"(B) the rent adjustment or renewal contract is necessary to support commercially reasonable financing (including any required debt service coverage and replacement reserve) for rehabilitation necessary to ensure the long-term sustainability of the project, as determined by the Secretary, and in the event the owner or purchaser fails to implement the rehabilitation as required by the Secretary, the Secretary may take such action against the owner or purchaser as allowed by law; and

"(2) agrees to—

"(A) extend the affordability and use restrictions required under 514(e)(6) for an additional twenty years; and

"(B) enter into a binding commitment to continue to renew such contract for and during such extended term, provided that after the affordability and use restrictions required under 514(e)(6) have been maintained for a term of 30 years:

"(i) an owner with a contract for which rent levels were set at the time of its initial renewal under section 514(g)(2) shall request that the Secretary renew such contract under section 524 for and during such extended term; and

"(ii) an owner with a contract for which rent levels were set at the time of its initial renewal under section 514(g)(1) may request that the Secretary renew such contract under section 524.";

(b) in section 524, by adding at the end the following new subsection:

"(h) RENT ADJUSTMENTS TO ADDRESS DISTRESS.—In the case of a section 8 contract that will be eligible for renewal under this section when it expires or terminates, notwithstanding any provision of contract or law regarding the adjustment of rents, including such a provision in this section, the Secretary may adjust such rents, subject to the availability of funds for such rent adjustments, to rent levels that are equal to the lesser of budget-based rents or comparable market rents for the market area at the request of an owner or purchaser who demonstrates that such rent adjustment is needed to address project health and safety deficiencies and that—

"(1) project income is insufficient to operate and maintain the project, and no rehabilitation is currently needed, as determined by the Secretary: or

"(2) the rent adjustment is necessary to support commercially reasonable financing (including any required debt service coverage and replacement reserve) for rehabilitation necessary to ensure the long-term sustainability of the project, as determined by the Secretary, and in the event the owner or purchaser fails to implement the rehabilitation as required by the Secretary, the Secretary may take such action against the owner or purchaser as allowed by

law."; and
(c) in section 579, by striking "October 1,
2022" each place it appears and inserting in lieu
thereof "October 1, 2027".

SEC. 235. Of the amounts made available under the heading "Project-Based Rental As-

sistance" in prior Acts, up to \$1,300,000 may be transferred to Treasury Account 86-X-0148 for the liquidation of obligations incurred in fiscal year 2018 in connection with the continued provision of interest reduction payments authorized under section 236 of the National Housing Act (12 U.S.C. 1715z-1).

SEC. 236. (a) Funds previously made available in chapter 9 of title X of the Disaster Relief Appropriations Act, 2013 (Public Law 113-2, division A; 127 Stat. 36) under the heading "Department of Housing and Urban Development—Community Planning and Development—Community Development Fund" that were available for obligation through fiscal year 2017 are to remain available until expended for the liquidation of valid obligations incurred in fiscal years 2013 through 2017.

- (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, in the case of any grantee of funds referred to in subsection (a) of this section that provides assistance that duplicates benefits available to a person for the same purpose from another source, the grantee itself shall—
- (1) be subject to remedies for noncompliance; or
- (2) bear responsibility for absorbing such cost of duplicative benefits and returning an amount equal to any duplicative benefits paid to the grantee's funds available for use under such heading, unless the Secretary, upon the request of a grantee issues a public determination by publication in the Federal Register that it is not in the best interest of the Federal Government to pursue such remedies.
- (c) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any grantee of funds referred to in subsection (a) of this section may request a waiver from the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development of any recoupment by the Secretary of such funds for amounts owed by persons who have received such assistance from such funds and who have been defrauded or after receiving assistance, have filed for bankruptcy, gone through a foreclosure procedure on property that received such assistance, or are deceased. If the grantee self-certifies to the Secretary in such request that it has verified that the individual conditions of each person it is requesting a waiver for meets one of the conditions specified in the preceding sentence, the Secretary may grant such waivers on the basis of grantee selfcertification, issue a public determination by publication in the Federal Register that it is not in the best interest of the Federal Government to pursue such recoupment, and may conduct oversight to verify grantee self-certification and subject the grantee to remedies for noncompliance for any amounts that have not met such re-
- (d) Amounts repurposed pursuant to this section that were previously designated by the Congress as an emergency requirement pursuant to the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 or a concurrent resolution on the budget are designated as an emergency requirement pursuant to section 4001(a)(1) of S. Con. Res. 14 (117th Congress), the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2022, and section 1(e) of H. Res. 1151 (117th Congress) as engrossed in the House of Representatives on June 8, 2022.

SEC. 237. None of the funds made available to the Department of Housing and Urban Development by this or any other Act may be used to implement, administer, enforce, or in any way make effective the proposed rule entitled "Housing and Community Development Act of 1980: Verification of Eligible Status", issued by the Department of Housing and Urban Development on May 10, 2019 (Docket No. FR-6124-P-01), or any final rule based substantially on such proposed rule.

This title may be cited as the "Department of Housing and Urban Development Appropriations Act, 2023".

# $TITLE\ III$ $RELATED\ AGENCIES$ $ACCESS\ BOARD$

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For expenses necessary for the Access Board, as authorized by section 502 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 792), \$9,850,000: Provided, That, notwithstanding any other provision of law, there may be credited to this appropriation funds received for publications and training expenses.

### FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

#### SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Federal Maritime Commission as authorized by section 201(d) of the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, as amended (46 U.S.C. 46107), including services as authorized by section 3109 of title 5, United States Code; hire of passenger motor vehicles as authorized by section 1343(b) of title 31, United States Code; and uniforms or allowances therefore, as authorized by sections 5901 and 5902 of title 5, United States Code, \$38,260,000, of which \$2,000,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2024: Provided, That not to exceed \$3,500 shall be for official reception and representation expenses.

NATIONAL RAILROAD PASSENGER CORPORATION
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

#### SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector General for the National Railroad Passenger Corporation to carry out the provisions of the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App. 3), \$27,935,000: Provided, That the Inspector General shall have all necessary authority, in carrying out the duties specified in such Act, to investigate allegations of fraud, including false statements to the Government under section 1001 of title 18, United States Code, by any person or entity that is subject to regulation by the National Railroad Passenger Corporation: Provided further, That the Inspector General may enter into contracts and other arrangements for audits, studies, analyses, and other services with public agencies and with private persons, subject to the applicable laws and requlations that govern the obtaining of such services within the National Railroad Passenger Corporation: Provided further, That the Inspector General may select, appoint, and employ such officers and employees as may be necessary for carrying out the functions, powers, and duties of the Office of Inspector General, subject to the applicable laws and regulations that govern such selections, appointments, and employment within the National Railroad Passenger Corporation: Provided further, That concurrent with the President's budget request for fiscal year 2024, the Inspector General shall submit to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations a budget request for fiscal year 2024 in similar format and substance to budget requests submitted by executive agencies of the Federal Government

# NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the National Transportation Safety Board, including hire of passenger motor vehicles and aircraft; services as authorized by section 3109 of title 5, United States Code, but at rates for individuals not to exceed the per diem rate equivalent to the rate for a GS-15; uniforms, or allowances therefor, as authorized by sections 5901 and 5902 of title 5, United States Code, \$129,300,000, of which not to exceed \$2,000 may be used for official reception and representation expenses: Provided, That the amounts made available to the National Transportation Safety Board in this Act include amounts necessary to make lease payments on an obligation incurred in fiscal year 2001 for a capital lease.

NEIGHBORHOOD REINVESTMENT CORPORATION
PAYMENT TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD REINVESTMENT
CORPORATION

For payment to the Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation for use in neighborhood reinvestment activities, as authorized by the Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation Act (42 U.S.C. 8101-8107), \$185,000,000.

# SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Surface Transportation Board, including services authorized by section 3109 of title 5, United States Code, \$42.029,000: Provided. That of the amounts made available under this heading, not less than \$1,000,000 shall be for the necessary salaries and expenses to implement section 22309 of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (Public Law 117-58), and for other activities as appropriate as determined by the Surface Transportation Board: Provided further, That, notwithstanding any other provision of law, not to exceed \$1,250,000 from fees established by the Surface Transportation Board shall be credited to this appropriation as offsetting collections and used for necessary and authorized expenses under this heading: Provided further, That the amounts made available under this heading from the general fund shall be reduced on a dollar-for-dollar basis as such offsetting collections are received during fiscal year 2023, to result in a final appropriation from the general fund estimated at not more than \$40,779,000.

# UNITED STATES INTERAGENCY COUNCIL ON HOMELESSNESS

### OPERATING EXPENSES

For necessary expenses, including payment of salaries, authorized travel, hire of passenger motor vehicles, the rental of conference rooms, and the employment of experts and consultants under section 3109 of title 5, United States Code, of the United States Interagency Council on Homelessness in carrying out the functions pursuant to title II of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, as amended, \$4,580,000.

### $TITLE\ IV$

### GENERAL PROVISIONS—THIS ACT

SEC. 401. None of the funds in this Act shall be used for the planning or execution of any program to pay the expenses of, or otherwise compensate, non-Federal parties intervening in regulatory or adjudicatory proceedings funded in this Act.

SEC. 402. None of the funds appropriated in this Act shall remain available for obligation beyond the current fiscal year, nor may any be transferred to other appropriations, unless ex-

pressly so provided herein.

SEC. 403. The expenditure of any appropriation under this Act for any consulting service through a procurement contract pursuant to section 3109 of title 5, United States Code, shall be limited to those contracts where such expenditures are a matter of public record and available for public inspection, except where otherwise provided under existing law, or under existing Executive order issued pursuant to existing law.

SEC. 404. (a) None of the funds made available in this Act may be obligated or expended for any employee training that—

- (1) does not meet identified needs for knowledge, skills, and abilities bearing directly upon the performance of official duties:
- (2) contains elements likely to induce high levels of emotional response or psychological stress in some participants:
- (3) does not require prior employee notification of the content and methods to be used in the training and written end of course evaluation;
- (4) contains any methods or content associated with religious or quasi-religious belief systems or "new age" belief systems as defined in Equal Employment Opportunity Commission Notice N-915.022, dated September 2, 1988; or

- (5) is offensive to, or designed to change, participants' personal values or lifestyle outside the workplace.
- (b) Nothing in this section shall prohibit, restrict, or otherwise preclude an agency from conducting training bearing directly upon the performance of official duties.

SEC. 405. Except as otherwise provided in this Act, none of the funds provided in this Act, provided by previous appropriations Acts to the agencies or entities funded in this Act that remain available for obligation or expenditure in fiscal year 2023, or provided from any accounts in the Treasury derived by the collection of fees and available to the agencies funded by this Act, shall be available for obligation or expenditure through a reprogramming of funds that—

(1) creates a new program;

(2) eliminates a program, project, or activity; (3) increases funds or personnel for any pro-

(3) increases funds or personnel for any program, project, or activity for which funds have been denied or restricted by the Congress;

- (4) proposes to use funds directed for a specific activity by either the House or Senate Committees on Appropriations for a different purpose;
- (5) augments existing programs, projects, or activities in excess of \$5,000,000 or 10 percent, whichever is less:
- (6) reduces existing programs, projects, or activities by \$5,000,000 or 10 percent, whichever is less; or
- (7) creates, reorganizes, or restructures a branch, division, office, bureau, board, commission, agency, administration, or department different from the budget justifications submitted to the Committees on Appropriations or the table accompanying the report accompanying this Act, whichever is more detailed, unless prior approval is received from the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations:

Provided, That not later than 60 days after the date of enactment of this Act, each agency funded by this Act shall submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations of the Senate and of the House of Representatives to establish the baseline for application of reprogramming and transfer authorities for the current fiscal year: Provided further, That the report shall include.

(A) a table for each appropriation with a separate column to display the prior year enacted level, the President's budget request, adjustments made by Congress, adjustments due to enacted rescissions, if appropriate, and the fiscal year enacted level;

(B) a delineation in the table for each appropriation and its respective prior year enacted level by object class and program, project, and activity as detailed in this Act, the table accompanying the report accompanying this Act, accompanying reports of the House and Senate Committee on Appropriations, or in the budget appendix for the respective appropriations, whichever is more detailed, and shall apply to all items for which a dollar amount is specified and to all programs for which new budget (obligational) authority is provided, as well as to discretionary grants and discretionary grant allocations; and

(C) an identification of items of special congressional interest.

SEC. 406. Except as otherwise specifically provided by law, not to exceed 50 percent of unobligated balances remaining available at the end of fiscal year 2023 from appropriations made available for salaries and expenses for fiscal year 2023 in this Act, shall remain available through September 30, 2024, for each such account for the purposes authorized: Provided, That a request shall be submitted to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations for approval prior to the expenditure of such funds: Provided further, That these requests shall be made in compliance with reprogramming guidelines under section 405 of this Act.

SEC. 407. No funds in this Act may be used to support any Federal, State, or local projects

that seek to use the power of eminent domain, unless eminent domain is employed only for a public use: Provided, That for purposes of this section, public use shall not be construed to include economic development that primarily benefits private entities: Provided further, That any use of funds for mass transit, railroad, airport, seaport or highway projects, as well as utility projects which benefit or serve the general public (including energy-related, communication-related, water-related and wastewater-related infrastructure), other structures designated for use by the general public or which have other common-carrier or public-utility functions that serve the general public and are subject to regulation and oversight by the government, and projects for the removal of an immediate threat to public health and safety or brownfields as defined in the Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act (Public Law 107-118) shall be considered a public use for purposes of eminent domain.

SEC. 408. None of the funds made available in this Act may be transferred to any department, agency, or instrumentality of the United States Government, except pursuant to a transfer made by, or transfer authority provided in, this Act or any other appropriations Act.

SEC. 409. No funds appropriated pursuant to this Act may be expended by an entity unless the entity agrees that in expending the assistance the entity will comply with sections 2 through 4 of the Act of March 3, 1933 (41 U.S.C. 8301–8305, popularly known as the "Buy American Act").

SEC. 410. No funds appropriated or otherwise made available under this Act shall be made available to any person or entity that has been convicted of violating the Buy American Act (41 U.S.C. 8301–8305).

SEC. 411. None of the funds made available in this Act may be used for first-class airline accommodations in contravention of sections 301–10.122 and 301–10.123 of title 41, Code of Federal Regulations.

SEC. 412. None of the funds made available in this Act may be used to send or otherwise pay for the attendance of more than 50 employees of a single agency or department of the United States Government, who are stationed in the United States, at any single international conference unless the relevant Secretary reports to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations at least 5 days in advance that such attendance is important to the national interest: Provided, That for purposes of this section the term "international conference" shall mean a conference occurring outside of the United States attended by representatives of the United States Government and of foreign governments, international organizations, or nongovernmental organizations.

SEC. 413. None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available under this Act may be used by the Surface Transportation Board to charge or collect any filing fee for rate or practice complaints filed with the Board in an amount in excess of the amount authorized for district court civil suit filing fees under section 1914 of title 28. United States Code.

SEC. 414. (a) None of the funds made available in this Act may be used to maintain or establish a computer network unless such network blocks the viewing, downloading, and exchanging of pornography.

(b) Nothing in subsection (a) shall limit the use of funds necessary for any Federal, State, tribal, or local law enforcement agency or any other entity carrying out criminal investigations, prosecution, or adjudication activities.

SEC. 415. (a) None of the funds made available in this Act may be used to deny an Inspector General funded under this Act timely access to any records, documents, or other materials available to the department or agency over which that Inspector General has responsibilities under the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5

U.S.C. App.), or to prevent or impede that Inspector General's access to such records, documents, or other materials, under any provision of law, except a provision of law that expressly refers to the Inspector General and expressly limits the Inspector General's right of access.

- (b) A department or agency covered by this section shall provide its Inspector General with access to all such records, documents, and other materials in a timely manner.
- (c) Each Inspector General shall ensure compliance with statutory limitations on disclosure relevant to the information provided by the establishment over which that Inspector General has responsibilities under the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.).
- (d) Each Inspector General covered by this section shall report to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate within 5 calendar days any failures to comply with this requirement.

SEC. 416. None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act may be used to pay award or incentive fees for contractors whose performance has been judged to be below satisfactory, behind schedule, over budget, or has failed to meet the basic requirements of a contract, unless the Agency determines that any such deviations are due to unforeseeable events, government-driven scope changes, or are not significant within the overall scope of the project and/or program unless such awards or incentive fees are consistent with 16.401(e)(2) of the Federal Acquisition Regulations.

SEC. 417. Within the amounts appropriated in this Act, funding shall be allocated in the amounts specified for those projects and purposes delineated in the table titled "Transportation, Housing and Urban Development Incorporation of Community Project Funding Items" included in the report accompanying this Act.

SEC. 418. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall be available to pay the salary for any person filling a position, other than a temporary position, formerly held by an employee who has left to enter the Armed Forces of the United States and has satisfactorily completed his or her period of active military or naval service, and has within 90 days after his or her release from such service or from hospitalization continuing after discharge for a period of not more than 1 year, made application for restoration to his or her former position and has been certified by the Office of Personnel Management as still qualified to perform the duties of his or her former position and has not been restored thereto.

SEC. 419. (a) None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to approve a new foreign air carrier permit under sections 41301 through 41305 of title 49, United States Code, or exemption application under section 40109 of that title of an air carrier already holding an air operators certificate issued by a country that is party to the U.S.-E.U.-Iceland-Norway Air Transport Agreement where such approval would contravene United States law or Article 17 bis of the U.S.-E.U.-Iceland-Norway Air Transport Agreement.

(b) Nothing in this section shall prohibit, restrict or otherwise preclude the Secretary of Transportation from granting a foreign air carrier permit or an exemption to such an air carrier where such authorization is consistent with the U.S.-E.U.-Iceland-Norway Air Transport Agreement and United States law.

This division may be cited as the "Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2023".

DIVISION B—AGRICULTURE, RURAL DE-VELOPMENT, FOOD AND DRUG ADMINIS-TRATION, AND RELATED AGENCIES AP-PROPRIATIONS ACT, 2023

### $TITLE\ I$

 $AGRICULTURAL\ PROGRAMS$ 

PROCESSING, RESEARCH, AND MARKETING

Office of the Secretary

(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses of the Office of the Secretary, \$69,845,000, of which not to exceed \$8,432,000 shall be available for the immediate Office of the Secretary; not to exceed \$1,396,000 shall be available for the Office of Homeland Security; not to exceed \$5,190,000 shall be available for the Office of Tribal Relations; not to exceed \$11,287,000 shall be available for the Office of Partnerships and Public Engagement, of which \$1,500,000 shall be for 7 U.S.C. 2279(c)(5); not to exceed \$28,822,000 shall be available for the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Administration, of which \$27,116,000 shall be available for Departmental Administration to provide for necessary expenses for management support services to offices of the Department and for general administration, security, repairs and alterations, and other miscellaneous supplies and expenses not otherwise provided for and necessary for the practical and efficient work of the Department: Provided, That funds made available by this Act to an agency in the Administration mission area for salaries and expenses are available to fund up to one administrative support staff for the Office; not to exceed \$4,609,000 shall be available for the Office of Assistant Secretary for Congressional Relations and Intergovernmental Affairs to carry out the programs funded by this Act, including programs involving intergovernmental affairs and liaison within the executive branch; and not to exceed \$10.109.000 shall be available for the Office of Communications: Provided further, That the Secretary of Agriculture is authorized to transfer funds appropriated for any office of the Office of the Secretary to any other office of the Office of the Secretary: Provided further, That no appropriation for any office shall be increased or decreased by more than 5 percent: Provided further, That not to exceed \$22,000 of the amount made available under this paragraph for the immediate Office of the Secretary shall be available for official reception and representation expenses, not otherwise provided for, as determined by the Secretary: Provided further, That the amount made available under this heading for Departmental Administration shall be reimbursed from applicable appropriations in this Act for travel expenses incident to the holding of hearings as required by 5 U.S.C. 551-558: Provided further, That funds made available under this heading for the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Congressional Relations and Intergovernmental Affairs shall be transferred to agencies of the Department of Agriculture funded by this Act to maintain personnel at the agency level: Provided further. That no funds made available under this heading for the Office of Assistant Secretary for Congressional Relations may be obligated after 30 days from the date of enactment of this Act, unless the Secretary has notified the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress on the allocation of these funds by USDA agency: Provided further, That during any 30 day notification period referenced in section 716 of this Act. the Secretary of Agriculture shall take no action to begin implementation of the action that is subject to section 716 of this Act or make any public announcement of such action in any

### EXECUTIVE OPERATIONS

### OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ECONOMIST

For necessary expenses of the Office of the Chief Economist, \$30,181,000, of which \$8,000,000 shall be for grants or cooperative agreements for

policy research under 7 U.S.C. 3155: Provided, That of the amounts made available under this heading, \$500,000 shall be available to carry out section 224 of subtitle A of the Department of Agriculture Reorganization Act of 1994 (7 U.S.C. 6924), as amended by section 12504 of Public Law 115-334.

### OFFICE OF HEARINGS AND APPEALS

For necessary expenses of the Office of Hearings and Appeals, \$16,703,000.

OFFICE OF BUDGET AND PROGRAM ANALYSIS

For necessary expenses of the Office of Budget and Program Analysis, \$16,967,000.

Office of the Chief Information Officer

For necessary expenses of the Office of the Chief Information Officer, \$93,284,000, of which not less than \$77,428,000 is for cybersecurity requirements of the department.

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

For necessary expenses of the Office of the Chief Financial Officer, \$9,559,000.

Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil RIGHTS

For necessary expenses of the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, \$1,466,000: Provided, That funds made available by this Act to an agency in the Civil Rights mission area for salaries and expenses are available to fund up to one administrative support staff for the Office.

#### OFFICE OF CIVIL RIGHTS

For necessary expenses of the Office of Civil Rights, \$37,595,000.

AGRICULTURE BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES
(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

For payment of space rental and related costs pursuant to Public Law 92-313, including authorities pursuant to the 1984 delegation of authority from the Administrator of General Services to the Department of Agriculture under 40 U.S.C. 121, for programs and activities of the Department which are included in this Act, and for alterations and other actions needed for the Department and its agencies to consolidate unneeded space into configurations suitable for release to the Administrator of General Services, and for the operation, maintenance, improvement, and repair of Agriculture buildings and facilities, and for related costs, \$68,858,000, to remain available until expended.

### HAZARDOUS MATERIALS MANAGEMENT (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses of the Department of Agriculture, to comply with the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (42 U.S.C. 9601 et seq.) and the Solid Waste Disposal Act (42 U.S.C. 6901 et seq.), \$8,581,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That appropriations and funds available herein to the Department for Hazardous Materials Management may be transferred to any agency of the Department for its use in meeting all requirements pursuant to the above Acts on Federal and non-Federal lands.

OFFICE OF SAFETY, SECURITY, AND PROTECTION For necessary expenses of the Office of Safety, Security, and Protection, \$21,800,000.

### Office of Inspector General

For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector General, including employment pursuant to the Inspector General Act of 1978 (Public Law 95-452; 5 U.S.C. App.), \$111,061,000, including such sums as may be necessary for contracting and other arrangements with public agencies and private persons pursuant to section 6(a)(9) of the Inspector General Act of 1978 (Public Law 95-452; 5 U.S.C. App.), and including not to exceed \$125,000 for certain confidential operational expenses, including the payment of informants, to be expended under the direction of the Inspector General pursuant to the Inspector General Act of 1978 (Public Law

95–452; 5 U.S.C. App.) and section 1337 of the Agriculture and Food Act of 1981 (Public Law 97–98)

### Office of the General Counsel

For necessary expenses of the Office of the General Counsel, \$62,137,000.

### OFFICE OF ETHICS

For necessary expenses of the Office of Ethics, \$5,556,000.

### Office of the Under Secretary for Research, Education, and Economics

For necessary expenses of the Office of the Under Secretary for Research, Education, and Economics, \$3,384,000: Provided, That funds made available by this Act to an agency in the Research, Education, and Economics mission area for salaries and expenses are available to fund up to one administrative support staff for the Office: Provided further, That of the amounts made available under this heading, \$2,000,000 shall be made available for the Office of the Chief Scientist.

### ECONOMIC RESEARCH SERVICE

For necessary expenses of the Economic Research Service, \$90,612,000.

### NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS SERVICE

For necessary expenses of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, \$211,023,000, of which up to \$66,361,000 shall be available until expended for the Census of Agriculture: Provided, That amounts made available for the Census of Agriculture may be used to conduct Current Industrial Report surveys subject to 7 U.S.C. 2204g(d) and (f).

### AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Agricultural Research Service and for acquisition of lands by donation, exchange, or purchase at a nominal cost not to exceed \$100, and for land exchanges where the lands exchanged shall be of equal value or shall be equalized by a payment of money to the grantor which shall not exceed 25 percent of the total value of the land or interests transferred out of Federal ownership, \$1,737,629,000: Provided, That appropriations hereunder shall be available for the operation and maintenance of aircraft and the purchase of not to exceed one for replacement only: Provided further, That appropriations hereunder shall be available pursuant to 7 U.S.C. 2250 for the construction, alteration, and repair of buildings and improvements, but unless otherwise provided, the cost of constructing any one building shall not exceed \$500,000, except for headhouses or greenhouses which shall each be limited to \$1.800,000, except for 10 buildings to be constructed or improved at a cost not to exceed \$1,100,000 each, and except for four buildings to be constructed at a cost not to exceed \$5,000,000 each, and the cost of altering any one building during the fiscal year shall not exceed 10 percent of the current replacement value of the building or \$500,000, whichever is greater: Provided further, That appropriations hereunder shall be available for entering into lease agreements at any Agricultural Research Service location for the construction of a research facility by a non-Federal entity for use by the Agricultural Research Service and a condition of the lease shall be that any facility shall be owned, operated, and maintained by the non-Federal entity and shall be removed upon the expiration or termination of the lease agreement: Provided further, That the limitations on alterations contained in this Act shall not apply to modernization or replacement of existing facilities at Beltsville, Maryland: Provided further, That appropriations hereunder shall be available for granting easements at the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center: Provided further, That the foregoing limitations shall not apply to replacement of buildings needed to carry out the Act of April 24, 1948 (21 U.S.C. 113a): Provided further, That appropriations hereunder shall be available for granting easements at any Agricultural Research Service location for the construction of a research facility by a non-Federal entity for use by, and acceptable to, the Agricultural Research Service and a condition of the easements shall be that upon completion the facility shall be accepted by the Secretary, subject to the availability of funds herein, if the Secretary finds that acceptance of the facility is in the interest of the United States: Provided further, That funds may be received from any State, other political subdivision, organization, or individual for the purpose of establishing or operating any research facility or research project of the Agricultural Research Service, as authorized by law.

#### BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES

For the acquisition of land, construction, repair, improvement, extension, alteration, and purchase of fixed equipment or facilities as necessary to carry out the agricultural research programs of the Department of Agriculture, where not otherwise provided, \$57,305,000 to remain available until expended, of which \$25,900,000 shall be for the purposes, and in the amounts, specified for this account in the table titled "Community Project Funding" in the report accompanying this Act.

### NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE RESEARCH AND EDUCATION ACTIVITIES

For payments to agricultural experiment stations, for cooperative forestry and other research, for facilities, and for other expenses, \$1.142.021.000. which shall be for the purposes, and in the amounts, specified in the table titled "National Institute of Food and Agriculture, Research and Education Activities" in the report accompanying this Act: Provided, That funds for research grants for 1994 institutions, education grants for 1890 institutions, Hispanic serving institutions education grants, capacity building for non-land-grant colleges of agriculture, the agriculture and food research iniveterinary medicine loan repayment, multicultural scholars, graduate fellowship and institution challenge grants, grants management systems, tribal colleges education equity grants, and scholarships at 1890 institutions shall remain available until expended: Provided further, That each institution eligible to receive funds under the Evans-Allen program receives no less than \$1,000,000: Provided further, That funds for education grants for Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian-serving institutions be made available to individual eligible institutions or consortia of eligible institutions with funds awarded equally to each of the States of Alaska and Hawaii: Provided further, That funds for providing grants for food and agricultural sciences for Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian-Serving institutions and for Insular Areas shall remain available until September 30, 2024; Provided further, That funds for education grants for 1890 institutions shall be made available to institutions eligible to receive funds under 7 U.S.C. 3221 and 3222: Provided further, That not more than 5 percent of the amounts made available by this or any other Act to carry out the Agriculture and Food Research Initiative under 7 U.S.C. 3157 may be retained by the Secretary of Agriculture to pay administrative costs incurred by the Secretary in carrying out that authority.

### NATIVE AMERICAN INSTITUTIONS ENDOWMENT FUND

For the Native American Institutions Endowment Fund authorized by Public Law 103–382 (7 U.S.C. 301 note), \$11,880,000, to remain available until expended.

### EXTENSION ACTIVITIES

For payments to States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, the Virgin Islands, Micronesia, the Northern Marianas, and American Samoa, \$586,502,000, which shall be for the purposes, and in the amounts, specified in the table

titled "National Institute of Food and Agriculture, Extension Activities" in the report accompanying this Act: Provided, That funds for extension services at 1994 institutions and for facility improvements at 1890 institutions shall remain available until expended: Provided further, That institutions eligible to receive funds under 7 U.S.C. 3221 for cooperative extension receive no less than \$1,000,000: Provided further, That funds for cooperative extension under sections 3(b) and (c) of the Smith-Lever Act (7 U.S.C. 343(b) and (c)) and section 208(c) of Public Law 93-471 shall be available for retirement and employees' compensation costs for extension agents.

### INTEGRATED ACTIVITIES

For the integrated research, education, and extension grants programs, including necessary administrative expenses, \$39,500,000, which shall be for the purposes, and in the amounts, specified in the table titled "National Institute of Food and Agriculture, Integrated Activities" in the report accompanying this Act: Provided, That funds for the Food and Agriculture Defense Initiative shall remain available until September 30, 2024: Provided further, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, indirect costs shall not be charged against any Extension Implementation Program Area grant awarded under the Crop Protection/Pest Management Program (7 U.S.C. 7626).

### Office of the Under Secretary for Marketing and Regulatory Programs

For necessary expenses of the Office of the Under Secretary for Marketing and Regulatory Programs, \$1,617,000: Provided, That funds made available by this Act to an agency in the Marketing and Regulatory Programs mission area for salaries and expenses are available to fund up to one administrative support staff for the Office.

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service Salaries and expenses

### (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses of the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, including up to \$30,000 for representation allowances and for expenses pursuant to the Foreign Service Act of 1980 (22 U.S.C. 4085), \$1,164,209,000, of which \$530,000, to remain available until expended, shall be available for the control of outbreaks of insects, plant diseases, animal diseases and for control of pest animals and birds ("contingency fund") to the extent necessary to meet emergency conditions; of which \$15,950,000, to remain available until expended, shall be used for the cotton pests program, including for cost share purposes or for debt retirement for active eradication zones; of which \$39,183,000, to remain available until expended, shall be for Ani-Health Technical Services: of which \$4,096,000 shall be for activities under the authority of the Horse Protection Act of 1970, as amended (15 U.S.C. 1831); of which \$64,930,000, to remain available until expended, shall be used to support avian health; of which \$4,251,000, to remain available until expended, shall be for information technology infrastructure; of which \$219,698,000, to remain available until expended, shall be for specialty crop pests; of which, \$14,986,000, to remain available until expended, shall be for field crop and rangeland ecosystem pests; of which \$24,067,000, to remain available until expended, shall be for zoonotic disease management; of which \$44,117,000, to remain available until expended, shall be for emergency preparedness and response; of which \$62,562,000, to remain available until expended, shall be for tree and wood pests; of which \$6,528,000, to remain available until expended, shall be for the National Veterinary Stockpile; of which up to \$1,500,000, to remain available until expended, shall be for the scrapie program for indemnities; of which \$2,500,000, to remain available until expended, shall be for the wildlife damage management program for aviation

safety: Provided, That of amounts available under this heading for wildlife services methods development, \$1,000,000 shall remain available until expended: Provided further, That of amounts available under this heading for the screwworm program, \$4,990,000 shall remain available until expended; of which \$24,527,000, to remain available until expended, shall be used to carry out the science program and transition activities for the National Bio and Agrodefense Facility located in Manhattan, Kansas: Provided further, That no funds shall be used to formulate or administer a brucellosis eradication program for the current fiscal year that does not require minimum matching by the States of at least 40 percent: Provided further, That this appropriation shall be available for the purchase. replacement, operation, and maintenance of aircraft: Provided further, That in addition, in emergencies which threaten any segment of the agricultural production industry of the United States, the Secretary may transfer from other appropriations or funds available to the agencies or corporations of the Department such sums as may be deemed necessary, to be available only in such emergencies for the arrest and eradication of contagious or infectious disease or pests of animals, poultry, or plants, and for expenses in accordance with sections 10411 and 10417 of the Animal Health Protection Act (7 U.S.C. 8310 and 8316) and sections 431 and 442 of the Plant Protection Act (7 U.S.C. 7751 and 7772), and any unexpended balances of funds transferred for such emergency purposes in the preceding fiscal year shall be merged with such transferred amounts: Provided further, That appropriations hereunder shall be available pursuant to law (7 U.S.C. 2250) for the repair and alteration of leased buildings and improvements, but unless otherwise provided the cost of altering any one building during the fiscal year shall not exceed 10 percent of the current replacement value of the building.

In fiscal year 2023, the agency is authorized to collect fees to cover the total costs of providing technical assistance, goods, or services requested by States, other political subdivisions, domestic and international organizations, foreign governments, or individuals, provided that such fees are structured such that any entity's liability for such fees is reasonably based on the technical assistance, goods, or services provided to the entity by the agency, and such fees shall be reimbursed to this account, to remain available until expended, without further appropriation, for providing such assistance, goods, or services.

### $BUILDINGS\ AND\ FACILITIES$

For plans, construction, repair, preventive maintenance, environmental support, improvement, extension, alteration, and purchase of fixed equipment or facilities, as authorized by 7 U.S.C. 2250, and acquisition of land as authorized by 7 U.S.C. 2268a, \$3,175,000, to remain available until expended.

## AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE MARKETING SERVICES

For necessary expenses of the Agricultural Marketing Service, \$242,913,000, of which \$7,504,000 shall be available for the purposes of section 12306 of Public Law 113-79: Provided, That of the amounts made available under this heading, \$25,000,000, to remain available until expended, shall be to carry out section 12513 of Public Law 115-334: Provided further, That this appropriation shall be available pursuant to law (7 U.S.C. 2250) for the alteration and repair of buildings and improvements, but the cost of altering any one building during the fiscal year shall not exceed 10 percent of the current replacement value of the building.

Fees may be collected for the cost of standardization activities, as established by regulation pursuant to law (31 U.S.C. 9701), except for the cost of activities relating to the development or maintenance of grain standards under the United States Grain Standards Act, 7 U.S.C. 71 et sea.

#### LIMITATION ON ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

Not to exceed \$62,596,000 (from fees collected) shall be obligated during the current fiscal year for administrative expenses: Provided, That if crop size is understated and/or other uncontrollable events occur, the agency may exceed this limitation by up to 10 percent with notification to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress.

FUNDS FOR STRENGTHENING MARKETS, INCOME, AND SUPPLY (SECTION 32)

#### (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

Funds available under section 32 of the Act of August 24, 1935 (7 U.S.C. 612c), shall be used only for commodity program expenses as authorized therein, and other related operating expenses, except for: (1) transfers to the Department of Commerce as authorized by the Fish and Wildlife Act of 1956 (16 U.S.C. 742a et seq.); (2) transfers otherwise provided in this Act; and (3) not more than \$21,501,000 for formulation and administration of marketing agreements and orders pursuant to the Agricultural Marketing Agreement Act of 1937 and the Agricultural Act of 1961 (Public Law 87-128).

#### PAYMENTS TO STATES AND POSSESSIONS

For payments to departments of agriculture, bureaus and departments of markets, and similar agencies for marketing activities under section 204(b) of the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 (7 U.S.C. 1623(b)), \$1,235,000.

#### LIMITATION ON INSPECTION AND WEIGHING SERVICES EXPENSES

Not to exceed \$55,000,000 (from fees collected) shall be obligated during the current fiscal year for inspection and weighing services: Provided, That if grain export activities require additional supervision and oversight, or other uncontrollable factors occur, this limitation may be exceeded by up to 10 percent with notification to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress.

#### Office of the Under Secretary for Food Safety

For necessary expenses of the Office of the Under Secretary for Food Safety, \$1,117,000: Provided, That funds made available by this Act to an agency in the Food Safety mission area for salaries and expenses are available to fund up to one administrative support staff for the Office.

### FOOD SAFETY AND INSPECTION SERVICE

For necessary expenses to carry out services authorized by the Federal Meat Inspection Act the Poultry Products Inspection Act, and the Egg Products Inspection Act, including not to exceed \$10,000 for representation allowances and for expenses pursuant to section 8 of the Act approved August 3, 1956 (7 U.S.C. \$1,180,364,000; and in addition, \$1,000,000 may be credited to this account from fees collected for the cost of laboratory accreditation as authorized by section 1327 of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation and Trade Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 138f): Provided, That funds provided for the Public Health Data Communication Infrastructure system shall remain available until expended: Provided further, That no fewer than 148 full-time equivalent positions shall be employed during fiscal year 2023 for purposes dedicated solely to inspections and enforcement related to the Humane Methods of Slaughter Act (7 U.S.C. 1901 et seq.): Provided further, That this appropriation shall be available pursuant to law (7 U.S.C. 2250) for the alteration and repair of buildings and improvements, but the cost of altering any one building during the fiscal year shall not exceed 10 percent of the current replacement value of the building.

#### TITLE II

 $FARM\ PRODUCTION\ AND\ CONSERVATION\\ PROGRAMS$ 

OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR FARM PRODUCTION AND CONSERVATION

For necessary expenses of the Office of the Under Secretary for Farm Production and Conservation, \$1,727,000: Provided, That funds made available by this Act to an agency in the Farm Production and Conservation mission area for salaries and expenses are available to fund up to one administrative support staff for the Office.

 $FARM\ PRODUCTION\ AND\ CONSERVATION\ BUSINESS$  CENTER

SALARIES AND EXPENSES (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses of the Farm Production and Conservation Business Center, \$257,684,000: Provided, That \$60,228,000 of amounts appropriated for the current fiscal year pursuant to section 1241(a) of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 1985 (16 U.S.C. 3841(a)) shall be transferred to and merged with this account.

FARM SERVICE AGENCY SALARIES AND EXPENSES (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses of the Farm Service Agency, \$1,229,396,000: Provided, That not more than 50 percent of the funding made available under this heading for information technology related to farm program delivery may be obligated until the Secretary submits to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress, and receives written or electronic notification of receipt from such Committees of, a plan for expenditure that (1) identifies for each project/investment over \$25,000 (a) the functional and performance capabilities to be delivered and the mission benefits to be realized, (b) the estimated lifecycle cost for the entirety of the project/investment, including estimates for development as well as maintenance and operations, and (c) key milestones to be met; (2) demonstrates that each project/investment is, (a) consistent with the Farm Service Agency Information Technology Roadmap, (b) being managed in accordance with applicable lifecycle management policies and guidance, and (c) subject to the applicable Department's capital planning and investment control requirements; and (3) has been reviewed by the Government Accountability Office and approved by the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress: Provided further, That the agency shall submit a report by the end of the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2023 to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress and the Government Accountability Office, that identifies for each project/investment that is operational (a) current performance against key indicators of customer satisfaction. (b) current performance of service level agreements or other technical metrics, (c) current performance against a pre-established cost baseline, (d) a detailed breakdown of current and planned spending on operational enhancements or upgrades, and (e) an assessment of whether the investment continues to meet business needs as intended as well as alternatives to the investment: Provided further, That the Secretary is authorized to use the services, facilities, and authorities (but not the funds) of the Commodity Credit Corporation to make program payments for all programs administered by the Agency: Provided further, That other funds made available to the Agency for authorized activities may be advanced to and merged with this account: Provided further, That of the amount appropriated under this heading, \$696,594,000 shall be made available to county committees, to remain available until expended: Provided further, That, notwithstanding the preceding proviso, any funds made available to county committees in the current

fiscal year that the Administrator of the Farm Service Agency deems to exceed or not meet the amount needed for the county committees may be transferred to or from the Farm Service Agency for necessary expenses: Provided further, That none of the funds available to the Farm Service Agency shall be used to close Farm Service Agency county offices: Provided further, That none of the funds available to the Farm Service Agency shall be used to permanently relocate county based employees that would result in an office with two or fewer employees without prior notification and approval of the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress.

#### STATE MEDIATION GRANTS

For grants pursuant to section 502(b) of the Agricultural Credit Act of 1987, as amended (7 U.S.C. 5101-5106), \$7,000,000.

## $\begin{array}{c} \textit{GRASSROOTS SOURCE WATER PROTECTION} \\ \textit{PROGRAM} \end{array}$

For necessary expenses to carry out wellhead or groundwater protection activities under section 1240O of the Food Security Act of 1985 (16 U.S.C. 3839bb-2), \$6,500,000, to remain available until expended.

## DAIRY INDEMNITY PROGRAM (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses involved in making indemnity payments to dairy farmers and manufacturers of dairy products under a dairy indemnity program, such sums as may be necessary, to remain available until expended: Provided, That such program is carried out by the Secretary in the same manner as the dairy indemnity program described in the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2001 (Public Law 106–387, 114 Stat. 1549A–12).

## $\frac{GEOGRAPHICALLY\ DISADVANTAGED\ FARMERS\ AND}{RANCHERS}$

For necessary expenses to carry out direct reimbursement payments to geographically disadvantaged farmers and ranchers under section 1621 of the Food Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 8792), \$3,000,000, to remain available until expended.

## $\begin{array}{c} \textit{AGRICULTURAL CREDIT INSURANCE FUND} \\ \textit{PROGRAM ACCOUNT} \end{array}$

#### (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

For gross obligations for the principal amount of direct and guaranteed farm ownership (7 U.S.C. 1922 et seq.) and operating (7 U.S.C. 1941 et seq.) loans, emergency loans (7 U.S.C. 1961 et seq.), Indian tribe land acquisition loans (25 U.S.C. 5136) boll weevil loans (7 U.S.C. 1989) quaranteed conservation loans (7 U.S.C. 1924 et seq.), relending program (7 U.S.C. 1936c), and Indian highly fractionated land loans (25 U.S.C. 5136) to be available from funds in the Agricultural Credit Insurance Fund, as follows: \$3.500,000,000 for quaranteed farm ownership loans and \$3,100,000,000 for farm ownership direct loans; \$2,118,491,000 for unsubsidized guaranteed operating loans and \$1,633,333,000 for dioperating loans; emergency loans, \$4,062,000; Indian tribe land acquisition loans, \$20,000,000; guaranteed conservation loans, \$150,000,000; relending program, \$61,426,000; Indian highly fractionated land loans, \$5,000,000; and for boll weevil eradication program loans, \$60,000,000: Provided, That the Secretary shall deem the pink bollworm to be a boll weevil for the purpose of boll weevil eradication program

For the cost of direct and guaranteed loans and grants, including the cost of modifying loans as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, as follows: \$249,000 for emergency loans, to remain available until expended; and \$23,520,000 for direct farm operating loans, \$11,228,000 for unsubsidized guaranteed farm operating loans, \$10,983,000 for the relending program, and \$894,000 for Indian highly fractionated land loans.

In addition, for administrative expenses necessary to carry out the direct and guaranteed loan programs, \$326,461,000: Provided, That of this amount, \$305,803,000 shall be transferred to and merged with the appropriation for "Farm Service Agency, Salaries and Expenses".

Funds appropriated by this Act to the Agricultural Credit Insurance Program Account for farm ownership, operating and conservation direct loans and guaranteed loans may be transferred among these programs: Provided, That the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress are notified at least 15 days in advance of any transfer.

#### RISK MANAGEMENT AGENCY SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Risk Management Agency, \$75,443,000; of which \$4,500,000 shall be available to conduct research and development and carry out contracting and partnerships as described under subsections 522(c) and (d) of the Federal Crop Insurance Act. as amended (7 U.S.C. 1522(c) and (d)), in addition to amounts otherwise provided for such purposes: Provided, That \$1,000,000 of the amount appropriated under this heading in this Act shall be available for compliance and integrity activities required under section 516(b)(2)(C) of the Federal Crop Insurance Act of 1938 (7 U.S.C. 1516(b)(2)(C), and shall be in addition to amounts otherwise provided for such purpose: Provided further, That not to exceed \$1,000 shall be available for official reception and representation expenses, as authorized by 7 U.S.C.

## NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE CONSERVATION OPERATIONS

For necessary expenses for carrying out the provisions of the Act of April 27, 1935 (16 U.S.C. 590a-f), including preparation of conservation plans and establishment of measures to conserve soil and water (including farm irrigation and land drainage and such special measures for soil and water management as may be necessary to prevent floods and the siltation of reservoirs and to control agricultural related pollutants); operation of conservation plant materials centers; classification and mapping of soil; dissemination of information; acquisition of lands, water, and interests therein for use in the plant materials program by donation, exchange, or purchase at a nominal cost not to exceed \$100 pursuant to the Act of August 3, 1956 (7 U.S.C. 2268a); purchase and erection or alteration or improvement of permanent and temporary buildings; and opand maintenance aircrafteration. of \$1,023,777,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024, of which up to \$22,973,000 shall be for the purposes, and in the amounts, specified for this account in the table titled "Community Project Funding" in the report accompanying this Act: Provided further. That appropriations hereunder shall be available pursuant to 7 U.S.C. 2250 for construction and improvement of buildings and public improvements at plant materials centers, except that the cost of alterations and improvements to other buildings and other public improvements shall not exceed \$250,000: Provided further, That when buildings or other structures are erected on non-Federal land, that the right to use such land is obtained as provided in 7 U.S.C. 2250a.

## $WATERSHED\ AND\ FLOOD\ PREVENTION\ OPERATIONS$

For necessary expenses to carry out preventive measures, including but not limited to surveys and investigations, engineering operations, works of improvement, and changes in use of land, in accordance with the Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Act (16 U.S.C. 1001–1005 and 1007–1009) and in accordance with the provisions of laws relating to the activities of the Department, \$95,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That for funds provided by this Act or any other prior Act, the limitation regarding the size of the watershed or subwatershed exceeding two hundred and fifty

thousand acres in which such activities can be undertaken shall only apply for activities undertaken for the primary purpose of flood prevention (including structural and land treatment measures): Provided further, That of the amounts made available under this heading, \$10,000,000 shall be allocated to projects and activities that can commence promptly following enactment; that address regional priorities for flood prevention, agricultural water management, inefficient irrigation systems, fish and wildlife habitat, or watershed protection; or that address authorized ongoing projects under the authorities of section 13 of the Flood Control Act of December 22, 1944 (Public Law 78-534) with a primary purpose of watershed protection by preventing floodwater damage and stabilizing stream channels, tributaries, and banks to reduce erosion and sediment transport.

#### WATERSHED REHABILITATION PROGRAM

Under the authorities of section 14 of the Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Act, \$5,000,000 is provided.

### HEALTHY FORESTS RESERVE PROGRAM

For necessary expenses to carry out the Healthy Forests Reserve Program under the Healthy Forests Restoration Act of 2003 (16 U.S.C. 6571-6578), \$10,000,000, to remain available until expended.

## $\begin{array}{c} \textit{URBAN AGRICULTURE AND INNOVATIVE} \\ \textit{PRODUCTION} \end{array}$

For necessary expenses to carry out the Urban Agriculture and Innovative Production Program under section 222 of subtitle A of the Department of Agriculture Reorganization Act of 1994 (7 U.S.C. 6923), as added by section 12302 of Public Law 115-334, \$13,500,000.

#### CORPORATIONS

The following corporations and agencies are hereby authorized to make expenditures, within the limits of funds and borrowing authority available to each such corporation or agency and in accord with law, and to make contracts and commitments without regard to fiscal year limitations as provided by section 104 of the Government Corporation Control Act as may be necessary in carrying out the programs set forth in the budget for the current fiscal year for such corporation or agency, except as hereinafter provided.

FEDERAL CROP INSURANCE CORPORATION FUND

For payments as authorized by section 516 of the Federal Crop Insurance Act (7 U.S.C. 1516), such sums as may be necessary, to remain available until expended.

### COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION FUND REIMBURSEMENT FOR NET REALIZED LOSSES (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

For the current fiscal year, such sums as may be necessary to reimburse the Commodity Credit Corporation for net realized losses sustained, but not previously reimbursed, pursuant to section 2 of the Act of August 17, 1961 (15 U.S.C. 713a–11): Provided, That of the funds available to the Commodity Credit Corporation under section 11 of the Commodity Credit Corporation under section 11 of the Commodity Credit Corporation Charter Act (15 U.S.C. 714i) for the conduct of its business with the Foreign Agricultural Service, up to \$5,000,000 may be transferred to and used by the Foreign Agricultural Service for information resource management activities of the Foreign Agricultural Service that are not related to Commodity Credit Corporation business.

### HAZARDOUS WASTE MANAGEMENT (LIMITATION ON EXPENSES)

For the current fiscal year, the Commodity Credit Corporation shall not expend more than \$15,000,000 for site investigation and cleanup expenses, and operations and maintenance expenses to comply with the requirement of section \$107(g)\$ of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (42 U.S.C. 9607(g)), and section 6001 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act (42 U.S.C. 6961).

## TITLE III RURAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

Office of the Under Secretary for Rural DEVELOPMENT

For necessary expenses of the Office of the Secretary for Rural Development, \$1,620,000: Provided, That funds made available by this Act to an agency in the Rural Development mission area for salaries and expenses are available to fund up to one administrative support staff for the Office.

> RURAL DEVELOPMENT SALARIES AND EXPENSES (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses for carrying out the administration and implementation of Rural Development programs, including activities with institutions concerning the development and operation of agricultural cooperatives; and for cooperative agreements; \$401,976,000: Provided, That of the amount made available under this heading, up to \$5,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024, shall be for the Rural Partners Network activities of the Department of Agriculture, and may be transferred to other agencies of the Department for such purpose, consistent with the missions and authorities of such agencies: Provided further, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, funds appropriated under this heading may be used for advertising and promotional activities that support Rural Development programs: Provided further, That in addition to any other funds appropriated for purposes authorized by section 502(i) of the Housing Act of 1949 (42 U.S.C. 1472(i)), any amounts collected under such section, as amended by this Act, will immediately be credited to this account and will remain available until expended for such purposes.

RURAL HOUSING SERVICE RURAL HOUSING INSURANCE FUND PROGRAM ACCOUNT

(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

For gross obligations for the principal amount of direct and guaranteed loans as authorized by title V of the Housing Act of 1949, to be available from funds in the rural housing insurance fund, as follows: \$1,500,000,000 shall be for direct loans, \$12,000,000 shall be for a single family housing relending demonstration program for Native American Tribes, and \$30,000,000,000 shall be for unsubsidized guaranteed loans; \$28,000,000 for section 504 housing repair loans; \$150,000,000 for section 515 rental housing; \$300,000,000 for section 538 guaranteed multifamily housing loans; \$10,000,000 for credit sales of single family housing acquired property; \$5,000,000 for section 523 self-help housing land development loans; and \$5,000,000 for section 524 site development loans.

For the cost of direct and guaranteed loans. including the cost of modifying loans, as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, as follows: section 502 loans. \$55.650.000 shall be for direct loans; \$3,948,000 shall be for a single family housing relending demonstration program for Native American Tribes; section 504 housing repair loans, \$2,324,000; section 523 selfhelp housing land development loans, \$267,000; section 524 site development loans, \$208,000; and repair, rehabilitation, and new construction of section 515 rental housing, \$28,665,000: Provided, That to support the loan program level for section 538 guaranteed loans made available under this heading the Secretary may charge or adjust any fees to cover the projected cost of such loan guarantees pursuant to the provisions of the Credit Reform Act of 1990 (2 U.S.C. 661 et seq.), and the interest on such loans may not be subsidized: Provided further, That applicants in communities that have a current rural area waiver under section 541 of the Housing Act of 1949 (42 U.S.C. 1490q) shall be treated as living in a rural area for purposes of section 502 guaranteed loans provided under this heading: Pro-

vided further, That of the amounts available under this paragraph for section 502 direct loans, no less than \$5,000,000 shall be available for direct loans for individuals whose homes will be built pursuant to a program funded with a mutual and self-help housing grant authorized by section 523 of the Housing Act of 1949 until June 1, 2023: Provided further, That the Secretary shall implement provisions to provide incentives to nonprofit organizations and public housing authorities to facilitate the acquisition of Rural Housing Service (RHS) multifamily housing properties by such nonprofit organizations and public housing authorities that commit to keep such properties in the RHS multifamily housing program for a period of time as determined by the Secretary, with such incentives to include, but not be limited to, the following: allow such nonprofit entities and public housing authorities to earn a Return on Investment on their own resources to include proceeds from low income housing tax credit syndication, own contributions, grants, and developer loans at favorable rates and terms, invested in a deal: and allow reimbursement of organizational costs associated with owner's oversight of asset referred to as "Asset Management Fee" of up to

\$7,500 per property.

In addition, for the cost of direct loans and grants, including the cost of modifying loans, as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, \$40,000,000, to remain available until expended, for a demonstration program for the preservation and revitalization of the sections 514, 515, and 516 multi-family rental housing properties to restructure existing USDA multi-family housing loans, as the Secretary deems appropriate, expressly for the purposes of ensuring the project has sufficient resources to preserve the project for the purpose of providing safe and affordable housing for low-income residents and farm laborers including reducing or eliminating interest; deferring loan payments, subordinating, reducing or re-amortizing loan debt: and other financial assistance including advances, payments and incentives (including the ability of owners to obtain reasonable returns on investment) required by the Secretary: Provided. That the Secretary shall, as part of the preservation and revitalization agreement, obtain a restrictive use agreement consistent with the terms of the restructuring: Provided further, That any balances, including obligated balances, available for all demonstration programs for the preservation and revitalization of sections 514, 515, and 516 multi-family rental housing properties in the "Multi-Family Housing Revitalization Program Account" shall be transferred to and merged with this account, and shall also be available for the preservation and revitalization of sections 514, 515, and 516 multi-family rental housing properties, including the restructuring of existing USDA multifamily housing loans: Provided further, That following the transfer of balances described in the preceding proviso, any adjustments to obligations for demonstration programs for the preservation and revitalization of sections 514, 515, and 516 multi-family rental housing properties that would otherwise be incurred in the "Multi-Family Housing Revitalization Program Account' shall be made in this account from amounts transferred to this account under the preceding proviso.

In addition, for the cost of direct loans, grants, and contracts, as authorized by sections 514 and 516 of the Housing Act of 1949 (42 U.S.C. 1484, 1486), \$18,126,000, to remain available until expended, for direct farm labor housing loans and domestic farm labor housing grants and contracts: Provided, That any balances available for the Farm Labor Program Account shall be transferred to and merged with this account.

In addition, for administrative expenses necessary to carry out the direct and guaranteed loan programs, \$412,254,000 shall be transferred to and merged with the appropriation for "Rural Development, Salaries and Expenses".

RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

For rental assistance agreements entered into or renewed pursuant to the authority under section 521(a)(2) of the Housing Act of 1949 or agreements entered into in lieu of debt forgiveness or payments for eligible households as authorized by section 502(c)(5)(D) of the Housing Act of 1949, \$1,493,926,000, of which \$40,000,000 shall be available until September 30, 2024; and in addition such sums as may be necessary, as authorized by section 521(c) of the Act to liauidate debt incurred prior to fiscal year 1992 to carry out the rental assistance program under section 521(a)(2) of the Act: Provided, That rental assistance agreements entered into or renewed during the current fiscal year shall be funded for a one-year period: Provided further. That of the amounts made available under this heading, not less than \$8,000,000 shall be available for newly constructed units financed under section 514 and 516 of the Housing Act of 1949: Provided further, That upon request by an owner of a project financed by an existing loan under section 514 or 515 of the Act, the Secretary may renew the rental assistance agreement for a period of 20 years or until the term of such loan has expired, subject to annual appropriations: Provided further, That any unexpended balances remaining at the end of such one-year agreements may be transferred and used for purposes of any debt reduction, maintenance, repair, or rehabilitation of any existing projects; preservation; and rental assistance activities authorized under title V of the Act: Provided further, That rental assistance provided under agreements entered into prior to fiscal year 2023 for a farm labor multi-family housing project financed under section 514 or 516 of the Act may not be recaptured for use in another project until such assistance has remained unused for a period of 12 consecutive months, if such project has a waiting list of tenants seeking such assistance or the project has rental assistance eligible tenants who are not receiving such assistance: Provided further. That such recaptured rental assistance shall to the extent practicable be anplied to another farm labor multi-family housing project financed under section 514 or 516 of the Act: Provided further, That except as provided in the fifth proviso under this heading and notwithstanding any other provision of the Act, the Secretary may recapture rental assistance provided under agreements entered into prior to fiscal year 2023 for a project that the Secretary determines no longer needs rental assistance and use such recaptured funds for current needs.

### RURAL HOUSING VOUCHER ACCOUNT

For the rural housing voucher program as authorized under section 542 of the Housing Act of 1949, but notwithstanding subsection (b) of such section \$38,000,000 to remain available until expended: Provided. That the funds made available under this heading shall be available for rural housing vouchers to any low-income household (including those not receiving rental assistance) residing in a property financed with a section 515 loan which has been prepaid or otherwise paid off after September 30, 2005: Provided further, That the amount of such voucher shall be the difference between comparable market rent for the section 515 unit and the tenant paid rent for such unit: Provided further, That funds made available for such vouchers shall be subject to the availability of annual appropriations: Provided further, That the Secretary shall, to the maximum extent practicable, administer such vouchers with current regulations and administrative guidance applicable to section 8 housing vouchers administered by the Secretary of the Department of Housing and Urban Development: Provided further, That in addition to any other available funds, the Secretary may expend not more than \$1,000,000 total, from the program funds made available under this heading, for administrative expenses for activities funded under this heading.

MUTUAL AND SELF-HELP HOUSING GRANTS

For grants and contracts pursuant to section 523(b)(1)(A) of the Housing Act of 1949 (42 U.S.C. 1490c), \$33,000,000, to remain available until expended.

#### RURAL HOUSING ASSISTANCE GRANTS

For grants for very low-income housing repair and rural housing preservation made by the Rural Housing Service, as authorized by 42 U.S.C. 1474, and 1490m, \$48,000,000, to remain available until expended.

## $RURAL\ COMMUNITY\ FACILITIES\ PROGRAM$ ACCOUNT

### (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

For gross obligations for the principal amount of direct and guaranteed loans as authorized by section 306 and described in section 381E(d)(1) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, \$2,800,000,000 for direct loans and \$650,000,000 for guaranteed loans.

For the cost of direct loans, loan guarantees and grants, including the cost of modifying loans, as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, for rural community facilities programs as authorized by section 306 and described in section 381E(d)(1) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act. \$194.865.000, to remain available until expended. of which up to \$126,865,000 shall be for the purposes, and in the amounts, specified for this account in the table titled "Community Project Funding" in the report accompanying this Act: Provided, That \$8,000,000 of the amount appropriated under this heading shall be available for a Rural Community Development Initiative: Provided further, That such funds shall be used solely to develop the capacity and ability of private, nonprofit community-based housing and community development organizations, low-income rural communities, and Federally Recognized Native American Tribes to undertake projects to improve housing, community facilities, community and economic development projects in rural areas: Provided further, That such funds shall be made available to qualified private, nonprofit and public intermediary organizations proposing to carry out a program of financial and technical assistance: Provided further, That such intermediary organizations shall provide matching funds from other sources, including Federal funds for related activities in an amount not less than funds provided: Provided further. That any unobligated balances from prior year appropriations under this heading for the cost of direct loans, loan guarantees and grants, including amounts deobligated or cancelled, may be made available to cover the subsidy costs for direct loans and or loan guarantees under this heading in this fiscal year: Provided further, That no amounts may be made available pursuant to the preceding proviso from amounts that were designated by the Congress as an emergency requirement pursuant to a Concurrent Resolution on the Budget or the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, or that were specified in the table titled "Community Project Funding/Congressionally Directed Spending' in the explanatory statement for Division A of Public Law 117-103 described in section 4 in the matter preceding such division A: Provided further, That \$10,000,000 of the amount appropriated under this heading shall be available for community facilities grants to tribal colleges, as authorized by section 306(a)(19) of such Act: Provided further, That sections 381E-H and 381N of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act are not applicable to the funds made available under this heading.

RURAL BUSINESS—COOPERATIVE SERVICE
RURAL BUSINESS PROGRAM ACCOUNT
(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

For the cost of loan guarantees and grants, for the rural business development programs au-

thorized by section 310B and described in subsections (a), (c), (f) and (g) of section 310B of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, \$88,800,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That of the amount appropriated under this heading, not to exceed \$500,000 shall be made available for one grant to a qualified national organization to provide technical assistance for rural transportation in order to promote economic development and \$9,000,000 shall be for grants to the Delta Regional Authority (7 U.S.C. 2009aa et seq.), the Northern Border Regional Commission U.S.C. 15101 et seq.), and the Appalachian Regional Commission (40 U.S.C. 14101 et seq.) for any Rural Community Advancement Program purpose as described in section 381E(d) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act. of which not more than 5 percent may be used for administrative expenses: Provided further. That \$4,000,000 of the amount appropriated under this heading shall be for business grants to benefit Federally Recognized Native American Tribes, including \$250,000 for a grant to a qualified national organization to provide technical assistance for rural transportation in order to promote economic development: Provided further, That sections 381E-H and 381N of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act are not applicable to funds made available under this heading.

#### INTERMEDIARY RELENDING PROGRAM FUND ACCOUNT

#### (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For the principal amount of direct loans, as authorized by the Intermediary Relending Program Fund Account (7 U.S.C. 1936b), \$18.889,000.

For the cost of direct loans, \$3,313,000, as authorized by the Intermediary Relending Program Fund Account (7 U.S.C. 1936b), of which \$331,000 shall be available through June 30, 2023, for Federally Recognized Native American Tribes; and of which \$663,000 shall be available through June 30, 2023, for Mississippi Delta Region counties (as determined in accordance with Public Law 100–460): Provided, That such costs, including the cost of modifying such loans, shall be as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974.

In addition, for administrative expenses to carry out the direct loan programs, \$4,468,000 shall be transferred to and merged with the appropriation for "Rural Development, Salaries and Expenses".

## $\begin{array}{c} RURAL \ ECONOMIC \ DEVELOPMENT \ LOANS \ PROGRAM \\ ACCOUNT \end{array}$

For the principal amount of direct loans, as authorized under section 313B(a) of the Rural Electrification Act, for the purpose of promoting rural economic development and job creation projects, \$50,000,000.

The cost of grants authorized under section 313B(a) of the Rural Electrification Act, for the purpose of promoting rural economic development and job creation projects shall not exceed \$10,000,000.

### RURAL COOPERATIVE DEVELOPMENT GRANTS

For rural cooperative development grants authorized under section 310B(e) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1932), \$27,600,000, of which \$2,800,000 shall be for cooperative agreements for the appropriate technology transfer for rural areas program: Provided, That not to exceed \$3,000,000 shall be for grants for cooperative development centers, individual cooperatives, or groups of cooperatives that serve socially disadvantaged groups and a majority of the boards of directors or governing boards of which are comprised of individuals who are members of socially disadvantaged groups; and of which \$16,000,000, to remain available until expended, shall be for value-added agricultural product market development grants, as authorized by section 210A of the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946, of

which \$3,000,000, to remain available until expended, shall be for Agriculture Innovation Centers authorized pursuant to section 6402 of Public Law 107-171.

## $RURAL\ MICROENTREPRENEUR\ ASSISTANCE$ PROGRAM

For the principal amount of direct loans authorized by section 379E of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (U.S.C. 2008s), \$25,000,000.

For the cost of loans and grants, \$6,000,000 under the same terms and conditions as authorized by section 379E of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 2008s).

#### RURAL ENERGY FOR AMERICA PROGRAM

For the cost of a program of loan guarantees and grants, under the same terms and conditions as authorized by section 9007 of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 (7 U.S.C. 8107), \$10,045,000: Provided, That the cost of loan guarantees, including the cost of modifying such loans, shall be as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974.

#### HEALTHY FOOD FINANCING INITIATIVE

For the cost of loans and grants that is consistent with section 243 of subtitle D of title II of the Department of Agriculture Reorganization Act of 1994 (7 U.S.C. 6953), as added by section 4206 of the Agricultural Act of 2014, for necessary expenses of the Secretary to support projects that provide access to healthy food in underserved areas, to create and preserve quality jobs, and to revitalize low-income communities, \$5,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That such costs of loans, including the cost of modifying such loans, shall be as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974.

### Rural Utilities Service

 $RURAL\ WATER\ AND\ WASTE\ DISPOSAL\ PROGRAM$  ACCOUNT

#### (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

For gross obligations for the principal amount of direct and guaranteed loans as authorized by section 306 and described in section 381E(d)(2) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, as follows: \$1,450,000,000 for direct loans; and \$50,000,000 for guaranteed loans.

For the cost of loan guarantees and grants, including the cost of modifying loans, as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, for rural water, waste water, waste disposal, and solid waste management programs authorized by sections 306, 306A, 306C, 306D, 306E, and 310B and described in sections 306C(a)(2), 306D, 306E, and 381E(d)(2) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, \$685,072,000, to remain available until expended. of which not to exceed \$1,000,000 shall be available for the rural utilities program described in section 306(a)(2)(B) of such Act, and of which not to exceed \$5,000,000 shall be available for the rural utilities program described in section 306E of such Act: Provided, That not to exceed \$15,000,000 of the amount appropriated under this heading shall be for grants authorized by section 306A(i)(2) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act in addition to funding authorized by section 306A(i)(1) of such Act: Provided further, That \$70,000,000 of the amount appropriated under this heading shall be for loans and grants including water and waste disposal systems grants authorized by section 306C(a)(2)(B) and section 306D of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, and Federally Recognized Native American Tribes authorized by 306C(a)(1) of such Act: Provided further, That funding provided for section 306D of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act may be provided to a consortium formed pursuant to section 325 of Public Law 105-83: Provided further, That not more than 2 percent of the funding provided for section 306D of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act may be used by the State of Alaska for

training and technical assistance programs and not more than 2 percent of the funding provided for section 306D of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act may be used by a consortium formed pursuant to section 325 of Public Law 105-83 for training and technical assistance programs: Provided further, That not to exceed \$37,500,000 of the amount appropriated under this heading shall be for technical assistance grants for rural water and waste systems pursuant to section 306(a)(14) of such Act, unless the Secretary makes a determination of extreme need, of which \$8,500,000 shall be made available for a grant to a qualified nonprofit multi-State regional technical assistance organization, with experience in working with small communities on water and waste water problems, the principal purpose of such grant shall be to assist rural communities with populations of 3.300 or less, in improving the planning, financing, development, operation, and management of water and waste water systems, and of which not less than \$800,000 shall be for a qualified national Native American organization to provide technical assistance for rural water systems for tribal communities: Provided further, That not to exceed \$20,762,000 of the amount appropriated under this heading shall be for contracting with qualified national organizations for a circuit rider program to provide technical assistance for rural water systems: Provided further, That not to exceed \$4,000,000 of the amounts made available under this heading shall be for solid waste management grants: Provided further, That \$10,000,000 of the amount appropriated under this heading shall be transferred to, and merged with, the Rural Utilities Service, High Energy Cost Grants Account to provide grants authorized under section 19 of the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 (7 U.S.C. 918a): Provided further, That any prior year balances for high-energy cost grants authorized by section 19 of the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 (7 U.S.C. 918a) shall be transferred to and merged with the Rural Utilities Service, High Energy Cost Grants Account: Provided further, That not to exceed \$6,810,000 of the amounts appropriated under this heading shall be available as the Secretary deems appropriate for water and waste direct one percent loans for distressed communities: Provided further, That if the Secretary determines that any portion of the amount made available for one percent loans is not needed for such loans, the Secretary may use such amounts, for grants authorized by section 306(a)(2) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act: Provided further, That if any funds made available for the direct loan subsidy costs remain unobligated after July 31, 2024, such unobligated balances may be used for grant programs funded under this heading: Provided further, That sections 381E-H and 381N of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act are not applicable to the funds made available under this heading.

RURAL ELECTRIFICATION AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS LOANS PROGRAM ACCOUNT

### (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

The principal amount of direct and guaranteed loans as authorized by sections 4, 305, 306, and 317 of the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 (7 U.S.C. 904, 935, 936, and 9409) shall be made as follows: loans made pursuant to section 306, guaranteed electric loans, \$2,167,000,000; loans made pursuant to sections 4, notwithstanding 4(c)(2), of that Act, and 317, notwithstanding 317(c), of that Act, cost-of-money direct loans, \$4,333,000,000; loans made pursuant to section 313A of that Act, guaranteed underwriting loans, \$800,000,000; and for loans made pursuant to section 305(d)(2) of that Act, cost of money telecommunications loans, \$690,000,000.

For the cost of direct loans as authorized by section 305(d)(2) of the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 (7 U.S.C. 935(d)(2)), including the cost of modifying loans, as defined in section 502 of the

Congressional Budget Act of 1974, cost of money rural telecommunications loans, \$3,726,000.

In addition, \$11,500,000 to remain available until expended, to carry out section 6407 of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 (7 U.S.C. 8107a): Provided, That the energy efficiency measures supported by the funding instrable way to the reduction of greenhouse gases.

In addition, for administrative expenses necessary to carry out the direct and guaranteed loan programs, \$33,270,000, which shall be transferred to and merged with the appropriation for "Rural Development, Salaries and Expenses".

DISTANCE LEARNING, TELEMEDICINE, AND BROADBAND PROGRAM

For grants for telemedicine and distance learning services in rural areas, as authorized by 7 U.S.C. 950aaa et seq., \$60,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That \$3,000,000 shall be made available for grants authorized by section 379G of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act: Provided further, That funding provided under this heading for grants under section 379G of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act may only be provided to entities that meet all of the eligibility criteria for a consortium as established by this section.

For the cost of broadband loans, as authorized by sections 601 and 602 of the Rural Electrification Act, \$2,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That the cost of direct loans shall be as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974.

For the broadband loan and grant pilot program established by section 779 of division A of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2018 (Public Law 115-141) under the Rural Electrification Act of 1936, as amended (7 U.S.C. 901 et seq.), \$465,513,000, to remain available until expended, of which up to \$15,513,000 shall be for the purposes, and in the amounts, specified for this account in the table titled "Community Project Funding" in the report accompanying this Act: Provided, That the Secretary may award grants described in section 601(a) of the Rural Electrification Act of 1936, as amended (7 U.S.C. 950bb(a)) for the purposes of carrying out such pilot program: Provided further, That the cost of direct loans shall be defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974: Provided further, That at least 90 percent of the households to be served by a project receiving a loan or grant under the pilot program shall be in a rural area without sufficient access broadband: Provided further, That for purposes of such pilot program, a rural area without sufficient access to broadband shall be defined as twenty-five megabytes per second downstream and three megabutes per second upstream: Provided further, That to the extent possible, projects receiving funds provided under the pilot program must build out service to at least one hundred megabytes per second downstream, and twenty megabytes per second upstream: Provided further. That an entity to which a loan or grant is made under the pilot program shall not use the loan or grant to overbuild or duplicate broadband service in a service area by any entity that has received a broadband loan from the Rural Utilities Service unless such service is not provided sufficient access to broadband at the minimum service threshold: Provided further, That not more than four percent of the funds made available in this paragraph can be used for administrative costs to carry out the pilot program and up to three percent of funds made available in this paragraph may be available for technical assistance and pre-development planning activities to support the most rural communities: Provided further, That the Rural Utilities Service is directed to expedite program delivery methods that would implement this paragraph: Provided further, That for purposes of this paragraph, the Secretary shall adhere to the notice, reporting and service area assessment requirements set forth in section 701 of the Rural Electrification Act (7 U.S.C. 950cc).

In addition, \$35,000,000, to remain available until expended, for the Community Connect Grant Program authorized by 7 U.S.C. 950bb-3.

### $TITLE\ IV$

#### DOMESTIC FOOD PROGRAMS

Office of the Under Secretary for Food, Nutrition, and Consumer Services

For necessary expenses of the Office of the Under Secretary for Food, Nutrition, and Consumer Services, \$1,376,000: Provided, That funds made available by this Act to an agency in the Food, Nutrition and Consumer Services mission area for salaries and expenses are available to fund up to one administrative support staff for the Office.

### FOOD AND NUTRITION SERVICE CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAMS (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses to carry out the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1751 et seq.), except section 21, and the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1771 et sea.), except sections 17 and 21: \$28,619,957,000 to remain available through September 30, 2024, of which such sums as are made available under section 14222(b)(1) of the Food, Conservation. and Energy Act of 2008 (Public Law 110–246), as amended by this Act, shall be merged with and available for the same time period and purposes as provided herein: Provided. That of the total amount available, \$20,162,000 shall be available to carry out section 19 of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1771 et seq.): Provided fur-That of the total amount available, ther, \$21,005,000 shall be available to carry out studies and evaluations and shall remain available until expended: Provided further, That of the total amount available, \$12,000,000 shall remain available until expended to carry out section 18(g) of the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1769(g)): Provided further, That notwithstanding section 18(g)(3)(C) of the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1769(g)(3)(c)), the total grant amount provided to a farm to school grant recipient in fiscal year 2023 shall not exceed \$500,000: Provided further, That of the total amount available, \$40,000,000 shall be available to provide competitive grants to State agencies for subgrants to local educational agencies and schools to purchase the equipment, with a value of greater than \$1,000, needed to serve healthier meals, improve food safety, and to help support the establishment, maintenance, or expansion of the school breakfast program: Provided further, That of the total amount available, \$50,000,000 shall remain available until expended to carry out section 749(a) of the Agriculture Appropriations Act of 2010 (Public Law 111-80): Provided further. That of the total amount available. \$10.000.000 shall be available until September 30, 2024 to carry out section 23 of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1793), of which \$2,000,000 shall be for grants under such section to the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the United States Virgin Islands, Guam, and American Samoa: Provided further, That section 26(d) of the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1769g(d)) is amended in the first sentence by striking "2010 through 2023" and inserting "2010 through 2024": Provided further, That section 9(h)(3) of the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1758(h)(3)) is amended in the first sentence by striking "For fiscal year 2022" and inserting "For fiscal year 2023": Provided further, That section 9(h)(4) of the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (42 1758(h)(4)) is amended in the first sentence by striking "For fiscal year 2022" and inserting "For fiscal year 2023"

SPECIAL SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION PROGRAM FOR WOMEN, INFANTS, AND CHILDREN (WIC)

For necessary expenses to carry out the special supplemental nutrition program as authorized by section 17 of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1786), \$6,000,000,000, to remain available through September 30, 2024: Provided, That notwithstanding section 17(h)(10) of the Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 1786(h)(10)), not less than \$90,000,000 shall be used for breastfeeding peer counselors and other related activities, and \$14,000,000 shall be used for infrastructure: Provided further, That the Secretary shall use funds made available under this heading to increase the amount of a cashvalue voucher for women and children participants to an amount recommended by the National Academies of Science, Engineering and Medicine and adjusted for inflation: Provided further, That none of the funds provided in this account shall be available for the purchase of infant formula except in accordance with the cost containment and competitive bidding requirements specified in section 17 of such Act: Provided further, That none of the funds provided shall be available for activities that are not fully reimbursed by other Federal Government departments or agencies unless authorized by section 17 of such Act: Provided further, That upon termination of a federally mandated vendor moratorium and subject to terms and conditions established by the Secretary, the Secretary may waive the requirement at 7 CFR 246.12(g)(6) at the request of a State agency.

 $SUPPLEMENTAL\ NUTRITION\ ASSISTANCE\ PROGRAM$ 

For necessary expenses to carry out the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2011 et seq.), \$111,180,895,000, of which \$3,000,000,000, to remain available through September 30, 2025, shall be placed in reserve for use only in such amounts and at such times as may become necessary to carry out program operations: Provided, That funds provided herein shall be expended in accordance with section 16 of the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008: Provided further, That of the funds made available under this heading, \$998,000 may be used to provide nutrition education services to State agencies and Federally Recognized Tribes participating in the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations: Provided further, That of the funds made available under this heading \$3,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024, shall be used to carry out section 4003(b) of Public Law 115-334 relating to demonstration projects for tribal organizations: Provided further, That this appropriation shall be subject to any work registration or workfare requirements as may be required by law: Provided further, That funds made available for Employment and Training under this heading shall remain available through September 30, 2024: Provided further, That funds made available under this heading for section 28(d)(1), section 4(b), and section 27(a) of the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 shall remain available through September 30, 2024: Provided further, That none of the funds made available under this heading may be obligated or expended in contravention of section 213A of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1183A): Provided further, That funds made available under this heading may be used to enter into contracts and employ staff to conduct studies, evaluations, or to conduct activities related to program integrity provided that such activities are authorized by the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008.

For making, after June 30 of the current fiscal year, benefit payments to individuals, and payments to States or other non-Federal entities, pursuant to the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2011 et seq.), for unanticipated costs incurred for the last three months of the fiscal year, such sums as may be necessary.

#### COMMODITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

For necessary expenses to carry out disaster assistance and the Commodity Supplemental

Food Program as authorized by section 4(a) of the Agriculture and Consumer Protection Act of 1973 (7 U.S.C. 612c note); the Emergency Food Assistance Act of 1983; special assistance for the nuclear affected islands, as authorized by section 103(f)(2) of the Compact of Free Association Amendments Act of 2003 (Public Law 108-188); and the Farmers' Market Nutrition Program, as authorized by section 17(m) of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966, \$469,710,000, to remain available through September 30, 2024: Provided, That none of these funds shall be available to reimburse the Commodity Credit Corporation for commodities donated to the program: Provided further, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, effective with funds made available in fiscal year 2023 to support the Seniors Farmers' Market Nutrition Program, as authorized by section 4402 of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002, such funds shall remain available through September 30, 2024: Provided further, That of the funds made available under section 27(a) of the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2036(a)), the Secretary may use up to 20 percent for costs associated with the distribution of commodities.

#### NUTRITION PROGRAMS ADMINISTRATION

For necessary administrative expenses of the Food and Nutrition Service for carrying out any domestic nutrition assistance program, \$231,378,000: Provided, That of the funds provided herein, \$2,000,000 shall be used for the purposes of section 4404 of Public Law 107–171, as amended by section 4401 of Public Law 110–246.

#### TITLE V FOREIGN ASSISTANCE AND RELATED PROGRAMS

Office of the Under Secretary for Trade and Foreign Agricultural Affairs

For necessary expenses of the Office of the Under Secretary for Trade and Foreign Agricultural Affairs, \$932,000: Provided, That funds made available by this Act to any agency in the Trade and Foreign Agricultural Affairs mission area for salaries and expenses are available to fund up to one administrative support staff for the Office.

#### OFFICE OF CODEX ALIMENTARIUS

For necessary expenses of the Office of Codex Alimentarius, \$4,922,000, including not to exceed \$40,000 for official reception and representation expenses.

#### FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL SERVICE SALARIES AND EXPENSES

 $(INCLUDING\ TRANSFERS\ OF\ FUNDS)$ 

For necessary expenses of the Foreign Agricultural Service, including not to exceed \$250,000 for representation allowances and for expenses pursuant to section 8 of the Act approved August 3, 1956 (7 U.S.C. 1766), \$234,913,000, of which no more than 6 percent shall remain available until September 30, 2024, for overseas operations to include the payment of locally employed staff: Provided, That the Service may utilize advances of funds, or reimburse this appropriation for expenditures made on behalf of Federal agencies, public and private organizations and institutions under agreements executed pursuant to the agricultural food production assistance programs (7 U.S.C. 1737) and the foreign assistance programs of the United States Agency for International Development: Provided further, That funds made available for middleincome country training programs, funds made available for the Borlaug International Agricultural Science and Technology Fellowship program, and up to \$2,000,000 of the Foreign Agricultural Service appropriation solely for the purpose of offsetting fluctuations in international currency exchange rates, subject to documentation by the Foreign Agricultural Service, shall remain available until expended.

#### FOOD FOR PEACE TITLE II GRANTS

For expenses during the current fiscal year, not otherwise recoverable, and unrecovered

prior years' costs, including interest thereon, under the Food for Peace Act (Public Law 83–480), for commodities supplied in connection with dispositions abroad under title II of said Act, \$1,800,000,000, to remain available until expended.

MCGOVERN-DOLE INTERNATIONAL FOOD FOR EDU-CATION AND CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAM GRANTS

For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions of section 3107 of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 (7 U.S.C. 17360-1), \$265,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided. That the Commodity Credit Corporation is authorized to provide the services, facilities, and authorities for the purpose of implementing such section, subject to reimbursement from amounts provided herein. Provided further That of the amount made available under this heading, not more than 10 percent, but not less than \$26,500,000, shall remain available until expended to purchase agricultural commodities as described in subsection 3107(a)(2) of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 (7  $U.S.C.\ 1736o-1(a)(2)).$ 

#### COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION EXPORT (LOANS) CREDIT GUARANTEE PROGRAM ACCOUNT (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

For administrative expenses to carry out the Commodity Credit Corporation's Export Guarantee Program, GSM 102 and GSM 103, \$6,063,000\$, to cover common overhead expenses as permitted by section 11 of the Commodity Credit Corporation Charter Act and in conformity with the Federal Credit Reform Act of 1990, which shall be transferred to and merged with the appropriation for "Foreign Agricultural Service, Salaries and Expenses".

#### TITLE VI

## $\begin{array}{c} RELATED \ AGENCIES \ AND \ FOOD \ AND \ DRUG \\ ADMINISTRATION \end{array}$

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses of the Food and Drug Administration, including hire and purchase of passenger motor vehicles; for payment of space rental and related costs pursuant to Public Law 92-313 for programs and activities of the Food and Drug Administration which are included in this Act; for rental of special purpose space in the District of Columbia or elsewhere; in addition to amounts appropriated to the FDA Innovation Account, for carrying out the activities described in section 1002(b)(4) of the 21st Century Cures Act (Public Law 114-255); for miscellaneous and emergency expenses of enforcement activities, authorized and approved by the Secretary and to be accounted for solely on the Secretary's certificate, not to exceed \$25,000; and notwithstanding section 521 of Public Law 107-188: \$6.484.171.000: Provided, That of the amount provided under this heading, \$1,224,132,000 shall be derived from prescription drug user fees authorized by 21 U.S.C. 379h, and shall be credited to this account and remain available until expended; \$248,342,000 shall be derived from medical device user fees authorized by 21 U.S.C. 379j, and shall be credited to this account and remain available until expended; \$550,449,000 shall be derived from human generic drug user fees authorized by 21 U.S.C. 379j-42, and shall be credited to this account and remain available until expended; \$40,841,000 shall be derived from biosimilar biological product user fees authorized by 21 U.S.C. 379j-52, and shall be credited to this account and remain available until expended; \$32,238,000 shall be derived from animal drug user fees authorized by 21 U.S.C. 379j-12, and shall be credited to this account and remain available until expended; \$29,459,000 shall be derived from generic new animal drug user fees authorized by 21 U.S.C. 379j-21, and shall be credited to this account and remain available

until expended; \$712,000,000 shall be derived from tobacco product user fees authorized by 21 U.S.C. 387s, and shall be credited to this account and remain available until expended: Provided further, That in addition to and notwithstanding any other provision under this heading, amounts collected for prescription drug user fees, medical device user fees, human generic drug user fees, biosimilar biological product user fees, animal drug user fees, and generic new animal drug user fees that exceed the respective fiscal year 2023 limitations are appropriated and shall be credited to this account and remain available until expended: Provided further, That fees derived from prescription drug, medical device, human generic drug, biosimilar biological product, animal drug, and generic new animal drug assessments for fiscal year 2023, including any such fees collected prior to fiscal year 2023 but credited for fiscal year 2023, shall be subject to the fiscal year 2023 limitations: Provided further, That the Secretary may accept payment during fiscal year 2023 of user fees specified under this heading and authorized for fiscal year 2024, prior to the due date for such fees, and that amounts of such fees assessed for fiscal year 2024 for which the Secretary accepts payment in fiscal year 2023 shall not be included in amounts under this heading: Provided further, That none of these funds shall be used to develop, establish, or operate any program of user fees authorized by 31 U.S.C. 9701: Provided further, That of the total amount appropriated: (1) \$1,244,007,000 shall be for the Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition and related field activities in the Office of Regulatory Affairs, of which no less than \$15,000,000 shall be used for inspections of foreign seafood manufacturers and field examinations of imported seafood; (2) \$2.225.209.000 shall be for the Center for Drug Evaluation and Research and related field activities in the Office of Regulatory Affairs, of which no less than \$10,000,000 shall be for pilots to increase unannounced foreign inspections and shall remain available until expended, and \$15,000,000 shall be for coordinating programs and activities of the Food and Drug Administration with those of the Drug Enforcement Administration and U.S. Customs and Border Protection to combat the illicit importation of opioids including fentanyl, through international mail facilities andlandports-of entru: \$477,782,000 shall be for the Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research and for related field activities in the Office of Regulatory Affairs; (4) \$295,999,000 shall be for the Center for Veterinary Medicine and for related field activities in the Office of Regulatory Affairs: (5) \$682,221,000 shall be for the Center for Devices and Radiological Health and for related field activities in the Office of Regulatory Affairs: (6) \$77.893,000 shall be for the National Center for Toxicological Research; (7) \$677,165,000 shall be for the Center for Tobacco Products and for related field activities in the Office of Regulatory Affairs; (8) \$216,603,000 shall be for Rent and Related activities, of which \$56,011,000 is for White Oak Consolidation, other than the amounts paid to the General Services Administration for rent; (9) \$237,917,000 shall be for payments to the General Services Administration for rent; and (10) \$349,375,000 shall be for other activities, including the Office of the Commissioner of Food and Drugs, the Office of Food Policy and Response, the Office of Operations, the Office of the Chief Scientist, and central services for these offices: Provided further, That not to exceed \$25,000 of this amount shall be for official reception and representation expenses, not otherwise provided for, as determined by the Commissioner: Provided further, That any transfer of funds pursuant to, and for the administration of, section 770(n) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 379dd(n)) shall only be from amounts made available under this heading for other activities and shall not exceed \$2,000,000: Provided further, That of the amounts that are made available under this

heading for "other activities", and that are not derived from user fees, \$1,500,000 shall be transferred to and merged with the appropriation for "Department of Health and Human Services—Office of Inspector General" for oversight of the programs and operations of the Food and Drug Administration and shall be in addition to funds otherwise made available for oversight of the Food and Drug Administration: Provided further, That funds may be transferred from one specified activity to another with the prior approval of the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress.

In addition, mammography user fees authorized by 42 U.S.C. 263b, export certification user fees authorized by 21 U.S.C. 381, priority review user fees authorized by 21 U.S.C. 360n and 360ff, food and feed recall fees, food reinspection fees. and voluntary qualified importer program fees authorized by 21 U.S.C. 379j-31, outsourcing facility fees authorized by 21 U.S.C. 379j-62, prescription drug wholesale distributor licensing and inspection fees authorized by 21 U.S.C. 353(e)(3), third-party logistics provider licensing and inspection fees authorized by 21 U.S.C. 360eee-3(c)(1), third-party auditor fees authorized by 21 U.S.C. 384d(c)(8), medical countermeasure priority review voucher user fees authorized by 21 U.S.C. 360bbb-4a, and fees relating to over-the-counter monograph drugs authorized by 21 U.S.C. 379j-72 shall be credited to this account, to remain available until expended.

#### BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES

For plans, construction, repair, improvement, extension, alteration, demolition, and purchase of fixed equipment or facilities of or used by the Food and Drug Administration, where not otherwise provided, \$16,000,000, to remain available until expended.

## FDA INNOVATION ACCOUNT, CURES ACT (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses to carry out the purposes described under section 1002(b)(4) of the 21st Century Cures Act, in addition to amounts available for such purposes under the heading "Salaries and Expenses", \$50,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That amounts appropriated in this paragraph are appropriated pursuant to section 1002(b)(3) of the 21st Century Cures Act, are to be derived from amounts transferred under section 1002(b)(2)(A) of such Act, and may be transferred by the Commissioner of Food and Drugs to the appropriation for "Department of Health and Human Services Food and Drug Administration Salaries and Expenses" solely for the purposes provided in such Act: Provided further, That upon a determination by the Commissioner that funds transferred pursuant to the previous proviso are not necessary for the purposes provided such amounts may be transferred back to the account: Provided further, That such transfer authority is in addition to any other transfer authority provided by law.

#### INDEPENDENT AGENCIES

## COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions of the Commodity Exchange Act (7 U.S.C. 1 et seq.), including the purchase and hire of passenger motor vehicles, and the rental of space (to include multiple year leases), in the District of Columbia and elsewhere, \$365,000,000, including not to exceed \$3,000 for official reception and representation expenses, and not to exceed \$25,000 for the expenses for consultations and meetings hosted by the Commission with foreign governmental and other regulatory officials, of which not less than \$20,000,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2024, and of which not less than \$4,567,000 shall be for expenses of the Office of the Inspector General: Provided, That notwithstanding the limitations in 31 U.S.C. 1553, amounts provided under this heading are available for the liquidation of obligations equal to current year payments on leases entered into prior to the date of enactment of this Act: Provided further, That for the purpose of recording and liquidating any lease obligations that should have been recorded and liquidated against accounts closed pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1552, and consistent with the preceding proviso, such amounts shall be transferred to and recorded in a no-year account in the Treasury, which has been established for the sole purpose of recording adjustments for and liquidating such unpaid obligations.

## FARM CREDIT ADMINISTRATION

#### LIMITATION ON ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

Not to exceed \$88,500,000 (from assessments collected from farm credit institutions, including the Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation) shall be obligated during the current fiscal year for administrative expenses as authorized under 12 U.S.C. 2249: Provided, That this limitation shall not apply to expenses associated with receiverships: Provided further, That the agency may exceed this limitation by up to 10 percent with notification to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress: Provided further. That the purposes of section 3.7(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Farm Credit Act of 1971 (12) U.S.C. 2128(b)(2)(A)(i)), the Farm Credit Administration may exempt, an amount in its sole discretion, from the application of the limitation provided in that clause of export loans described in the clause augranteed or insured in a manner other than described in subclause (II) of the clause.

## $TITLE\ VII$ GENERAL PROVISIONS

(INCLUDING RESCISSIONS AND TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

SEC. 701. The Secretary may use any appropriations made available to the Department of Agriculture in this Act to purchase new passenger motor vehicles, in addition to specific appropriations for this purpose, so long as the total number of vehicles purchased in fiscal year 2023 does not exceed the number of vehicles owned or leased in fiscal year 2018: Provided, That, prior to purchasing additional motor vehicles, the Secretary must determine that such vehicles are necessary for transportation safety, to reduce operational costs, and for the protection of life, property, and public safety: Provided further. That the Secretary may not increase the Department of Agriculture's fleet above the 2018 level unless the Secretary notifies in writing, and receives approval from, the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress within 30 days of the notification.

SEC. 702. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture may transfer unobligated balances of discretionary funds appropriated by this Act or any other available unobligated discretionary balances that are remaining available of the Department of Agriculture to the Working Capital Fund for the acquisition of property, plant and equipment and for the improvement, delivery, and implementation of Department financial, and administrative information technology services, and other support systems necessary for the delivery of financial, administrative, and information technology services, including cloud adoption and migration, of primary benefit to the agencies of the Department of Agriculture, such transferred funds to remain available until expended: Provided, That none of the funds made available by this Act or any other Act shall be transferred to the Working Capital Fund without the prior approval of the agency administrator: Provided further, That none of the funds transferred to the Working Capital Fund pursuant to this section shall be available for obligation without written notification to and the prior approval of the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress: Provided further, That none of the funds appropriated by

this Act or made available to the Department's Working Capital Fund shall be available for obligation or expenditure to make any changes to the Department's National Finance Center without written notification to and prior approval of the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress as required by section 716 of this Act: Provided further, That none of the funds appropriated by this Act or made available to the Department's Working Capital Fund shall be available for obligation or expenditure to initiate, plan, develop, implement, or make any changes to remove or relocate any systems, missions, personnel, or functions of the offices of the Chief Financial Officer and the Chief Information Officer, co-located with or from the National Finance Center prior to written notification to and prior approval of the Committee on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress and in accordance with the requirements of section 716 of this Act: Provided further That the National Finance Center Information Technology Services Division personnel and data center management responsibilities, and control of any functions, missions, and systems for current and future human resources management and integrated personnel and payroll systems (PPS) and functions provided by the Chief Financial Officer and the Chief Information Officer shall remain in the National Finance Center and under the management responsibility and administrative control of the National Finance Center: Provided further, That the Secretary of Agriculture and the offices of the Chief Financial Officer shall actively market to existing and new Departments and other government agencies National Finance Center shared services including, but not limited to, payroll, financial management, and human capital shared services and allow the National Finance Center to perform technology upgrades: Provided further, That of annual income amounts in the Working Capital Fund of the Department of Agriculture attributable to the amounts in excess of the true costs of the shared services provided by the National Finance Center and budgeted for the National Finance Center, the Secretary shall reserve not more than 4 percent for the replacement or acquisition of capital equipment, including equipment for the improvement, delivery, and implementation of financial, administrative, and information technology services. and other systems of the National Finance Center or to pay any unforeseen, extraordinary cost of the National Finance Center: Provided further. That none of the amounts reserved shall be available for obligation unless the Secretary submits written notification of the obligation to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress: Provided further, That the limitations on the obligation of funds pending notification to Congressional Committees shall not apply to any obligation that, as determined by the Secretary, is necessary to respond to a declared state of emergency that significantly impacts the operations of the National Finance Center; or to evacuate employees of the National Finance Center to a safe haven to continue operations of the National Finance Center.

SEC. 703. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall remain available for obligation beyond the current fiscal year unless expressly so provided herein.

SEC. 704. No funds appropriated by this Act may be used to pay negotiated indirect cost rates on cooperative agreements or similar arrangements between the United States Department of Agriculture and nonprofit institutions in excess of 10 percent of the total direct cost of the agreement when the purpose of such cooperative arrangements is to carry out programs of mutual interest between the two parties. This does not preclude appropriate payment of indirect costs on grants and contracts with such institutions when such indirect costs are computed on a similar basis for all agencies for which appropriations are provided in this Act.

SEC. 705. Appropriations to the Department of Agriculture for the cost of direct and guaranteed loans made available in the current fiscal year shall remain available until expended to disburse obligations made in the current fiscal year for the following accounts: the Rural Development Loan Fund program account, the Rural Electrification and Telecommunication Loans program account, and the Rural Housing Insurance Fund program account.

SEC. 706. None of the funds made available to the Department of Agriculture by this Act may be used to acquire new information technology systems or significant upgrades, as determined by the Office of the Chief Information Officer, without the approval of the Chief Information Officer and the concurrence of the Executive In-Technology Investment Board: Provided, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, none of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act may be transferred to the Office of the Chief Information Officer without written notification to and the prior approval of the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress: Provided further. That notwithstanding section 11319 of title 40, United States Code, none of the funds available to the Department of Agriculture for information technology shall be obligated for projects, contracts, or other agreements over \$25,000 prior to receipt of written approval by the Chief Information Officer: Provided further, That the Chief Information Officer may authorize an agency to obligate funds without written approval from the Chief Information Officer for projects, contracts, or other agreements up to \$250,000 based upon the performance of an agency measured against the performance plan requirements described in the explanatory statement accompanying Public Law 113-235

SEC. 707. Funds made available under section 524(b) of the Federal Crop Insurance Act (7 U.S.C. 1524(b)) in the current fiscal year shall remain available until expended to disburse obligations made in the current fiscal year.

SEC. 708. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any former Rural Utilities Service borrower that has repaid or prepaid an insured, direct or guaranteed loan under the Rural Electrification Act of 1936, or any not-for-profit utility that is eligible to receive an insured or direct loan under such Act, shall be eligible for assistance under section 313B(a) of such Act in the same manner as a borrower under such Act.

SEC. 709. (a) Except as otherwise specifically provided by law, not more than \$20,000,000 in unobligated balances from appropriations made available for salaries and expenses in this Act for the Farm Service Agency shall remain available through September 30, 2024, for information technology expenses

(b) Except as otherwise specifically provided by law, not more than \$20,000,000 in unobligated balances from appropriations made available for salaries and expenses in this Act for the Rural Development mission area shall remain available through September 30, 2024, for information technology expenses.

SEC. 710. None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act may be used for first-class travel by the employees of agencies funded by this Act in contravention of sections 301–10.122 through 301–10.124 of title 41, Code of Federal Regulations.

SEC. 711. In the case of each program established or amended by the Agricultural Act of 2014 (Public Law 113–79) or by a successor to that Act, other than by title I or subtitle A of title III of such Act, or programs for which indefinite amounts were provided in that Act, that is authorized or required to be carried out using funds of the Commodity Credit Corporation—

(1) such funds shall be available for salaries and related administrative expenses, including technical assistance, associated with the implementation of the program, without regard to the limitation on the total amount of allotments and

fund transfers contained in section 11 of the Commodity Credit Corporation Charter Act (15 U.S.C. 714i); and

(2) the use of such funds for such purpose shall not be considered to be a fund transfer or allotment for purposes of applying the limitation on the total amount of allotments and fund transfers contained in such section.

SEC. 712. Of the funds made available by this Act, not more than \$2,900,000 shall be used to cover necessary expenses of activities related to all advisory committees, panels, commissions, and task forces of the Department of Agriculture, except for panels used to comply with negotiated rule makings and panels used to evaluate competitively awarded grants.

SEC. 713. (a) None of the funds made available in this Act may be used to maintain or establish a computer network unless such network blocks the viewing, downloading, and exchanging of pornography.

(b) Nothing in subsection (a) shall limit the use of funds necessary for any Federal, State, tribal, or local law enforcement agency or any other entity carrying out criminal investigations, prosecution, or adjudication activities.

SEC. 714. Notwithstanding subsection (b) of section 14222 of Public Law 110-246 (7 U.S.C. 612c-6; in this section referred to as "section 14222"), none of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this or any other Act shall be used to pay the salaries and expenses of personnel to carry out a program under section 32 of the Act of August 24, 1935 (7 U.S.C. 612c; in this section referred to as "section 32") in excess of \$1,483,309,000 (exclusive of carryover appropriations from prior fiscal years), as follows: Child Nutrition Programs Entitlement Commodities-\$485,000,000; State Option Contracts-\$5,000,000: Removal of Defective Commodities— \$2,500,000; Administration of section 32 Commodity Purchases—\$37,178,000: Provided, That, of the total funds made available in the matter preceding this proviso that remain unobligated on October 1, 2023, such unobligated balances shall carryover into fiscal year 2024 and shall remain available until expended for any of the purposes of section 32, except that any such carryover funds used in accordance with clause (3) of section 32 may not exceed \$350,000,000 and may not be obligated until the Secretary of Agriculture provides written notification of the expenditures to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress at least two weeks in advance: Provided further, That, with the exception of any available carryover funds authorized in any prior appropriations Act to be used for the purposes of clause (3) of section 32, none of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this or any other Act shall be used to pay the salaries or expenses of any employee of the Department of Agriculture to carry out clause (3) of section 32.

SEC. 715. None of the funds appropriated by this or any other Act shall be used to pay the salaries and expenses of personnel who prepare or submit appropriations language as part of the President's budget submission to the Congress for programs under the jurisdiction of the Appropriations Subcommittees on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies that assumes revenues or reflects a reduction from the previous year due to user fees proposals that have not been enacted into law prior to the submission of the budget unless such budget submission identifies which additional spending reductions should occur in the event the user fees proposals are not enacted prior to the date of the convening of a committee of conference for the fiscal year 2024 appropriations Act.

SEC. 716. (a) None of the funds provided by this Act, or provided by previous appropriations Acts to the agencies funded by this Act that remain available for obligation or expenditure in the current fiscal year, or provided from any accounts in the Treasury derived by the collection of fees available to the agencies funded by this

Act, shall be available for obligation or expenditure through a reprogramming, transfer of funds, or reimbursements as authorized by the Economy Act, or in the case of the Department of Agriculture, through use of the authority provided by section 702(b) of the Department of Agriculture Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2257) or section 8 of Public Law 89–106 (7 U.S.C. 2263), that—

- (1) creates new programs;
- (2) eliminates a program, project, or activity;
- (3) increases funds or personnel by any means for any project or activity for which funds have been denied or restricted;
  - (4) relocates an office or employees;
- (5) reorganizes offices, programs, or activities;
- (6) contracts out or privatizes any functions or activities presently performed by Federal employees:

unless the Secretary of Agriculture, the Secretary of Health and Human Services, or the Chairman of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (as the case may be) notifies in writing and receives approval from the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress at least 30 days in advance of the reprogramming of such funds or the use of such authority.

(b) None of the funds provided by this Act, or provided by previous Appropriations Acts to the agencies funded by this Act that remain available for obligation or expenditure in the current fiscal year, or provided from any accounts in the Treasury derived by the collection of fees available to the agencies funded by this Act, shall be available for obligation or expenditure for activities, programs, or projects through a reprogramming or use of the authorities referred to in subsection (a) involving funds in excess of \$500,000 or 10 percent, whichever is less, that—

(1) augments existing programs, projects, or activities:

(2) reduces by 10 percent funding for any existing program, project, or activity, or numbers of personnel by 10 percent as approved by Congress: or

(3) results from any general savings from a reduction in personnel which would result in a change in existing programs, activities, or projects as approved by Congress;

unless the Secretary of Agriculture, the Secretary of Health and Human Services, or the Chairman of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (as the case may be) notifies in writing and receives approval from the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress at least 30 days in advance of the reprogramming or transfer of such funds or the use of such authority.

(c) The Secretary of Agriculture, the Secretary of Health and Human Services, or the Chairman of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission shall notify in writing and receive approval from the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress before implementing any program or activity not carried out during the previous fiscal year unless the program or activity is funded by this Act or specifically funded by any other Act.

(d) None of the funds provided by this Act, or provided by previous Appropriations Acts to the agencies funded by this Act that remain available for obligation or expenditure in the current fiscal year, or provided from any accounts in the Treasury derived by the collection of fees available to the agencies funded by this Act, shall be available for—

(1) modifying major capital investments funding levels, including information technology systems, that involves increasing or decreasing funds in the current fiscal year for the individual investment in excess of \$500,000 or 10 percent of the total cost, whichever is less;

(2) realigning or reorganizing new, current, or vacant positions or agency activities or functions to establish a center, office, branch, or similar entity with five or more personnel; or

(3) carrying out activities or functions that were not described in the budget request; unless the agencies funded by this Act notify, in writing, the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress at least 30 days in advance of using the funds for these purposes.

(e) As described in this section, no funds may be used for any activities unless the Secretary of Agriculture, the Secretary of Health and Human Services, or the Chairman of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission receives from the Committee on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress written or electronic mail confirmation of receipt of the notification as required in this section.

SEC. 717. Notwithstanding section 310B(g)(5) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1932(g)(5)), the Secretary may assess a one-time fee for any guaranteed business and industry loan in an amount that does not exceed 3 percent of the guaranteed principal portion of the loan.

SEC. 718. None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available to the Department of Agriculture, the Food and Drug Administration, the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, or the Farm Credit Administration shall be used to transmit or otherwise make available reports, questions, or responses to questions that are a result of information requested for the appropriations hearing process to any non-Department of Agriculture, non-Department of Health and Human Services, non-Commodity Futures Trading Commission, or non-Farm Credit Administration employee.

SEC. 719. Unless otherwise authorized by existing law, none of the funds provided in this Act, may be used by an executive branch agency to produce any prepackaged news story intended for broadcast or distribution in the United States unless the story includes a clear notification within the text or audio of the prepackaged news story that the prepackaged news story was prepared or funded by that executive branch agency.

SEC. 720. No employee of the Department of Agriculture may be detailed or assigned from an agency or office funded by this Act or any other Act to any other agency or office of the Department for more than 60 days in a fiscal year unless the individual's employing agency or office is fully reimbursed by the receiving agency or office for the salary and expenses of the employee for the period of assignment.

SEC. 721. Not later than 30 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture, the Commissioner of the Food and Drug Administration, the Chairman of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, and the Chairman of the Farm Credit Administration shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress a detailed spending plan by program, project, and activity for all the funds made available under this Act including appropriated user fees, as defined in the report accompanying this Act.

SEC. 722. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to propose, promulgate, or implement any rule, or take any other action with respect to, allowing or requiring information intended for a prescribing health care professional, in the case of a drug or biological product subject to section 503(b)(1) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 353(b)(1)), to be distributed to such professional electronically (in lieu of in paper form) unless and until a Federal law is enacted to allow or require such distribution.

SEC. 723. For the purposes of determining eligibility or level of program assistance for Rural Development programs the Secretary shall not include incarcerated prison populations.

SEC. 724. For loans and loan guarantees that do not require budget authority and the program level has been established in this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture may increase the program level for such loans and loan guarantees by not more than 25 percent: Provided, That

prior to the Secretary implementing such an increase, the Secretary notifies, in writing, the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress at least 15 days in advance.

SEC. 725. None of the credit card refunds or rebates transferred to the Working Capital Fund pursuant to section 729 of the Agriculture. Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2002 (7 U.S.C. 2235a; Public Law 107-76) shall be available for obligation without written notification to, and the prior approval of, the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress: Provided, That the refunds or rebates so transferred shall be available for obligation only for the acquisition of property, plant and equipment, including equipment for the improvement, delivery, and implementation of Departmental financial management, information technology, and other support systems necessary for the delivery of financial, administrative, and information technology services, including cloud adoption and migration, of primary benefit to the agencies of the Department of Agriculture.

SEC. 726. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to implement, administer, or enforce the "variety" requirements of the final rule entitled "Enhancing Retailer Standards in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)" published by the Department of Agriculture in the Federal Register on December 15, 2016 (81 Fed. Reg. 90675) until the Secretary of Agriculture amends the definition of the term "variety" as defined in section 278.1(b)(1)(ii)(C) of title 7, Code of Federal Regulations, and "variety" as applied in the definition of the term "staple food" as defined in section 271.2 of title 7, Code of Federal Regulations, to increase the number of items that qualify as acceptable varieties in each staple food category so that the total number of such items in each staple food category exceeds the number of such items in each staple food category included in the final rule as published on December 15, 2016: Provided, That until the Secretary promulgates such regulatory amendments, the Secretary shall apply the requirements regarding acceptable varieties and breadth of stock to Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program retailers that were in effect on the day before the date of the enactment of the Agricultural Act of 2014 (Public Law 113-79).

SEC. 727. In carrying out subsection (h) of section 502 of the Housing Act of 1949 (42 U.S.C. 1472), the Secretary of Agriculture shall have the same authority with respect to loans guaranteed under such section and eligible lenders for such loans as the Secretary has under subsections (h) and (j) of section 538 of such Act (42 U.S.C. 1490p-2) with respect to loans guaranteed under such section 538 and eligible lenders for such loans.

SEC. 728. None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act shall be available for the United States Department of Agriculture to propose, finalize or implement any regulation that would promulgate new user fees pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 9701 after the date of the enactment of this Act.

SEC. 729. For fiscal year 2023, the Secretary shall establish a process under which an establishment in the Chesapeake Bay area that is subject to examination and inspection under section 6 of the Federal Meat Inspection Act solely due to the establishment's processing of domestic, wild caught, invasive blue catfish (Ictalurus furcatus), may apply for a waiver of such examination and inspection requirements if the establishment is subject to inspection under the Seafood Hazard Analysis Critical Control Points Program of the Food and Drug Administration and the establishment attests that it applies existing Seafood Hazard Critical Control Points Program for all species processed at the establishment.

SEC. 730. Notwithstanding any provision of law that regulates the calculation and payment of overtime and holiday pay for FSIS inspectors,

the Secretary may charge establishments subject to the inspection requirements of the Poultry Products Inspection Act, 21 U.S.C. 451 et seq., the Federal Meat Inspection Act, 21 U.S.C. 601 et seq, and the Egg Products Inspection Act, 21 U.S.C. 1031 et seq., for the cost of inspection services provided outside of an establishment's approved inspection shifts, and for inspection services provided on Federal holidays: Provided, That any sums charged pursuant to this paragraph shall be deemed as overtime pay or holiday pay under section 1001(d) of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Public Law 117-2, 135 Stat. 242): Provided further, That sums received by the Secretary under this paragraph shall, in addition to other available funds, remain available until expended to the Secretary without further appropriation for the purpose of funding all costs associated with FSIS inspections.

SEC. 731. (a) The Secretary of Agriculture

shall-

- (1) conduct audits in a manner that evaluates the following factors in the country or region being audited, as applicable-
  - (A) veterinary control and oversight;
  - (B) disease history and vaccination practices: (C) livestock demographics and traceability:
- (D) epidemiological separation from potential sources of infection;
- (E) surveillance practices;
- (F) diagnostic laboratory capabilities; and
- (G) emergency preparedness and response; and
- (2) promptly make publicly available the final reports of any audits or reviews conducted pursuant to subsection (1).
- (b) This section shall be applied in a manner consistent with United States obligations under its international trade agreements.

SEC. 732. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to implement section 3.7(f) of the Farm Credit Act of 1971 in a manner inconsistent with section 343(a)(13) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act.

SEC. 733. In this fiscal year and thereafter, and notwithstanding any other provision of law, none of the funds made available by this Act may be used to carry out any activities or incur any expense related to the issuance of licenses under section 3 of the Animal Welfare Act (7 U.S.C. 2133), or the renewal of such licenses, to class B dealers who sell Random Source dogs and cats for use in research, experiments, teaching, or testing.

SEC. 734. (a)(1) No Federal funds made available for this fiscal year for the rural water, waste water, waste disposal, and solid waste management programs authorized by sections 306, 306A, 306C, 306D, 306E, and 310B of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1926 et seq.) shall be used for a project for the construction, alteration, maintenance, or repair of a public water or wastewater system unless all of the iron and steel products used in the project are produced in the United States.

(2) In this section, the term "iron and steel products" means the following products made primarily of iron or steel: lined or unlined pipes and fittings, manhole covers and other municipal castings, hydrants, tanks, flanges, pipe clamps and restraints, valves, structural steel, reinforced precast concrete, and construction

- (b) Subsection (a) shall not apply in any case or category of cases in which the Secretary of Agriculture (in this section referred to as the "Secretary") or the designee of the Secretary finds that-
- (1) applying subsection (a) would be inconsistent with the public interest;
- (2) iron and steel products are not produced in the United States in sufficient and reasonably available quantities or of a satisfactory quality;
- (3) inclusion of iron and steel products produced in the United States will increase the cost of the overall project by more than 25 percent.
- (c) If the Secretary or the designee receives a request for a waiver under this section, the Sec-

retary or the designee shall make available to the public on an informal basis a copy of the request and information available to the Secretary or the designee concerning the request, and shall allow for informal public input on the request for at least 15 days prior to making a finding based on the request. The Secretary or the designee shall make the request and accompanying information available by electronic means, including on the official public Internet Web site of the Department.

(d) This section shall be applied in a manner consistent with United States obligations under

 $international\ agreements.$ 

(e) The Secretary may retain up to 0.25 percent of the funds appropriated in this Act for 'Rural Utilities Service—Rural Water and Waste Disposal Program Account" for carrying out the provisions described in subsection (a)(1) for management and oversight of the requirements of this section.

(f) Subsection (a) shall not apply with respect to a project for which the engineering plans and specifications include use of iron and steel products otherwise prohibited by such subsection if the plans and specifications have received required approvals from State agencies prior to the date of enactment of this Act.

(g) For purposes of this section, the terms "United States" and "State" shall include each of the several States, the District of Columbia. and each Federally recognized Indian Tribe.

SEC. 735. None of the funds appropriated by this Act may be used in any way, directly or indirectly, to influence congressional action on any legislation or appropriation matters pending before Congress, other than to communicate to Members of Congress as described in 18 U.S.C.

SEC. 736. Of the total amounts made available by this Act for direct loans and grants under the following headings: "Rural Housing Service-Rural Housing Insurance Fund Program Ac-; "Rural Housing Service-Mutual and Self-Help Housing Grants"; "Rural Housing Service—Rural Housing Assistance Grants' 'Rural Housing Service-Rural Community Facilities Program Account"; "Rural Business-Cooperative Service—Rural Business Program Account"; "Rural Business-Cooperative Service-Rural Economic Development Loans Program "Rural Business-Cooperative Serv-Account": ice-Rural Cooperative Development Grants"; 'Rural Business-Cooperative Service—Rural Microentrepreneur Assistance Program": 'Rural Utilities Service-Rural Water and Waste Disposal Program Account"; "Rural Utilities Service—Rural Electrification and Telecommunications Loans Program Account' : and 'Rural Utilities Service—Distance Learning, Telemedicine, and Broadband Program", to the maximum extent feasible, at least 10 percent of the funds shall be allocated for assistance in persistent poverty counties under this section, including, notwithstanding any other provision regarding population limits, any county seat of such a persistent poverty county that has a population that does not exceed the authorized population limit by more than 10 percent: Provided, That for purposes of this section, the term "persistent poverty counties" means any county that has had 20 percent or more of its population living in poverty over the past 30 years, as measured by the 1990 and 2000 decennial censuses, and 2007-2011 American Community Survey 5-year average, or any territory or possession of the United States: Provided further, That with respect to specific activities for which program levels have been made available by this Act that are not supported by budget authority, the requirements of this section shall be applied to such program level.

SEC. 737. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to notify a sponsor or otherwise acknowledge receipt of a submission for an exemption for investigational use of a drug or biological product under section 505(i) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21

U.S.C. 355(i)) or section 351(a)(3) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 262(a)(3)) in research in which a human embryo is intentionally created or modified to include a heritable genetic modification. Any such submission shall be deemed to have not been received by the Secretary, and the exemption may not go into effect.

SEC. 738. None of the funds made available by this or any other Act may be used to enforce the final rule promulgated by the Food and Drug Administration entitled "Standards for the Growing, Harvesting, Packing, and Holding of Produce for Human Consumption," and published on November 27, 2015, with respect to the regulation of entities that grow, harvest, pack, or hold wine grapes, hops, pulse crops, or almonds

739. There is hereby appropriated SEC.\$5,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024, for a pilot program for the National Institute of Food and Agriculture to provide grants to nonprofit organizations for programs and services to establish and enhance farming and ranching opportunities for military vet-

SEC. 740. For school years 2022-2023 and 2023-2024, none of the funds made available by this Act may be used to implement or enforce the matter following the first comma in the second sentence of footnote (c) of section 220.8(c) of title 7, Code of Federal Regulations, with respect to the substitution of vegetables for fruits under the school breakfast program established under section 4 of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1773).

SEC. 741. None of the funds made available by this Act or any other Act may be used-

(1) in contravention of section 7606 of the Aqricultural Act of 2014 (7 U.S.C. 5940), subtitle G of the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946, or section 10114 of the Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018; or

(2) to prohibit the transportation, processing, sale, or use of hemp, or seeds of such plant, that is grown or cultivated in accordance with section 7606 of the Agricultural Act of 2014 or Subtitle G of the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946, within or outside the State in which the hemp is grown or cultivated.

742. There is hereby appropriated \$3,000,000, to remain available until expended, for grants under section 12502 of Public Law 115-334.

SEC. 743. There is hereby appropriated \$1,000,000 to carry out section 3307 of Public Law 115-334.

SEC. 744. The Secretary of Agriculture may waive the matching funds requirement under section 412(g) of the Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1998 (7

U.S.C. 7632(g)).
SEC. 745. There is hereby appropriated \$2,000,000, to remain available until expended, for a pilot program for the Secretary to provide arants to qualified non-profit organizations and public housing authorities to provide technical assistance, including financial and legal services, to RHS multi-family housing borrowers to facilitate the acquisition of RHS multi-family housing properties in areas where the Secretary determines a risk of loss of affordable housing, by non-profit housing organizations and public housing authorities as authorized by law that commit to keep such properties in the RHS multi-family housing program for a period of time as determined by the Secretary.

SEC. 746. There is hereby appropriated \$3,000,000, to carry out section 4208 of Public Law 115-334, including for project locations in additional regions and timely completion of reauired reporting to Congress.

SEC. 747. There is hereby appropriated \$5,000,000 to carry out section 12301 of Public Law 115-334, Farming Opportunities Training and Outreach.

SEC. 748. In response to an eligible community where the drinking water supplies are inadequate due to a natural disaster, as determined by the Secretary, including drought or severe weather, the Secretary may provide potable water through the Emergency Community Water Assistance Grant Program for an additional period of time not to exceed 120 days beyond the established period provided under the Program in order to protect public health.

SEC. 749. Funds made available under title II of the Food for Peace Act (7 U.S.C. 1721 et seq.) may only be used to provide assistance to recipient nations if adequate monitoring and controls, as determined by the Administrator, are in place to ensure that emergency food aid is received by the intended beneficiaries in areas affected by food shortages and not diverted for unauthorized or inappropriate purposes.

SEC. 750. In this fiscal year and thereafter, and notwithstanding any other provision of law, ARS facilities as described in the "Memorandum of Understanding Between the U.S. Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) and the U.S. Department of Agriculture Agricultural Research Service (ARS) Concerning Laboratory Animal Welfare" (16–6100–0103–MU Revision 16–1) shall be inspected by APHIS for compliance with the Animal Welfare Act and its regulations

and standards.

SEC. 751. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to procure raw or processed poultry products imported into the United States from the People's Republic of China for use in the school lunch program under the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1751 et seq.), the Child and Adult Care Food Program under section 17 of such Act (42 U.S.C. 1766), the Summer Food Service Program for Children under section 13 of such Act (42 U.S.C. 1761), or the school breakfast program under the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1771 et seq.).

1771 et seq.).

SEC. 752. For school year 2023-2024, only a school food authority that had a negative balance in the nonprofit school food service account as of June 30, 2022, shall be required to establish a price for paid lunches in accordance with section 12(p) of the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1760(p)).

SEC. 753. There is hereby appropriated \$2,000,000, to remain available until expended, for the Secretary of Agriculture to carry out a pilot program that assists rural hospitals to improve long-term operations and financial health by providing technical assistance through analysis of current hospital management practices.

SEC. 754. Any funds made available by this or any other Act that the Secretary withholds pursuant to section 1668(g)(2) of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 5921(g)(2)), as amended, shall be available for grants for biotechnology risk assessment research: Provided, That the Secretary may transfer such funds among appropriations of the Department of Agriculture for purposes of making such grants.

SEC. 755. Hereafter, none of the funds made available by this Act or any other Act, may be used to pay the salaries or expenses of personnel to implement any activities related to:

(a) the permitting of non-recording of observed violations of the Animal Welfare Act or its regulations on official inspection reports; or

(b) the prioritizing of education or collaborative approaches to violations or noncompliance ahead of enforcement under the Animal Welfare Act.

SEC. 756. There is hereby appropriated \$400,000 to carry out section 1672(g)(4)(B) of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 5925(g)(4(B)) as amended by section 7209 of Public Law 115-334.

SEC. 757. For necessary expenses associated with cotton classing activities pursuant to 7 U.S.C. 55, to include equipment and facility upgrades, and in addition to any other funds made available for this purpose, there is appropriated \$4,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024: Provided, That amounts made available

in this section shall be treated as funds collected by fees authorized under Mar. 4, 1923, ch. 288, \$5, 42 Stat. 1518, as amended (7 U.S.C. 55).

SEC. 758. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no funds available to the Department of Agriculture may be used to move any staff office or any agency from the mission area in which it was located on August 1, 2018, to any other mission area or office within the Department in the absence of the enactment of specific legislation affirming such move.

SEC. 759. The Secretary, acting through the Chief of the Natural Resources Conservation Service, may use funds appropriated under this Act or any other Act for the Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations Program and the Watershed Rehabilitation Program carried out pursuant to the Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Act (16 U.S.C. 1001 et seq.), and for the Emergency Watershed Protection Program carried out pursuant to section 403 of the Agricultural Credit Act of 1978 (16 U.S.C. 2203) to provide technical services for such programs pursuant to section 1252(a)(1) of the Food Security Act of 1985 (16 U.S.C. 3851(a)(1)), notwithstanding subsection (c) of such section.

SEC. 760. In administering the pilot program established by section 779 of division A of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2018 (Public Law 115–141), the Secretary of Agriculture may, for purposes of determining entities eligible to receive assistance, consider those communities which are "Areas Rural in Character": Provided, That not more than 10 percent of the funds made available under the heading "Distance Learning, Telemedicine, and Broadband Program" for the purposes of the pilot program established by section 779 of Public Law 115–141 may be used for this purpose.

Sec. 761. There is hereby appropriated \$29,700,000 for the Goodfellow Federal facility, to remain available until expended, which shall be transferred to and merged with the appropriation for "Food Safety and Inspection Service".

SEC. 762. Hereafter, none of the funds made available by this Act or any other Act may be used to pay the salaries or expenses of personnel—

(1) to inspect horses under section 3 of the Federal Meat Inspection Act (21 U.S.C. 603);

(2) to inspect horses under section 903 of the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996 (7 U.S.C. 1901 note; Public Law 104–127); or

(3) to implement or enforce section 352.19 of title 9, Code of Federal Regulations (or a successor regulation).

SEC. 763. There is appropriated to the Department of Agriculture, for an additional amount 'Agricultural Programs-Processing, Research, and Marketing—Office of the Secretary", \$5,000,000, which shall remain available until expended, for necessary expenses, under such terms and conditions determined by the Secretary, related to testing soil, water, or agricultural products for per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) at the request of an agricultural producer, assisting agricultural producers affected by PFAS contamination with costs related to mitigate the impacts to their operation that have resulted from such contamination and indemnifying agricultural producers for the value of unmarketable crops, livestock, and other agricultural products related to PFAS contamination: Provided, That the Secretary shall prioritize such assistance to agricultural producers in states and territories that have established a tolerance threshold for PFAS in a food or agricultural product: Provided further, That, not later than 90 days after the end of fiscal year 2023, the Secretary shall submit a report to the Congress specifying the type, amount, and method of such assistance by state and territory and the status of the amounts obligated and plans for further expenditure, and include improvements that can be made to U.S. Department of Agriculture programs, either administratively or legislatively, to increase support for agricultural producers impacted by PFAS contamination and to enhance scientific knowledge on PFAS uptake in crops and livestock and PFAS mitigation and remediation methods and disseminate such knowledge to agricultural producers.

SEC. 764. Any future compliance date for any provision of the Food and Drug Administration's final rule entitled "Milk and Cream Products and Yogurt Products; Final Rule To Revoke the Standards for Lowfat Yogurt and Nonfat Yogurt and To Amend the Standard for Yogurt" (86 Fed. Reg. 31117, June 11, 2021) for which the agency is exercising enforcement discretion or that is stayed as a result of objections timely filed under 21 U.S.C. 371(e)(2), shall be established no earlier than January 1 of the year that is three years after either:

(a) Final action upon such objection(s) is taken by the Secretary of Health and Human Services; or

(b) The party withdraws such objection(s).

SEC. 765. In addition to the amount of reimbursement for administrative and operating expenses available for crop insurance contracts described in subsection (a)(2)(F) of section III of the 2023 Standard Reinsurance Agreement (SRA) that cover agricultural commodities described in section 101 of title I of the Specialty Crops Competitiveness Act of 2004 (7 U.S.C. 1621 note), there is hereby appropriated \$50,000,000. to remain available until expended, to pay, with respect to such contracts for the 2021 reinsurance year, an amount that is equal to the difference between the amount to be paid pursuant to the SRA for the applicable reinsurance year and the amount that would be paid if such contracts were not subject to a reduction described in subsection (a)(2)(G) of section III of the SRA but subject to a reimbursement rate equal to 17.5 percent of the net book premium.

SEC. 766. There is appropriated to the Department of Agriculture, for an additional amount for "Agricultural Programs—Processing, Research, and Marketing—Office of the Secretary", \$10,000,000, which shall remain available until expended, for necessary expenses to address assistance for disasters occurring in calendar year 2022.

SEC. 767. In addition to amounts otherwise available, there is appropriated to the Secretary of Agriculture \$50,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2023, to provide relief payments for frontline grocery workers through the Farmworker and Food Worker Relief Grant Program of the Agricultural Marketing Service.

SEC. 768. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to review or approve an application under section 505(i) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 355(i)) or section 351(a)(3) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 262(a)(3)) that is submitted by a sponsor located in Russia, unless such application is for a drug that is intended to treat a serious or life-threatening condition and for which there is an unmet medical treatment need.

SEC. 769. The Secretary of Agriculture shall take such actions as may be necessary to prohibit the purchase of agricultural land located in the United States by companies owned, in full or in part, by the People's Republic of China, Russia, North Korea, or Iran.

This division may be cited as the "Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act. 2023".

#### DIVISION C—ENERGY AND WATER DEVEL-OPMENT AND RELATED AGENCIES AP-PROPRIATIONS ACT. 2023

 $TITLE\ I$ 

CORPS OF ENGINEERS—CIVIL
DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

CORPS OF ENGINEERS—CIVIL

The following appropriations shall be expended under the direction of the Secretary of

the Army and the supervision of the Chief of Engineers for authorized civil functions of the Department of the Army pertaining to river and harbor, flood and storm damage reduction, shore protection, aquatic ecosystem restoration, and related efforts.

#### INVESTIGATIONS

For expenses necessary where authorized by law for the collection and study of basic information pertaining to river and harbor, flood and storm damage reduction, shore protection, aquatic ecosystem restoration, and related needs; for surveys and detailed studies, and plans and specifications of proposed river and harbor, flood and storm damage reduction, shore protection, and aquatic ecosystem restoration projects, and related efforts prior to construction; for restudy of authorized projects; and for miscellaneous investigations, and, when authorized by law, surveys and detailed studies, and plans and specifications of projects prior to construction, \$160,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided. That the Secretary shall not deviate from the work plan, once the plan has been submitted to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress.

#### CONSTRUCTION

For expenses necessary for the construction of river and harbor, flood and storm damage reduction, shore protection, aquatic ecosystem restoration, and related projects authorized by law; for conducting detailed studies, and plans and specifications, of such projects (including those involving participation by States, local governments, or private groups) authorized or made eligible for selection by law (but such detailed studies, and plans and specifications, shall not constitute a commitment of the Government to construction); \$2,475,152,000, to remain available until expended; of which \$43,011,000 shall be derived from the Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund to cover the Federal share of construction costs for facilities under the Dredged Material Disposal Facilities program; and of which such sums as are necessary to cover 35 percent of the costs of construction, replacement, rehabilitation, and expansion of inland waterways projects shall be derived from the Inland Waterways Trust Fund, except as otherwise specifically provided for in law: Provided, That the Secretary shall not deviate from the work plan, once the plan has been submitted to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Conaress.

#### MISSISSIPPI RIVER AND TRIBUTARIES

For expenses necessary for flood damage reduction projects and related efforts in the Mississippi River alluvial valley below Cape Girardeau, Missouri, as authorized by law, \$350,000,000, to remain available until expended, of which \$10,315,000 shall be derived from the Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund to cover the Federal share of eligible operation and maintenance costs for inland harbors: Provided, That the Secretary shall not deviate from the work plan, once the plan has been submitted to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress.

#### OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

For expenses necessary for the operation, maintenance, and care of existing river and harbor, flood and storm damage reduction, aquatic ecosystem restoration, and related projects authorized by law; providing security for infrastructure owned or operated by the Corps, including administrative buildings and laboratories; maintaining harbor channels provided by a State, municipality, or other public agency that serve essential navigation needs of general commerce, where authorized by law; surveying and charting northern and northwestern lakes and connecting waters; clearing and straightening channels; and removing obstructions to navigation, \$5,150,000,000, to remain available until expended, of which \$2,264,674,000 shall be derived from the Harbor Maintenance Trust

Fund to cover the Federal share of eligible operation and maintenance costs for coastal harbors and channels, and for inland harbors; of which \$56,000,000, to be derived from the general fund of the Treasury, shall be to carry out section 2106(c) of Public Law 113-121 (33 U.S.C. 2238c(c)) and is designated as being for such purpose pursuant to section 14003(2)(B) of the CARES Act (Public Law 116-136); of which such sums as become available from the special account for the Corps of Engineers established by the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965 shall be derived from that account for resource protection, research, interpretation, and maintenance activities related to resource protection in the areas at which outdoor recreation is available; and of which such sums as become available from fees collected under section 217 of Public Law 104-303 shall be used to cover the cost of operation and maintenance of the dredged material disposal facilities for which such fees have been collected: Provided. That 1 percent of the total amount of funds provided for each of the programs, projects, or activities funded under this heading shall not be allocated to a field operating activity prior to the beginning of the fourth quarter of the fiscal year and shall be available for use by the Chief of Engineers to fund such emergency activities as the Chief of Engineers determines to be necessary and appropriate, and that the Chief of Engineers shall allocate during the fourth quarter any remaining funds which have not been used for emergency activities proportionally in accordance with the amounts provided for the programs, projects, or activities: Provided, That the Secretary shall not deviate from the work plan, once the plan has been submitted to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress.

#### REGULATORY PROGRAM

For expenses necessary for administration of laws pertaining to regulation of navigable waters and wetlands, \$213,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024.

#### FORMERLY UTILIZED SITES REMEDIAL ACTION PROGRAM

For expenses necessary to clean up contamination from sites in the United States resulting from work performed as part of the Nation's early atomic energy program, \$278,338,000, to remain available until expended.

#### FLOOD CONTROL AND COASTAL EMERGENCIES

For expenses necessary to prepare for flood, hurricane, and other natural disasters and support emergency operations, repairs, and other activities in response to such disasters as authorized by law, \$35,000,000, to remain available until expended.

#### EXPENSES

For expenses necessary for the supervision and general administration of the civil works program in the headquarters of the Corps of Engineers and the offices of the Division Engineers; and for costs of management and operation of the Humphreys Engineer Center Support Activity, the Institute for Water Resources, the United States Army Engineer Research and Development Center, and the United States Army Corps of Engineers Finance Center allocable to the civil works program, \$215,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024, of which not to exceed \$5,000 may be used for official reception and representation purposes and only during the current fiscal year: Provided, That no part of any other appropriation provided in this title shall be available to fund the civil works activities of the Office of the Chief of Engineers or the civil works executive direction and management activities of the division offices: Provided further, That any Flood Control and Coastal Emergencies appropriation may be used to fund the supervision and general administration of emergency operations, repairs, and other activities in response to any flood, hurricane, or other natural disaster.

OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE ARMY FOR CIVIL WORKS

For the Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works as authorized by 10 U.S.C. 3016(b)(3), \$5,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024: Provided, That not more than 75 percent of such amount may be obligated or expended until the Assistant Secretary submits to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress the report required under section 101(d) of this Act and a work plan that allocates at least 95 percent of the additional funding provided under each heading in this title, as designated under such heading in the report accompanying this Act, to specific programs, projects, or activities.

## $WATER\ INFRASTRUCTURE\ FINANCE\ AND\\ INNOVATION\ PROGRAM\ ACCOUNT$

For administrative expenses to carry out the direct and guaranteed loan programs authorized by the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act of 2014, notwithstanding subsections (b)(2) and (c) of section 5033 of such Act, \$7,200,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024.

#### GENERAL PROVISIONS—CORPS OF ENGINEERS—CIVIL

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 101. (a) None of the funds provided in title I of this Act, or provided by previous appropriations Acts to the agencies or entities funded in title I of this Act that remain available for obligation or expenditure in fiscal year 2023, shall be available for obligation or expenditure through a reprogramming of funds that:

- (1) creates or initiates a new program, project, or activity;
- (2) eliminates a program, project, or activity; (3) increases funds or personnel for any program, project, or activity for which funds have been denied or restricted by this Act, unless prior approval is received from the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress;
- (4) proposes to use funds directed for a specific activity for a different purpose, unless prior approval is received from the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress;
- (5) augments or reduces existing programs, projects, or activities in excess of the amounts contained in paragraphs (6) through (10), unless prior approval is received from the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress:
- (6) INVESTIGATIONS.—For a base level over \$100,000, reprogramming of 25 percent of the base amount up to a limit of \$150,000 per project, study or activity is allowed: Provided, That for a base level less than \$100,000, the reprogramming limit is \$25,000: Provided further, That up to \$25,000 may be reprogrammed into any continuing study or activity that did not receive an appropriation for existing obligations and concomitant administrative expenses:
- (7) CONSTRUCTION.—For a base level over \$2,000,000, reprogramming of 15 percent of the base amount up to a limit of \$3,000,000 per project, study or activity is allowed: Provided, That for a base level less than \$2,000,000, the reprogramming limit is \$300,000: Provided further, That up to \$3,000,000 may be reprogrammed for settled contractor claims, changed conditions, or real estate deficiency judgments: Provided further, That up to \$300,000 may be reprogrammed into any continuing study or activity that did not receive an appropriation for existing obligations and concomitant administrative expenses;
- (8) OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE.—Unlimited reprogramming authority is granted for the Corps to be able to respond to emergencies: Provided, That the Chief of Engineers shall notify the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress of these emergency actions as soon thereafter as practicable: Provided further, That for a base level over \$1,000,000, reprogramming of 15 percent of the base amount up to a limit of \$5,000,000 per project, study, or activity is allowed: Provided further, That for a

base level less than \$1,000,000, the reprogramming limit is \$150,000: Provided further, That \$150,000 may be reprogrammed into any continuing study or activity that did not receive an appropriation;

(9) MISSISSIPPI RIVER AND TRIBUTARIES.—The reprogramming guidelines in paragraphs (6), (7), and (8) shall apply to the Investigations, Construction, and Operation and Maintenance portions of the Mississippi River and Tributaries Account, respectively; and

(10) FORMERLY UTILIZED SITES REMEDIAL ACTION PROGRAM.— Reprogramming of up to 15 percent of the base of the receiving project is permitted.

(b) DE MINIMUS REPROGRAMMINGS.—In no case should a reprogramming for less than \$50,000 be submitted to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress.

(c) CONTINUING AUTHORITIES PROGRAM.—Subsection (a)(1) shall not apply to any project or activity funded under the continuing authorities program.

(d) Not later than 60 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress to establish the baseline for application of reprogramming and transfer authorities for the current fiscal year which shall include:

(1) A table for each appropriation with a separate column to display the President's budget request, adjustments made by Congress, adjustments due to enacted rescissions, if applicable, and the fiscal year enacted level; and

(2) A delineation in the table for each appropriation both by object class and program, project and activity as detailed in the budget appendix for the respective appropriations; and

(3) An identification of items of special conaressional interest.

SEC. 102. The Secretary shall allocate funds made available in this title solely in accordance with the provisions of this Act and the report accompanying this Act.

SEC. 103. None of the funds made available in this title may be used to award or modify any contract that commits funds beyond the amounts appropriated for that program, project, or activity that remain unobligated, except that such amounts may include any funds that have been made available through reprogramming pursuant to section 101.

SEC. 104. The Secretary of the Army may transfer to the Fish and Wildlife Service, and the Fish and Wildlife Service may accept and expend, up to \$5,400,000 of funds provided in this title under the heading "Operation and Maintenance" to mitigate for fisheries lost due to Corps of Engineers projects.

SEC. 105. None of the funds in this Act shall be used for an open lake placement alternative for dredged material, after evaluating the least costly, environmentally acceptable manner for the disposal or management of dredged material originating from Lake Erie or tributaries thereto, unless it is approved under a State water quality certification pursuant to section 401 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1341): Provided, That until an open lake placement alternative for dredged material is approved under a State water quality certification, the Corps of Engineers shall continue upland placement of such dredged material consistent with the requirements of section 101 of the Water Resources Development Act of 1986 (33 U.S.C. 2211).

SEC. 106. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to carry out any water supply reallocation study under the Wolf Creek Dam, Lake Cumberland, Kentucky, project authorized under the Act of July 24, 1946 (60 Stat. 636, ch. 595).

SEC. 107. None of the funds made available by this Act or any other Act may be used to reorganize or to transfer the Civil Works functions or authority of the Corps of Engineers or the Secretary of the Army to another department or agency.

SEC. 108. Additional funding provided in this Act shall be allocated only to projects determined to be eligible by the Chief of Engineers.

#### TITLE II

#### DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

CENTRAL UTAH PROJECT

CENTRAL UTAH PROJECT COMPLETION ACCOUNT

For carrying out activities authorized by the Central Utah Project Completion\$23,000,000, to remain available until expended, of which \$5,000,000 shall be deposited into the Utah Reclamation Mitigation and Conservation Account for use by the Utah Reclamation Mitigation and Conservation Commission: Provided, That of the amount provided under this heading, \$1,600,000 shall be available until September 30, 2024, for expenses necessary in carrying out related responsibilities of the Secretary of the Interior: Provided further, That for fiscal year 2023, of the amount made available to the Commission under this Act or any other Act, the Commission may use an amount not to exceed \$1,880,000 for administrative expenses.

#### Bureau of Reclamation

The following appropriations shall be expended to execute authorized functions of the Bureau of Reclamation:

#### WATER AND RELATED RESOURCES

(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

For management, development, and restoration of water and related natural resources and for related activities, including the operation, maintenance, and rehabilitation of reclamation and other facilities, participation in fulfilling related Federal responsibilities to Native Americans, and related grants to, and cooperative and other agreements with, State and local governments, federally recognized Indian tribes, and others, \$1,747,101,000, to remain available until expended, of which \$22,165,000 shall be available for transfer to the Upper Colorado River Basin Fund and \$7.584.000 shall be available for transfer to the Lower Colorado River Basin Development Fund; of which such amounts as may be necessary may be advanced to the Colorado River Dam Fund: Provided, That \$500,000 shall be available for transfer into the Aging Infrastructure Account established bu section 9603(d)(1) of the Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009, as amended (43 U.S.C. 510b(d)(1)): Provided further, That such transfers, except for the transfer authorized by the preceding proviso, may be increased or decreased within the overall appropriation under this heading: Provided further, That of the total appropriated, the amount for program activities that can be financed by the Reclamation Fund, the Water Storage Enhancement Receipts account established by section 4011(e) of Public Law 114-322, or the Bureau of Reclamation special fee account established by 16 U.S.C. 6806 shall be derived from that Fund or account: Provided further, That funds contributed under 43 U.S.C. 395 are available until expended for the purposes for which the funds were contributed: Provided further, That funds advanced under 43 U.S.C. 397a shall be credited to this account and are available until expended for the same purposes as the sums appropriated under this heading: Provided further, That of the amounts made available under this heading, \$10,000,000 shall be deposited in the San Gabriel Basin Restoration Fund established by section 110 of title I of division B of appendix D of Public Law 106-554: Provided further, That of the amounts provided herein, funds may be used for high-priority projects which shall be carried out by the Youth Conservation Corps, as authorized by 16 U.S.C. 1706.

#### CENTRAL VALLEY PROJECT RESTORATION FUND

For carrying out the programs, projects, plans, habitat restoration, improvement, and acquisition provisions of the Central Valley

Project Improvement Act, such sums as may be collected in fiscal year 2023 in the Central Valley Project Restoration Fund pursuant to sections 3407(d), 3404(c)(3), and 3405(f) of Public Law 102–575, to remain available until expended: Provided, That the Bureau of Reclamation is directed to assess and collect the full amount of the additional mitigation and restoration payments authorized by section 3407(d) of Public Law 102–575: Provided further, That none of the funds made available under this heading may be used for the acquisition or leasing of water for in-stream purposes if the water is already committed to in-stream purposes by a court adopted decree or order.

#### CALIFORNIA BAY-DELTA RESTORATION

#### (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

For carrying out activities authorized by the Water Supply, Reliability, and Environmental Improvement Act, consistent with plans to be approved by the Secretary of the Interior, \$33,000,000, to remain available until expended, of which such amounts as may be necessary to carry out such activities may be transferred to appropriate accounts of other participating Federal agencies to carry out authorized purposes: Provided. That funds appropriated herein may be used for the Federal share of the costs of CALFED Program management: Provided further. That CALFED implementation shall be carried out in a balanced manner with clear performance measures demonstrating concurrent progress in achieving the goals and objectives of the Program.

#### POLICY AND ADMINISTRATION

For expenses necessary for policy, administration, and related functions in the Office of the Commissioner, the Denver office, and offices in the six regions of the Bureau of Reclamation, to remain available until September 30, 2024, \$65,079,000, to be derived from the Reclamation Fund and be nonreimbursable as provided in section 4(0) of the Act of December 5, 1924 (43 U.S.C. 377): Provided, That no part of any other appropriation in this Act shall be available for activities or functions budgeted as policy and administration expenses.

### ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISION

Appropriations for the Bureau of Reclamation shall be available for purchase and replacement of not to exceed 30 motor vehicles, which are for replacement only.

## $\begin{array}{c} \textit{GENERAL PROVISIONS--DEPARTMENT OF} \\ \textit{THE INTERIOR} \end{array}$

SEC. 201. (a) None of the funds provided in title II of this Act for Water and Related Resources, or provided by previous or subsequent appropriations Acts to the agencies or entities funded in title II of this Act for Water and Related Resources that remain available for obligation or expenditure in fiscal year 2023, shall be available for obligation or expenditure through a reprogramming of funds that—

- (1) initiates or creates a new program, project, or activity;
- (2) eliminates a program, project, or activity; (3) increases funds for any program, project, or activity for which funds have been denied or restricted by this Act, unless prior approval is received from the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress:
- (4) restarts or resumes any program, project or activity for which funds are not provided in this Act, unless prior approval is received from the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress;
- (5) transfers funds in excess of the following limits, unless prior approval is received from the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress:
- (A) 15 percent for any program, project or activity for which \$2,000,000 or more is available at the beginning of the fiscal year: or
- (B) \$400,000 for any program, project or activity for which less than \$2,000,000 is available at the beginning of the fiscal year;

(6) transfers more than \$500,000 from either the Facilities Operation, Maintenance, and Rehabilitation category or the Resources Management and Development category to any program, project, or activity in the other category, unless prior approval is received from the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress; or

(7) transfers, where necessary to discharge legal obligations of the Bureau of Reclamation, more than \$5,000,000 to provide adequate funds for settled contractor claims, increased contractor earnings due to accelerated rates of operations, and real estate deficiency judgments, unless prior approval is received from the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress.

(b) Subsection (a)(5) shall not apply to any transfer of funds within the Facilities Operation, Maintenance, and Rehabilitation category.

(c) For purposes of this section, the term "transfer" means any movement of funds into or out of a program, project, or activity.

(d) Except as provided in subsections (a) and (b), the amounts made available in this title under the heading "Bureau of Reclamation—Water and Related Resources" shall be expended for the programs, projects, and activities specified in the "House Recommended" columns in the "Water and Related Resources" table included under the heading "Title II—Department of the Interior" in the report accompanying this Act.

(e) The Bureau of Reclamation shall submit reports on a quarterly basis to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress detailing all the funds reprogrammed between programs, projects, activities, or categories of funding. The first quarterly report shall be submitted not later than 60 days after the date of enactment of this Act.

SEC. 202. (a) None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act may be used to determine the final point of discharge for the interceptor drain for the San Luis Unit until development by the Secretary of the Interior and the State of California of a plan, which shall conform to the water quality standards of the State of California as approved by the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, to minimize any detrimental effect of the San Luis drainage waters.

(b) The costs of the Kesterson Reservoir Cleanup Program and the costs of the San Joaquin Valley Drainage Program shall be classified by the Secretary of the Interior as reimbursable or nonreimbursable and collected until fully repaid pursuant to the "Cleanup Pro--Alternative Repayment Plan" and the 'SJVDP—Alternative Repayment Plan' scribed in the report entitled "Repayment Report, Kesterson Reservoir Cleanup Program and San Joaquin Valley Drainage Program, February 1995", prepared by the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation. Any future obligations of funds by the United States relating to, or providing for, drainage service or drainage studies for the San Luis Unit shall be fully reimbursable by San Luis Unit beneficiaries of such service or studies pursuant to Federal reclamation law.

SEC. 203. Section 9504(e) of the Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009 (Public Law 111–11; 42 U.S.C. 10364(e)) is amended by striking "\$750,000,000" and inserting "\$820,000,000".

SEC. 204. (a) Title I of Public Law 108–361 (the Calfed Bay-Delta Authorization Act) is amended by striking "2022" each place it appears and inserting "2023".

(b) Section 103(f)(4)(A) of Public Law 108–361 (the Calfed Bay-Delta Authorization Act) is amended by striking "\$25,000,000" and inserting "\$30,000,000".

SEC. 205. Section 9106(g)(2) of Public Law 111–11 (Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009) is amended by striking "2022" and inserting "2023".

SEC. 206. (a) Section 104(c) of the Reclamation States Emergency Drought Relief Act of 1991 (Public Law 102–250; 43 U.S.C. 2214(c)) is amended by striking "2022" and inserting "2023".

(b) Section 301 of the Reclamation States Emergency Drought Relief Act of 1991 (Public Law 102–250; 43 U.S.C. 2241) is amended by striking "2022" and inserting "2023" and by striking "\$120,000,000" and inserting "\$130,000,000".

SEC. 207. Section 529(b)(3) of the Water Resources Development Act of 2000 (Public Law 106–541), as amended, is amended by striking "\$30,000,000" and inserting "\$40,000,000".

SEC. 208. None of the funds provided in this Act may be used for the Shasta Dam and Reservoir Enlargement Project.

#### TITLE III

#### DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY ENERGY PROGRAMS

ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND RENEWABLE ENERGY

For Department of Energy expenses including the purchase, construction, and acquisition of plant and capital equipment, and other expenses necessary for energy efficiency and renewable energy activities in carrying out the purposes of the Department of Energy Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7101 et sea.), including the acquisition or condemnation of any real property or any facility or for plant or facility acquiexpansion,sition. construction, or\$4,000,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That of such amount, \$245,000,000 shall be available until September 30, 2024, for program direction.

#### CYBERSECURITY, ENERGY SECURITY, AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE

For Department of Energy expenses including the purchase, construction, and acquisition of plant and capital equipment, and other expenses necessary for energy sector cybersecurity, energy security, and emergency response activities in carrying out the purposes of the Department of Energy Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7101 et seq.), including the acquisition or condemnation of any real property or any facility or for plant or facility acquisition, construction, or expansion, \$205,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That of such amount, \$24,000,000 shall be available until September 30, 2024, for program direction.

#### ELECTRICITY

For Department of Energy expenses including the purchase, construction, and acquisition of plant and capital equipment, and other expenses necessary for electricity activities in carrying out the purposes of the Department of Energy Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7101 et seq.), including the acquisition or condemnation of any real property or any facility or for plant or facility acquisition, construction, or expansion, \$350,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That of such amount, \$23,000,000 shall be available until September 30, 2024, for program direction.

### NUCLEAR ENERGY

For Department of Energy expenses including the purchase, construction, and acquisition of plant and capital equipment, and other expenses necessary for nuclear energy activities in carrying out the purposes of the Department of Energy Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7101 et seq.), including the acquisition or condemnation of any real property or any facility or for plant or facility acquisition, construction, or expansion, \$1,779,800,000, to remain available until ex-Provided, That of such amount, \$85,000,000 shall be available until September 30, 2024, for program direction: Provided further, That for the purpose of section 954(a)(6) of the Energy Policy Act of 2005, as amended, the only amount available shall be from the amount specified as including that purpose in the "Bill" column in the "Department of Energy" table in-

cluded under the heading "Title III—Department of Energy" in the report accompanying this Act.

FOSSIL ENERGY AND CARBON MANAGEMENT

For Department of Energy expenses necessary in carrying out fossil energy and carbon management research and development activities, under the authority of the Department of Energy Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7101 et seg.), including the acquisition of interest, including defeasible and equitable interests in any real property or any facility or for plant or facility acquisition or expansion, and for conducting inquiries, technological investigations and research concerning the extraction, processing, use and disposal of mineral substances without objectionable social and environmental costs (30 U.S.C. 3, 1602, and 1603), \$880,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided That of such amount \$70,000,000 shall be available until September 30, 2024, for program direction.

#### ENERGY PROJECTS

For Department of Energy expenses necessary in carrying out the Department of Energy Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7101 et seq.), \$117,326,652, to remain available until expended, for the projects, and in the amounts, specified in the table titled "Community Project Funding Department of Energy Projects" in the report accompanying this Act.

#### NAVAL PETROLEUM AND OIL SHALE RESERVES

For Department of Energy expenses necessary to carry out naval petroleum and oil shale reserve activities, \$13,004,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, unobligated funds remaining from prior years shall be available for all naval petroleum and oil shale reserve activities

#### Strategic Petroleum Reserve

For Department of Energy expenses necessary for Strategic Petroleum Reserve facility development and operations and program management activities pursuant to the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. 6201 et seq.), \$214,175,000, to remain available until expended.

### SPR PETROLEUM ACCOUNT

For the acquisition, transportation, and injection of petroleum products, and for other necessary expenses pursuant to the Energy Policy and Conservation Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. 6201 et seq.), sections 403 and 404 of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2015 (42 U.S.C. 6241, 6239 note), section 32204 of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (42 U.S.C. 6241 note), and section 30204 of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018 (42 U.S.C. 6241 note), \$8,000,000, to remain available until expended.

#### NORTHEAST HOME HEATING OIL RESERVE

For Department of Energy expenses necessary for Northeast Home Heating Oil Reserve storage, operation, and management activities pursuant to the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. 6201 et seq.), \$7,000,000, to remain available until expended.

### ENERGY INFORMATION ADMINISTRATION

For Department of Energy expenses necessary in carrying out the activities of the Energy Information Administration, \$144,480,000, to remain available until expended.

#### NON-DEFENSE ENVIRONMENTAL CLEANUP

For Department of Energy expenses, including the purchase, construction, and acquisition of plant and capital equipment and other expenses necessary for non-defense environmental cleanup activities in carrying out the purposes of the Department of Energy Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7101 et seq.), including the acquisition or condemnation of any real property or any facility or for plant or facility acquisition, construction, or expansion, and the purchase of one passenger motor vehicle, \$333,863,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That in addition, fees collected pursuant to subsection

(b)(1) of section 6939f of title 42, United States Code, and deposited under this heading in fiscal year 2023 pursuant to section 309 of title III of division C of Public Law 116-94 are appropriated, to remain available until expended, for mercury storage costs.

## $\begin{array}{c} \textit{URANIUM ENRICHMENT DECONTAMINATION AND} \\ \textit{DECOMMISSIONING FUND} \end{array}$

For Department of Energy expenses necessary in carrying out uranium enrichment facility decontamination and decommissioning, remedia actions, and other activities of title II of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, and title X, subtitle A, of the Energy Policy Act of 1992, \$823,321,000, to be derived from the Uranium Enrichment Decontamination and Decommissioning Fund, to remain available until expended, of which \$14,800,000 shall be available in accordance with title X, subtitle A, of the Energy Policy Act of 1992

#### SCIENCE

For Department of Energy expenses including the purchase, construction, and acquisition of plant and capital equipment, and other expenses necessary for science activities in carrying out the purposes of the Department of Energy Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7101 et seq.), including the acquisition or condemnation of any real property or any facility or for plant or facility acquisition, construction, or expansion, and purchase of not more than 35 passenger motor vehicles, including one ambulance, for replacement only, \$8,000,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That of such amount, \$211,211,000 shall be available until September 30, 2024, for program direction.

#### NUCLEAR WASTE DISPOSAL

For Department of Energy expenses necessary for nuclear waste disposal activities to carry out the purposes of the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982, Public Law 97-425, as amended, \$10,205,000, to remain available until expended, which shall be derived from the Nuclear Waste Fund.

### TECHNOLOGY TRANSITIONS

For Department of Energy expenses necessary for carrying out the activities of technology transitions, \$23,058,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That of such amount, \$13,183,000 shall be available until September 30, 2024, for program direction.

### CLEAN ENERGY DEMONSTRATIONS

For Department of Energy expenses, including the purchase, construction, and acquisition of plant and capital equipment and other expenses necessary for clean energy demonstrations in carrying out the purposes of the Department of Energy Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7101 et seq.), including the acquisition or condemnation of any real property or any facility or for plant or facility acquisition, construction, or expansion, \$189,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That of such amount, \$25,000,000 shall be available until September 30, 2024, for program direction.

## DEFENSE PRODUCTION ACT DOMESTIC CLEAN ENERGY ACCELERATOR

For activities by the Department of Energy pursuant to titles I, III, and VII of the Defense Production Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. subchapters I, II, and III), notwithstanding the requirements of section 303(a)(1) through (a)(6) of such Act, \$100,000,000, to remain available until expended, which shall be obligated and expended by the Secretary of Energy as if delegated the necessary authorities conferred by the Defense Production Act of 1950, and which shall be for expanding the domestic production capability for solar, transformers, electric grid components, fuel cells, electrolyzers, heat pumps, and insulation, of which up to \$5,000,000 shall be available until September 30, 2024, for administrative expenses.

#### ADVANCED RESEARCH PROJECTS AGENCY— ENERGY

For Department of Energy expenses necessary in carrying out the activities authorized by section 5012 of the America COMPETES Act (Public Law 110-69), \$550,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That of such amount, \$45,000,000 shall be available until September 30, 2024. for program direction.

## TITLE 17 INNOVATIVE TECHNOLOGY LOAN GUARANTEE PROGRAM

Such sums as are derived from amounts received from borrowers pursuant to section 1702(b) of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 under this heading in prior Acts, shall be collected in accordance with section 502(7) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974: Provided, That for necessary administrative expenses of the Title 17 Innovative Technology Loan Guarantee Program, as authorized, \$66,206,000 is appropriated, to remain available until September 30, 2024: Provided further, That up to \$66,206,000 of fees collected in fiscal year 2023 pursuant to section 1702(h) of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 shall be credited as offsetting collections under this heading and used for necessary administrative expenses in this appropriation and shall remain available until September 30, 2024: Provided further, That to the extent that fees collected in fiscal year 2023 exceed \$66,206,000, those excess amounts shall be credited as offsetting collections under this heading and available in future fiscal years only to the extent provided in advance in appropriations Acts: Provided further. That the sum herein appropriated from the general fund shall be reduced (1) as such fees are received during fiscal year 2023 (estimated at \$35,000,000) and (2) to the extent that any remaining general fund appropriations can be derived from fees collected in previous fiscal years that are not otherwise appropriated, so as to result in a final fiscal year 2023 appropriation from the general fund estimated at \$0: Provided further, That the Department of Energy shall not subordinate any loan obligation to other financing in violation of section 1702 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 or subordinate any Guaranteed Obligation to any loan or other debt obligations in violation of section 609.10 of title 10, Code of Federal Regulations.

## ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY VEHICLES MANUFACTURING LOAN PROGRAM

For Department of Energy administrative expenses necessary in carrying out the Advanced Technology Vehicles Manufacturing Loan Program, \$9,800,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024.

### TRIBAL ENERGY LOAN GUARANTEE PROGRAM

For the cost of direct and guaranteed loans for the Tribal Energy Loan Guarantee Program under section 2602(c) of the Energy Policy Act of 1992 (25 U.S.C. 3502(c)), \$8,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That such costs, including the cost of modifying such loans, shall be as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 (2 U.S.C. 661a): Provided further, That in this fiscal year and subsequent fiscal years, under section 2602(c) of the Energy Policy Act of 1992 (25 U.S.C. 3502(c)), the Secretary of Energy may also provide direct loans, as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 (2 U.S.C. 661a): Provided further, That such direct loans shall be made through the Federal Financing Bank, with the full faith and credit of the United States Government on the principal and interest: Provided further, That any funds previously appropriated for the cost of loan guarantees under section 2602(c) of the Energy Policy Act of 1992 (25 U.S.C. 3502(c)) may also be used, in this fiscal year and subsequent fiscal years, for the cost of direct loans provided under such section of such Act.

In addition, for Department of Energy administrative expenses necessary in carrying out the Tribal Energy Loan Guarantee Program,

\$2,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024.

#### Indian Energy Policy and Programs

For necessary expenses for Indian Energy activities in carrying out the purposes of the Department of Energy Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7101 et seq.), \$75,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That of the amount appropriated under this heading, \$15,000,000 shall be available until September 30, 2024, for program direction.

#### DEPARTMENTAL ADMINISTRATION

For salaries and expenses of the Department of Energy necessary for departmental administration in carrying out the purposes of the Department of Energy Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7101 et seq.), \$407,715,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024, including the hire of passenger motor vehicles and official reception and representation expenses not to exceed \$30,000, plus such additional amounts as necessary to cover increases in the estimated amount of cost of work for others notwithstanding the provisions of the Anti-Deficiency Act (31 U.S.C. 1511 et seq.): Provided, That such increases in cost of work are offset by revenue increases of the same or greater amount: Provided further, That moneys received by the Department for miscellaneous revenues estimated to total \$100,578,000 in fiscal year 2023 may be retained and used for operating expenses within this account, as authorized by section 201 of Public Law 95-238, notwithstanding the provisions of 31 U.S.C. 3302: Provided further, That the sum herein appropriated shall be reduced as collections are received during the fiscal year so as to result in a final fiscal year 2023 appropriation from the general fund estimated at not more than \$307.137.000.

#### Office of the Inspector General

For expenses necessary for the Office of the Inspector General in carrying out the provisions of the Inspector General Act of 1978, \$92,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024.

### ATOMIC ENERGY DEFENSE ACTIVITIES NATIONAL NUCLEAR SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

### Weapons Activities

For Department of Energy expenses, including the purchase, construction, and acquisition of plant and capital equipment and other incidental expenses necessary for atomic energy defense weapons activities in carrying out the purposes of the Department of Energy Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7101 et seq.), including the acquisition or condemnation of any real property or any facility or for plant or facility acquisition, construction, or expansion, \$16,333,065,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That of such amount, \$130,070,000 shall be available until September 30, 2024, for program direction.

#### Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation

For Department of Energy expenses, including the purchase, construction, and acquisition of plant and capital equipment and other incidental expenses necessary for defense nuclear nonproliferation activities in carrying out the purposes of the Department of Energy Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7101 et seq.), including the acquisition or condemnation of any real property or any facility or for plant or facility acquisition, construction, or expansion, \$2,424,000,000, to remain available until expended.

#### NAVAL REACTORS

### (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For Department of Energy expenses necessary for naval reactors activities to carry out the Department of Energy Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7101 et seq.), including the acquisition (by purchase, condemnation, construction, or otherwise) of real property, plant, and capital equipment, facilities, and facility expansion,

\$2,000,000,000, to remain available until expended, of which, \$99,747,000 shall be transferred to "Department of Energy—Energy Programs—Nuclear Energy", for the Advanced Test Reactor: Provided, That of such amount, \$58,525,000 shall be available until September 30, 2024, for program direction.

#### FEDERAL SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For expenses necessary for Federal Salaries and Expenses in the National Nuclear Security Administration, \$475,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024, including official reception and representation expenses not to exceed \$17.000.

## $\begin{array}{c} ENVIRONMENTAL \ AND \ OTHER \ DEFENSE \\ ACTIVITIES \end{array}$

#### Defense Environmental Cleanup

For Department of Energy expenses, including the purchase, construction, and acquisition of plant and capital equipment and other expenses necessary for atomic energy defense environmental cleanup activities in carrying out the purposes of the Department of Energy Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7101 et seq.), including the acquisition or condemnation of any real property or any facility or for plant or facility acquisition, construction, or expansion, \$6,722,521,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That of such amount, \$317,002,000 shall be available until September 30, 2024, for program direction.

## DEFENSE URANIUM ENRICHMENT DECONTAMINATION AND DECOMMISSIONING

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For an additional amount for atomic energy defense environmental cleanup activities for Department of Energy contributions for uranium enrichment decontamination and decommissioning activities, \$823,321,000, to be deposited into the Defense Environmental Cleanup account, which shall be transferred to the Uranium Enrichment Decontamination and Decommissioning Fund.

### OTHER DEFENSE ACTIVITIES

For Department of Energy expenses, including the purchase, construction, and acquisition of plant and capital equipment and other expenses necessary for atomic energy defense, other defense activities, and classified activities, in carrying out the purposes of the Department of Energy Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7101 et seq.), including the acquisition or condemnation of any real property or any facility or for plant or facility acquisition, construction, or expansion, \$1,027,554,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That of such amount, \$359,734,000 shall be available until September 30, 2024, for program direction.

## POWER MARKETING ADMINISTRATIONS BONNEVILLE POWER ADMINISTRATION FUND

Expenditures from the Bonneville Power Administration Fund, established pursuant to Public Law 93–454, are approved for the Colville Tribes Residents Fish Hatchery Expansion, Chief Joseph Hatchery Water Quality Project, and Umatilla Hatchery Facility Project and, in addition, for official reception and representation expenses in an amount not to exceed \$5,000: Provided, That during fiscal year 2023, no new direct loan obligations may be made.

## OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, SOUTHEASTERN POWER ADMINISTRATION

For expenses necessary for operation and maintenance of power transmission facilities and for marketing electric power and energy, including transmission wheeling and ancillary services, pursuant to section 5 of the Flood Control Act of 1944 (16 U.S.C. 825s), as applied to the southeastern power area, \$8,173,000, including official reception and representation expenses in an amount not to exceed \$1,500, to remain available until expended: Provided, That notwithstanding 31 U.S.C. 3302 and section 5 of the Flood Control Act of 1944, up to \$8,173,000

collected by the Southeastern Power Administration from the sale of power and related services shall be credited to this account as discretionary offsetting collections, to remain available until expended for the sole purpose of funding the annual expenses of the Southeastern Power Administration: Provided further, That the sum herein appropriated for annual expenses shall be reduced as collections are received during the fiscal year so as to result in a final fiscal year 2023 appropriation estimated at not more than \$0: Provided further, That notwithstanding 31 U.S.C. 3302, up to \$78,696,000 collected by the Southeastern Power Administration pursuant to the Flood Control Act of 1944 to recover purchase power and wheeling expenses shall be credited to this account as offsetting collections, to remain available until expended for the sole purpose of making purchase power and wheeling expenditures: Provided further, That for purposes of this appropriation, annual expenses means expenditures that are generally recovered in the same year that they are incurred (excluding purchase power and wheeling expenses).

## OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, SOUTHWESTERN POWER ADMINISTRATION

For expenses necessary for operation and maintenance of power transmission facilities and for marketing electric power and energy, for construction and acquisition of transmission lines, substations and appurtenant facilities, and for administrative expenses, including official reception and representation expenses in an amount not to exceed \$1,500 in carrying out section 5 of the Flood Control Act of 1944 (16 U.S.C. 825s), as applied to the Southwestern Power Administration, \$53,488,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That notwithstanding 31 U.S.C. 3302 and section 5 of the Flood Control Act of 1944 (16 U.S.C. 825s), up to \$42,880,000 collected by the Southwestern Power Administration from the sale of power and related services shall be credited to this account as discretionary offsetting collections, to remain available until expended, for the sole purpose of funding the annual expenses of the Southwestern Power Administration: Provided further, That the sum herein appropriated for annual expenses shall be reduced as collections are received during the fiscal year so as to result in a final fiscal year 2023 appropriation estimated at not more than \$10,608,000: Provided further, That notwithstanding 31 U.S.C. 3302, up to \$70,000,000 collected by the Southwestern Power Administration pursuant to the Flood Control Act of 1944 to recover purchase power and wheeling expenses shall be credited to this account as offsetting collections, to remain available until expended for the sole purpose of makina nurchase power and wheeling expenditures: Provided further. That for purposes of this appropriation, annual expenses means expenditures that are generally recovered in the same year that they are incurred (excluding purchase power and wheeling expenses).

Construction, Rehabilitation, Operation and Maintenance, Western Area Power Administration

For carrying out the functions authorized by title III, section 302(a)(1)(E) of the Act of August 4, 1977 (42 U.S.C. 7152), and other related activities including conservation and renewable resources programs as authorized, \$299,573,000, including official reception and representation expenses in an amount not to exceed \$1,500, to remain available until expended, of which \$299,573,000 shall be derived from the Department of the Interior Reclamation Fund: Provided, That notwithstanding 31 U.S.C. 3302, section 5 of the Flood Control Act of 1944 (16 U.S.C. 825s), and section 1 of the Interior Department Appropriation Act, 1939 (43 U.S.C. 392a), up to \$200,841,000 collected by the Western Area Power Administration from the sale of power and related services shall be credited to this account as discretionary offsetting collections, to remain

available until expended, for the sole purpose of funding the annual expenses of the Western Area Power Administration: Provided further, That the sum herein appropriated for annual expenses shall be reduced as collections are received during the fiscal year so as to result in a final fiscal year 2023 appropriation estimated at not more than \$98,732,000, of which \$98,732,000 is derived from the Reclamation Fund: Provided further, That notwithstanding 31 U.S.C. 3302, up to \$350,083,000 collected by the Western Area Power Administration pursuant to the Flood Control Act of 1944 and the Reclamation Project Act of 1939 to recover purchase power and wheeling expenses shall be credited to this account as offsetting collections, to remain available until expended for the sole purpose of making purchase power and wheeling expenditures: Provided further. That for purposes of this appropriation, annual expenses means expenditures that are generally recovered in the same year that they are incurred (excluding purchase power and wheeling expenses).

## FALCON AND AMISTAD OPERATING AND MAINTENANCE FUND

For operation, maintenance, and emergency costs for the hydroelectric facilities at the Falcon and Amistad Dams, \$6,330,000, to remain available until expended, and to be derived from the Falcon and Amistad Operating and Maintenance Fund of the Western Area Power Administration, as provided in section 2 of the Act of June 18, 1954 (68 Stat. 255): Provided, That notwithstanding the provisions of that Act and of 31 U.S.C. 3302, up to \$6,102,000 collected by the Western Area Power Administration from the sale of power and related services from the Falcon and Amistad Dams shall be credited to this account as discretionary offsetting collections, to remain available until expended for the sole purpose of funding the annual expenses of the hydroelectric facilities of these Dams and associated Western Area Power Administration activities: Provided further, That the sum herein appropriated for annual expenses shall be reduced as collections are received during the fiscal year so as to result in a final fiscal year 2023 appropriation estimated at not more than \$228,000: Provided further, That for purposes of this appropriation, annual expenses means expenditures that are generally recovered in the same year that they are incurred: Provided further, That for fiscal year 2023, the Administrator of the Western Area Power Administration may accept up to \$1,598,000 in funds contributed by United States power customers of the Falcon and Amistad Dams for deposit into the Falcon and Amistad Operating and Maintenance Fund, and such funds shall be available for the purpose for which contributed in like manner as if said sums had been specifically appropriated for such purpose: Provided further, That any such funds shall be available without further appropriation and without fiscal year limitation for use by the Commissioner of the United States Section of the International Boundary and Water Commission for the sole purpose of operating, maintaining, repairing, rehabilitating, replacing, or upgrading the hydroelectric facilities at these Dams in accordance with agreements reached between the Administrator, Commissioner, and the power customers.

## FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

 $SALARIES\ AND\ EXPENSES$ 

For expenses necessary for the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to carry out the provisions of the Department of Energy Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7101 et seq.), including services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109, official reception and representation expenses not to exceed \$3,000, and the hire of passenger motor vehicles, \$508,400,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, not to exceed \$508,400,000 of revenues from fees and annual charges, and other services and collections in fiscal year 2023 shall

be retained and used for expenses necessary in this account, and shall remain available until expended: Provided further, That the sum herein appropriated from the general fund shall be reduced as revenues are received during fiscal year 2023 so as to result in a final fiscal year 2023 appropriation from the general fund estimated at not more than \$0.

## $\begin{array}{c} \textit{GENERAL PROVISIONS} - \textit{DEPARTMENT OF} \\ \textit{ENERGY} \end{array}$

(INCLUDING TRANSFERS AND RESCISSIONS OF FUNDS)

SEC. 301. (a) No appropriation, funds, or authority made available by this title for the Department of Energy shall be used to initiate or resume any program, project, or activity or to prepare or initiate Requests For Proposals or similar arrangements (including Requests for Quotations, Requests for Information, and Funding Opportunity Announcements) for a program, project, or activity if the program, project, or activity in the program, gress.

- (b)(1) Unless the Secretary of Energy notifies the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress at least 3 full business days in advance, none of the funds made available in this title may be used to—
- (A) make or modify a grant allocation or discretionary grant award totaling \$1,000,000 or more:
- (B) make or modify a discretionary contract award or Other Transaction Agreement totaling \$1,000,000 or more, including a contract covered by the Federal Acquisition Regulation:
- (C) issue a letter of intent to make or modify an allocation, award, or Agreement in excess of the limits in subparagraph (A) or (B): or
- (D) announce publicly the intention to make or modify an allocation, award, or Agreement in excess of the limits in subparagraph (A) or (B).
- (2) The Secretary of Energy shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress within 15 days of the conclusion of each quarter a report detailing each grant allocation or discretionary grant award totaling less than \$1,000,000 provided or modified during the previous quarter.
- (3) The notification required by paragraph (1) and the report required by paragraph (2) shall include the recipient of the award, the amount of the award, the fiscal year for which the funds for the award were appropriated, the account and program, project, or activity from which the funds are being drawn, the title of the award, and a brief description of the activity for which the award is made.
- (c) The Department of Energy may not, with respect to any program, project, or activity that uses budget authority made available in this title under the heading "Department of Energy—Energy Programs", enter into a multiyear contract, award a multiyear grant, or enter into a multiyear cooperative agreement unless—
- (1) the contract, grant, or cooperative agreement is funded for the full period of performance as anticipated at the time of award; or
- (2) the contract, grant, or cooperative agreement includes a clause conditioning the Federal Government's obligation on the availability of future year budget authority and the Secretary notifies the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress at least 3 days in advance.
- (d) Except as provided in subsections (e), (f), and (g), the amounts made available by this title shall be expended as authorized by law for the programs, projects, and activities specified in the "Bill" column in the "Department of Energy" table included under the heading "Title III—Department of Energy" in the report accompanying this Act.
- (e) The amounts made available by this title may be reprogrammed for any program, project, or activity, and the Department shall notify, and obtain the prior approval of, the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Con-

gress at least 30 days prior to the use of any proposed reprogramming that would cause any program, project, or activity funding level to increase or decrease by more than \$5,000,000 or 10 percent, whichever is less, during the time period covered by this Act.

- (f) None of the funds provided in this title shall be available for obligation or expenditure through a reprogramming of funds that—
- (1) creates, initiates, or eliminates a program, project, or activity;
- (2) increases funds or personnel for any program, project, or activity for which funds are denied or restricted by this Act; or
- (3) reduces funds that are directed to be used for a specific program, project, or activity by this Act.
- (g)(1) The Secretary of Energy may waive any requirement or restriction in this section that applies to the use of funds made available for the Department of Energy if compliance with such requirement or restriction would pose a substantial risk to human health, the environment, welfare, or national security.
- (2) The Secretary of Energy shall notify the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress of any waiver under paragraph (1) as soon as practicable, but not later than 3 days after the date of the activity to which a requirement or restriction would otherwise have applied. Such notice shall include an explanation of the substantial risk under paragraph (1) that permitted such waiver.

(h) The unexpended balances of prior appropriations provided for activities in this Act may be available to the same appropriation accounts for such activities established pursuant to this title. Available balances may be merged with funds in the applicable established accounts and thereafter may be accounted for as one fund for the same time period as originally enacted.

SEC. 302. Funds appropriated by this or any other Act, or made available by the transfer of funds in this Act, for intelligence activities are deemed to be specifically authorized by the Congress for purposes of section 504 of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3094) during fiscal year 2023 until the enactment of the Intelligence Authorization Act for fiscal year 2023.

SEC. 303. None of the funds made available in this title shall be used for the construction of facilities classified as high-hazard nuclear facilities under 10 CFR Part 830 unless independent oversight is conducted by the Office of Enterprise Assessments to ensure the project is in compliance with nuclear safety requirements.

SEC. 304. None of the funds made available in this title may be used to approve critical decision-2 or critical decision-3 under Department of Energy Order 413.3B, or any successive departmental guidance, for construction projects where the total project cost exceeds \$100,000,000, until a separate independent cost estimate has been developed for the project for that critical decision

SEC. 305. Notwithstanding section 161 of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. 6241), upon a determination by the President in this fiscal year that a regional supply shortage of refined petroleum product of significant scope and duration exists, that a severe increase in the price of refined petroleum product will likely result from such shortage, and that a draw down and sale of refined petroleum product would assist directly and significantly in reducing the adverse impact of such shortage, the Secretary of Energy may draw down and sell refined petroleum product from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve. Proceeds from a sale under this section shall be deposited into the SPR Petroleum Account established in section 167 of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. 6247), and such amounts shall be available for obligation, without fiscal year limitation, consistent with that section.

SEC. 306. No funds shall be transferred directly from "Department of Energy—Power

Marketing Administration—Colorado River Basins Power Marketing Fund, Western Area Power Administration" to the general fund of the Treasury in the current fiscal year.

SEC. 307. All unavailable collections currently in the United States Enrichment Corporation Fund shall be transferred to and merged with the Uranium Enrichment Decontamination and Decommissioning Fund and shall be available only to the extent provided in advance in appropriations Acts.

SEC. 308. Subparagraphs (B) and (C) of section 40401(a)(2) of Public Law 117–58, paragraph (3) of section 1702(r) of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 16512(r)(3)) as added by section 40401(c)(2)(C) of Public Law 117–58, and subsection (l) of section 136 of the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 (42 U.S.C. 17013(1)), are hereby repealed.

309. Of the unobligated balances from amounts made available in the first proviso of section 1425 of the Department of Defense and Full-Year Continuing Appropriations Act, 2011 (Public Law 112–10) for the cost of loan guarantees under section 1703 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005, \$150,000,000 are hereby rescinded: Provided, That, subject to section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, commitments to guarantee loans for eligible projects under title XVII of the Energy Policy Act of 2005, shall not exceedprincipaltotalamount\$15,000,000,000, to remain available until committed: Provided further, That the amounts provided in this section are in addition to those provided in any other Act: Provided further, That for amounts collected pursuant to section 1702(b)(2) of the Energy Policy Act of 2005, the source of such payment received from borrowers may not be a loan or other debt obligation that is guaranteed by the Federal Government: Provided further, That none of such loan guarantee authority made available by this section shall be available for commitments to guarantee loans for any projects where funds, personnel, or property (tangible or intangible) of any Federal agency, instrumentality, personnel, or affiliated entity are expected be used (directly or indirectly) through acquisitions, contracts, demonstrations, exchanges, grants, incentives, leases, procurements, sales, other transaction authority, or other arrangements, to support the project or to obtain goods or services from the project: Provided further, That the preceding proviso shall not be interpreted as precluding the use of the loan guarantee authority provided by this section for commitments to guarantee loans for: (1) projects as a result of such projects benefitting from otherwise allowable Federal income tax benefits; (2) projects as a result of such projects benefitting from being located on Federal land pursuant to a lease or right-of-way agreement for which all consideration for all uses is: (A) paid exclusively in cash; (B) deposited in the Treasury as offsetting receipts; and (C) equal to the fair market value as determined by the head of the relevant Federal agency; (3) projects as a result of such projects benefitting from Federal insurance programs, including under section 170 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2210; commonly known as the "Price-Anderson Act"); or (4) electric generation projects using transmission facilities owned or operated by a Federal Power Marketing Administration or the Tennessee Valley Authority that have been authorized, approved, and financed independent of the project receiving the guarantee: Provided further, That none of the loan guarantee authority made available by this section shall be available for any project unless the Director of the Office of Management and Budget has certified in advance in writing that the loan guarantee and the project comply with the provisions under this section.

SEC. 310. (a) Hereafter, for energy development, demonstration, and deployment programs funded under Department of Energy appropriations (other than those for the National Nuclear Security Administration and Office of Environmental Management) provided for fiscal year 2022, the current fiscal year, or any fiscal year thereafter (including by Acts other than appropriations Acts), the Secretary may vest unconditional title or other property interests acquired under projects in an award recipient, subrecipient, or successor in interest, including the United States, at the conclusion of the award period for projects receiving an initial award in fiscal year 2022 or later.

(b) Upon vesting unconditional title pursuant to subsection (a) in an award recipient, subrecipient, or successor in interest other than the United States, the United States shall have no liabilities or obligations to the property.

(c) For purposes of this section, the term "property interest" does not include any interest in intellectual property developed using funding provided under a project.

SEC. 311. None of the funds made available in this title may be used to support a grant allocation award, discretionary grant award, or cooperative agreement that exceeds \$100,000,000 in Federal funding unless the project is carried out through internal independent project management procedures.

## TITLE IV INDEPENDENT AGENCIES

#### APPALACHIAN REGIONAL COMMISSION

For expenses necessary to carry out the programs authorized by the Appalachian Regional Development Act of 1965, as amended, and for expenses necessary for the Federal Co-Chairman and the Alternate on the Appalachian Regional Commission, for payment of the Federal share of the administrative expenses of the Commission, including services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109, and hire of passenger motor vehicles, \$220,000,000, to remain available until expended.

## Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board

#### SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For expenses necessary for the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board in carrying out activities authorized by the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended by Public Law 100–456, section 1441, \$41,401,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024, of which not to exceed \$1,000 shall be available for official reception and representation expenses.

## DELTA REGIONAL AUTHORITY SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For expenses necessary for the Delta Regional Authority and to carry out its activities, as authorized by the Delta Regional Authority Act of 2000, notwithstanding sections 382F(d), 382M, and 382N of said Act, \$30,100,000, to remain available until expended.

#### DENALI COMMISSION

For expenses necessary for the Denali Commission including the purchase, construction, and acquisition of plant and capital equipment as necessary and other expenses, \$15,100,000, to remain available until expended, notwithstanding the limitations contained in section 306(q) of the Denali Commission Act of 1998: Provided. That funds shall be available for construction projects for which the Denali Commission is the sole or primary funding source in an amount not to exceed 80 percent of total project cost for distressed communities, as defined by section 307 of the Denali Commission Act of 1998 (division C, title III, Public Law 105-277), as amended by section 701 of appendix D, title VII, Public Law 106-113 (113 Stat. 1501A-280), and an amount not to exceed 50 percent for non-distressed communities: Provided further, That notwithstanding any other provision of law regarding payment of a non-Federal share in connection with a grant-in-aid program, amounts under this heading shall be available for the payment of such a non-Federal share for any project for which the Denali Commission is not the sole or primary funding source, provided that such project is consistent with the purposes of the Commission.

NORTHERN BORDER REGIONAL COMMISSION

For expenses necessary for the Northern Border Regional Commission in carrying out activities authorized by subtitle V of title 40, United States Code, \$38,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That such amounts shall be available for administrative expenses, notwithstanding section 15751(b) of title 40, United States Code.

#### SOUTHEAST CRESCENT REGIONAL COMMISSION

For expenses necessary for the Southeast Crescent Regional Commission in carrying out activities authorized by subtitle V of title 40, United States Code, \$33,000,000, to remain available until expended.

#### SOUTHWEST BORDER REGIONAL COMMISSION

For expenses necessary for the Southwest Border Regional Commission in carrying out activities authorized by subtitle V of title 40, United States Code, \$2,500,000, to remain available until expended.

## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

### SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For expenses necessary for the Commission in carrying out the purposes of the Energy Reorganization Act of 1974 and the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, \$911,384,000, including official representation expenses not to exceed \$25,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That of the amount appropriated herein, not more than \$9,500,000 may be made available for salaries, travel, and other support costs for the Office of the Commission, to remain available until September 30, 2024: Provided further, That revenues from licensing fees, inspection services, and other services and collections estimated at \$777,498,000 in fiscal year 2023 shall be retained and used for necessary salaries and expenses in this account, notwithstanding 31 U.S.C. 3302, and shall remain available until expended: Provided further, That the sum herein appropriated shall be reduced by the amount of revenues received during fiscal year 2023 so as to result in a final fiscal year 2023 appropriation estimated at not more than \$133,886,000.

### OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

For expenses necessary for the Office of Inspector General in carrying out the provisions of the Inspector General Act of 1978, \$17,769,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024: Provided, That revenues from licensing fees, inspection services, and other services and collections estimated at \$14,655,000 in fiscal year 2023 shall be retained and be available until September 30, 2024, for necessary salaries and expenses in this account, notwithstanding section 3302 of title 31, United States Code: Provided further, That the sum herein appropriated shall be reduced by the amount of revenues received during fiscal year 2023 so as to result in a final fiscal year 2023 appropriation estimated at not more than \$3,114,000: Provided further, That of the amounts appropriated under this heading, \$1,520,000 shall be for Inspector General services for the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board.

### NUCLEAR WASTE TECHNICAL REVIEW BOARD

### SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For expenses necessary for the Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board, as authorized by Public Law 100-203, section 5051, \$3,945,000, to be derived from the Nuclear Waste Fund, to remain available until September 30, 2024.

## $\begin{array}{c} \textit{GENERAL PROVISIONS} - \textit{INDEPENDENT} \\ \textit{AGENCIES} \end{array}$

SEC. 401. (a) The amounts made available by this title for the Nuclear Regulatory Commission may be reprogrammed for any program, project or activity, and the Commission shall notify the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress at least 30 days prior to the use of any proposed reprogramming that would cause any program funding level to increase or decrease by more than \$500,000 or 10 percent, whichever is less, during the time period covered by this Act.

(b)(1) The Nuclear Regulatory Commission may varive the notification requirement in subsection (a) if compliance with such requirement would pose a substantial risk to human health, the environment, welfare, or national security.

(2) The Nuclear Regulatory Commission shall notify the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress of any waiver under paragraph (1) as soon as practicable, but not later than 3 days after the date of the activity to which a requirement or restriction would otherwise have applied. Such notice shall include an explanation of the substantial risk under paragraph (1) that permitted such waiver and shall provide a detailed report to the Committees of such waiver and changes to funding levels to programs, projects, or activities.

(c) Except as provided in subsections (a), (b), and (d), the amounts made available by this title for "Nuclear Regulatory Commission—Salaries and Expenses" shall be expended as directed in the report accompanying this Act.

(d) None of the funds provided for the Nuclear Regulatory Commission shall be available for obligation or expenditure through a reprogramming of funds that increases funds or personnel for any program, project, or activity for which funds are denied or restricted by this Act.

(e) The Commission shall provide a monthly report to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress, which includes the following for each program, project, or activity, including any prior year appropriations—

(1) total budget authority;

- (2) total unobligated balances; and
- (3) total unliquidated obligations.

#### $TITLE\ V$

#### GENERAL PROVISIONS

### (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 501. None of the funds appropriated by this Act may be used in any way, directly or indirectly, to influence congressional action on any legislation or appropriation matters pending before Congress, other than to communicate to Members of Congress as described in 18 U.S.C. 1913

SEC. 502. (a) None of the funds made available in title III of this Act may be transferred to any department, agency, or instrumentality of the United States Government, except pursuant to a transfer made by or transfer authority provided in this Act or any other appropriations Act for any fiscal year, transfer authority referenced in the report accompanying this Act, or any authority whereby a department, agency, or instrumentality of the United States Government may provide goods or services to another department, agency, or instrumentality.

(b) None of the funds made available for any department, agency, or instrumentality of the United States Government may be transferred to accounts funded in title III of this Act, except pursuant to a transfer made by or transfer authority provided in this Act or any other appropriations Act for any fiscal year, transfer authority referenced in the report accompanying this Act, or any authority whereby a department, agency, or instrumentality of the United States Government may provide goods or services to another department, agency, or instrumentality.

(c) The head of any relevant department or agency funded in this Act utilizing any transfer authority shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress a semiannual report detailing the transfer authorities, except for any authority whereby a department, agency, or instrumentality of the United States Government may provide goods or services to another department, agency, or instrumentality, used in the previous 6 months and in the year-to-date. This report shall include the amounts transferred and the purposes for which they were transferred, and shall not replace or modify existing notification requirements for each authority.

SEC. 503. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used in contravention of Executive Order No. 12898 of February 11, 1994 (Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations).

SEC. 504. (a) None of the funds made available in this Act may be used to maintain or establish a computer network unless such network blocks the viewing, downloading, and exchanging of pornography.

(b) Nothing in subsection (a) shall limit the use of funds necessary for any Federal, State, Tribal, or local law enforcement agency or any other entity carrying out criminal investigations, prosecution, or adjudication activities.

This division may be cited as the "Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act. 2023".

#### DIVISION D—FINANCIAL SERVICES AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIA-TIONS ACT, 2023

TITLE I

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

DEPARTMENTAL OFFICES

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Departmental Offices including operation and maintenance of the Treasury Building and Freedman's Bank Building; hire of passenger motor vehicles; maintenance, repairs, and improvements of, and purchase of commercial insurance policies for, real properties leased or owned overseas, when necessary for the performance of official business: executive direction program activities: international affairs and economic policy activities: domestic finance and tax policy activities. including technical assistance to State, local, and territorial entities: and Treasury-wide management policies and programs activities, \$278,382,000: Provided, That of the amount appropriated under this heading-

- (1) not to exceed \$350,000 is for official reception and representation expenses;
- (2) not to exceed \$258,000 is for unforeseen emergencies of a confidential nature to be allocated and expended under the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury and to be accounted for solely on the Secretary's certificate; and
- (3) not to exceed \$34,000,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2024, for—
- (A) the Treasury-wide Financial Statement Audit and Internal Control Program;
- (B) information technology modernization requirements:
- quirements;
  (C) the audit, oversight, and administration of
  the Gulf Coast Restoration Trust Fund;
- (D) the development and implementation of programs within the Office of Cybersecurity and Critical Infrastructure Protection, including entering into cooperative agreements;
- (E) operations and maintenance of facilities; and

(F) international operations.

 $\begin{array}{c} COMMITTEE \ ON \ FOREIGN \ INVESTMENT \ IN \ THE \\ UNITED \ STATES \ FUND \end{array}$ 

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses of the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States, \$20,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That the chairperson of the Committee may transfer such amounts to any department or agency represented on the Committee (including the Department of the Treasury) subject to advance notification to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate: Provided further, That amounts so transferred shall remain available until expended for expenses of implementing section 721 of the Defense Production Act of 1950, as amended (50 U.S.C. 4565), and shall be available in addition to any other funds available to any department or agency: Provided further, That fees authorized by section 721(p) of such Act shall be credited to this appropriation as offsetting collections: Provided further, That the total amount appropriated under this heading from the general fund shall be reduced as such offsetting collections are received during fiscal year 2023, so as to result in a total appropriation from the general fund estimated at not more than \$0.

## OFFICE OF TERRORISM AND FINANCIAL INTELLIGENCE

#### SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For the necessary expenses of the Office of Terrorism and Financial Intelligence to safeguard the financial system against illicit use tocombat rogue nations, terrorist facilitators, weapons of mass destruction proliferators, human rights abusers, money launderers, drug kingpins, and other national security threats, \$217,059,000, of which not less than \$4,000,000 shall be available for addressing human rights violations and corruption, including activities authorized by the Magnitsky Human Rights Accountability Act (22 U.S.C. 2656 note): Provided, That of the amounts appropriated under this heading, up to \$12,000,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2024.

#### CYBERSECURITY ENHANCEMENT ACCOUNT

For salaries and expenses for enhanced cybersecurity for systems operated by the Department of the Treasury, \$135,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2025: Provided, That such funds shall supplement and not supplant any other amounts made available to the Treasury offices and bureaus for cybersecurity: Provided further. That of the total amount made available under this heading \$6,000,000 shall be available for administrative expenses for the Treasury Chief Information Officer to provide oversight of the investments made under this heading: Provided further, That such funds shall supplement and not supplant any other amounts made available to the Treasury Chief Information Officer.

## $\begin{array}{c} \textit{DEPARTMENT-WIDE SYSTEMS AND CAPITAL} \\ \textit{INVESTMENTS PROGRAMS} \end{array}$

#### (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For development and acquisition of automatic data processing equipment, software, and services: for the hire of zero emission passenger motor vehicles and for supporting charging or fueling infrastructure; and for repairs and renovations to buildings owned by the Department of the Treasury, \$11,118,000, to remain available until September 30, 2025: Provided, That these funds shall be transferred to accounts and in amounts as necessary to satisfy the requirements of the Department's offices, bureaus, and other organizations: Provided further, That this transfer authority shall be in addition to any other transfer authority provided in this Act: Provided further, That none of the funds appropriated under this heading shall be used to support or supplement "Internal Revenue Service, Operations Support" or "Internal Revenue Service, Business Systems Modernization".

### OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

### SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector General in carrying out the provisions of the Inspector General Act of 1978, \$48,878,000, including hire of passenger motor vehicles; of which not to exceed \$100,000 shall be available for unforeseen emergencies of a confidential nature, to be allocated and expended under the direction of the Inspector General of the Treasury; of which up to \$2,800,000 to remain available until September 30, 2024, shall be for audits and investigations conducted pursuant to section 1608 of the Resources and Ecosystems Sustainability, Tourist Opportunities, and Revived Economies of the Gulf Coast States Act of 2012 (33 U.S.C. 1321 note); and of which not to exceed \$1,000 shall be available for official reception and representation expenses.

## $\begin{array}{c} \mathit{TREASURY\ INSPECTOR\ GENERAL\ FOR\ TAX} \\ \mathit{ADMINISTRATION} \end{array}$

#### SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration in carrying out the Inspector General Act of 1978, as amended, including purchase and hire of passenger motor vehicles (31 U.S.C. 1343(b)); and services authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109, at such rates as may be determined by the Inspector General for Tax Administration; \$179,409,000, of which \$5,000,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2024; of which not to exceed \$6,000,000 shall be available for official travel expenses; of which not to exceed \$500,000 shall be available for unforeseen emergencies of a confidential nature, to be allocated and expended under the direction of the Inspector General for Tax Administration; and of which not to exceed \$1,500 shall be available for official reception and representation expenses.

 $SPECIAL\ INSPECTOR\ GENERAL\ FOR\ THE\ TROUBLED$   $ASSET\ RELIEF\ PROGRAM$ 

#### SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Office of the Special Inspector General in carrying out the provisions of the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008 (Public Law 110-343). \$9,000,000.

## FINANCIAL CRIMES ENFORCEMENT NETWORK SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Financial Crimes Enforcement Network, including hire of passenger motor vehicles; travel and training expenses of non-Federal and foreign government personnel to attend meetings and training concerned with domestic and foreign financial intelligence activities, law enforcement, and financial regulation; services authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109; not to exceed \$25,000 for official reception and representation expenses; and for assistance to Federal law enforcement agencies, with or without reimbursement, \$210,330,000, of which not to exceed \$55,000,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2025.

### BUREAU OF THE FISCAL SERVICE SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of operations of the Bureau of the Fiscal Service, \$372,485,000; of which not to exceed \$8,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2025, is for information systems modernization initiatives; and of which \$5,000 shall be available for official reception and representation expenses.

In addition, \$165,000, to be derived from the Oil Spill Liability Trust Fund to reimburse administrative and personnel expenses for financial management of the Fund, as authorized by section 1012 of Public Law 101-380.

## ALCOHOL AND TOBACCO TAX AND TRADE BUREAU SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of carrying out section 1111 of the Homeland Security Act of 2002, including hire of passenger motor vehicles, \$150,863,000; of which not to exceed \$6,000 shall be available for official reception and representation expenses; and of which not to exceed \$50,000 shall be available for cooperative research and development programs for laboratory services; and provision of laboratory assistance to State and local agencies with or without reimbursement: Provided. That of the amount appropriated under this heading, \$5,000,000 shall be for the costs of accelerating the processing of formula and label applications: Provided further. That of the amount appropriated under this heading, \$5,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024, shall be for the costs associated with enforcement of and education regarding the trade practice provisions of the Federal Alcohol Administration Act (27 U.S.C. 201 et seq.).

### United States Mint

UNITED STATES MINT PUBLIC ENTERPRISE FUND Pursuant to section 5136 of title 31, United States Code, the United States Mint is provided funding through the United States Mint Public Enterprise Fund for costs associated with the production of circulating coins, numismatic coins, and protective services, including both operating expenses and capital investments: Provided, That the aggregate amount of new liabilities and obligations incurred during fiscal year 2023 under such section 5136 for circulating coinage and protective service capital investments of the United States Mint shall not exceed \$50,000,000.

## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS FUND PROGRAM ACCOUNT

To carry out the Riegle Community Development and Regulatory Improvement Act of 1994 (subtitle A of title I of Public Law 103–325), including services authorized by section 3109 of title 5, United States Code, but at rates for individuals not to exceed the per diem rate equivalent to the rate for EX-III, \$336,420,000. Of the amount appropriated under this heading—

(1) not less than \$216.883.000, notwithstanding section 108(e) of Public Law 103-325 (12 U.S.C. 4707(e)) with regard to Small and/or Emergina Community Development Financial Institutions Assistance awards, is available until September 30, 2024, for financial assistance and technical assistance under subparagraphs (A) and (B) of section 108(a)(1), respectively, of Public Law 103-325 (12 U.S.C. 4707(a)(1)(A) and (B)), of which up to \$1,600,000 may be available for training and outreach under section 109 of Public Law 103-325 (12 U.S.C. 4708), of which up to \$3.153.750 may be used for the cost of direct loans, of which up to \$10,000,000, notwithstanding subsection (d) of section 108 of Public Law 103-325 (12 U.S.C. 4707 (d)), may be available to provide financial assistance, technical assistance, training, and outreach to community development financial institutions to expand investments that benefit individuals with disabilities, and of which not less than \$2,000,000 shall be for the Economic Mobility Corps to be operated in conjunction with the Corporation for National and Community Service, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 12571: Provided, That the cost of direct and guaranteed loans, including the cost of modifying such loans, shall be as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974: Provided further, That these funds are available to subsidize gross obligations for the principal amount of direct loans not to exceed \$25,000,000: Provided further, That of the funds provided under this paragraph, excluding those made to community development financial institutions to expand investments that benefit individuals with disabilities and those made to community development financial institutions that serve populations living in persistent poverty counties, the CDFI Fund shall prioritize Financial Assistance awards to organizations that invest and lend in high-poverty areas: Provided further, That for purposes of this section, the term "high-poverty area" means any census tract with a poverty rate of at least 20 percent as measured by the 2016-2020 5-year data series available from the American Community Survey of the Bureau of the Census for all States and Puerto Rico or with a poverty rate of at least 20 percent as measured by the 2010 Island areas Decennial Census data for any territory or possession of the United States;

(2) not less than \$22,500,000, notwithstanding section 108(e) of Public Law 103-325 (12 U.S.C. 4707(e)), is available until September 30, 2024, for financial assistance, technical assistance, training, and outreach programs designed to benefit Native American, Native Hawaiian, and Alaska Native communities and provided primarily through qualified community development lender organizations with experience and expertise in community development banking and lending in Indian country, Native American organizations, Tribes and Tribal organizations, and other suitable providers:

(3) not less than \$28,000,000 is available until September 30, 2024, for the Bank Enterprise Award program; (4) not less than \$24,000,000, notwithstanding subsections (d) and (e) of section 108 of Public Law 103-325 (12 U.S.C. 4707(d) and (e)), is available until September 30, 2024, for a Healthy Food Financing Initiative to provide financial assistance, technical assistance, training, and outreach to community development financial institutions for the purpose of offering affordable financing and technical assistance to expand the availability of healthy food options in distressed communities;

(5) not less than \$10,000,000 is available until September 30, 2024, to provide grants for loan loss reserve funds and to provide technical asistance for small dollar loan programs under section 122 of Public Law 103-325 (12 U.S.C. 4719): Provided, That sections 108(d) and 122(b)(2) of such Public Law shall not apply to the provision of such grants and technical assistance:

(6) up to \$35,037,000 is for administrative expenses, including administration of CDFI Fund programs and the New Markets Tax Credit Program, of which not less than \$1,000,000 is for the development of tools to better assess and inform CDFI investment performance and CDFI Fund program impacts, and up to \$300,000 is for administrative expenses to carry out the direct

loan program; and

(7) during fiscal year 2023, none of the funds available under this heading are available for the cost, as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, of commitments to guarantee bonds and notes under section 114A of the Riegle Community Development and Regulatory Improvement Act of 1994 (12 U.S.C. 4713a): Provided, That commitments to guarantee bonds and notes under such section 114A shall not exceed \$500,000,000: Provided further, That such section 114A shall remain in effect until December 31, 2023: Provided further, That of the funds awarded under this heading, except those provided for the Economic Mobility Corps, not less than 10 percent shall be used for awards that support investments that serve populations living in persistent poverty counties: Provided further. That for the purposes of this paragraph and paragraph (1), the term "persistent poverty counties" means any county, including county equivalent areas in Puerto Rico, that has had 20 percent or more of its population living in poverty over the past 30 years, as measured by the 1990 and 2000 decennial censuses and the 2016-2020 5-year data series available from the American Community Survey of the Bureau of the Census or any other territory or possession of the United States that has had 20 percent or more of its population living in poverty over the past 30 years, as measured by the 1990, 2000 and 2010 Island Areas Decennial Censuses, or equivalent data, of the Bureau of the Census.

## INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE TAXPAYER SERVICES

For necessary expenses of the Internal Revenue Service to provide taxpayer services, including pre-filing assistance and education, filing and account services, taxpayer advocacy services, rent payments, and other services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109, at such rates as may be determined by the Commissioner, \$3.410,728,000, of which not to\$100,000,000 shall remain available until Sep-30, 2024; of which not less than \$11,000,000 shall be for the Tax Counseling for the Elderly Program, of which not less than \$13,000,000 shall be available for low-income taxpayer clinic grants, of which not less than \$35,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024, shall be available for the Community Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Matching Grants Program for tax return preparation assistance, and of which not less than \$235,000,000 shall be available for operating expenses of the Taxpayer Advocate Service: Provided, That of the amounts made available for the Taxpayer Advocate Service, not less than \$6,000,000 shall be for identity theft and refund fraud casework. ENFORCEMENT

For necessary expenses for tax enforcement activities of the Internal Revenue Service to determine and collect owed taxes, to provide legal and litigation support, to conduct criminal investigations, to enforce criminal statutes related to violations of internal revenue laws and other financial crimes, to purchase and hire passenger motor vehicles (31 U.S.C. 1343(b)), rent payments, and to provide other services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109, at such rates as may be determined by the Commissioner, \$6,120,262,000, of which not to exceed \$250,000,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2024; of which not less than \$60,257,000 shall be for the Interagency Crime and Drug Enforcement program; and of which not to exceed \$25,000,000 shall be for investigative technology for the Criminal Investigation Division: Provided, That the amount made available for investigative technology for the Criminal Investigation Division shall be in addition to amounts made available for the Criminal Investigation Division under the "Operations Support" heading.

#### OPERATIONS SUPPORT

For necessary expenses of the Internal Revenue Service to support taxpayer services and enforcement programs, including rent payments; facilities services; printing; postage; physical security; headquarters and other IRS-wide administration activities; research and statistics of income; telecommunications; information technology development, enhancement, operations, maintenance, and security; the hire of passenger motor vehicles (31 U.S.C. 1343(b)); the operations of the Internal Revenue Service Oversight Board; and other services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109, at such rates as may be determined by the Commissioner; \$3,753,561,000, of which not to exceed \$275,000,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2024; of which not to exceed \$10,000,000 shall remain available until expended for acquisition of equipment and construction, repair and renovation of facilities; of which not to exceed \$1,000,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2025, for research; and of which not to exceed \$20,000 shall be for official reception and representation expenses: Provided, That not later than 30 days after the end of each quarter, the Internal Revenue Service shall submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate and the Comptroller General of the United States detailing major information technology investments in the Internal Revenue Service Integrated Modernization Business Plan portfolio, including detailed, plain language summaries on the status of plans, costs, and results; prior results and actual expenditures of the prior quarter; upcoming deliverables and costs for the fiscal year; risks and mitigation strategies associated with ongoing work; reasons for any cost or schedule variances; and total expenditures by fiscal year: Provided further, That the Internal Revenue Service shall include, in its budget justification for fiscal year 2024, a summary of cost and schedule performance information for its major information technology sustems.

#### BUSINESS SYSTEMS MODERNIZATION

For necessary expenses of the Internal Revenue Service's business systems modernization program, \$310,027,000, to remain available until September 30, 2025, for the capital asset acquisition of information technology systems, including management and related contractual costs of said acquisitions, including related Internal Revenue Service labor costs, and contractual costs associated with operations authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109: Provided, That not later than 30 days after the end of each quarter, the Internal Revenue Service shall submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate and the Comptroller General of the United States detailing major information technology investments in the

Internal Revenue Service Integrated Modernization Business Plan portfolio, including detailed, plain language summaries on the status of plans, costs, and results; prior results and actual expenditures of the prior quarter; upcoming deliverables and costs for the fiscal year; risks and mitigation strategies associated with ongoing work; reasons for any cost or schedule variances; and total expenditures by fiscal year.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—INTERNAL REVENUE

#### SERVICE (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 101. Not to exceed 4 percent of the appropriation made available in this Act to the Internal Revenue Service under the "Enforcement" heading, and not to exceed 5 percent of any other appropriation made available in this Act to the Internal Revenue Service, may be transferred to any other Internal Revenue Service appropriation upon the advance approval of the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate: Provided, That an additional 2 percent of the appropriation made available in this Act to the Internal Revenue Service under the "Enforcement" heading may be transferred to the appropriation made available in this Act to the Internal Revenue Service under the "Taxpayer Services" heading upon advance approval of the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate.

SEC. 102. The Internal Revenue Service shall maintain an employee training program, which shall include the following topics: taxpayers' rights, dealing courteously with taxpayers, cross-cultural relations, ethics, and the impartial application of tax law.

SEC. 103. The Internal Revenue Service shall institute and enforce policies and procedures that will safeguard the confidentiality of taxpayer information and protect taxpayers against identity theft.

SEC. 104. Funds made available by this or any other Act to the Internal Revenue Service shall be available for improved facilities and increased staffing to provide sufficient and effective 1–800 help line service for taxpayers. The Commissioner shall continue to make improvements to the Internal Revenue Service 1–800 help line service a priority and allocate resources necessary to enhance the response time to taxpayer communications, particularly with regard to victims of tax-related crimes.

SEC. 105. The Internal Revenue Service shall issue a notice of confirmation of any address change relating to an employer making employment tax payments, and such notice shall be sent to both the employer's former and new address and an officer or employee of the Internal Revenue Service shall give special consideration to an offer-in-compromise from a taxpayer who has been the victim of fraud by a third party payroll tax preparer.

SEC. 106. None of the funds made available under this Act may be used by the Internal Revenue Service to target citizens of the United States for exercising any right guaranteed under the First Amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

SEC. 107. None of the funds made available in this Act may be used by the Internal Revenue Service to target groups for regulatory scrutiny based on their ideological beliefs.

SEC. 108. None of funds made available by this Act to the Internal Revenue Service shall be obligated or expended on conferences that do not adhere to the procedures, verification processes, documentation requirements, and policies issued by the Chief Financial Officer, Human Capital Office, and Agency-Wide Shared Services as result of the recommendations in the report published on May 31, 2013, by the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration entitled "Review of the August 2010 Small Business/Self-Employed Division's Conference in Anaheim, California" (Reference Number 2013–10–037).

SEC. 109. None of the funds made available in this Act to the Internal Revenue Service may be obligated or expended—

(1) to make a payment to any employee under a bonus, award, or recognition program; or

(2) under any hiring or personnel selection process with respect to re-hiring a former employee;

unless such program or process takes into account the conduct and Federal tax compliance of such employee or former employee.

SEC. 110. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used in contravention of section 6103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (relating to confidentiality and disclosure of returns and return information).

SEC. 111. The Secretary of the Treasury (or the Secretary's delegate) may use the funds made available in this Act, subject to such policies as the Secretary (or the Secretary's delegate) may establish, to utilize direct hire authority to recruit and appoint qualified applicants, without regard to any notice or preference requirements, directly to positions in the competitive service to process backlogged tax returns and return information.

SEC. 112. Notwithstanding section 1344 of title 31, United States Code, funds appropriated to the Internal Revenue Service in this Act may be used to provide passenger carrier transportation and protection between the Commissioner of Internal Revenue's residence and place of employment.

## $\begin{array}{c} \textit{ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS} \\ \textit{--DEPARTMENT OF} \\ \textit{THE TREASURY} \end{array}$

#### (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

SEC. 113. Appropriations to the Department of the Treasury in this Act shall be available for uniforms or allowances therefor, as authorized by law (5 U.S.C. 5901), including maintenance, repairs, and cleaning; purchase of insurance for official motor vehicles operated in foreign countries; purchase of motor vehicles without regard to the general purchase price limitations for vehicles purchased and used overseas for the current fiscal year; entering into contracts with the Department of State for the furnishing of health and medical services to employees and their dependents serving in foreign countries; and services authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109.

SEC. 114. Not to exceed 2 percent of any appropriations in this title made available under the headings "Departmental Offices—Salaries and Expenses", "Office of Inspector General", "Special Inspector General for the Troubled Asset Relief Program", "Financial Crimes Enforcement Network", "Bureau of the Fiscal Service", and "Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau" may be transferred between such appropriations upon the advance approval of the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate: Provided, That no transfer under this section may increase or decrease any such appropriation by more than 2 percent.

SEC. 115. Not to exceed 2 percent of any appropriation made available in this Act to the Internal Revenue Service may be transferred to the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration's appropriation upon the advance approval of the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate: Provided, That no transfer may increase or decrease any such appropriation by more than 2 percent.

SEC. 116. None of the funds appropriated in this Act or otherwise available to the Department of the Treasury or the Bureau of Engraving and Printing may be used to redesign the \$1 Federal Reserve note.

SEC. 117. The Secretary of the Treasury may transfer funds from the "Bureau of the Fiscal Service—Salaries and Expenses" to the Debt Collection Fund as necessary to cover the costs of debt collection: Provided, That such amounts shall be reimbursed to such salaries and expenses account from debt collections received in the Debt Collection Fund.

SEC. 118. None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this or any other Act may be used by the United States Mint to construct or operate any museum without the explicit approval of the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate, the House Committee on Financial Services, and the Senate Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

SEC. 119. None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this or any other Act or source to the Department of the Treasury, the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, and the United States Mint, individually or collectively, may be used to consolidate any or all functions of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing and the United States Mint without the explicit approval of the House Committee on Financial Services; the Senate Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs; and the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate

SEC. 120. Funds appropriated by this Act, or made available by the transfer of funds in this Act, for the Department of the Treasury's intelligence or intelligence related activities are deemed to be specifically authorized by the Congress for purposes of section 504 of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 414) during fiscal year 2023 until the enactment of the Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023.

SEC. 121. Not to exceed \$5,000 shall be made available from the Bureau of Engraving and Printing's Industrial Revolving Fund for necessary official reception and representation expenses.

SEC. 122. The Secretary of the Treasury shall submit a Capital Investment Plan to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate not later than 30 days following the submission of the annual budget submitted by the President: Provided, That such Capital Investment Plan shall include capital investment spending from all accounts within the Department of the Treasury, including but not limited to the Departmentwide Systems and Capital Investment Programs account. Treasury Franchise Fund account. and the Treasury Forfeiture Fund account: Provided further. That such Capital Investment Plan shall include expenditures occurring in previous fiscal years for each capital investment project that has not been fully completed.

Sec. 123. Within 45 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Treasury shall submit an itemized report to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate on the amount of total funds charged to each office by the Franchise Fund including the amount charged for each service provided by the Franchise Fund to each office, a detailed description of the services, a detailed explanation of how each charge for each service is calculated, and a description of the role customers have in governing in the Franchise Fund.

SEC. 124. (a) Not later than 60 days after the end of each quarter, the Office of Financial Stability and the Office of Financial Research shall submit reports on their activities to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate, the Committee on Financial Services of the House of Representatives, and the Senate Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

(b) The reports required under subsection (a) shall include—

(1) the obligations made during the previous quarter by object class, office, and activity;

(2) the estimated obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year by object class, office, and activity;

(3) the number of full-time equivalents within each office during the previous quarter;

(4) the estimated number of full-time equivalents within each office for the remainder of the fiscal year; and

(5) actions taken to achieve the goals, objectives, and performance measures of each office.

(c) At the request of any such Committees specified in subsection (a), the Office of Financial Stability and the Office of Financial Research shall make officials available to testify on the contents of the reports required under subsection (a).

SEC. 125. In addition to amounts otherwise available, there is appropriated to the Special Inspector General for Pandemic Recovery, \$16,000,000, to remain available until expended, for necessary expenses in carrying out section 4018 of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (Public Law 116–136).

SEC. 126. Of the unobligated balances from amounts made available to the Secretary of the Treasury (referred to in this section as "Secretary") for administrative expenses pursuant to sections 4003(f) and 4112(b) of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (Public Law 116-136) and section 7301(b)(5) of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Public Law 117-2), up to \$80,000,000 shall be available to the Secretary for any administrative expenses of the Department of the Treasury determined by the Secretary to be necessary to implement section 501 of division N of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 (Public Law 116-260), sections 3201 or 3206 of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Public Law 117-2), or title VI of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 801 et seq.), in addition to amounts otherwise available for such pur-

This title may be cited as the "Department of the Treasury Appropriations Act, 2023".

#### TITLE II

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT AND FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE PRESIDENT

#### THE WHITE HOUSE

#### SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses for the White House as authorized by law, including not to exceed \$3,850,000 for services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109 and 3 U.S.C. 105; subsistence expenses as authorized by 3 U.S.C. 105, which shall be expended and accounted for as provided in that section; hire of passenger motor vehicles, and travel (not to exceed \$100,000 to be expended and accounted for as provided by 3 U.S.C. 103); and not to exceed \$19,000 for official reception and representation expenses, to be available for allocation within the Executive Office of the President; and for necessary expenses of the Office of Policy Development, including services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109 and 3 U.S.C. 107, \$77,681,000.

### EXECUTIVE RESIDENCE AT THE WHITE HOUSE OPERATING EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Executive Residence at the White House, \$15,609,000, to be expended and accounted for as provided by 3 U.S.C. 105, 109, 110, and 112–114.

### $REIMBURSABLE\ EXPENSES$

For the reimbursable expenses of the Executive Residence at the White House, such sums as may be necessary: Provided, That all reimbursable operating expenses of the Executive Residence shall be made in accordance with the provisions of this paragraph: Provided further, That, notwithstanding any other provision of law, such amount for reimbursable operating expenses shall be the exclusive authority of the Executive Residence to incur obligations and to receive offsetting collections, for such expenses: Provided further, That the Executive Residence shall require each person sponsoring a reimbursable political event to pay in advance an amount equal to the estimated cost of the event, and all such advance payments shall be credited to this account and remain available until expended: Provided further, That the Executive Residence shall require the national committee of the political party of the President to maintain on deposit \$25,000, to be separately accounted for and available for expenses relating

to reimbursable political events sponsored by such committee during such fiscal year: Provided further, That the Executive Residence shall ensure that a written notice of any amount owed for a reimbursable operating expense under this paragraph is submitted to the person owing such amount within 60 days after such expense is incurred, and that such amount is collected within 30 days after the submission of such notice: Provided further, That the Executive Residence shall charge interest and assess penalties and other charges on any such amount that is not reimbursed within such 30 days, in accordance with the interest and penalty provisions applicable to an outstanding debt on a United States Government claim under 31 U.S.C. 3717: Provided further, That each such amount that is reimbursed, and any accompanuing interest and charges, shall be deposited in the Treasury as miscellaneous receipts: Provided further. That the Executive Residence shall prepare and submit to the Committees on Appropriations, by not later than 90 days after the end of the fiscal year covered by this Act, a report setting forth the reimbursable operating expenses of the Executive Residence during the preceding fiscal year, including the total amount of such expenses, the amount of such total that consists of reimbursable official and ceremonial events, the amount of such total that consists of reimbursable political events, and the portion of each such amount that has been reimbursed as of the date of the report: Provided further, That the Executive Residence shall maintain a system for the tracking of expenses related to reimbursable events within the Executive Residence that includes a standard for the classification of any such expense as political or nonpolitical: Provided further, That no provision of this paragraph may be construed to exempt the Executive Residence from any other applicable requirement of subchapter I or II of chapter 37 of title 31, United States Code.

#### WHITE HOUSE REPAIR AND RESTORATION

For the repair, alteration, and improvement of the Executive Residence at the White House pursuant to 3 U.S.C. 105(d), \$2,500,000, to remain available until expended, for required maintenance, resolution of safety and health issues, and continued preventative maintenance.

### COUNCIL OF ECONOMIC ADVISERS

#### SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Council of Economic Advisers in carrying out its functions under the Employment Act of 1946 (15 U.S.C. 1021 et seq.), \$4,903,000.

## NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL AND HOMELAND SECURITY COUNCIL

### SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the National Security Council and the Homeland Security Council, including services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109, \$13,901,000, of which not to exceed \$6,000 shall be available for official reception and representation expenses.

#### Office of Administration SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Office of Administration, including services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109 and 3 U.S.C. 107, and hire of passenger motor vehicles, \$115,463,000, of which not to exceed \$12,800,000 shall remain available until expended for continued modernization of information resources within the Executive Office of the President: Provided, That of the amounts provided under this heading, up to \$4,500,000 shall be available for a program to provide payments (such as stipends, subsistence allowances, cost reimbursements, or awards) to students, recent graduates, and veterans recently discharged from active duty who are performing voluntary services in the Executive Office of the President under section 3111(b) of title 5, United States Code, or comparable authority and shall be in addition to amounts otherwise available to pay or compensate such individuals: Provided further, That such payments shall not be considered compensation for purposes of such section 3111(b) and may be paid in advance.

#### Office of Management and Budget

#### SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Office of Management and Budget, including hire of passenger motor vehicles and services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109, to carry out the provisions of chapter 35 of title 44, United States Code, and to prepare and submit the budget of the United States Government, in accordance with section 1105(a) of title 31, United States Code, \$128,035,000, of which not to exceed \$3,000 shall be available for official representation expenses: Provided. That none of the funds appropriated in this Act for the Office of Management and Budget may be used for the purpose of reviewing any agricultural marketing orders or any activities or regulations under the provisions of the Agricultural Marketing Agreement Act of 1937 (7 U.S.C. 601 et seq.): Provided further, That none of the funds made available for the Office of Management and Budget by this Act may be expended for the altering of the transcript of actual testimony of witnesses, except for testimony of officials of the Office of Management and Budget, before the Committees on Appropriations or their subcommittees: Provided further, That none of the funds made available for the Office of Management and Budget by this Act may be expended for the altering of the annual work plan developed by the Corps of Engineers for submission to the Committees on Appropriations: Provided further, That none of the funds provided in this or prior Acts shall be used, directly or indirectly, by the Office of Management and Budget, for evaluating or determining if water resource project or study reports submitted by the Chief of Engineers acting through the Secretary of the Army are in compliance with all applicable laws, regulations, and requirements relevant to the Civil Works water resource planning process: Provided further, That the Office of Management and Budget shall have not more than 60 days in which to perform budgetary policy reviews of water resource matters on which the Chief of Engineers has reported: Provided further, That the Director of the Office of Management and Budget shall notify the appropriate authorizing and appropriating committees when the 60-day review is initiated: Provided further. That if water resource reports have not been transmitted to the appropriate authorizing and appropriating committees within 15 days after the end of the Office of Management and Budget review period based on the notification from the Director, Congress shall assume Office of Management and Budget concurrence with the report and act accordingly: Provided further, That no later than 14 days after the submission of the budget of the United States Government for fiscal year 2024, the Director of the Office of Management and Budget shall make publicly available on a website a tabular list for each agency that submits budget justification materials (as defined in section 3 of the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006) that shall include, at minimum, the name of the agency, the date on which the budget justification materials of the agency were submitted to Congress, and a uniform resource locator where the budget justification materials are published on the website of the agency.

## INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR

For necessary expenses of the Office of the Intellectual Property Enforcement Coordinator, as authorized by title III of the Prioritizing Resources and Organization for Intellectual Property Act of 2008 (Public Law 110–403), including services authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109, \$1,902,000.

## OFFICE OF THE NATIONAL CYBER DIRECTOR SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Office of the National Cyber Director, as authorized by section 1752 of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116–283), \$21,926,000, of which not to exceed \$5,000 shall be available for official reception and representation expenses.

### Office of National Drug Control Policy

#### SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Office of National Drug Control Policy; for research activities pursuant to the Office of National Drug Control Policy Reauthorization Act of 1998, as amended; not to exceed \$10,000 for official reception and representation expenses; and for participation in joint projects or in the provision of services on matters of mutual interest with nonprofit, research, or public organizations or agencies, with or without reimbursement, \$22,340,000: Provided, That the Office is authorized to accept, hold, administer, and utilize gifts, both real and personal, public and private, without fiscal year limitation, for the purpose of aiding or facilitating the work of the Office.

### FEDERAL DRUG CONTROL PROGRAMS HIGH INTENSITY DRUG TRAFFICKING AREAS PROGRAM

#### (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses of the Office of National Drug Control Policy's High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas Program, \$300,000,000 to remain available until September 30, 2024, for drug control activities consistent with the approved strategy for each of the designated High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas ("HIDTAs"), of which not less than 51 percent shall be transferred to State and local entities for drug control activities and shall be obligated not later than 120 days after enactment of this Act: Provided, That up to 49 percent may be transferred to Federal agencies and departments in amounts determined by the Director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy, of which up to \$5,800,000 may be used for auditing services and associated activities: Provided further, That any unexpended funds obligated prior to fiscal year 2021 may be used for any other approved activities of that HIDTA, subject to reprogramming requirements: Provided further, That each HIDTA designated as of September 30, 2022, shall be funded at not less than the fiscal year 2022 base level, unless the Director submits to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate justification for changes to those levels based on clearly articulated priorities and published Office of National Drug Control Policy performance measures of effectiveness: Provided further, That the Director shall notify the Committees on Appropriations of the initial allocation of fiscal year 2023 funding among HIDTAs not later than 45 days after enactment of this Act, and shall notify the Committees of planned uses of discretionary HIDTA funding, as determined in consultation with the HIDTA Directors, not later than 90 days after enactment of this Act: Provided further, That upon a determination that all or part of the funds so transferred from this appropriation are not necessary for the purposes provided herein and upon notification to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate, such amounts may be transferred back to this appropriation.

## $OTHER\ FEDERAL\ DRUG\ CONTROL\ PROGRAMS$

#### (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

For other drug control activities authorized by Public Law 110-690 and the Office of National Drug Control Policy Reauthorization Act of 1998, as amended, \$139,670,000, to remain available until expended, which shall be available as follows: \$110,000,000 for the Drug-Free Communities Program, of which not more than \$12,900,000 is for administrative expenses, and of

which \$2,500,000 shall be made available as directed by section 4 of Public Law 107-82, as amended by section 8204 of Public Law 115-271; \$3,000,000 for drug court training and technical assistance; \$15,000,000 for anti-doping activities; up to \$3,420,000 for the United States membership dues to the World Anti-Doping Agency; \$1,250,000 for the Model Acts Program; \$5,200,000 for activities authorized by section 103 of Public Law 114-198; \$1,300,000 for policy research; and \$500,000 for performance audits and evaluations: Provided, That amounts made available under this heading may be transferred to other Federal departments and agencies to carry out such activities: Provided further, That the Director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy shall, not fewer than 30 days prior to obligating funds under this heading for United States membership dues to the World Anti-Doping Agency, submit to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate a spending plan and explanation of the proposed uses of these funds.

#### UNANTICIPATED NEEDS

For expenses necessary to enable the President to meet unanticipated needs, in furtherance of the national interest, security, or defense which may arise at home or abroad during the current fiscal year, as authorized by 3 U.S.C. 108, \$1,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024.

## Information Technology Oversight and Reform

#### (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses for the furtherance of integrated, efficient, secure, and effective uses of information technology in the Federal Government, \$13,700,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That the Director of the Office of Management and Budget may transfer these funds to one or more other agencies to carry out projects to meet these purposes.

### Special Assistance to the President

### $SALARIES\ AND\ EXPENSES$

For necessary expenses to enable the Vice President to provide assistance to the President in connection with specially assigned functions; services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109 and 3 U.S.C. 106, including subsistence expenses as authorized by 3 U.S.C. 106, which shall be expended and accounted for as provided in that section; and hire of passenger motor vehicles, \$6.076.000.

#### OFFICIAL RESIDENCE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT OPERATING EXPENSES

### (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For the care, operation, refurnishing, improvement, and to the extent not otherwise provided for, heating and lighting, including electric power and fixtures, of the official residence of the Vice President; the hire of passenger motor vehicles; and not to exceed \$90,000 pursuant to 3 U.S.C. 106(b)(2), \$321,000: Provided, That advances, repayments, or transfers from this appropriation may be made to any department or agency for expenses of carrying out such activities.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—EXECUTIVE OF-FICE OF THE PRESIDENT AND FUNDS APPRO-PRIATED TO THE PRESIDENT

#### (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 201. From funds made available in this Act under the headings "The White House", "Executive Residence at the White House", "White House Repair and Restoration", "Council of Economic Advisers", "National Security Council and Homeland Security Council", "Office of Administration", "Special Assistance to the President", and "Official Residence of the Vice President", the Director of the Office of Management and Budget (or such other officer as the President may designate in writing), may, with advance approval of the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives

and the Senate, transfer not to exceed 10 percent of any such appropriation to any other such appropriation, to be merged with and available for the same time and for the same purposes as the appropriation to which transferred: Provided, That the amount of an appropriation shall not be increased by more than 50 percent by such transfers: Provided further, That no amount shall be transferred from "Special Assistance to the President" or "Official Residence of the Vice President" without the approval of the Vice President.

SEC. 202. (a) During fiscal year 2023, any Executive order or Presidential memorandum issued or revoked by the President shall be accompanied by a written statement from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget on the budgetary impact, including costs, benefits, and revenues, of such order or memorandum.

(b) Any such statement shall include—

- (1) a narrative summary of the budgetary impact of such order or memorandum on the Federal Government;
- (2) the impact on mandatory and discretionary obligations and outlays as the result of such order or memorandum, listed by Federal agency, for each year in the 5-fiscal-year period beginning in fiscal year 2023; and
- (3) the impact on revenues of the Federal Government as the result of such order or memorandum over the 5-fiscal-year period beginning in fiscal year 2023.
- (c) If an Executive order or Presidential memorandum is issued during fiscal year 2023 due to a national emergency, the Director of the Office of Management and Budget may issue the statement required by subsection (a) not later than 15 days after the date that such order or memorandum is issued.
- (d) The requirement for cost estimates for Presidential memoranda shall only apply for Presidential memoranda estimated to have a regulatory cost in excess of \$100,000,000.
- SEC. 203. Not later than 30 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Director of the Office of Management and Budget shall issue a memorandum to all Federal departments, agencies, and corporations directing compliance with the provisions in title VII of this Act.

SEC. 204. In fiscal year 2023 and each fiscal year thereafter—

- (1) the Office of Management and Budget shall operate and maintain the automated system required to be implemented by section 204 of the Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Act, 2022 (division E of Public Law 117–103) and shall continue to post each document apportioning an appropriation, pursuant to section 1513(b) of title 31, United States Code, including any associated footnotes, in a format that qualifies each such document as an open Government data asset (as that term is defined in section 3502 of title 44, United States Code); and
- (2) the requirements specified in subsection (c), the first and second provisos of subsection (d)(1), and subsection (d)(2) of such section 204 shall continue to apply.

SEC. 205. Not later than 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act and updated every 90 days thereafter, the Executive Office of the President shall make contemporaneously available on a publicly available website, a searchable, sortable, downloadable database of visitors to the White House, the Vice President's residence, or any other location at which the President or the Vice President regularly conducts official business that includes the name of each visitor, the date and time of entry for each visitor, the name of each individual with whom each visitor met, and the purpose of the visit: Provided, That notwithstanding this requirement, the Executive Office of the President, after consultation with the President or his designee, may exclude from the database any information that would implicate personal privacy or law enforcement concerns or threaten national

security, relate to a purely personal guest, or reveal the social security number, taxpayer identification number, birth date, home address, opersonal phone number of an individual, the name of an individual, who is less than 18 years old, or a financial account number: Provided further, With respect to a particular sensitive meeting, the Executive Office of the President shall disclose the number of records withheld on this basis and post the applicable records no later than 360 days later.

This title may be cited as the "Executive Office of the President Appropriations Act, 2023".

### THE JUDICIARY

## Supreme Court of the United States $salaries \ and \ expenses$

For expenses necessary for the operation of the Supreme Court, as required by law, excluding care of the building and grounds, including hire of passenger motor vehicles as authorized by 31 U.S.C. 1343 and 1344; not to exceed \$10,000 for official reception and representation expenses; and for miscellaneous expenses, to be expended as the Chief Justice may approve, \$113,951,000, of which \$1,500,000 shall remain available until expended.

In addition, there are appropriated such sums as may be necessary under current law for the salaries of the chief justice and associate justices of the court.

#### CARE OF THE BUILDING AND GROUNDS

For such expenditures as may be necessary to enable the Architect of the Capitol to carry out the duties imposed upon the Architect by 40 U.S.C. 6111 and 6112, \$29,246,000, to remain available until expended.

## United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit

#### SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For salaries of officers and employees, and for necessary expenses of the court, as authorized by law. \$36.735.000.

In addition, there are appropriated such sums as may be necessary under current law for the salaries of the chief judge and judges of the court.

## $\begin{array}{c} \textit{UNITED STATES COURT OF INTERNATIONAL} \\ \textit{TRADE} \end{array}$

### SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For salaries of officers and employees of the court, services, and necessary expenses of the court, as authorized by law, \$21,260,000.

In addition, there are appropriated such sums as may be necessary under current law for the salaries of the chief judge and judges of the court

## COURTS OF APPEALS, DISTRICT COURTS, AND OTHER JUDICIAL SERVICES

### SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For the salaries of judges of the United States Court of Federal Claims, magistrate judges, and all other officers and employees of the Federal Judiciary not otherwise specifically provided for, necessary expenses of the courts, and the purchase, rental, repair, and cleaning of uniforms for Probation and Pretrial Services Office staff, as authorized by law, \$5,867,825,000 (including the purchase of firearms and ammunition); of which not to exceed \$27,817,000 shall remain available until expended for space alteration projects and for furniture and furnishings related to new space alteration and construction projects.

In addition, there are appropriated such sums as may be necessary under current law for the salaries of circuit and district judges (including judges of the territorial courts of the United States), bankruptcy judges, and justices and judges retired from office or from regular active service.

In addition, for expenses of the United States Court of Federal Claims associated with processing cases under the National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act of 1986 (Public Law 99-660), not to exceed \$10,280,000, to be appropriated from the Vaccine Injury Compensation Trust Fund.

#### DEFENDER SERVICES

For the operation of Federal Defender organizations; the compensation and reimbursement of expenses of attorneys appointed to represent persons under 18 U.S.C. 3006A and 3599, and for the compensation and reimbursement of expenses of persons furnishing investigative, expert, and other services for such representations as authorized by law; the compensation (in accordance with the maximums under 18 U.S.C. 3006A) and reimbursement of expenses of attorneys appointed to assist the court in criminal cases where the defendant has waived representation by counsel; the compensation and reimbursement of expenses of attorneys appointed to represent jurors in civil actions for the protection of their employment, as authorized by 28 U.S.C. 1875(d)(1); the compensation and reimbursement of expenses of attorneys appointed under 18 U.S.C. 983(b)(1) in connection with certain judicial civil forfeiture proceedings; the compensation and reimbursement of travel expenses of guardians ad litem appointed under 18 U.S.C. 4100(b); and for necessary training and general administrative expenses, \$1,409,211,000. to remain available until expended.

#### FEES OF JURORS AND COMMISSIONERS

For fees and expenses of jurors as authorized by 28 U.S.C. 1871 and 1876; compensation of jury commissioners as authorized by 28 U.S.C. 1863; and compensation of commissioners appointed in condemnation cases pursuant to rule 71.1(h) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure (28 U.S.C. Appendix Rule 71.1(h)), \$45,677,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That the compensation of land commissioners shall not exceed the daily equivalent of the highest rate payable under 5 U.S.C. 5332.

#### COURT SECURITY

#### (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for, incident to the provision of protective auard services for United States courthouses and other facilities housing Federal court or Administrative Office of the United States Courts operations, the procurement, installation, and maintenance of security systems and equipment for United States courthouses and other facilities housing Federal court or Administrative Office of the United States Courts operations, building ingress-egress control, inspection of mail and packages, directed security patrols, perimeter security, basic security services provided by the Federal Protective Service, and other similar activities as authorized by section 1010 of the Judicial Improvement and Access to Justice Act (Public Law 100-702), \$750,586,000, of which not to exceed \$20,000,000 shall remain available until expended, to be expended directly or transferred to the United States Marshals Service. which shall be responsible for administering the Judicial Facility Security Program consistent with standards or guidelines agreed to by the Director of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts and the Attorney General: Provided, That funds made available under this heading may be used for managing a Judiciarywide program to facilitate security and emergency management services among the Judiciary, United States Marshals Service, Federal Protective Service, General Services Administration, other Federal agencies, state and local governments and the public; and, notwithstanding sections 331, 566(e)(1), and 566(i) of title 28, United States Code, for identifying and pursuing the voluntary redaction and reduction of personally identifiable information on the internet of judges and other familial relatives who live at the judge's domicile.

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES
COURTS

#### SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts as authorized by law, including travel as authorized by 31 U.S.C. 1345, hire of a passenger motor vehicle as authorized by 31 U.S.C. 1343(b), advertising and rent in the District of Columbia and elsewhere, \$105,700,000, of which not to exceed \$8,500 is authorized for official reception and representation expenses.

#### FEDERAL JUDICIAL CENTER SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Federal Judicial Center, as authorized by Public Law 90–219, \$34,261,000; of which \$1,800,000 shall remain available through September 30, 2024, to provide education and training to Federal court personnel; and of which not to exceed \$1,500 is authorized for official reception and representation expenses.

#### UNITED STATES SENTENCING COMMISSION SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For the salaries and expenses necessary to carry out the provisions of chapter 58 of title 28, United States Code, \$21,641,000, of which not to exceed \$1,000 is authorized for official reception and representation expenses.

## ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—THE JUDICIARY (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 301. Appropriations and authorizations made in this title which are available for salaries and expenses shall be available for services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109.

SEC. 302. Not to exceed 5 percent of any appropriation made available for the current fiscal year for the Judiciary in this Act may be transferred between such appropriations, but no such appropriation, except "Courts of Appeals, District Courts, and Other Judicial Services, Defender Services" and "Courts of Appeals, District Courts, and Other Judicial Services, Fees of Jurors and Commissioners", shall be increased by more than 10 percent by any such transfers: Provided, That any transfer pursuant to this section shall be treated as a reprogramming of funds under sections 604 and 608 of this Act and shall not be available for obligation or expenditure except in compliance with the procedures set forth in section 608.

SEC. 303. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the salaries and expenses appropriation for "Courts of Appeals, District Courts, and Other Judicial Services" shall be available for official reception and representation expenses of the Judicial Conference of the United States: Provided, That such available funds shall not exceed \$11,000 and shall be administered by the Director of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts in the capacity as Secretary of the Judicial Conference.

SEC. 304. Section 3315(a) of title 40, United States Code, shall be applied by substituting "Federal" for "executive" each place it appears.

SEC. 305. In accordance with 28 U.S.C. 561-569, and notwithstanding any other provision of law, the United States Marshals Service shall provide, for such courthouses as its Director may designate in consultation with the Director of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts, for purposes of a pilot program, the security services that 40 U.S.C. 1315 authorizes the Department of Homeland Security to provide, except for the services specified in 40 U.S.C. 1315(b)(2)(E). For building-specific security services at these courthouses, the Director of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts shall reimburse the United States Marshals Service rather than the Department of Homeland Security.

SEC. 306. (a) Section 203(c) of the Judicial Improvements Act of 1990 (Public Law 101-650; 28 U.S.C. 133 note), is amended in the matter following paragraph 12—

- (1) in the second sentence (relating to the District of Kansas), by striking "31 years and 6 months"; and inserting "32 years and 6 months"; and
- (2) in the sixth sentence (relating to the District of Hawaii), by striking "28 years and 6 months" and inserting "29 years and 6 months".
- (b) Section 406 of the Transportation, Treasury, Housing and Urban Development, the Judiciary, the District of Columbia, and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act, 2006 (Public Law 109-115; 119 Stat. 2470; 28 U.S.C. 133 note) is amended in the second sentence (relating to the eastern District of Missouri) by striking "29 years and 6 months" and inserting "30 years and 6 months".
- (c) Section 312(c)(2) of the 21st Century Department of Justice Appropriations Authorization Act (Public Law 107–273; 28 U.S.C. 133 note), is amended—
- (1) in the first sentence by striking "20 years" and inserting "21 years";
- (2) in the second sentence (relating to the central District of California), by striking "19 years and 6 months"; and inserting "20 years and 6 months"; and
- (3) in the third sentence (relating to the western district of North Carolina), by striking "18 years" and inserting "19 years".
- SEC. 307. In addition to amounts otherwise available, there is appropriated to the Judiciary \$128,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024, to be used for judicial security, cybersecurity, and information technology modernization infrastructure: Provided, That for the purposes provided herein, such funds may be transferred to the "Salaries and Expenses", "Court Security", and "Defender Services" appropriations under the "Courts of Appeals, District Courts, and Other Judicial Services" heading in this title: Provided further, That this transfer authority shall be in addition to any other transfer authority provided by law.

SEC. 308. Section 677 of title 28, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

"(d) The Counselor, with the approval of the Chief Justice, shall establish a retention and recruitment program that is consistent with section 908 of the Emergency Supplemental Act, 2002 (2 U.S.C. 1926) for Supreme Court Police officers and other critical employees who agree in writing to remain employed with the Supreme Court for a period of service of not less than two years."

This title may be cited as the "Judiciary Appropriations Act, 2023".

# $TITLE\ IV$ $DISTRICT\ OF\ COLUMBIA$

 $FEDERAL\ FUNDS$ 

 $\begin{array}{c} \textit{FEDERAL PAYMENT FOR RESIDENT TUITION} \\ \textit{SUPPORT} \end{array}$ 

For a Federal payment to the District of Columbia, to be deposited into a dedicated account, for a nationwide program to be administered by the Mayor, for District of Columbia resident tuition support, \$40,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That such funds, including any interest accrued thereon, may be used on behalf of eligible District of Columbia residents to pay an amount based upon the difference between in-State and out-of-State tuition at public institutions of higher education, or to pay up to \$2,500 each year at eligible private institutions of higher education: Provided further, That the awarding of such funds may be prioritized on the basis of a resident's academic merit, the income and need of eligible students and such other factors as may be authorized: Provided further, That the District of Columbia government shall maintain a dedicated account for the Resident Tuition Support Program that shall consist of the Federal funds appropriated to the Program in this Act and any subsequent appropriations, any unobligated balances from prior fiscal years, and any interest earned in this or any fiscal year: Provided further, That the account shall be under the control of the District of Columbia Chief Financial Officer, who shall use those funds solely for the purposes of carrying out the Resident Tuition Support Program: Provided further, That the Office of the Chief Financial Officer shall provide a quarterly financial report to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate for these funds showing, by object class, the expenditures made and the purpose therefor.

For a Federal payment of necessary expenses, as determined by the Mayor of the District of Columbia in written consultation with the elected county or city officials of surrounding jurisdictions, \$30,000,000, to remain available until expended, for the costs of providing public safetu at events related to the presence of the National Capital in the District of Columbia, including support requested by the Director of the United States Secret Service in carrying out protective duties under the direction of the Secretary of Homeland Security, and for the costs of providing support to respond to immediate and specific terrorist threats or attacks in the District of Columbia or surrounding jurisdictions.

## $\begin{array}{c} \textit{FEDERAL PAYMENT TO THE DISTRICT OF} \\ \textit{COLUMBIA COURTS} \end{array}$

For salaries and expenses for the District of Columbia Courts, \$295,588,000 to be allocated as follows: for the District of Columbia Court of Appeals, \$15,055,000, of which not to exceed \$2,500 is for official reception and representation expenses: for the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, \$140.973.000, of which not to exceed \$2,500 is for official reception and representation expenses: for the District of Columbia Court Sustem, \$88,290,000, of which not to exceed \$2,500 is for official reception and representation expenses; and \$51,270,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024, for capital improvements for District of Columbia courthouse facilities: Provided, That funds made available for capital improvements shall be expended consistent with the District of Columbia Courts master plan study and facilities condition assessment: Provided further, That, in addition to the amounts appropriated herein, fees received by the District of Columbia Courts for administering bar examinations and processing District of Columbia bar admissions may be retained and credited to this appropriation, to remain available until expended, for salaries and expenses associated with such activities, notwithstanding section 450 of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act (D.C. Official Code, sec. 1-204.50): Provided further, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, all amounts under this heading shall be apportioned quarterly by the Office of Management and Budget and obligated and expended in the same manner as funds appropriated for salaries and expenses of other Federal agencies: Provided further, That 30 days after providing written notice to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate. the District of Columbia Courts may reallocate not more than \$9,000,000 of the funds provided under this heading among the items and entities funded under this heading: Provided further, That the Joint Committee on Judicial Administration in the District of Columbia may, by regulation, establish a program substantially similar to the program set forth in subchapter II of chapter 35 of title 5. United States Code, for employees of the District of Columbia Courts.

FEDERAL PAYMENT FOR DEFENDER SERVICES IN
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA COURTS
(INCLUDING RESCISSION OF FUNDS)

For payments authorized under section 11–2604 and section 11–2605, D.C. Official Code (re-

lating to representation provided under the District of Columbia Criminal Justice Act), payments for counsel appointed in proceedings in the Family Court of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia under chapter 23 of title 16, D.C. Official Code, or pursuant to contractual agreements to provide guardian ad litem representation, training, technical assistance, and such other services as are necessary to improve the quality of guardian ad litem representation, payments for counsel appointed in adoption proceedings under chapter 3 of title 16, D.C. Official Code, and payments authorized under section 21-2060, D.C. Official Code (relating to services provided under the District of Columbia Guardianship, Protective Proceedings, and Du-Power of Attorney Act of 1986). rable \$46,005,000, to remain available until expended: Provided. That funds provided under this heading shall be administered by the Joint Committee on Judicial Administration in the District of Columbia: Provided further, That, notwithstanding any other provision of law, this appropriation shall be apportioned quarterly by the Office of Management and Budget and obligated and expended in the same manner as funds appropriated for expenses of other Federal agencies: Provided further, That of the unobligated balances from prior year appropriations made available under the heading "Federal Payment for Defender Services in District of Columbia Courts", \$22,000,000, are hereby rescinded not later than September 30, 2023.

FEDERAL PAYMENT TO THE COURT SERVICES AND OFFENDER SUPERVISION AGENCY FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

For salaries and expenses, including the transfer and hire of motor vehicles, of the Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency for the District of Columbia, as authorized by the National Capital Revitalization and Self-Government Improvement Act of 1997, \$281,516,000, of which not to exceed \$2,000 is for official reception and representation expenses related to Community Supervision and Pretrial Services Agency programs, and of which not to exceed \$25,000 is for dues and assessments relating to the implementation of the Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency Interstate Supervision Act of 2002: Provided, That, of the funds appropriated under this heading, \$204,579,000 shall be for necessary expenses of Community Supervision and Sex Offender Registration, to include expenses relating to the supervision of adults subject to protection orders or the provision of services for or related to such persons, of which \$7.798,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2025, for costs associated with the relocation under replacement leases for headquarters offices, field offices and related facilities: Provided further, That, of the funds appropriated under this heading, \$76,937,000 shall be available to the Pretrial Services Agency, of which \$998,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2025, for costs associated with relocation under a replacement lease for headquarters offices, field offices, and related facilities: Provided further, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, all amounts under this heading shall be apportioned quarterly by the Office of Management and Budget and obligated and expended in the same manner as funds appropriated for salaries and expenses of other Federal agencies: Provided further, That amounts under this heading may be used for programmatic incentives for defendants to successfully complete their terms of supervision.

#### FEDERAL PAYMENT TO THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA PUBLIC DEFENDER SERVICE

For salaries and expenses, including the transfer and hire of motor vehicles, of the District of Columbia Public Defender Service, as authorized by the National Capital Revitalization and Self-Government Improvement Act of 1997, \$53,629,000: Provided, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, all

amounts under this heading shall be apportioned quarterly by the Office of Management and Budget and obligated and expended in the same manner as funds appropriated for salaries and expenses of Federal agencies: Provided further, That the District of Columbia Public Defender Service may establish for employees of the District of Columbia Public Defender Service a program substantially similar to the program set forth in subchapter II of chapter 35 of title 5, United States Code, except that the maximum amount of the payment made under the program to any individual may not exceed the amount referred to in section 3523(b)(3)(B) of title 5, United States Code: Provided further, That the District of Columbia Public Defender Service may be deemed an "agency" for purposes of engaging with and receiving services from Federal Franchise Fund Programs established in accordance with section 403 of the Government Management Reform Act of 1994 (Public Law 103-356), as amended: Provided further, That the District of Columbia Public Defender Service may enter into contracts for the procurement of severable services and multiyear contracts for the acquisition of property and services to the same extent and under the same conditions as an executive agency under sections 3902 and 3903 of title 41, United States Code.

## FEDERAL PAYMENT TO THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL

For a Federal payment to the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council, \$2,450,000, to remain available until expended, to support initiatives related to the coordination of Federal and local criminal justice resources in the District of Columbia.

#### FEDERAL PAYMENT FOR JUDICIAL COMMISSIONS

For a Federal payment, to remain available until September 30, 2024, to the Commission on Judicial Disabilities and Tenure, \$330,000, and for the Judicial Nomination Commission, \$300,000.

### $FEDERAL\ PAYMENT\ FOR\ SCHOOL\ IMPROVEMENT$

For a Federal payment for a school improvement program in the District of Columbia, \$52,500,000, to remain available until expended, for payments authorized under the Scholarships for Opportunity and Results Act (division C of Public Law 112-10): Provided, That, to the extent that funds are available for opportunity scholarships and following the priorities included in section 3006 of such Act, the Secretary of Education shall make scholarships available to students eligible under section 3013(3) of such Act (Public Law 112-10; 125 Stat. 211) including students who were not offered a scholarship during any previous school year: Provided further. That within funds provided for opportunity scholarships up to \$1,750,000 shall be for the activities specified in sections 3007(b) through 3007(d) of the Act and up to \$500,000 shall be for the activities specified in section 3009 of the Act: Provided further, That none of the funds made available under this heading may be used for an opportunity scholarship for a student to attend a school which does not certify to the Secretary of Education that the student will be provided with the same protections under the Federal laws which are enforced by the Office for Civil Rights of the Department of Education which are provided to a student of a public elementary or secondary school in the District of Columbia and which does not certify to the Secretary of Education that the student and the student's parents will be provided with the same services, rights, and protections under the Individuals With Disabilities Education Act (20 U.S.C. 1400 et seq.) which are provided to a student and a student's parents of a public elementary or secondary school in the District of Columbia, as enumerated in Table 2 of Government Accountability Office Report 18-94 (entitled "Federal Actions Needed to Ensure Parents Are Notified About Changes in Rights for Students with Disabilities"), issued November 2017.

#### FEDERAL PAYMENT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA NATIONAL GUARD

For a Federal payment to the District of Columbia National Guard, \$600,000, to remain available until expended for the Major General David F. Wherley, Jr. District of Columbia National Guard Retention and College Access Program

## FEDERAL PAYMENT FOR TESTING AND TREATMENT OF HIV/AIDS

For a Federal payment to the District of Columbia for the testing of individuals for, and the treatment of individuals with, human immunodeficiency virus and acquired immunodeficiency syndrome in the District of Columbia, \$5,000,000.

#### FEDERAL PAYMENT TO THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA WATER AND SEWER AUTHORITY

For a Federal payment to the District of Columbia Water and Sewer Authority, \$8,000,000, to remain available until expended, to continue implementation of the Combined Sewer Overflow Long-Term Plan: Provided, That the District of Columbia Water and Sewer Authority provides a 100 percent match for this payment.

This title may be cited as the "District of Columbia Appropriations Act, 2023".

#### TITLE V

### INDEPENDENT AGENCIES

Administrative Conference of the United States

#### SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Administrative Conference of the United States, authorized by 5 U.S.C. 591 et seq., \$3,465,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024, of which not to exceed \$1,000 is for official reception and representation expenses.

### CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

#### SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Consumer Product Safety Commission, including hire of passenger motor vehicles, services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109, but at rates for individuals not to exceed the per diem rate equivalent to the maximum rate payable under 5 U.S.C. 5376, purchase of nominal awards to recognize non-Federal officials' contributions to Commission activities, and not to exceed \$4,000 for official reception andrepresentation expenses. \$166,300,000, of which \$2,500,000 shall remain available until expended to carry out the program, including administrative costs, required by section 1405 of the Virginia Graeme Baker Pool and Spa Safety Act (Public Law 110-140; 15 U.S.C. 8004).

## ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISION—CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

SEC. 501. During fiscal year 2023, none of the amounts made available by this Act may be used to finalize or implement the Safety Standard for Recreational Off-Highway Vehicles published by the Consumer Product Safety Commission in the Federal Register on November 19, 2014 (79 Fed. Reg. 68964) until after—

(1) the National Academy of Sciences, in consultation with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and the Department of Defense, completes a study to determine—

(A) the technical validity of the lateral stability and vehicle handling requirements proposed by such standard for purposes of reducing the risk of Recreational Off-Highway Vehicle (referred to in this section as "ROV") rollovers in the off-road environment, including the repeatability and reproducibility of testing for compliance with such requirements;

(B) the number of ROV rollovers that would be prevented if the proposed requirements were adopted:

(Ĉ) whether there is a technical basis for the proposal to provide information on a point-of-sale hangtag about a ROV's rollover resistance on a progressive scale: and

(D) the effect on the utility of ROVs used by the United States military if the proposed requirements were adopted; and

- (2) a report containing the results of the study completed under paragraph (1) is delivered to—
- (A) the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate;
- (B) the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House of Representatives;
- (C) the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate: and
- (D) the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives.

#### ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION

#### SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses to carry out the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (Public Law 107-252), \$34,087,000, of which \$1,500,000 shall be made available to the National Institute of Standards and Technology for election reform activities authorized under the Help America Vote Act of 2002, and of which \$4,000,000, to remain available until expended, shall be for the Help America Vote College Program as authorized by title V of the Help America Vote Act of 2002.

#### ELECTION SECURITY GRANTS

Notwithstanding section 104(c)(2)(B) of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. 20904(c)(2)(B)), \$400,000,000 is provided to the Election Assistance Commission for necessary expenses to make payments to States for activities to improve the administration of elections for Federal office, including to enhance election technology and make election security improvements, as authorized by sections 101, 103, and 104 of such Act: Provided, That for purposes of applying such sections, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands shall be deemed to be a State and, for purposes of sections 101(d)(2) and 103(a), shall be treated in the same manner as the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa, and the United States Virgin Islands: Provided further, That each reference to the "Administrator of General Services" or the "Administrator" in sections 101 and 103 shall be deemed to refer to the "Election Assistance Commission": Provided further, That each reference to "\$5,000,000" in section 103 shall be deemed to refer to "\$3,000,000" and each reference to "\$1,000,000" in section 103 shall be deemed to refer to "\$600,000": Provided further, That not later than 45 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Election Assistance Commission shall make the payments to States under this heading: Provided further, That a State shall use such payment to replace voting systems which use direct-recording electronic voting machines with a voting system which uses an individual, durable, voterverified paper ballot which is marked by the voter by hand or through the use of a non-tabulatina ballot-markina device or system, so long as the voter shall have the option to mark his or her ballot by hand, and provides the voter with an opportunity to inspect and confirm the marked ballot before casting (in this heading referred to as a "qualified voting system"): Provided further, That for purposes of determining whether a voting system is a qualified voting system, a voter-verified paper audit trail receipt generated by a direct-recording electronic voting machine is not a paper ballot: Provided further, That none of the funds made available under this heading may be used to purchase or obtain any voting system which is not a qualified voting system: Provided further, That a State may use such payment to carry out other authorized activities to improve the administration of elections for Federal office only if the State certifies to the Election Assistance Commission that the State has replaced all voting systems which use direct-recording electronic voting machines with qualified voting systems: Provided further, That not less than 67 percent of the amount of the payment made to a State under this heading shall be allocated in cash or in kind to the units of local government which are responsible for the administration of elections for Federal office in the State: Provided further, That States shall

submit quarterly financial reports and annual progress reports.

## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

#### SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Federal Communications Commission, as authorized by law, including uniforms and allowances therefor, as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 5901-5902; not to exceed \$4,000 for official reception and representation expenses; purchase and hire of motor vehicles; special counsel fees; and services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109, \$390,192,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That \$390,192,000 of offsetting collections shall be assessed and collected pursuant to section 9 of title I of the Communications Act of 1934, shall be retained and used for necessary expenses, and shall remain available until expended: Provided further, That the sum herein appropriated shall be reduced as such offsetting collections are received during fiscal year 2023 so as to result in a final fiscal year 2023 appropriation estimated at \$0: Provided further, That, notwithstanding 47 U.S.C. 309(j)(8)(B), proceeds from the use of a competitive bidding system that may be retained and made available for obligation shall not exceed \$132,231,000 for fiscal year 2023: Provided further, That, of the amount appropriated under this heading, not less than \$12,131,000 shall be for the salaries and expenses of the Office of Inspector General.

## ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

SEC. 510. Section 302 of the Universal Service Antideficiency Temporary Suspension Act is amended by striking "December 31, 2022" each place it appears and inserting "December 31, 2024".

SEC. 511. None of the funds appropriated by this Act may be used by the Federal Communications Commission to modify, amend, or change its rules or regulations for universal service support payments to implement the February 27, 2004, recommendations of the Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service regarding single connection or primary line restrictions on universal service support payments.

SEC. 512. Notwithstanding section 421 of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 862), or any other provision of law, none of the funds made available in this Act to the Federal Communications Commission may be used, with respect to an authorization for radio or television stations, to deny, fail to renew for a full term or condition the authorization, decline to approve an application for authority to assign the authorization or transfer direct or indirect control of the licensee, require an early renewal application, or impose a forfeiture penalty because the station broadcast or otherwise transmitted advertisements (a) of a business selling cannabis or cannabis-derived products, the sale or distribution of which is authorized in the State, political subdivision of a State, or Indian country in which the community of license of a station is located, or (b) of a business selling hemp, hemp-derived CBD products or other hemp-derived cannabinoid products.

## FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL

For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector General in carrying out the provisions of the Inspector General Act of 1978, \$47,500,000, to be derived from the Deposit Insurance Fund or, only when appropriate, the FSLIC Resolution Fund.

## FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

### SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, \$81,674,000, of which not to exceed \$5,000 shall be available for reception and representation expenses: Provided, That not less than \$2,211,000 shall be for the salaries and expenses of the Office of the Inspector General.

## FEDERAL LABOR RELATIONS AUTHORITY SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses to carry out functions of the Federal Labor Relations Authority, pursuant to Reorganization Plan Numbered 2 of 1978, and the Civil Service Reform Act of 1978. including services authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109, and including hire of experts and consultants. hire of passenger motor vehicles, and including official reception and representation expenses (not to exceed \$1,500) and rental of conference rooms in the District of Columbia and elsewhere, \$31.762.000: Provided. That public members of the Federal Service Impasses Panel may be paid travel expenses and per diem in lieu of subsistence as authorized by law (5 U.S.C. 5703) for persons employed intermittently in the Government service, and compensation as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109: Provided further, That, notwithstanding 31 U.S.C. 3302, funds received from fees charged to non-Federal participants at labor-management relations conferences shall be credited to and merged with this account, to be available without further appropriation for the costs of carrying out these conferences.

FEDERAL PERMITTING IMPROVEMENT STEERING COUNCIL

#### ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW IMPROVEMENT FUND

For necessary expenses of the Environmental Review Improvement Fund established pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 4370m-8(d), \$10,000,000, to remain available until expended.

#### FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

#### SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Federal Trade Commission, including uniforms or allowances therefor, as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 5901-5902; services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109; hire of passenger motor vehicles; and not to exceed \$2,000 for official reception and representation expenses, \$490,000,000, to remain available untilexpended: Provided, That not to exceed \$300,000 shall be available for use to contract with a person or persons for collection services in accordance with the terms of 31 U.S.C. 3718: Provided further, That, notwithstanding any other provision of law, fees collected for premerger notification filings under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976 (15 U.S.C. 18a), regardless of the year of collection (and estimated to be \$190,000,000 in fiscal year 2023), shall be retained and used for necessary expenses in this appropriation and shall remain available until expended: Provided further, That, notwithstanding any other provision of law, fees collected to implement and enforce the Telemarketing Sales Rule, promulgated under the Telemarketing and Consumer Fraud and Abuse Prevention Act (15 U.S.C. 6101 et seq.), regardless of the year of collection (and estimated to be \$20,000,000 in fiscal year 2023), shall be credited to this account, and be retained and used for necessary expenses in this appropriation, and shall remain available until expended: Provided further, That the sum herein appropriated from the general fund shall be reduced as such offsetting collections are received during fiscal year 2023 so as to result in a final fiscal year 2023 appropriation from the general fund estimated at not more than \$280,000,000: Provided further That none of the funds made available to the Federal Trade Commission may be used to implement subsection (e)(2)(B) of section 43 of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1831t).

### GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION REAL PROPERTY ACTIVITIES FEDERAL BUILDINGS FUND

## LIMITATIONS ON AVAILABILITY OF REVENUE (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

Amounts in the Fund, including revenues and collections deposited into the Fund, shall be available for necessary expenses of real property management and related activities not otherwise

provided for, including operation, maintenance, and protection of federally owned and leased buildings; rental of buildings in the District of Columbia; restoration of leased premises; moving governmental agencies (including space adjustments and telecommunications relocation expenses) in connection with the assignment, allocation, and transfer of space; contractual services incident to cleaning or servicing buildings, and moving; repair and alteration of federally owned buildings, including grounds, approaches, and appurtenances; care and safeguarding of sites; maintenance, preservation, demolition, and equipment; acquisition of buildings and sites by purchase, condemnation, or as otherwise authorized by law; acquisition of options to purchase buildings and sites; conversion and extension of federally owned buildings; preliminary planning and design of projects by contract or otherwise: construction of new buildings (including equipment for such buildings); and payment of principal, interest. and any other obligations for public buildings acquired by installment purchase and purchase in the aggregate amount contract; \$10,485,535,000, of which-

(1) \$962,438,000 shall remain available until expended for construction and acquisition (including funds for sites and expenses, and associated design and construction services) as follows:

(A) \$379,938,000 is for the Department of Homeland Security Consolidation at St. Elizabeths, Washington, DC;

(B) \$21,000,000 is for the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Lease Purchase;

(C) \$500,000,000 is for the Federal Bureau of Investigation Headquarters Consolidation in the National Capital Region; and

(D) \$61,500,000 is for the U.S. Courthouse in Hartford, CT:

Provided, That each of the foregoing limits of costs on new construction and acquisition projects may be exceeded to the extent that savings are effected in other such projects, but not to exceed 10 percent of the amounts included in a transmitted prospectus, if required, unless advance approval is obtained from the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate of a greater amount;

(2) \$974,708,000 shall remain available until expended for repairs and alterations, including associated design and construction services, of which—

(A) \$475,911,000 is for Major Repairs and Alterations as follows:

Multiple Locations:

National Conveying Systems, \$63,198,000;

National Capital Region:

Fire Alarm Systems, \$81,125,000;

New York:

New York, Alexander Hamilton U.S. Courthouse, \$68,497,000;

Pennsylvania:

Philadelphia, James A. Byrne U.S. Courthouse, \$83,955,000;

Georgia:

Atlanta, Sam Nunn Atlanta Federal Center, \$72,015,000;

Montana:

Butte, Mike Mansfield Federal Building and U.S. Courthouse, \$25,792,000;

California:

San Francisco Federal Building, \$15,687,000; Vermont:

St. Albans, Federal Building, U.S. Post Office and Courthouse, \$17,978,000;

Colorado: Denver, Federal Center Infrastructure,

\$47,664,000; (B) \$398,797,000 is for Basic Repairs and Alter-

(B) \$398,797,000 is for Basic Repairs and Alterations, of which \$3,000,000 is for repairs to the water feature at the Wilkie D. Ferguson Jr. U.S. Courthouse in Miami, FL; and

(C) \$100,000,000 is for the Special Emphasis Programs:

Provided, That funds made available in this or any previous Act in the Federal Buildings Fund

for Repairs and Alterations shall, for prospectus projects, be limited to the amount identified for each project, except each project in this or any previous Act may be increased by an amount not to exceed 10 percent unless advance approval is obtained from the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate of a greater amount: Provided further, That additional projects for which prospectuses have been fully approved may be funded under this category only if advance approval is obtained from the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate: Provided further, That the amounts provided in this or any prior Act for "Repairs and Alterations" may be used to fund costs associated with implementing security improvements to buildings necessary to meet the minimum standards for security in accordance with current law and in compliance with the reprogramming guidelines of the appropriate committees of the House and Senate: Provided further. That the difference between the funds appropriated and expended on any projects in this or any prior Act, under the heading "Repairs and Alterations", may be transferred to "Basic Repairs and Alterations" or used to fund authorized increases in prospectus projects: Provided further, That the amount provided in this or any prior Act for "Basic Repairs and Alterations" may be used to pay claims against the Government arising from any projects under the heading "Repairs and Alterations" or used to fund authorized increases in prospectus

(3) \$5,596,008,000 for rental of space to remain available until expended; and

(4) \$2,952,381,000 for building operations to remain available until expended: Provided, That the total amount of funds made available from this Fund to the General Services Administration shall not be available for expenses of any construction, repair, alteration and acquisition project for which a prospectus, if required by 40 U.S.C. 3307(a), has not been approved, except that necessary funds may be expended for each project for required expenses for the development of a proposed prospectus: Provided further, That funds available in the Federal Buildings Fund may be expended for emergency repairs when advance approval is obtained from the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate: Provided further, That amounts necessary to provide reimbursable special services to other agencies under 40 U.S.C. 592(b)(2) and amounts to provide such reimbursable fencing, lighting, guard booths, and other facilities on private or other property not in Government ownership or control as may be appropriate to enable the United States Secret Service to perform its protective functions pursuant to 18 U.S.C. 3056, shall be available from such revenues and collections: Provided further. That revenues and collections and any other sums accruing to this Fund during fiscal year 2022, excluding reimbursements under 40 U.S.C. 592(b)(2), in excess of the aggregate new obligational authority authorized for Real Property Activities of the Federal Buildings Fund in this Act shall remain in the Fund and shall not be available for expenditure except as authorized in appropriations Acts.

#### GENERAL ACTIVITIES

### GOVERNMENT-WIDE POLICY

For expenses authorized by law, not otherwise provided for, for Government-wide policy and evaluation activities associated with the management of real and personal property assets and certain administrative services; Government-wide policy support responsibilities relating to acquisition, travel, motor vehicles, information technology management, and related technology activities; and services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109; \$71,186,000, of which \$4,000,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2024.

OPERATING EXPENSES

For expenses authorized by law, not otherwise provided for, for Government-wide activities associated with utilization and donation of surplus personal property; disposal of real property; agency-wide policy direction, and management; and services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109; \$54,478,000, of which not to exceed \$7,500 is for official reception and representation expenses

#### CIVILIAN BOARD OF CONTRACT APPEALS

For expenses authorized by law, not otherwise provided for, for the activities associated with the Civilian Board of Contract Appeals, \$10,352,000, of which \$2,000,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2024.

#### OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector General and service authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109, \$74,583,000: Provided, That not to exceed \$3,000,000 shall be available for information technology enhancements related to implementing cloud services, improving security measures, and providing modern technology case management solutions: Provided further, That not to exceed \$50,000 shall be available for payment for information and detection of fraud against the Government, including payment for recovery of stolen Government property: Provided further, That not to exceed \$2,500 shall be available for awards to employees of other Federal agencies and private citizens in recognition of efforts and initiatives resulting in enhanced Office of Inspector General effectiveness.

## $\begin{array}{c} ALLOWANCES \ AND \ OFFICE \ STAFF \ FOR \ FORMER \\ PRESIDENTS \end{array}$

For carrying out the provisions of the Act of August 25, 1958 (3 U.S.C. 102 note), and Public Law 95–138, \$5,200,000.

### FEDERAL CITIZEN SERVICES FUND

### (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses of the Office of Products and Programs, including services authorized by 40 U.S.C. 323 and 44 U.S.C. 3604; and for necessary expenses in support of interagency projects that enable the Federal Government to enhance its ability to conduct activities electronically through the development and implementation of innovative uses of information technology; \$115,784,000, to be deposited into the Federal Citizen Services Fund: Provided, That the previous amount may be transferred to Federal agencies to carry out the purpose of the Federal Citizen Services Fund: Provided further, That the appropriations, revenues, reimbursements, and collections deposited into the Fund shall be available until expended for necessary expenses of Federal Citizen Services and other activities that enable the Federal Government to enhance its ability to conduct activities electronically in the aggregate amount not to exceed \$160,000,000: Provided further. That appropriations, revenues, reimbursements, and collections accruing to this Fund during fiscal year 2023 in excess of such amount shall remain in the Fund and shall not be available for expenditure except as authorized in appropriations Acts: Provided further, That, of the total amount appropriated, up to \$5,000,000 shall be available for support functions and full-time hires to support activities related to the Administration's requirements under title II of the Foundations for Evidence-Based Policymaking Act of 2018 (Public Law 115-435): Provided further, That the transfer authorities provided herein shall be in addition to any other transfer authority provided in this Act.

#### TECHNOLOGY MODERNIZATION FUND

For the Technology Modernization Fund, \$100,000,000, to remain available until expended, for technology-related modernization activities.

 $ASSET\ PROCEEDS\ AND\ SPACE\ MANAGEMENT\ FUND$ 

For carrying out section 16(b) of the Federal Assets Sale and Transfer Act of 2016 (40 U.S.C.

1303 note), \$7,000,000, to remain available until expended.

#### WORKING CAPITAL FUND

#### (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For the Working Capital Fund of the General Services Administration, \$10,900,000, to remain available until expended, for necessary costs incurred by the Administrator to modernize rule-making systems and to provide support services for Federal rulemaking agencies: Provided, That amounts made available under this heading shall be in addition to any other amounts available for such purposes.

#### ELECTRIC VEHICLES FUND

#### (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For the procurement of zero emission and electric passenger motor vehicles and the associated charging infrastructure, notwithstanding section 303(c) of the Energy Policy Act of 1992 (42 U.S.C. 13212(c)), \$100,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That amounts made available under this heading shall be in addition to any other amounts available for such purposes: Provided further, That amounts available under this heading may be transferred to and merged with appropriations at other Federal agencies, at the discretion of the Administrator, for carrying out the purposes under this heading, including for the procurement of charging infrastructure for the United States Postal Service.

 $\begin{array}{c} ADMINISTRATIVE\ PROVISIONS -- GENERAL\ SERVICES\\ ADMINISTRATION \end{array}$ 

#### (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 520. Funds available to the General Services Administration shall be available for the hire of passenger motor vehicles.

SEC. 521. Funds in the Federal Buildings Fund made available for fiscal year 2023 for Federal Buildings Fund activities may be transferred between such activities only to the extent necessary to meet program requirements: Provided, That any proposed transfers shall be approved in advance by the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate.

SEC. 522. Except as otherwise provided in this title, funds made available by this Act shall be used to transmit a fiscal year 2024 request for United States Courthouse construction only if the request: (1) meets the design guide standards for construction as established and approved by the General Services Administration, the Judicial Conference of the United States, and the Office of Management and Budget; (2) reflects the priorities of the Judicial Conference of the United States as set out in its approved Courthouse Project Priorities plan; and (3) includes a standardized courtroom utilization study of each facility to be constructed, replaced, or expanded.

SEC. 523. None of the funds provided in this Act may be used to increase the amount of occupiable square feet, provide cleaning services, security enhancements, or any other service usually provided through the Federal Buildings Fund, to any agency that does not pay the rate per square foot assessment for space and services as determined by the General Services Administration in consideration of the Public Buildings Amendments Act of 1972 (Public Law 92-313).

SEC. 524. From funds made available under the heading "Federal Buildings Fund, Limitations on Availability of Revenue", claims against the Government of less than \$250,000 arising from direct construction projects and acquisition of buildings may be liquidated from savings effected in other construction projects with prior notification to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate.

SEC. 525. In any case in which the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Environment and Public Works of the Senate adopt a resolution granting lease authority pursuant to a prospectus transmitted to Congress by the Administrator of the General Services Administration under 40 U.S.C. 3307, the Administrator shall ensure that the delineated area of procurement is identical to the delineated area included in the prospectus for all lease agreements, except that, if the Administrator determines that the delineated area of the procurement should not be identical to the delineated area included in the prospectus, the Administrator shall provide an explanatory statement to each of such committees and the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate prior to exercising any lease authority provided in the resolution.

SEC. 526. With respect to E-Government projects funded under the heading "Federal Citizen Services Fund", the Administrator of General Services shall submit a spending plan and explanation for each project to be undertaken to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate not later than 60 days after the date of enactment of this Act.

SEC. 527. None of the funds made available in this or any other Act for the Federal Bureau of Headquarters Investigation Consolidation project may be used to plan or design any facility that does not meet the requirements of a new, fully-consolidated headquarters building in the National Capital Region at one of the three sites listed in the General Services Administration Fiscal Year 2017 PNCR-FBI-NCR 17 prospectus for a new fully-consolidated Federal Bureau of Investigation Headquarters, and that does not meet Interagency Security Committee Level V security standards as described in the General Services Administration Fiscal Year 2017 PNCR-FBI-NCR 17 prospectus.

SEC. 528. None of the funds made available in this Act may be used by the General Services Administration to award or facilitate the award of any contract for the provision of architectural, engineering, and related services in a manner inconsistent with the procedures in chapter 11 of title 40, United States Code, and subpart 36.6 of title 48, Code of Federal Regulations.

SEC. 529. None of the funds made available in this Act may be used to implement or otherwise carry out directives contained in any Executive Order that would establish a preferred architectural style for Federal buildings and courthouses or that would otherwise conflict with the Guiding Principles of Federal Architecture, as established by the Ad Hoc Committee on Federal Space on June 1, 1962.

## HARRY S TRUMAN SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For payment to the Harry S Truman Scholarship Foundation Trust Fund, established by section 10 of Public Law 93–642, \$2,500,000, to remain available until expended.

### MERIT SYSTEMS PROTECTION BOARD SALARIES AND EXPENSES

#### (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses to carry out functions of the Merit Systems Protection Board pursuant to Reorganization Plan Numbered 2 of 1978, the Civil Service Reform Act of 1978, and the Whistleblower Protection Act of 1989 (5 U.S.C. 5509 note), including services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109, rental of conference rooms in the District of Columbia and elsewhere, hire of passenger motor vehicles, direct procurement of survey printing, and not to exceed \$2,000 for offireception and representation expenses, \$51,139,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024, and in addition \$2,345,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024, for administrative expenses to adjudicate retirement appeals to be transferred from the Civil Service Retirement and Disability Fund in amounts determined by the Merit Systems Protection Board.

MORRIS K. UDALL AND STEWART L. UDALL FOUNDATION

MORRIS K. UDALL AND STEWART L. UDALL TRUST FUND

#### (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For payment to the Morris K. Udall and Stewart L. Udall Trust Fund, pursuant to the Morris K. Udall and Stewart L. Udall Foundation Act (20 U.S.C. 5601 et seq.), \$1,800,000, to remain available for direct expenditure, and to remain available until expended, of which, notwithstanding sections 8 and 9 of such Act, up to \$1,000,000 shall be available to carry out the activities authorized by section 6(7) of Public Law 102-259 and section 817(a) of Public Law 106-568 (20 U.S.C. 5604(7)): Provided, That all current and previous amounts transferred to the Office of Inspector General of the Department of the Interior will remain available until expended for audits and investigations of the Morris K. Udall and Stewart L. Udall Foundation, consistent with the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.), as amended, and for annual independent financial audits of the Morris K. Udall and Stewart L. Udall Foundation pursuant to the Accountability of Tax Dollars Act of 2002 (Public Law 107-289): Provided further, That previous amounts transferred to the Office of Inspector General of the Department of the Interior may be transferred to the Morris K. Udall and Stewart L. Udall Foundation for annual independent financial audits pursuant to the Accountability of Tax Dollars Act of 2002 (Public Law 107-289).

#### $ENVIRONMENTAL\ DISPUTE\ RESOLUTION\ FUND$

For payment to the Environmental Dispute Resolution Fund to carry out activities under sections 10 and 11 of the Morris K. Udall and Stewart L. Udall Foundation Act (Public Law 111–90), \$3,943,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That during fiscal year 2023 and each fiscal year thereafter, any amounts in such Fund shall, pursuant to section 1557 of title 31, United States Code, be exempt from the provisions of subchapter IV of chapter 15 of such title.

### NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION

### OPERATING EXPENSES

For necessary expenses in connection with the administration of the National Archives and Records Administration and archived Federal records and related activities, as provided by law, and for expenses necessary for the review and declassification of documents, the activities of the Public Interest Declassification Board, the operations and maintenance of the electronic records archives, the hire of passenger motor vehicles, and for uniforms or allowances therefor, as authorized by law (5 U.S.C. 5901), including maintenance, repairs, and cleaning, \$427,520,000, of which \$30,000,000 shall remain available until expended for expenses necessary to enhance the Federal Government's ability to electronically preserve, manage, and store Government records, of which up to \$2,000,000 shall remain available until expended to implement the Civil Rights Cold Case Records Collection Act of 2018 (Public Law 115-426), and of which \$1,000,000 shall be for necessary expenses of the Public Interest Declassification Board in carrying out the provisions of the Public Interest Declassification Act of 2000 (title VII of Public Law 106-567; 50 U.S.C. 3301 note).

#### OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector General in carrying out the provisions of the Inspector General Reform Act of 2008, Public Law 110-409, 122 Stat. 4302-16 (2008), and the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.), and for the hire of passenger motor vehicles, \$5,980,000.

#### $REPAIRS\ AND\ RESTORATION$

For the repair, alteration, and improvement of archives facilities and to provide adequate stor-

age for holdings, \$7,500,000, to remain available until expended.

#### NATIONAL HISTORICAL PUBLICATIONS AND RECORDS COMMISSION

#### GRANTS PROGRAM

For necessary expenses for allocations and grants for historical publications and records as authorized by 44 U.S.C. 2504, \$9,500,000, to remain available until expended.

 $ADMINISTRATIVE\ PROVISION — NATIONAL\ ARCHIVES$   $AND\ RECORDS\ ADMINISTRATION$ 

SEC. 530. For an additional amount for "National Historical Publications and Records Commission Grants Program", \$1,332,000, which shall be for initiatives in the amounts and for the projects specified in the table that appears under the heading "Administrative Provisions—National Archives and Records Administration" in the report accompanying this Act: Provided, That none of the funds made available by this section may be transferred for any other purpose.

# NATIONAL CREDIT UNION ADMINISTRATION COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT REVOLVING LOAN FUND

For the Community Development Revolving Loan Fund program as authorized by 42 U.S.C. 9812, 9822 and 9910, \$4,000,000 shall be available until September 30, 2024, for technical assistance to low-income designated credit unions.

### Office of Government Ethics SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses to carry out functions of the Office of Government Ethics pursuant to the Ethics in Government Act of 1978, the Ethics Reform Act of 1989, and the Representative Louise McIntosh Slaughter Stop Trading on Congressional Knowledge Act of 2012, including services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109, rental of conference rooms in the District of Columbia and elsewhere, hire of passenger motor vehicles, and not to exceed \$1,500 for official reception and representation expenses, \$25,400,000.

#### Office of Personnel Management Salaries and expenses

### $(INCLUDING\ TRANSFERS\ OF\ TRUST\ FUNDS)$

For necessary expenses to carry out functions of the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) pursuant to Reorganization Plan Numbered 2 of 1978 and the Civil Service Reform Act of 1978, including services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109; medical examinations performed for veterans by private physicians on a fee basis: rental of conference rooms in the District of Columbia and elsewhere; hire of passenger motor vehicles; not to exceed \$2,500 for official reception and representation expenses: and payment of per diem and/or subsistence allowances to employees where Voting Rights Act activities reauire an employee to remain overnight at his or her post of duty, \$220,262,000: Provided, That of the total amount made available under this heading, \$19,373,000 shall remain available until expended, for information technology infrastructure modernization and Trust Fund Federal Financial System migration or modernization, and shall be in addition to funds otherwise made available for such purposes: Provided further, That of the total amount made available under this heading, \$1,381,748 may be made available for strengthening the capacity and capabilities of the acquisition workforce (as defined by the Office of Federal Procurement Policy Act, as amended (41 U.S.C. 4001 et seq.)), including the recruitment, hiring, training, and retention of such workforce and information technology in support of acquisition workforce effectiveness or for management solutions to improve acquisition management; and in addition \$190.316.000 for administrative expenses, to be transferred from the appropriate trust funds of OPM without regard to other statutes, including direct procurement of printed materials, for the retirement and insurance programs: Provided

further, That the provisions of this appropriation shall not affect the authority to use applicable trust funds as provided by sections 8348(a)(1)(B), 8958(f)(2)(A), 8988(f)(2)(A), and 9004(f)(2)(A) of title 5, United States Code: Provided further, That no part of this appropriation shall be available for salaries and expenses of the Legal Examining Unit of OPM established pursuant to Executive Order No. 9358 of July 1, 1943, or any successor unit of like purpose: Provided further, That the President's Commission on White House Fellows, established by Executive Order No. 11183 of October 3, 1964, may, during fiscal year 2023, accept donations of money, property, and personal services: Provided further, That such donations, including those from prior years, may be used for the development of publicity materials to provide information about the White House Fellows, except that no such donations shall be accented for travel or reimbursement of travel expenses, or for the salaries of employees of such Commission: Provided further, That not to exceed 5 percent of amounts made available under this heading may be transferred to an information technology working capital fund established for purposes authorized by subtitle G of title X of division A of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2018 (Public Law 115-91; 40 U. S. C. 11301 note) upon the advance approval of the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate: Provided further, That amounts transferred to such a fund under the preceding proviso from any organizational category of the Office of Personnel Management shall not exceed 5 percent of its budget as identified in the report required by section 608 of this Act: Provided further, That amounts transferred to such a fund shall remain available for obligation through September 30, 2026.

### $OFFICE\ OF\ INSPECTOR\ GENERAL$

### SALARIES AND EXPENSES

#### (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF TRUST FUNDS)

For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector General in carrying out the provisions of the Inspector General Act of 1978, including services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109, hire of passenger motor vehicles, \$5,556,000, and in addition, not to exceed \$32,163,000 for administrative expenses to audit, investigate, and provide other oversight of the Office of Personnel Management's retirement and insurance programs, to be transferred from the appropriate trust funds of the Office of Personnel Management, as determined by the Inspector General: Provided, That the Inspector General is authorized to rent conference rooms in the District of Columbia and elsewhere.

#### Office of Special Counsel Salaries and expenses

For necessary expenses to carry out functions of the Office of Special Counsel, including services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109, payment of fees and expenses for witnesses, rental of conference rooms in the District of Columbia and elsewhere, and hire of passenger motor vehicles, \$31,990,000.

## PRIVACY AND CIVIL LIBERTIES OVERSIGHT BOARD

#### SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Privacy and Civil Liberties Oversight Board, as authorized by section 1061 of the Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004 (42 U.S.C. 2000ee), \$10,700,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024.

## PUBLIC BUILDINGS REFORM BOARD SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For salaries and expenses of the Public Buildings Reform Board in carrying out the Federal Assets Sale and Transfer Act of 2016 (Public Law 114–287), \$4,000,000, to remain available until expended.

## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses for the Securities and Exchange Commission, including services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109, the rental of space (to include multiple year leases) in the District of Columbia and elsewhere, and not to exceed \$3,500 for official reception and representation expenses, \$2,149,000,000, to remain available until expended; of which not less than \$18,979,400 shall be for the Office of Inspector General; of which not to exceed \$275,000 shall be available for a permanent secretariat for the International Organization of Securities Commissions: and of which not to exceed \$100,000 shall be available for expenses for consultations and meetings hosted by the Commission with foreign governmental and other regulatory officials, members of their delegations and staffs to exchange views concerning securities matters, such expenses to include necessary logistic and administrative expenses and the expenses of Commission staff and foreign invitees in attendance including: (1) incidental expenses such as meals; (2) travel and transportation; and (3) related lodging or subsistence.

In addition to the foregoing appropriation, for move, replication, and related costs associated with a replacement lease for the Commission's District of Columbia headquarters facilities, not to exceed \$57,405,000, to remain available until expended.

For purposes of calculating the fee rate under section 31(j) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78ee(j)) for fiscal year 2023, all amounts appropriated under this heading shall be deemed to be the regular appropriation to the Commission for fiscal year 2023: Provided, That fees and charges authorized by section 31 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78ee) shall be credited to this account as offsetting collections: Provided further, That not to exceed \$2,149,000,000 of such offsetting collections shall be available until expended for necessary expenses of this account; and not to exceed \$57,405,000 of such offsetting collections shall be available until expended for move, replication, and related costs under this heading associated with a replacement lease for the Commission's District of Columbia headquarters facilities: Provided further, That the total amount appropriated under this heading from the general fund for fiscal year 2023 shall be reduced as such offsetting fees are received so as to result in a final total fiscal year 2023 appropriation from the general fund estimated at not more than \$0: Provided further, That if any amount of the appropriation for move, replication, and related costs associated with a replacement lease for the Commission's District of Columbia headquarters facilities is subsequently de-obligated by the Commission such amount that was derived from the general fund shall be returned to the general fund, and such amounts that were derived from fees or assessments collected for such purpose shall be paid to each national securities exchange and national securities association, respectively, in proportion to any fees or assessments paid by such national securities exchange or national securities association under section 31 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78ee) in fiscal year 2023.

## ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISION—SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

SEC. 540. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to implement the amendments to sections 240.14a-1(1), 240.14a-2, or 240.14a-9 of title 17, Code of Federal Regulations, that were adopted by the Securities and Exchange Commission on July 22, 2020.

### SELECTIVE SERVICE SYSTEM

#### SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Selective Service System, including expenses of attendance at meetings and of training for uniformed personnel assigned to the Selective Service System, as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 4101–4118 for civilian employees; hire of passenger motor vehicles; services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109; and not to exceed \$750 for official reception and representation expenses; \$29,300,000: Provided, That during the current fiscal year, the President may exempt this appropriation from the provisions of 31 U.S.C. 1341, whenever the President deems such action to be necessary in the interest of national defense: Provided further, That none of the funds appropriated by this Act may be expended for or in connection with the induction of any person into the Armed Forces of the United States.

## SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for, of the Small Business Administration, including hire of passenger motor vehicles as authorized by sections 1343 and 1344 of title 31, United States Code, and not to exceed \$3,500 for official reception and representation expenses, \$313,872,000, of which not less than \$12,000,000 shall be available for examinations, reviews, and other lender oversight activities: Provided, That the Administrator is authorized to charge fees to cover the cost of publications developed by the Small Business Administration, and certain loan program activities, including fees authorized by section 5(b) of the Small Business Act: Provided further, That, notwithstanding 31 U.S.C. 3302, revenues received from all such activities shall be credited to this account to remain available until expended, for carrying out these purposes without further appropriations: Provided further, That the Small Business Administration may accept gifts in an amount not to exceed \$4,000,000 and may co-sponsor activities, each in accordance with section 132(a) of division K of Public Law 108-447, during fiscal year 2023: Provided further, That \$6,100,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2024, for the Loan Modernization and Accounting System: Provided further, That \$20,000,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2024, for expenses relating to the certification of small business concerns owned and controlled by veterans and small business concerns owned and controlled by service-disabled veterans under sections 36 and 36A of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 657f; 657f-1).

#### ENTREPRENEURIAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

For necessary expenses of programs supporting entrepreneurial and small business development, \$326,000,000, to remain available September 30, 2024: Provided, That \$145,000,000 shall be available to fund grants for performance in fiscal year 2023 or fiscal year 2024 as authorized by section 21 of the Small Business Act: Provided further That \$41,000,000 shall be for marketing, management, and technical assistance under section 7(m) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 636(m)(4)) by intermediaries that make microloans under the microloan program: Provided further, That\$22,000,000 shall be available for grants to States to carry out export programs that assist small business concerns authorized under section 22(1) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 649(1)).

### OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector General in carrying out the provisions of the Inspector General Act of 1978, \$32,020,000.

#### OFFICE OF ADVOCACY

For necessary expenses of the Office of Advocacy in carrying out the provisions of title II of Public Law 94–305 (15 U.S.C. 634a et seq.) and the Regulatory Flexibility Act of 1980 (5 U.S.C. 601 et seq.), \$10,211,000, to remain available until expended.

## BUSINESS LOANS PROGRAM ACCOUNT (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For the cost of direct loans, \$6,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That such costs, including the cost of modifying such

loans, shall be as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974: Provided further, That subject to section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, during fiscal year 2023 commitments to guarantee loans under section 503 of the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 shall not exceed \$11,000,000,000: Provided further, That during fiscal year 2023 commitments for general business loans authorized under paragraphs (1) through (35) of section 7(a) of the Small Business Act shall not exceed \$35,000,000,000 for a combination of amortizing term loans and the aggregated maximum line of credit provided by revolving loans: Provided further, That during fiscal year 2023 commitments for loans authorized under subparagraph (C) of section 502(7) of the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 (15 U.S.C. 696(7)) shall not exceed \$7,500,000,000: Provided further, That during fiscal year 2023 commitments to avarantee loans for debentures under section 303(b) of the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 shall not exceed \$5,000,000,000: Provided further, That during fiscal year 2023, guarantees of trust certificates  $authorized\ by\ section\ 5(g)\ of\ the\ Small\ Business$ Act shall not exceed a principal amount of \$15,000,000,000. In addition, for administrative expenses to carry out the direct and guaranteed loan programs, \$165,300,000, which may be transferred to and merged with the appropriations for Salaries and Expenses.

#### DISASTER LOANS PROGRAM ACCOUNT (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

For administrative expenses to carry out the direct loan program authorized by section 7(b) of the Small Business Act, \$179,000,000, to be available until expended, of which \$1,600,000 is for the Office of Inspector General of the Small Business Administration for audits and reviews of disaster loans and the disaster loan programs and shall be transferred to and merged with the appropriations for the Office of Inspector General; of which \$169,000,000 is for direct administrative expenses of loan making and servicing to carry out the direct loan program, which may be transferred to and merged with the appropriations for Salaries and Expenses; and of which \$8,400,000 is for indirect administrative expenses for the direct loan program, which may be transferred to and merged with the appropriations for Salaries and Expenses: Provided, That, of the funds provided under this heading. \$143,000,000 shall be for major disasters declared pursuant to the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5122(2)): Provided further, That the amount for major disasters under this heading is designated by the Congress as being for disaster relief pursuant to section 1(f) of H. Res. 1151 (117th Congress), as engrossed in the House of Representatives on June 8, 2022.

#### ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

#### (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS

SEC. 550. Not to exceed 5 percent of any appropriation made available for the current fiscal year for the Small Business Administration in this Act may be transferred between such appropriations, but no such appropriation shall be increased by more than 10 percent by any such transfers: Provided, That any transfer pursuant to this paragraph shall be treated as a reprogramming of funds under section 608 of this Act and shall not be available for obligation or expenditure except in compliance with the procedures set forth in that section.

SEC. 551. Not to exceed 3 percent of any appropriation made available in this Act for the Small Business Administration under the headings "Salaries and Expenses" and "Business Loans Program Account" may be transferred to the Administration's information technology system modernization and working capital fund (IT WCF), as authorized by section 1077(b)(1) of title X of division A of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2018, for the pur-

poses specified in section 1077(b)(3) of such Act, upon the advance approval of the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate: Provided, That amounts transferred to the IT WCF under this section shall remain available for obligation through September 30, 2026.

SEC. 552. For an additional amount under the heading "Small Business Administration—Salaries and Expenses", \$75,159,000, which shall be for initiatives related to small business development and entrepreneurship, including programmatic and construction activities, in the amounts and for the projects specified in the table that appears under the heading "Administrative Provisions-Small Business Administration" in the report accompanying this Act: Provided, That, notwithstanding sections 2701.92 and 2701.93 of title 2, Code of Federal Regulations, the Administrator of the Small Business Administration may permit awards to subrecipients for initiatives funded under this section: Provided further, That none of the funds made available by this section may be transferred for any other purpose.

#### United States Postal Service PAYMENT TO THE POSTAL SERVICE FUND

For payment to the Postal Service Fund for revenue forgone on free and reduced rate mail, pursuant to subsections (c) and (d) of section 2401 of title 39, United States Code, \$56,253,000: Provided, That mail for overseas voting and mail for the blind shall continue to be free: Provided further, That none of the funds made available to the Postal Service by this Act shall be used to implement any rule, regulation, or policy of charging any officer or employee of any State or local child support enforcement agency, or any individual participating in a State or local program of child support enforcement, a fee for information requested or provided concerning an address of a postal customer: Provided further, That none of the funds provided in this Act shall be used to consolidate or close small rural and other small post offices: Provided further, That the Postal Service may not destroy, and shall continue to offer for sale. any copies of the Multinational Species Conservation Funds Semipostal Stamp, as authorized under the Multinational Species Conservation Funds Semipostal Stamp Act of 2010 (Public Law 111-241).

### OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL SALARIES AND EXPENSES (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector General in carrying out the provisions of the Inspector General Act of 1978, \$271,000,000, to be derived by transfer from the Postal Service Fund and expended as authorized by section 603(b)(3) of the Postal Accountability and Enhancement Act (Public Law 109-435).

## UNITED STATES TAX COURT

#### SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses, including contract reporting and other services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109, and not to exceed \$3,000 for official reception andrepresentation expenses: \$57,300,000, of which \$1,000,000 shall remain available until expended: Provided, That travel expenses of the judges shall be paid upon the written certificate of the judge.

### $TITLE\ VI$

#### GENERAL PROVISIONS—THIS ACT

SEC. 601. None of the funds in this Act shall be used for the planning or execution of any program to pay the expenses of, or otherwise compensate, non-Federal parties intervening in regulatory or adjudicatory proceedings funded in this Act.

SEC. 602. None of the funds appropriated in this Act shall remain available for obligation beyond the current fiscal year, nor may any be transferred to other appropriations, unless expressly so provided herein.

SEC. 603. The expenditure of any appropriation under this Act for any consulting service through procurement contract pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3109, shall be limited to those contracts where such expenditures are a matter of public record and available for public inspection, except where otherwise provided under existing law, or under existing Executive order issued pursuant to existing law.

SEC. 604. None of the funds made available in this Act may be transferred to any department. agency, or instrumentality of the United States Government, except pursuant to a transfer made by, or transfer authority provided in, this Act or any other appropriations Act.

SEC. 605. None of the funds made available by this Act shall be available for any activity or for paying the salary of any Government employee where funding an activity or paying a salary to a Government employee would result in a decision, determination, rule, regulation, or policy that would prohibit the enforcement of section 307 of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1307).

SEC. 606. No funds appropriated pursuant to this Act may be expended by an entity unless the entity agrees that in expending the assistance the entity will comply with chapter 83 of title 41. United States Code.

SEC. 607. No funds appropriated or otherwise made available under this Act shall be made

available to any person or entity that has been convicted of violating chapter 83 of title 41, United States Code. SEC. 608. Except as otherwise provided in this Act, none of the funds provided in this Act, pro-

vided by previous appropriations Acts to the agencies or entities funded in this Act that remain available for obligation or expenditure in fiscal year 2023, or provided from any accounts in the Treasury derived by the collection of fees and available to the agencies funded by this Act, shall be available for obligation or expenditure through a reprogramming of funds that: (1) creates a new program; (2) eliminates a program, project, or activity; (3) increases funds or personnel for any program, project, or activity for which funds have been denied or restricted by the Congress; (4) proposes to use funds directed for a specific activity by the Committee on Appropriations of either the House of Representatives or the Senate for a different purpose; (5) augments existing programs, projects, or activities in excess of \$5,000,000 or 10 percent, whichever is less; (6) reduces existing programs, projects, or activities by \$5,000,000 or 10 percent, whichever is less; or (7) creates or reorganizes offices, programs, or activities unless prior approval is received from the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate: Provided, That prior to any significant reorganization, restructuring, relocation, or closing of offices, programs, or activities each agency or entity funded in this Act shall consult with the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate: Provided further, That not later than 60 days after the date of enactment of this Act, each agency funded by this Act shall submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate to establish the baseline for application of reprogramming and transfer authorities for the current fiscal year: Provided further, That at a minimum the report shall include: (1) a table for each appropriation, detailing both full-time employee equivalents and budget authority, with separate columns to display the prior year enacted level, the President's budget request, adjustments made by Congress, adjustments due to enacted rescissions, if appropriate, and the fiscal year enacted level; (2) a delineation in the table for each appropriation and its respective prior year enacted level by object class and program, project, and activity as detailed in this Act, in the accompanying report, or in the budget appendix for the respective appropriation, whichever is more detailed, and which shall apply to all items for which a dollar amount is

specified and to all programs for which new budget authority is provided, as well as to discretionary grants and discretionary grant allocations; and (3) an identification of items of special congressional interest: Provided further, That the amount appropriated or limited for salaries and expenses for an agency shall be reduced by \$100,000 per day for each day after the required date that the report has not been submitted to the Congress.

SEC. 609. Except as otherwise specifically provided by law, not to exceed 50 percent of unobligated balances remaining available at the end of fiscal year 2023 from appropriations made available for salaries and expenses for fiscal year 2023 in this Act, shall remain available through September 30, 2024, for each such account for the purposes authorized: Provided, That a request shall be submitted to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate for approval prior to the expenditure of such funds: Provided further, That these requests shall be made in compliance with reprogramming guidelines.

SEC. 610. (a) None of the funds made available in this Act may be used by the Executive Office

of the President to request-

(1) any official background investigation report on any individual from the Federal Bureau of Investigation; or

(2) a determination with respect to the treatment of an organization as described in section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and exempt from taxation under section 501(a) of such Code from the Department of the Treasury or the Internal Revenue Service.

(b) Subsection (a) shall not apply-

- (1) in the case of an official background investigation report, if such individual has given express written consent for such request not more than 6 months prior to the date of such request and during the same presidential administration or
- (2) if such request is required due to extraordinary circumstances involving national security.

SEC. 611. The cost accounting standards promulgated under chapter 15 of title 41, United States Code shall not apply with respect to a contract under the Federal Employees Health Benefits Program established under chapter 89 of title 5, United States Code.

SEC. 612. For the purpose of resolving litigation and implementing any settlement agreements regarding the nonforeign area cost-of-living allowance program, the Office of Personnel Management may accept and utilize (without regard to any restriction on unanticipated travel expenses imposed in an Appropriations Act) funds made available to the Office of Personnel Management pursuant to court approval.

SEC. 613. In order to promote Government access to commercial information technology, the restriction on purchasing nondomestic articles, materials, and supplies set forth in chapter 83 of title 41, United States Code (popularly known as the Buy American Act), shall not apply to the acquisition by the Federal Government of information technology (as defined in section 11101 of title 40, United States Code), that is a commercial item (as defined in section 103 of title 41, United States Code).

SEC. 614. Notwithstanding section 1353 of title 31, United States Code, no officer or employee of any regulatory agency or commission funded by this Act may accept on behalf of that agency, nor may such agency or commission accept, payment or reimbursement from a non-Federal entity for travel, subsistence, or related expenses for the purpose of enabling an officer or employee to attend and participate in any meeting or similar function relating to the official duties of the officer or employee when the entity offering payment or reimbursement is a person or entity subject to regulation by such agency or commission, or represents a person or entity subject to regulation by such agency or commission, unless the person or entity is an organization described in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and exempt from tax under section 501(a) of such Code.

SEC. 615. (a)(1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, an Executive agency covered by this Act otherwise authorized to enter into contracts for either leases or the construction or alteration of real property for office, meeting, storage, or other space must consult with the General Services Administration before issuing a solicitation for offers of new leases or construction contracts, and in the case of succeeding leases, before entering into negotiations with the current lessor.

(2) Any such agency with authority to enter into an emergency lease may do so during any period declared by the President to require emergency leasing authority with respect to such agency.

(b) For purposes of this section, the term "Executive agency covered by this Act" means any Executive agency provided funds by this Act but does not include the General Services Administration or the United States Postal Service.

SEC. 616. (a) There are appropriated for the following activities the amounts required under current law:

(1) Compensation of the President (3 U.S.C.

(2) Payments to—

(A) the Judicial Officers' Retirement Fund (28 U.S.C. 377(0)):

(B) the Judicial Survivors' Annuities Fund (28 U.S.C. 376(c)): and

(C) the United States Court of Federal Claims Judges' Retirement Fund (28 U.S.C. 178(1)).

(3) Payment of Government contributions—
(A) with respect to the health benefits of retired employees, as authorized by chapter 89 of title 5, United States Code, and the Retired Federal Employees Health Benefits Act (74 Stat. 849): and

(B) with respect to the life insurance benefits for employees retiring after December 31, 1989 (5 ILSC ch. 87)

(4) Payment to finance the unfunded liability of new and increased annuity benefits under the Civil Service Retirement and Disability Fund (5 U.S.C. 8348).

(5) Payment of annuities authorized to be paid from the Civil Service Retirement and Disability Fund by statutory provisions other than subchapter III of chapter 83 or chapter 84 of title 5. United States Code.

(b) Nothing in this section may be construed to exempt any amount appropriated by this section from any otherwise applicable limitation on the use of funds contained in this Act.

SEC. 617. (a) The head of each executive branch agency funded by this Act shall ensure that the Chief Information Officer of the agency has the authority to participate in decisions regarding the budget planning process related to information technology.

(b) Amounts appropriated for any executive branch agency funded by this Act that are available for information technology shall be allocated within the agency, consistent with the provisions of appropriations Acts and budget guidelines and recommendations from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, in such manner as specified by, or approved by, the Chief Information Officer of the agency in consultation with the Chief Financial Officer of the agency and budget officials.

SEC. 618. None of the funds made available in this Act may be used in contravention of chapter 29, 31, or 33 of title 44, United States Code.

SEC. 619. None of the funds made available in this Act may be used by a governmental entity to require the disclosure by a provider of electronic communication service to the public or remote computing service of the contents of a wire or electronic communication that is in electronic storage with the provider (as such terms are defined in sections 2510 and 2711 of title 18, United States Code) in a manner that violates the Fourth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

SEC. 620. No funds provided in this Act shall be used to deny an Inspector General funded under this Act timely access to any records, documents, or other materials available to the department or agency over which that Inspector General has responsibilities under the Inspector General Act of 1978, or to prevent or impede that Inspector General's access to such records, documents, or other materials, under any provision of law, except a provision of law that expressly refers to the Inspector General and expressly limits the Inspector General's right of access. A department or agency covered by this section shall provide its Inspector General with access to all such records, documents, and other materials in a timely manner. Each Inspector General shall ensure compliance with statutory limitations on disclosure relevant to the information provided by the establishment over which that Inspector General has responsibilities under the Inspector General Act of 1978. Each Inspector General covered by this section shall report to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate within 5 calendar days any failures to comply with this reauirement.

SEC. 621. None of the funds appropriated by this Act may be used by the Federal Communications Commission to modify, amend, or change the rules or regulations of the Commission for universal service high-cost support for competitive eligible telecommunications carriers in a way that is inconsistent with paragraph (e)(5) or (e)(6) of section 54.307 of title 47, Code of Federal Regulations, as in effect on July 15, 2015: Provided, That this section shall not prohibit the Commission from considering, developing, or adopting other support mechanisms as an alternative to Mobility Fund Phase II: Provided further, That any such alternative mechanism shall maintain existing high-cost support to competitive eligible telecommunications carriers until support under such mechanism commences.

SEC. 622. (a) None of the funds made available in this Act may be used to maintain or establish a computer network unless such network blocks the viewing, downloading, and exchanging of pornography.

(b) Nothing in subsection (a) shall limit the use of funds necessary for any Federal, State, tribal, or local law enforcement agency or any other entity carrying out criminal investigations, prosecution, adjudication activities, or other law enforcement- or victim assistance-related activitu.

SEC. 623. None of the funds appropriated or other-wise made available by this Act may be used to pay award or incentive fees for contractors whose performance has been judged to be below satisfactory, behind schedule, over budget, or has failed to meet the basic requirements of a contract, unless the Agency determines that any such deviations are due to unforeseeable events, government-driven scope changes, or are not significant within the overall scope of the project and/or program and unless such awards or incentive fees are consistent with 16.401(e)(2) of the Federal Acquisition Regulation.

SEC. 624. (a) None of the funds made available under this Act may be used to pay for travel and conference activities that result in a total cost to an Executive branch department, agency, board or commission funded by this Act of more than \$500,000 at any single conference unless the agency or entity determines that such attendance is in the national interest and advance notice is transmitted to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate that includes the basis of that determination.

(b) None of the funds made available under this Act may be used to pay for the travel to or attendance of more than 50 employees, who are stationed in the United States, at any single conference occurring outside the United States unless the agency or entity determines that such attendance is in the national interest and advance notice is transmitted to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate that includes the basis of that determination.

SEC. 625. None of the funds made available bu this Act may be used for first-class or businessclass travel by the employees of executive branch agencies funded by this Act in contravention of sections 301-10.122 through 301-10.125 of title 41 Code of Federal Regulations.

SEC. 626. In addition to any amounts appropriated or otherwise made available for expenses related to enhancements to www.oversight.gov, \$850,000, to remain available until expended, shall be provided for an additional amount for such purpose to the Inspectors General Council Fund established pursuant to section 11(c)(3)(B)of the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.): Provided, That these amounts shall be in addition to any amounts or any authority available to the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency under section 11 of the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.).

SEC. 627. None of the funds made available by this Act may be obligated on contracts in excess of \$5,000 for public relations, as that term is defined in Office and Management and Budget Circular A-87 (revised May 10, 2004), unless advance notice of such an obligation is transmitted to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate.

SEC. 628. Federal agencies funded under this Act shall clearly state within the text, audio, or video used for advertising or educational purposes, including emails or Internet postings, that the communication is printed, published, or produced and disseminated at U.S. taxpauer expense. The funds used by a Federal agency to carry out this requirement shall be derived from amounts made available to the agency for advertising or other communications regarding the programs and activities of the agency.

SEC. 629. When issuing statements, press releases, requests for proposals, bid solicitations and other documents describing projects or programs funded in whole or in part with Federal money, all grantees receiving Federal funds included in this Act, shall clearly state-

(1) the percentage of the total costs of the program or project which will be financed with Federal money;

(2) the dollar amount of Federal funds for the project or program; and

(3) percentage and dollar amount of the total costs of the project or program that will be financed by non-governmental sources.

SEC. 630. Not later than 45 days after the last day of each quarter, each agency funded in this Act shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate a quarterly budget report that includes total obligations of the Agency for that quarter for each appropriation, by the source year of the appropriation.

SEC. 631. None of the funds made available in this Act may be used to penalize a financial institution solely because the institution provides financial services to an entity that is a manufacturer, a producer, or a person that participates in any business or organized activity that handlina involves h.emnhemn-derived. cannabidiol products, other hemp-derived cannabinoid products, marijuana, marijuana products, or marijuana proceeds, and engages in such activity pursuant to a law established by a State, political subdivision of a State, or Indian Tribe. In this section, the term "State" means each of the several States, the District of Columbia, and any territory or possession of the

#### TITLE VII $GENERAL\ PROVISIONS — GOVERNMENT-$ WIDE

DEPARTMENTS, AGENCIES, AND CORPORATIONS (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

United States.

SEC. 701. No department, agency, or instrumentality of the United States receiving appro-

priated funds under this or any other Act for fiscal year 2023 shall obligate or expend any such funds, unless such department, agency, or instrumentality has in place, and will continue to administer in good faith, a written policy designed to ensure that all of its workplaces are free from the illegal use, possession, or distribution of controlled substances (as defined in the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 802)) by the officers and employees of such department, agency, or instrumentality.

702. Unless otherwise specifically provided the maximum amount allowable during the current fiscal year in accordance with subsection 1343(c) of title 31. United States Code. for the purchase of any passenger motor vehicle (exclusive of buses, ambulances, law enforcement vehicles, protective vehicles, and undercover surveillance vehicles), is hereby fixed at \$19,947 except station wagons for which the maximum shall be \$19,997: Provided, That these limits may be exceeded by not to exceed \$7,250 for police-type vehicles: Provided further. That the limits set forth in this section may not be exceeded by more than 5 percent for electric or hybrid vehicles purchased for demonstration under the provisions of the Electric and Hubrid Vehicle Research, Development, and Demonstration Act of 1976: Provided further. That the limits set forth in this section may be exceeded by the incremental cost of clean alternative fuels vehicles acquired pursuant to Public Law 101-549 over the cost of comparable conventionally fueled vehicles: Provided further. That the limits set forth in this section shall not apply to any vehicle that is a commercial item and which operates on alternative fuel, including but not limited to electric, plua-in hubrid electric, and hudrogen fuel cell vehicles.

SEC. 703. Appropriations of the executive departments and independent establishments for the current fiscal year available for expenses of travel, or for the expenses of the activity concerned, are hereby made available for quarters allowances and cost-of-living allowances, in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 5922-5924.

SEC. 704. Unless otherwise specified in law during the current fiscal year, no part of any appropriation contained in this or any other Act shall be used to pay the compensation of any officer or employee of the Government of the United States (including any agency the majority of the stock of which is owned by the Government of the United States) whose post of duty is in the continental United States unless such person: (1) is a citizen of the United States; (2) is a person who is lawfully admitted for permanent residence and is seeking citizenship as outlined in 8 U.S.C. 1324b(a)(3)(B): (3) is a person who is admitted as a refugee under 8 U.S.C. 1157 or is granted asulum under 8 U.S.C. 1158 and has filed a declaration of intention to become a lawful permanent resident and then a citizen when eligible; (4) is a person who owes allegiance to the United States; or (5) is a person who is authorized to be employed in the United States pursuant to the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program established under the memorandum of the Secretary of Homeland Security dated June 15, 2012: Provided, That for purposes of this section, affidavits signed by any such person shall be considered prima facie evidence that the requirements of this section with respect to his or her status are being complied with: Provided further, That for purposes of paragraphs (2) and (3) such affidavits shall be submitted prior to employment and updated thereafter as necessary: Provided further, That any person making a false affidavit shall be guilty of a felony, and upon conviction, shall be fined no more than \$4,000 or imprisoned for not more than 1 year, or both: Provided further, That the above penal clause shall be in addition to, and not in substitution for, any other provisions of existing law: Provided further, That any payment made to any officer or employee contrary to the provisions of this section shall be recoverable in action by the

Federal Government: Provided further, That this section shall not apply to any person who is an officer or employee of the Government of the United States on the date of enactment of this Act, or to international broadcasters employed by the Broadcasting Board of Governors, or to temporary employment of translators, or to temporary employment in the field service (not to exceed 60 days) as a result of emergencies: Provided further, That this section does not apply to the employment as Wildland firefighters for not more than 120 days of nonresident aliens employed by the Department of the Interior or the USDA Forest Service pursuant to an agreement with another country.

SEC. 705. Appropriations available to any department or agency during the current fiscal year for necessary expenses, including maintenance or operating expenses, shall also be available for payment to the General Services Administration for charges for space and services and those expenses of renovation and alteration of buildings and facilities which constitute public improvements performed in accordance with the Public Buildings Act of 1959 (73 Stat. 479), the Public Buildings Amendments of 1972 (86 Stat. 216), or other applicable law.

SEC. 706. In addition to funds provided in this or any other Act, all Federal agencies are authorized to receive and use funds resulting from the sale of materials, including Federal records disposed of pursuant to a records schedule recovered through recycling or waste prevention programs. Such funds shall be available until expended for the following purposes:

(1) Acquisition, waste reduction and prevention, and recycling programs as described in Executive Order No. 13834 (May 17, 2018), including any such programs adopted prior to the ef-

fective date of the Executive order.

(2) Other Federal agency environmental management programs, including, but not limited to, the development and implementation of hazardous waste management and pollution prevention programs.

(3) Other employee programs as authorized by law or as deemed appropriate by the head of the

Federal agency.

SEC. 707. Funds made available by this or any other Act for administrative expenses in the current fiscal year of the corporations and agencies subject to chapter 91 of title 31, United States Code, shall be available, in addition to objects for which such funds are otherwise available, for rent in the District of Columbia; services in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 3109; and the objects specified under this head, all the provisions of which shall be applicable to the expenditure of such funds unless otherwise specified in the Act by which they are made available: Provided, That in the event any functions budgeted as administrative expenses are subsequently transferred to or paid from other funds, the limitations on administrative expenses shall be correspondingly reduced.

SEC. 708. No part of any appropriation contained in this or any other Act shall be available for interagency financing of boards (except Federal Executive Boards), commissions, councils, committees, or similar groups (whether or not they are interagency entities) which do not have a prior and specific statutory approval to receive financial support from more than one agency or instrumentality.

SEC. 709. None of the funds made available pursuant to the provisions of this or any other Act shall be used to implement, administer, or enforce any regulation which has been disapproved pursuant to a joint resolution duly adopted in accordance with the applicable law

of the United States.

SEC. 710. During the period in which the head of any department or agency, or any other officer or civilian employee of the Federal Government appointed by the President of the United States, holds office, no funds may be obligated or expended in excess of \$5,000 to furnish or redecorate the office of such department head,

agency head, officer, or employee, or to purchase furniture or make improvements for any such office, unless advance notice of such furnishing or redecoration is transmitted to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate. For the purposes of this section, the term "office" shall include the entire suite of offices assigned to the individual, as well as any other space used primarily by the individual or the use of which is directly controlled by the individual.

SEC. 711. Notwithstanding 31 U.S.C. 1346, or section 708 of this Act, funds made available for the current fiscal year by this or any other Act shall be available for the interagency funding of national security and emergency preparedness telecommunications initiatives which benefit multiple Federal departments, agencies, or entities, as provided by Executive Order No. 13618 (July 6, 2012).

SEC. 712. (a) None of the funds made available by this or any other Act may be obligated or expended by any department, agency, or other instrumentality of the Federal Government to pay the salaries or expenses of any individual appointed to a position of a confidential or policydetermining character that is excepted from the competitive service under section 3302 of title 5, United States Code, (pursuant to schedule C of subpart C of part 213 of title 5 of the Code of Federal Regulations) unless the head of the applicable department, agency, or other instrumentality employing such schedule C individual certifies to the Director of the Office of Personnel Management that the schedule C position occupied by the individual was not created solely or primarily in order to detail the individual to the White House.

(b) The provisions of this section shall not apply to Federal employees or members of the armed forces detailed to or from an element of the intelligence community (as that term is defined under section 3(4) of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3003(4))).

SEC. 713. No part of any appropriation contained in this or any other Act shall be available for the payment of the salary of any officer or employee of the Federal Government. who—

(1) prohibits or prevents, or attempts or threatens to prohibit or prevent, any other officer or employee of the Federal Government from having any direct oral or written communication or contact with any Member, committee, or subcommittee of the Congress in connection with any matter pertaining to the employment of such other officer or employee or pertaining to the department or agency of such other officer or employee in any way, irrespective of whether such communication or contact is at the initiative of such other officer or employee or in response to the request or inquiry of such Member, committee, or subcommittee: or

(2) removes, suspends from duty without pay, demotes, reduces in rank, seniority, status, pay, or performance or efficiency rating, demies promotion to, relocates, reassigns, transfers, disciplines, or discriminates in regard to any employment right, entitlement, or benefit, or any term or condition of employment of, any other officer or employee of the Federal Government, or attempts or threatens to commit any of the foregoing actions with respect to such other officer or employee, by reason of any communication or contact of such other officer or employee with any Member, committee, or subcommittee of the Congress as described in paragraph (1).

SEC. 714. (a) None of the funds made available in this or any other Act may be obligated or expended for any employee training that—

(1) does not meet identified needs for knowledge, skills, and abilities bearing directly upon the performance of official duties:

(2) contains elements likely to induce high levels of emotional response or psychological stress in some participants;

(3) does not require prior employee notification of the content and methods to be used in the training and written end of course evaluation: (4) contains any methods or content associated with religious or quasi-religious belief systems or "new age" belief systems as defined in Equal Employment Opportunity Commission Notice N-915.022, dated September 2, 1988; or

(5) is offensive to, or designed to change, participants' personal values or lifestyle outside the workplace.

(b) Nothing in this section shall prohibit, restrict, or otherwise preclude an agency from conducting training bearing directly upon the performance of official duties.

SEC. 715. No part of any funds appropriated in this or any other Act shall be used by an agency of the executive branch, other than for normal and recognized executive-legislative relationships, for publicity or propaganda purposes, and for the preparation, distribution or use of any kit, pamphlet, booklet, publication, radio, television, or film presentation designed to support or defeat legislation pending before the Congress, except in presentation to the Congress itself.

SEC. 716. None of the funds appropriated by this or any other Act may be used by an agency to provide a Federal employee's home address to any labor organization except when the employee has authorized such disclosure or when such disclosure has been ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction.

SEC. 717. None of the funds made available in this or any other Act may be used to provide any non-public information such as mailing, telephone, or electronic mailing lists to any person or any organization outside of the Federal Government without the approval of the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate.

SEC. 718. No part of any appropriation contained in this or any other Act shall be used directly or indirectly, including by private contractor, for publicity or propaganda purposes within the United States not heretofore authorized by Congress.

SEC. 719. (a) In this section, the term "agency"—

(1) means an Executive agency, as defined under 5 U.S.C. 105; and

(2) includes a military department, as defined under section 102 of such title, the United States Postal Service, and the Postal Regulatory Commission.

(b) Unless authorized in accordance with law or regulations to use such time for other purposes, an employee of an agency shall use official time in an honest effort to perform official duties. An employee not under a leave system, including a Presidential appointee exempted under 5 U.S.C. 6301(2), has an obligation to expend an honest effort and a reasonable proportion of such employee's time in the performance of official duties.

SEC. 720. Notwithstanding 31 U.S.C. 1346 and section 708 of this Act, funds made available for the current fiscal year by this or any other Act to any department or agency, which is a member of the Federal Accounting Standards Advisory Board (FASAB), shall be available to finance an appropriate share of FASAB administrative costs.

SEC. 721. Notwithstanding 31 U.S.C. 1346 and section 708 of this Act, the head of each Executive department and agency is hereby authorized to transfer to or reimburse "General Services Administration, Government-wide Policy" with the approval of the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, funds made available for the current fiscal year by this or any other Act, including rebates from charge card and other contracts: Provided, That these funds shall be administered by the Administrator of General Services to support Government-wide and other multi-agency financial, information technology, procurement, and other management innovations, initiatives, and activities, including improving coordination and reducing duplication, as approved by the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, in consulta-

tion with the appropriate interagency and multi-agency groups designated by the Director (including the President's Management Council for overall management improvement initiatives, the Chief Financial Officers Council for financial management initiatives, the Chief Information Officers Council for information technology initiatives, the Chief Human Capital Officers Council for human capital initiatives, the Chief Acquisition Officers Council for procurement initiatives, and the Performance Improvement Council for performance improvement initiatives): Provided further, That the total funds transferred or reimbursed shall not exceed \$15,000,000 to improve coordination, reduce duplication, and for other activities related to Federal Government Priority Goals established by 31 U.S.C. 1120, and not to exceed \$17,000,000 for Government-wide innovations, initiatives, and activities: Provided further, That the funds transferred to or for reimbursement of "General Services Administration, Government-wide Policy" during fiscal year 2023 shall remain available for obligation through September 30, 2024: Provided further, That such transfers or reimbursements may only be made after 15 days following notification of the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate by the Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

SEC. 722. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a woman may breastfeed her child at any location in a Federal building or on Federal property, if the woman and her child are otherwise authorized to be present at the location.

SEC. 723. Notwithstanding 31 U.S.C. 1346, section 708 of this Act, funds made available for the current fiscal year by this or any other Act shall be available for the interagency funding of specific projects, workshops, studies, and similar efforts to carry out the purposes of the National Science and Technology Council (authorized by Executive Order No. 12881), which benefit multiple Federal departments, agencies, or entities: Provided, That the Office of Management and Budget shall provide a report describing the budget of and resources connected with the National Science and Technology Council to the Committees on Appropriations, the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, and the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation 90 days after enactment of  $this\ Act.$ 

SEC. 724. Any request for proposals, solicitation, grant application, form, notification, press release, or other publications involving the distribution of Federal funds shall comply with any relevant requirements in part 200 of title 2, Code of Federal Regulations: Provided, That this section shall apply to direct payments, formula funds, and grants received by a State receiving Federal funds.

SEC. 725. (a) PROHIBITION OF FEDERAL AGEN-CY MONITORING OF INDIVIDUALS' INTERNET USE.—None of the funds made available in this or any other Act may be used by any Federal agency—

(1) to collect, review, or create any aggregation of data, derived from any means, that includes any personally identifiable information relating to an individual's access to or use of any Federal Government Internet site of the agency; or

(2) to enter into any agreement with a third party (including another government agency) to collect, review, or obtain any aggregation of data, derived from any means, that includes any personally identifiable information relating to an individual's access to or use of any non-governmental Internet site.

(b) EXCEPTIONS.—The limitations established in subsection (a) shall not apply to—

(1) any record of aggregate data that does not identify particular persons;

(2) any voluntary submission of personally identifiable information;

(3) any action taken for law enforcement, regulatory, or supervisory purposes, in accordance with applicable law; or

- (4) any action described in subsection (a)(1) that is a system security action taken by the operator of an Internet site and is necessarily incident to providing the Internet site services or to protecting the rights or property of the provider of the Internet site.
- (c) DEFINITIONS.—For the purposes of this section:
- (1) The term "regulatory" means agency actions to implement, interpret or enforce authorities provided in law.
- (2) The term "supervisory" means examinations of the agency's supervised institutions, including assessing safety and soundness, overall financial condition, management practices and policies and compliance with applicable standards as provided in law.
- SEC. 726. (a) None of the funds appropriated by this Act may be used to enter into or renew a contract which includes a provision providing prescription drug coverage, except where the contract also includes a provision for contraceptive coverage.
- (b) Nothing in this section shall apply to a contract with—
  - (1) any of the following religious plans:
  - (A) Personal Care's HMO; and
  - (B) OSF HealthPlans, Inc.; and
- (2) any existing or future plan, if the carrier for the plan objects to such coverage on the basis of religious beliefs.
- (c) In implementing this section, any plan that enters into or renews a contract under this section may not subject any individual to discrimination on the basis that the individual refuses to prescribe or otherwise provide for contraceptives because such activities would be contrary to the individual's religious beliefs or moral convictions.
- (d) Nothing in this section shall be construed to require coverage of abortion or abortion-related services.
- SEC. 727. The United States is committed to ensuring the health of its Olympic, Pan American, and Paralympic athletes, and supports the strict adherence to anti-doping in sport through testing, adjudication, education, and research as performed by nationally recognized oversight authorities.
- SEC. 728. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, funds appropriated for official travel to Federal departments and agencies may be used by such departments and agencies, if consistent with Office of Management and Budget Circular A–126 regarding official travel for Government personnel, to participate in the fractional aircraft ownership pilot program.

SEC. 729. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, none of the funds appropriated or made available under this or any other appropriations. Act may be used to implement or enforce restrictions or limitations on the Coast Guard Congressional Fellowship Program, or to implement the proposed regulations of the Office of Personned Management to add sections 300.311 through 300.316 to part 300 of title 5 of the Code of Federal Regulations, published in the Federal Register, volume 68, number 174, on September 9, 2003 (relating to the detail of executive branch employees to the legislative branch).

SEC. 730. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no executive branch agency shall purchase, construct, or lease any additional facilities, except within or contiguous to existing locations, to be used for the purpose of conducting Federal law enforcement training without the advance approval of the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate, except that the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers is authorized to obtain the temporary use of additional facilities by lease, contract, or other agreement for training which cannot be accommodated in existing Centers facilities.

SEC. 731. Unless otherwise authorized by existing law, none of the funds provided in this or any other Act may be used by an executive branch agency to produce any prepackaged

news story intended for broadcast or distribution in the United States, unless the story includes a clear notification within the text or audio of the prepackaged news story that the prepackaged news story was prepared or funded by that executive branch agency.

SEC. 732. None of the funds made available in this Act may be used in contravention of section 552a of title 5, United States Code (popularly known as the Privacy Act), and regulations implementing that section.

SEC. 733. (a) IN GENERAL.—None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this or any other Act may be used for any Federal Government contract with any foreign incorporated entity which is treated as an inverted domestic corporation under section 835(b) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 395(b)) or any subsidiary of such an entity.

(b) WAIVERS .-

- (1) In GENERAL.—Any Secretary shall waive subsection (a) with respect to any Federal Government contract under the authority of such Secretary if the Secretary determines that the waiver is required in the interest of national security.
- (2) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Any Secretary issuing a waiver under paragraph (1) shall report such issuance to Congress.
- (c) Exception.—This section shall not apply to any Federal Government contract entered into before the date of the enactment of this Act, or to any task order issued pursuant to such contract.
- SEC. 734. During fiscal year 2023, for each employee who—
- (1) retires under section 8336(d)(2) or 8414(b)(1)(B) of title 5, United States Code; or
- (2) retires under any other provision of subchapter III of chapter 83 or chapter 84 of such title 5 and receives a payment as an incentive to separate, the separating agency shall remit to the Civil Service Retirement and Disability Fund an amount equal to the Office of Personnel Management's average unit cost of processing a retirement claim for the preceding fiscal year. Such amounts shall be available until expended to the Office of Personnel Management and shall be deemed to be an administrative expense under section 8348(a)(1)(B) of title 5, United States Code.
- SEC. 735. None of the funds made available in this or any other Act may be used to pay for the painting of a portrait of an officer or employee of the Federal Government, including the President, the Vice President, a member of Congress (including a Delegate or a Resident Commissioner to Congress), the head of an executive branch agency (as defined in section 133 of title 41, United States Code), or the head of an office of the legislative branch.
- SEC. 736. (a)(1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, and except as otherwise provided in this section, no part of any of the funds appropriated for fiscal year 2023, by this or any other Act, may be used to pay any prevailing rate employee described in section 5342(a)(2)(A) of title 5, United States Code—
- (A) during the period from the date of expiration of the limitation imposed by the comparable section for the previous fiscal years until the normal effective date of the applicable wage survey adjustment that is to take effect in fiscal year 2023, in an amount that exceeds the rate payable for the applicable grade and step of the applicable wage schedule in accordance with such section, and
- (B) during the period consisting of the remainder of fiscal year 2023, in an amount that exceeds, as a result of a wage survey adjustment, the rate payable under subparagraph (A) by more than the sum of—
- (i) the percentage adjustment taking effect in fiscal year 2023 under section 5303 of title 5, United States Code, in the rates of pay under the General Schedule; and
- (ii) the difference between the overall average percentage of the locality-based comparability

payments taking effect in fiscal year 2023 under section 5304 of such title (whether by adjustment or otherwise), and the overall average percentage of such payments which was effective in the previous fiscal year under such section.

(2) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no prevailing rate employee described in subparagraph (B) or (C) of section 5342(a)(2) of title 5, United States Code, and no employee covered by section 5348 of such title, may be paid during the periods for which paragraph (1) is in effect at a rate that exceeds the rates that would be payable under paragraph (1) were paragraph (1) applicable to such employee.

(3) For the purposes of this subsection, the rates payable to an employee who is covered by this subsection and who is paid from a schedule not in existence on September 30, 2022, shall be determined under regulations prescribed by the Office of Personnel Management.

(4) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, rates of premium pay for employees subject to this subsection may not be changed from the rates in effect on September 30, 2022, except to the extent determined by the Office of Personnel Management to be consistent with the purpose of this subsection.

(5) This subsection shall apply with respect to pay for service performed after September 30, 2022

- (6) For the purpose of administering any provision of law (including any rule or regulation that provides premium pay, retirement, life insurance, or any other employee benefit) that requires any deduction or contribution, or that imposes any requirement or limitation on the basis of a rate of salary or basic pay, the rate of salary or basic pay payable after the application of this subsection shall be treated as the rate of salary or basic pay.
- (7) Nothing in this subsection shall be considered to permit or require the payment to any employee covered by this subsection at a rate in excess of the rate that would be payable were this subsection not in effect.
- (8) The Office of Personnel Management may provide for exceptions to the limitations imposed by this subsection if the Office determines that such exceptions are necessary to ensure the recruitment or retention of qualified employees.
- (b) Notwithstanding subsection (a), the adjustment in rates of basic pay for the statutory pay systems that take place in fiscal year 2023 under sections 5344 and 5348 of title 5, United States Code, shall be—
- (1) not less than the percentage received by employees in the same location whose rates of basic pay are adjusted pursuant to the statutory pay systems under sections 5303 and 5304 of title 5, United States Code: Provided, That prevailing rate employees at locations where there are no employees whose pay is increased pursuant to sections 5303 and 5304 of title 5, United States Code, and prevailing rate employees described in section 5343(a)(5) of title 5, United States Code, shall be considered to be located in the pay locality designated as "Rest of United States" pursuant to section 5304 of title 5, United States Code, for purposes of this subsection; and
- (2) effective as of the first day of the first applicable pay period beginning after September 30, 2022.
- SEC. 737. (a) The head of any Executive branch department, agency, board, commission, or office funded by this or any other appropriations Act shall submit annual reports to the Inspector General or senior ethics official for any entity without an Inspector General, regarding the costs and contracting procedures related to each conference held by any such department, agency, board, commission, or office during fiscal year 2023 for which the cost to the United States Government was more than \$100,000.
- (b) Each report submitted shall include, for each conference described in subsection (a) held during the applicable period—
  - (1) a description of its purpose;
  - (2) the number of participants attending;

- (3) a detailed statement of the costs to the United States Government, including-
  - (A) the cost of any food or beverages;
- (B) the cost of any audio-visual services;
- (C) the cost of employee or contractor travel to and from the conference; and
- (D) a discussion of the methodology used to determine which costs relate to the conference:
- (4) a description of the contracting procedures used including-
- (A) whether contracts were awarded on a competitive basis: and
- (B) a discussion of any cost comparison conducted by the departmental component or office in evaluating potential contractors for the conference.
- (c) Within 15 days after the end of a quarter, the head of any such department, agency, board, commission, or office shall notify the Inspector General or senior ethics official for any entity without an Inspector General, of the date, location, and number of employees attending a conference held by any Executive branch department, agency, board, commission, or office funded by this or any other appropriations Act during fiscal year 2023 for which the cost to the United States Government was more than \$20,000.
- (d) A grant or contract funded by amounts appropriated by this or any other appropriations Act may not be used for the purpose of defraying the costs of a conference described in subsection (c) that is not directly and programmatically related to the purpose for which the grant or contract was awarded, such as a conference held in connection with planning, training, assessment, review, or other routine purposes related to a project funded by the grant or contract.
- (e) None of the funds made available in this or any other appropriations Act may be used for travel and conference activities that are not in compliance with Office of Management and Budget Memorandum M-12-12 dated May 11, 2012 or any subsequent revisions to that memorandum

SEC. 738. None of the funds made available in this or any other appropriations Act may be used to increase, eliminate, or reduce funding for a program, project, or activity as proposed in the President's budget request for a fiscal year until such proposed change is subsequently enacted in an appropriation Act, or unless such change is made pursuant to the reprogramming or transfer provisions of this or any other appropriations Act.

SEC. 739. None of the funds made available by this or any other Act may be used to implement, administer, enforce, or apply the rule entitled "Competitive Area" published by the Office of Personnel Management in the Federal Register on April 15, 2008 (73 Fed. Reg. 20180 et seq.).

SEC. 740. None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this or any other Act may be used to begin or announce a study or public-private competition regarding the conversion to contractor performance of any function performed by Federal employees pursuant to Office of Management and Budget Circular A-76 or any other administrative regulation, directive, or policy.

SEC. 741. (a) None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this or any other Act may be available for a contract, grant, or cooperative agreement with an entity that requires employees or contractors of such entity seeking to report fraud, waste, or abuse to sign internal confidentiality agreements or statements prohibiting or otherwise restricting such employees or contractors from lawfully reporting such waste, fraud, or abuse to a designated investigative or law enforcement representative of a Federal department or agency authorized to receive such information.

(b) The limitation in subsection (a) shall not contravene requirements applicable to Standard Form 312, Form 4414, or any other form issued by a Federal department or agency governing the nondisclosure of classified information.

SEC. 742. (a) No funds appropriated in this or any other Act may be used to implement or enforce the agreements in Standard Forms 312 and 4414 of the Government or any other nondisclosure policy, form, or agreement if such policy. form, or agreement does not contain the following provisions: "These provisions are consistent with and do not supersede, conflict with, or otherwise alter the employee obligations, rights, or liabilities created by existing statute or Executive order relating to (1) classified information. (2) communications to Congress or the Office of Special Counsel, (3) the reporting to an Inspector General of a violation of any law. rule, or regulation, or mismanagement, a gross waste of funds, an abuse of authority, or a substantial and specific danger to public health or safety, or (4) any other whistleblower protection. The definitions, requirements, obligations, rights, sanctions, and liabilities created by controlling Executive orders and statutory provisions are incorporated into this agreement and controlling.": Provided, That notwithstanding the preceding provision of this section, a nondisclosure policy form or agreement that is to be executed by a person connected with the conduct of an intelligence or intelligence-related activity, other than an employee or officer of the United States Government, may contain provisions appropriate to the particular activity for which such document is to be used. Such form or agreement shall, at a minimum, require that the person will not disclose any classified information received in the course of such activity unless specifically authorized to do so by the United States Government. Such nondisclosure forms shall also make it clear that they do not bar disclosures to Congress, or to an authorized official of an executive agency or the Department of Justice, that are essential to reporting a substantial violation of law.

(b) A nondisclosure agreement may continue be implemented and enforced notwithstanding subsection (a) if it complies with the requirements for such agreement that were in effect when the agreement was entered into.

(c) No funds appropriated in this or any other Act may be used to implement or enforce any agreement entered into during fiscal year 2023 which does not contain substantially similar language to that required in subsection (a)

SEC. 743. None of the funds made available by this or any other Act may be used to enter into a contract, memorandum of understanding, or cooperative agreement with, make a grant to, or provide a loan or loan guarantee to, any corporation that has any unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed, for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability, where the awarding agency is aware of the unpaid tax liability, unless a Federal agency has considered suspension or debarment of the corporation and has made a determination that this further action is not necessary to protect the interests of the Government.

SEC. 744. None of the funds made available by this or any other Act may be used to enter into a contract, memorandum of understanding, or cooperative agreement with, make a grant to, or provide a loan or loan guarantee to, any corporation that was convicted of a felony criminal violation under any Federal law within the preceding 24 months, where the awarding agency is aware of the conviction, unless a Federal agency has considered suspension or debarment of the corporation and has made a determination that this further action is not necessary to protect the interests of the Government.

SEC. 745. (a) During fiscal year 2023, on the date on which a request is made for a transfer of funds in accordance with section 1017 of Public Law 111-203, the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection shall notify the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate, the Committee on Financial Services of the House of Representatives, and the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs of the Senate of such request.

(b) Any notification required by this section shall be made available on the Bureau's public

website.

SEC. 746. (a) Notwithstanding any official rate adjusted under section 104 of title 3, United States Code, the rate payable to the Vice President during calendar year 2023 shall be the rate payable to the Vice President on December 31, 2022, by operation of section 747 of division E of Public Law 117-103.

(b) Notwithstanding any official rate adjusted under section 5318 of title 5, United States Code, or any other provision of law, the payable rate during calendar year 2023 for an employee serving in an Executive Schedule position, or in a position for which the rate of pay is fixed by statute at an Executive Schedule rate, shall be the rate payable for the applicable Executive Schedule level on December 31, 2022, by operation of section 747 of division E of Public Law 117-103. Such an employee may not receive a rate increase during calendar year 2023, except as provided in subsection (i).

(c) Notwithstanding section 401 of the Foreign Service Act of 1980 (Public Law 96-465) or any other provision of law, a chief of mission or ambassador at large is subject to subsection (b) in the same manner as other employees who are paid at an Executive Schedule rate.

(d)(1) This subsection applies to-

(A) a noncareer appointee in the Senior Executive Service paid a rate of basic pay at or above the official rate for level IV of the Executive Schedule; or

(B) a limited term appointee or limited emergency appointee in the Senior Executive Service serving under a political appointment and paid a rate of basic pay at or above the official rate for level IV of the Executive Schedule.

(2) Notwithstanding sections 5382 and 5383 of title 5, United States Code, an employee described in paragraph (1) may not receive a pay rate increase during calendar year 2023, except as provided in subsection (i).

(e) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any employee paid a rate of basic pay (including any locality-based payments under section 5304 of title 5, United States Code, or similar authority) at or above the official rate for level IV of the Executive Schedule who serves under a political appointment may not receive a pay rate increase during calendar year 2023, except as provided in subsection (i). This subsection does not apply to employees in the General Schedule pay system or the Foreign Service pay system, to employees appointed under section 3161 of title 5, United States Code, or to employees in another pay system whose position would be classified at GS-15 or below if chapter 51 of title 5, United States Code, applied to

(f) Nothing in subsections (b) through (e) shall prevent employees who do not serve under a political appointment from receiving pay increases as otherwise provided under applicable law.

(g) This section does not apply to an individual who makes an election to retain Senior Executive Service basic pay under section 3392(c) of title 5, United States Code, for such time as that election is in effect.

(h) This section does not apply to an individual who makes an election to retain Senior Foreign Service pay entitlements under section 302(b) of the Foreign Service Act of 1980 (Public Law 96-465) for such time as that election is in

(i) Notwithstanding subsections (b) through (e), an employee in a covered position may receive a pay rate increase upon an authorized movement to a different covered position only if that new position has higher-level duties and a pre-established level or range of pay higher

than the level or range for the position held immediately before the movement. Any such increase must be based on the rates of pay and applicable limitations on payable rates of pay in effect on December 31, 2022, by operation of section 747 of division E of Public Law 117–103.

(j) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, for an individual who is newly appointed to a covered position during the period of time subject to this section, the initial pay rate shall be based on the rates of pay and applicable limitations on payable rates of pay in effect on December 31, 2022, by operation of section 747 of division E of Public Law 117–103.

(k) If an employee affected by this section is subject to a biweekly pay period that begins in calendar year 2023 but ends in calendar year 2024, the bar on the employee's receipt of pay rate increases shall apply through the end of that pay period.

(1) For the purpose of this section, the term "covered position" means a position occupied by an employee whose pay is restricted under this section.

(m) This section takes effect on the first day of the first applicable pay period beginning on or after January 1, 2023.

SEC. 747. In the event of a violation of the Impoundment Control Act of 1974, the President or the head of the relevant department or agency, as the case may be, shall report immediately to the Congress all relevant facts and a statement of actions taken: Provided, That a copy of each report shall also be transmitted to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate and the Comptroller General on the same date the report is transmitted to the Congress.

SEC. 748. During the current fiscal year—

(a) with respect to budget authority proposed to be rescinded or that is set to be reserved or proposed to be deferred in a special message transmitted under section 1012 or 1013 of the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974, such budget authority—

(1) shall be made available for obligation in sufficient time to be prudently obligated as required under section 1012(b) or 1013 of such Act; and

(2) may not be deferred or otherwise withheld from obligation during the 90-day period before the expiration of the period of availability of such budget authority, including, if applicable, the 90-day period before the expiration of an initial period of availability for which such budget authority was provided.

(b) With respect to an apportionment of an appropriation made pursuant to section 1513(b) of title 31, United States Code, an appropriation (as that term is defined in section 1511 of title 31, United States Code) shall be apportioned—

(1) to make available all amounts for obligation in sufficient time to be prudently obligated;

(2) to make available all amounts for obligation, without precondition (including footnotes) that shall be met prior to obligation, not later than 90 days before the expiration of the period of availability of such appropriation, including, if applicable, 90 days before the expiration of an initial period of availability for which such appropriation was provided.

(c) As used in this section, the term "budget authority" includes budget authority made available by this or any other Act, by prior appropriations Acts, or by any law other than an

appropriations Act.

(d)(1) The Comptroller General shall review compliance with this section and shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations and the Budget, and any other appropriate congressional committees of the House of Representatives and Senate a report, and any relevant information related to the report, on any noncompliance with this section or the Impoundment Control Act of 1974.

(2) The President or the head of the relevant department or agency of the United States shall provide information, documentation, and views to the Comptroller General, as is determined by the Comptroller General to be necessary to determine such compliance, not later than 20 days after the date on which the request from the Comptroller General is received, or if the Comptroller General determines that a shorter or longer period is appropriate based on the specific circumstances, within such shorter or longer period.

(3) To carry out the responsibilities of this section and the Impoundment Control Act of 1974, the Comptroller General shall also have access to interview the officers, employees, contractors, and other agents and representatives of a department, agency, or office of the United States at any reasonable time as the Comptroller General may request.

(e)(1) An officer or employee of the Executive Branch of the United States Government violating this section shall be subject to appropriate administrative discipline including, when circumstances warrant, suspension from duty

without pay or removal from office.

(2) In the event of a violation of this section, or in the case that the Government Accountability Office issues a legal decision concluding that a department, agency, or office of the United States violated this section, the President or the head of the relevant department or agency as the case may be, shall report immediately to the Congress all relevant facts and a statement of actions taken: Provided, That a copy of each report shall also be transmitted to the Comptroller General and the relevant inspector general on the same date the report is transmitted to the Congress.

(3) Any such report shall include a summary of the facts pertaining to the violation, the title and Treasury Appropriation Fund Symbol of the appropriation or fund account, the amount involved for each violation, the date on which the violation occurred, the position of any individuals responsible for the violation, a statement of the administrative discipline imposed and any further action taken with respect to any officer or employee involved in the violation, a statement of any additional action taken to prevent recurrence of the same type of violation, and any written response by any officer or employee identified by position as involved in the violation: Provided, That in the case that the Government Accountability Office issues a legal decision concluding that a department, agency, or office of the United States violated this section and the relevant department, agency, or office does not agree that a violation has occurred, the report provided to Congress, the Comptroller General, and relevant inspector general will explain such department, agency, or office's position.

SEC. 749. (a) If an executive agency or the District of Columbia government receives a written request for information, documentation, or views from the Government Accountability Office relating to a decision or opinion on budget or appropriations law, the executive agency or the District of Columbia government shall provide the requested information, documentation, or views not later than 20 days after receiving the written request, unless such written request specifically provides otherwise.

(b) If an executive agency or the District of Columbia government fails to respond to the request for information, documentation, or views within the time required by this section—

(1) the Comptroller General shall notify, in writing, the Committee on Oversight and Reform of the House of Representatives, the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Afairs of the Senate, and any other appropriate congressional committee of the House of Representatives and the Senate of such failure; and

(2) the Comptroller General is hereby expressly empowered, through attorneys of their own selection, to bring a civil action in the United States District Court for the District of Columbia to require such information, documentation,

or views to be produced, and such court is expressly empowered to enter in such civil action, against any department, agency, officer, or employee of the United States, any decree, judgment, or order which may be necessary or appropriate to require such production.

(c) If the Government Accountability Office determines that an officer or employee of an executive agency or an officer or employee of the District of Columbia government has violated section 1341(a) 1342 or 1517(a) of title 31 United States Code, the head of the agency or the Mayor of the District of Columbia, as the case may be, shall report immediately to the President and Congress all relevant facts and a statement of actions taken: Provided. That a copy of each report shall also be transmitted to the Comptroller General on the same date the report is transmitted to the President and Congress: Provided further, That in the case that the Government Accountability Office issues a legal decision concluding that section 1341(a) 1342, or 1517(a) of title 31. United States Code was violated, and the executive agency or District of Columbia government, as applicable, does not agree that a violation has occurred, the report provided to the President, the Congress. and the Comptroller General will explain its position.

(d) The report required by subsection (c) and any report required by section 1351 or section 1517(b) of title 31, United States Code, shall include a summary of the facts pertaining to the violation, the title and Treasury Appropriation Fund Symbol of the appropriation or fund account, the amount involved for each violation, the date on which the violation occurred, the position of any officer or employee responsible for the violation, a statement of the administrative discipline imposed and any further action taken with respect to any officer or employee involved in the violation, a statement of any additional action taken to prevent recurrence of the same type of violation, a statement of any determination that the violation was not knowing and willful that has been made by the executive agency or District of Columbia government, and any written response by any officer or employee identified by position as involved in the viola-

SEC. 750. (a) Each department or agency of the executive branch of the United States Government shall notify the Committees on Appropriations and the Budget of the House of Representatives and the Senate and any other appropriate congressional committees if—

(1) an apportionment is not made in the required time period provided in section 1513(b) of title 31. United States Code:

(2) an approved apportionment received by the department or agency conditions the availability of an appropriation on further action: or

(3) an approved apportionment received by the department or agency may hinder the prudent obligation of such appropriation or the execution of a program, project, or activity by such department or agency.

(b) Any notification submitted to a congressional committee pursuant to this section shall contain information identifying the bureau, account name, appropriation name, and Treasury Appropriation Fund Symbol or fund account.

SEC. 751. (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is hereby established the Commission on Federal Naming and Displays (hereinafter referred to as the "Commission").

(b) Duties.—

(1) DEVELOPMENT OF LIST.—Not later than 180 days after the day by which all of its members have been appointed, the Commission, with input from the general public, shall develop and publish a list of property names, monuments, statues, public artworks, historical markers, and other symbols owned by the Federal government or located on property owned by the Federal government (including the legislative branch and the judicial branch) which the Commission identifies as inconsistent with the values of diversity, equity, and inclusion, including those

that do not represent the demographic diversity and history of the community.

- (2) RECOMMENDATIONS.—Not later than 180 days after publishing the list under paragraph (1), and after holding not fewer than two public meetings, the Commission shall submit to the President and Congress a report containing the following information:
- (A) A recommendation regarding whether each property name, monument, statue, public artwork, historical marker, or other symbol on the list developed under paragraph (1) should remain unchanged or should be renamed or removed.
- (B) Supporting materials and context information for each recommendation under subparagraph (A).
- (C) Such other recommendations as the Commission may consider appropriate, including recommendations for educational programs, supplemental historical markers, or other activities to promote diversity, equity, and inclusion and to promote national reconciliation.
- (3) SEPARATE VIEWS OF MEMBERS.—The Commission may include in the report submitted under paragraph (2) supplemental or dissenting recommendations from individual members of the Commission.
  - (c) MEMBERSHIP.-
- (1) APPOINTMENT.—The Commission shall consist of the following:
- (A) Two members appointed by the President.
  (B) Two members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.
- (C) Two members appointed by the Majority Leader of the Senate.
- (D) One member appointed by the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives.
- (E) One member appointed by the Minority Leader of the Senate.
  - (F) Each of the following individuals:
- (i) The Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution.
- (ii) The Historian of the House of Representatives.
  - (iii) The Historian of the Senate.
- (2) QUALIFICATIONS.—Each member of the Commission appointed under subparagraphs (A) through (E) of paragraph (1) shall have 10 or more years of educational and professional experience in one or more of the following disciplines:
  - (A) History.
  - (B) Art and antiquities.
  - $(C)\ Historic\ preservation.$
  - (D) Cultural heritage.
  - (E) Education.
- (3) NO COMPENSATION FOR SERVICE; TRAVEL EXPENSES.—Members of the Commission shall serve without pay, but each member shall receive travel expenses, including per diem in lieu of subsistence, in accordance with applicable provisions under subchapter I of chapter 57 of title 5, United States Code.
- (4) DEADLINE FOR APPOINTMENT.—The members of the Commission shall be appointed not later than 45 days after the date of the enactment of this Act.
- (5) CO-CHAIRS.—Not later than 10 days after the first meeting of the Commission, the members of the Commission shall select two co-chairs from among the members.
  - (d) POWERS.-
- (1) HEARINGS AND SESSIONS.—The Commission may, for the purpose of carrying out this Act, hold hearings, sit and act at times and places, take testimony, and receive evidence as the Commission considers appropriate, except that the Commission shall hold its initial meeting not later than 10 days after the day by which all of its members have been appointed.
- (2) OBTAINING OFFICIAL DATA.—The Commission may secure directly from any department or agency of the United States information necessary to enable it to carry out its duties. Upon request of the Commission, the head of that department or agency shall furnish that information to the Commission.

- (3) MAILS.—The Commission may use the United States mails in the same manner and under the same conditions as other departments and agencies of the United States.
- (4) ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT SERVICES.—Upon the request of the Commission, the Librarian of Congress shall provide to the Commission, on a reimbursable basis, the administrative support services necessary for the Commission to carry out its duties.
- (5) STAFF OF FEDERAL AGENCIES.—Upon the request of the Commission, the head of any Federal department or agency may detail any of the personnel of that department or agency to the Commission to assist it in carrying out its duties. Any personnel detailed to the Commission under this paragraph may receive travel expenses, including per diem in lieu of subsistence, in accordance with applicable provisions under subchapter I of chapter 57 of title 5, United States Code.
- (6) CONTRACT AUTHORITY.—The Commission may contract with and compensate government and private agencies or persons for goods and services, without regard to section 6101 of title 41, United States Code.
- (e) FUNDING.—There is hereby appropriated \$1,500,000, to remain available until expended, to carry out this section.
- (f) TERMINATION.—The Commission shall terminate 60 days after submitting the report under subsection (b)(2).
- SEC. 752. Notwithstanding section 1346 of title 31, United States Code, or section 708 of this Act, funds made available by this or any other Act to any Federal agency may be used by that Federal agency for interagency funding for coordination with, participation in, or recommendations involving, activities of the U.S. Army Medical Research and Development Command, the Congressionally Directed Medical Research Programs and the National Institutes of Health research programs.
- SEC. 753. (a) As a condition of receiving funds provided in this or any other appropriations Act for fiscal year 2023 that are specified in the disclosure table submitted in compliance with clause 9 of rule XXI of the Rules of the House of Representatives that is included in the report or explanatory statement accompanying any such Act, any non-Federal entity shall, to the extent practicable—
- (1) retain until the date that is 3 years after the date on which such entity has expended such funds any records related to the planned or actual obligation or expenditure of such funds, and make available any such records to the Comptroller General of the United States, upon request: and
- (2) subject to reasonable advance notification by the Comptroller General—
- (A) make available to the Comptroller General or their designee for interview, any officers, employees, or staff of such entity involved in the obligation or expenditure of such funds; and
- (B) grant access to the Comptroller General or their designee for inspection, any facilities, work sites, offices, or other locations, as the Comptroller General deems necessary, at which the individuals referenced in subparagraph (A) carry out their responsibilities related to such funds. The Comptroller General may make and retain copies of these records as the Comptroller General determines necessary.
- (b) Access, rights, and authority provided to the Comptroller General or their designee under this section shall be in addition to any other authority vested in the Comptroller General, and nothing in this section shall be construed to limit, amend, supersede, or restrict in any manner any existing authority of the Comptroller General.

SEC. 754. (a) Beginning on the date that is 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, and except as provided in subsection (b), none of the funds made available by this Act may be used to purchase infrastructure as a service except infrastructure as a service determined by

the Government to take reasonable measures

- (1) not store or transmit images which depict known violations of sections 2251, 2251A, 2252, 2252A, 2252B or 2260 of title 18, United States Code, with respect to child pornography; and
- (2) comply with the reporting requirements under section 2258A(a) of such title for such violations.
- (b) The limitation in subsection (a) shall not apply to such services used for bona fide law enforcement actions.
- SEC. 755. Except as expressly provided otherwise, any reference to "this Act" contained in any title other than title IV or VIII shall not apply to such title IV or VIII.

# TITLE VIII GENERAL PROVISIONS—DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

SEC. 801. None of the Federal funds provided under this Act to the agencies funded by this Act, both Federal and District government agencies, that remain available for obligation or expenditure in fiscal year 2023, or provided from any accounts in the Treasury of the United States derived by the collection of fees available to the agencies funded by this Act, shall be available for obligation or expenditures for an agency through a reprogramming of funds which—

- (1) creates new programs:
- (2) eliminates a program, project, or responsibility center:
- (3) establishes or changes allocations specifically denied, limited or increased under this Act;
- cally denied, limited or increased under this Act;
  (4) increases funds or personnel by any means
  for any program, project, or responsibility center
- for which funds have been denied or restricted; (5) re-establishes any program or project previously deferred through reprogramming;
- (6) augments any existing program, project, or responsibility center through a reprogramming of funds in excess of \$3,000,000 or 10 percent, whichever is less: or
- (7) increases by 20 percent or more personnel assigned to a specific program, project or responsibility center,

unless prior approval is received from the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate.

SEC. 802. None of the Federal funds appropriated in this Act shall remain available for obligation beyond the current fiscal year, nor may any be transferred to other appropriations, unless expressly so provided herein.

SEC. 803. Except as otherwise specifically provided by law or under this Act, not to exceed 50 percent of unobligated balances remaining available at the end of fiscal year 2023 from appropriations of Federal funds made available for salaries and expenses for fiscal year 2023 in this Act, shall remain available through September 30, 2024, for each such account for the purposes authorized: Provided, That a request shall be submitted to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate for approval prior to the expenditure of such funds: Provided further, That these requests shall be made in compliance with reprogramming guidelines outlined in section 801 of this Act.

SEC. 804. (a)(1) During fiscal year 2024, during a period in which neither a District of Columbia continuing resolution or a regular District of Columbia appropriation bill is in effect, local funds are appropriated in the amount provided for any project or activity for which local funds are provided in the Act referred to in paragraph (2) (subject to any modifications enacted by the District of Columbia as of the beginning of the period during which this subsection is in effect) at the rate set forth by such Act.

(2) The Act referred to in this paragraph is the Act of the Council of the District of Columbia pursuant to which a proposed budget is approved for fiscal year 2024 which (subject to the requirements of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act) will constitute the local portion of the annual budget for the District of Columbia government for fiscal year 2024 for purposes of section 446 of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act (sec. 1-204.46, D.C. Official Code).

(b) Appropriations made by subsection (a)

shall cease to be available-

- (1) during any period in which a District of Columbia continuing resolution for fiscal year 2024 is in effect; or
- (2) upon the enactment into law of the regular District of Columbia appropriation bill for fiscal year 2024.
- (c) An appropriation made by subsection (a) is provided under the authority and conditions as provided under this Act and shall be available to the extent and in the manner that would be provided by this Act.
- (d) An appropriation made by subsection (a) shall cover all obligations or expenditures incurred for such project or activity during the portion of fiscal year 2024 for which this section applies to such project or activity.
- (e) This section shall not apply to a project or activity during any period of fiscal year 2024 if any other provision of law (other than an authorization of appropriations)—
- (1) makes an appropriation, makes funds available, or grants authority for such project or activity to continue for such period; or
- (2) specifically provides that no appropriation shall be made, no funds shall be made available, or no authority shall be granted for such project or activity to continue for such period.
- (f) Nothing in this section shall be construed to affect obligations of the government of the District of Columbia mandated by other law.
- SEC. 805. (a) Section 3(c)(2)(G) of the District of Columbia College Access Act of 1999 (sec. 38-2702(c)(2)(G), D.C. Official Code) is amended to read as follows:
- "(G) is from a family with a taxable annual income of less than the applicable family income limit, as defined in paragraph (7).'
- (b) Section 3(c) of such Act (sec. 38-2702(c), D.C. Official Code) is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:
- "(7) APPLICABLE FAMILY INCOME LIMIT.—The term 'applicable family income limit' means, with respect to an individual, the following:
- "(A) In the case of an individual who began an undergraduate course of study prior to school year 2015-2016, \$1,000,000.
- "(B) In the case of an individual who begins an undergraduate course of study in school year 2016-2017, \$750,000.
- "(C) In the case of an individual who begins an undergraduate course of study in school year 2017-2018 or school year 2018-2019, the applicable family income limit under this paragraph for an individual who began an undergraduate course of study in the previous school year, adjusted by the Mayor for inflation, as measured by the percentage increase, if any, from the preceding fiscal year in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers, published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the Department of Labor.
- (D) In the case of an individual who begins an undergraduate course of study in school year 2019-2020, \$500,000,
- "(E) In the case of an individual who begins an undergraduate course of study in school year 2020-2021, the amount described in subparagraph (D), adjusted by the Mayor for inflation, as measured by the percentage increase, if any, from the preceding fiscal year in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers, published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the Department of Labor.
- (F) In the case of an individual who begins an undergraduate course of study in school year 2021-2022, \$750,000.
- '(G) In the case of an individual who begins an undergraduate course of study in school year 2022-2023 or any succeeding school year, the applicable family income limit under this paragraph for an individual who began an undergraduate course of study in the previous school

year, adjusted by the Mayor for inflation, as measured by the percentage increase, if any, from the preceding fiscal year in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers, published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the Department of Labor.'

(c) The amendments made by this section shall take effect as if included in the enactment of the Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Act, 2019 (division D of Public Law

SEC. 806. Nothing in this Act may be construed to prevent the Council or Mayor of the District of Columbia from addressing the issue of the provision of contraceptive coverage by health insurance plans, but it is the intent of Congress that any legislation enacted on such issue should include a "conscience clause" which provides exceptions for religious beliefs and  $moral\ convictions.$ 

SEC. 807. (a) Section 244 of the Revised Statutes of the United States relating to the District of Columbia (sec. 9-1201.03, D.C. Official Code) does not apply with respect to any railroads installed pursuant to the Long Bridge Project.

(b) In this section, the term "Long Bridge Project" means the project carried out by the District of Columbia and the Commonwealth of Virginia to construct a new Long Bridge adjacent to the existing Long Bridge over the Potomac River, including related infrastructure and other related projects, to expand commuter and regional passenger rail service and to provide bike and pedestrian access crossings over the Potomac River.

SEC. 808. No services may be made available in accordance with section 740(a) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act (sec. 1-207.40(a), D.C. Official Code) at any time during fiscal year

SEC. 809. Section 3 of the District of Columbia College Access Act of 1999 (sec.38-2702, D.C. Official Code), is amended—

- (1) in subsection (a)(2)(A), by striking "\$10,000" and inserting "\$15,000";
- in subsection (a)(2)(B), bystrikina '\$50,000'' and inserting ''\$75,000'
- (3) in subsection (b)(1)(A), by striking "and" at the end:
- (4) in subsection (b)(1), by redesignating subparagraph (B) as subparagraph (C) and inserting after subparagraph (A) the following new subparagraph; "(B) after making reductions under subparagraph (A), ratably reduce the amount of the tuition and fee payment of each eligible student who receives more than \$10,000 for the award year; and"; and
- (5) in subparagraph (C) of subsection (b)(1). as so redesignated, by striking "subparagraph (A)" "subparagraphs (A) and and inserting (B)".
- SEC. 810. ADJUSTMENTS IN COMPENSATION RATES FOR CERTAIN PERSONNEL.-
- (a) Attorneys Representing Indigent De-FENDANTS.
- (1) Section 11-2604(a), District of Columbia Official Code, is amended by striking "at a fixed rate of \$90 per hour" and inserting "an hourly rate not to exceed the rate payable under section 3006A(d)(1) of title 18, United States Code"
- (2) The amendments made by this section shall apply with respect to cases and proceedings initiated on or after the date of the enactment of this Act.
  - (b) Criminal Justice Investigators.-
- (1) Section 11-2605, District of Columbia Official Code, is amended in subsections (b) and (c) by striking "(or, in the case of investigative services, a fixed rate of \$25 per hour)' place it appears.
- (2) The amendments made by this section shall apply with respect to investigative services provided in connection with cases and proceedings initiated on or after the date of the enactment of this Act.

SEC. 811. Except as expressly provided otherwise, any reference to "this Act" contained in this title or in title IV shall be treated as refer-

ring only to the provisions of this title or of title

This division may be cited as the "Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Act, 2023"

## DIVISION E-DEPARTMENT OF THE INTE-RIOR, ENVIRONMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2023

TITLEI

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR Bureau of Land Management

MANAGEMENT OF LANDS AND RESOURCES

For necessary expenses for protection, use, improvement, development, disposal, cadastral surveuing, classification, acquisition of easements and other interests in lands, and performance of other functions, including maintenance of facilities, as authorized by law, in the management of lands and their resources under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management. including the general administration of the Bureau. and assessment of mineral potential of public lands pursuant to section 1010(a) of Public Law 96-487 (16 U.S.C. 3150(a)), \$1,416,126,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024; of which \$79,345,000 for annual and deferred maintenance and \$156,100,000 for the wild horse and burro program, as authorized by Public Law 92-195 (16 U.S.C. 1331 et seq.), shall remain available until expended: Provided. That amounts in the fee account of the BLM Permit Processing Improvement Fund may be used for any bureaurelated expenses associated with the processing of oil and gas applications for permits to drill and related use of authorizations: Provided further, That of the amounts made available under this heading, up to \$1,000,000 may be made available for the purposes described in section 122(e)(1)(A) of division G of Public Law 115-31  $(43\ U.S.C.\ 1748c(e)(1)(A)).$ 

In addition, \$51,020,000, to remain available until expended, is for conducting oil and gas inspection activities, to be reduced by amounts collected by the Bureau and credited to this appropriation from onshore oil and gas inspection fees that the Bureau shall collect, as provided for in this Act; and \$39,696,000 is for Mining Law Administration program operations, including the cost of administering the mining claim fee program, to remain available until expended, to be reduced by amounts collected by the Bureau and credited to this appropriation from mining claim maintenance fees and location fees that are hereby authorized for fiscal year 2023. so as to result in a final appropriation estimated at not more than \$1,416,126,000 and \$2,000,000, to remain available until expended, from communication site rental fees established by the Bureau for the cost of administering communication site activities.

## OREGON AND CALIFORNIA GRANT LANDS

For expenses necessary for management, protection, and development of resources and for construction, operation, and maintenance of access roads, reforestation, and other improvements on the revested Oregon and California Railroad grant lands, on other Federal lands in the Oregon and California land-grant counties of Oregon, and on adjacent rights-of-way: and acquisition of lands or interests therein, including existing connecting roads on or adjacent to such grant lands; \$125,049,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That 25 percent of the aggregate of all receipts during the current fiscal year from the revested Oregon and California Railroad grant lands is hereby made a charge against the Oregon and California land-grant fund and shall be transferred to the General Fund in the Treasury in accordance with the second paragraph of subsection (b) of title II of the Act of August 28, 1937 (43 U.S.C. 2605).

## RANGE IMPROVEMENTS

For rehabilitation, protection, and acquisition of lands and interests therein, and improvement of Federal rangelands pursuant to section 401 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1751), notwithstanding any other Act, sums equal to 50 percent of all moneys received during the prior fiscal year under sections 3 and 15 of the Taylor Grazing Act (43 U.S.C. 315b, 315m) and the amount designated for range improvements from grazing fees and mineral leasing receipts from Bankhead-Jones lands transferred to the Department of the Interior pursuant to law, but not less than \$10,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That not to exceed \$600,000 shall be available for administrative expenses.

## SERVICE CHARGES, DEPOSITS, AND FORFEITURES

For administrative expenses and other costs related to processing application documents and other authorizations for use and disposal of public lands and resources, for costs of providing copies of official public land documents, for monitoring construction, operation, and termination of facilities in conjunction with use authorizations, and for rehabilitation of damaged property, such amounts as may be collected under Public Law 94-579 (43 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.), and under section 28 of the Mineral Leasing Act (30 U.S.C. 185), to remain available until expended: Provided, That notwithstanding any provision to the contrary of section 305(a) of Public Law 94-579 (43 U.S.C. 1735(a)), any moneys that have been or will be received pursuant to that section, whether as a result of forfeiture, compromise, or settlement, if not appropriate for refund pursuant to section 305(c) of that Act (43 U.S.C. 1735(c)), shall be available and may be expended under the authority of this Act by the Secretary of the Interior to improve, protect, or rehabilitate any public lands administered through the Bureau of Land Management which have been damaged by the action of a resource developer, purchaser, permittee, or any unauthorized person, without regard to whether all moneys collected from each such action are used on the exact lands damaged which led to the action: Provided further, That any such moneys that are in excess of amounts needed to repair damage to the exact land for which funds were collected may be used to repair other damaged public lands.

## MISCELLANEOUS TRUST FUNDS

In addition to amounts authorized to be expended under existing laws, there is hereby appropriated such amounts as may be contributed under section 307 of Public Law 94-579 (43 U.S.C. 1737), and such amounts as may be advanced for administrative costs, surveys, appraisals, and costs of making conveyances of omitted lands under section 211(b) of that Act (43 U.S.C. 1721(b)), to remain available until expended.

## ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

The Bureau of Land Management may carry out the operations funded under this Act by direct expenditure, contracts, grants, cooperative agreements, and reimbursable agreements with public and private entities, including with States. Appropriations for the Bureau shall be available for purchase, erection, and dismantlement of temporary structures, and alteration and maintenance of necessary buildings and appurtenant facilities to which the United States has title; up to \$100,000 for payments, at the discretion of the Secretary, for information or evidence concerning violations of laws administered by the Bureau; miscellaneous and emergency expenses of enforcement activities authorized or approved by the Secretary and to be accounted for solely on the Secretary's certificate, not to exceed \$10,000: Provided, That notwithstanding Public Law 90-620 (44 U.S.C. 501), the Bureau may, under cooperative cost-sharing and partnership arrangements authorized by law, procure printing services from cooperators in connection with jointly produced publications for which the cooperators share the cost of printing either in cash or in services, and the Bureau determines the cooperator is capable of meeting accepted quality standards: Provided further, That projects to be funded pursuant to a written commitment by a State government to provide an identified amount of money in support of the project may be carried out by the Bureau on a reimbursable basis.

### United States Fish and Wildlife Service

#### RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

For necessary expenses of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, as authorized by law, and for scientific and economic studies, general administration, and for the performance of other authorized functions related to such resources, \$1,649,753,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024: Provided, That not to exceed \$25,946,000 shall be used for implementing subsections (a), (b), (c), and (e) of section 4 of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1533) (except for processing petitions, developing and issuing proposed and final regulations, and taking any other steps to implement actions described in subsection (c)(2)(A), (c)(2)(B)(i), or (c)(2)(B)(ii)) of such section.

#### CONSTRUCTION

For construction, improvement, acquisition, or removal of buildings and other facilities required in the conservation, management, investigation, protection, and utilization of fish and wildlife resources, and the acquisition of lands and interests therein; \$32,904,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That such amounts are available for the modernization of field communication capabilities, in addition to amounts otherwise available for such purpose.

## COOPERATIVE ENDANGERED SPECIES CONSERVATION FUND

For expenses necessary to carry out section 6 of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1535), \$24,564,000, to remain available until expended, to be derived from the Cooperative Endangered Species Conservation Fund.

## NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE FUND

For expenses necessary to implement the Act of October 17, 1978 (16 U.S.C. 715s), \$13,228,000.

NORTH AMERICAN WETLANDS CONSERVATION FUND

For expenses necessary to carry out the provisions of the North American Wetlands Conservation Act (16 U.S.C. 4401 et seq.), \$50,000,000, to remain available until expended.

NEOTROPICAL MIGRATORY BIRD CONSERVATION

For expenses necessary to carry out the Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Act (16 U.S.C. 6101 et seq.), \$5,100,000, to remain available until expended.

## MULTINATIONAL SPECIES CONSERVATION FUND

For expenses necessary to carry out the African Elephant Conservation Act (16 U.S.C. 4201 et seq.), the Asian Elephant Conservation Act of 1997 (16 U.S.C. 4261 et seq.), the Rhinoceros and Tiger Conservation Act of 1994 (16 U.S.C. 5301 et seq.), the Great Ape Conservation Act of 2000 (16 U.S.C. 6301 et seq.), and the Marine Turtle Conservation Act of 2004 (16 U.S.C. 6601 et seq.), \$25,500,000, to remain available until expended.

## STATE AND TRIBAL WILDLIFE GRANTS

For wildlife conservation grants to States and to the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, the United States Virgin Islands, the Northern Mariana Islands, American Samoa, and Indian tribes under the provisions of the Fish and Wildlife Act of 1956 and the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act, for the development and implementation of programs for the benefit of wildlife and their habitat, including species that are not hunted or fished, \$74,362,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That of the amount provided herein, \$6,250,000 is for a competitive grant program for Indian tribes not subject to the remaining provisions of this appropriation: Provided further, That \$7,862,000 is for a competitive grant program to implement approved plans for States, territories, and other jurisdictions and at the discretion of affected States, the regional Associations of fish and wildlife agencies, not subject to the remaining provisions of this appropriation: Provided further, That the Secretary shall, after deducting \$14,112,000 and administrative expenses, apportion the amount provided herein in the following manner: (1) to the District of Columbia and to the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, each a sum equal to not more than one-half of 1 percent thereof; and (2) to Guam, American Samoa, the United States Virgin Islands, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, each a sum equal to not more than one-fourth of 1 percent thereof: Provided further, That the Secretary of the Interior shall apportion the remaining amount in the following manner: (1) one-third of which is based on the ratio to which the land area of such State bears to the total land area of all such States; and (2) twothirds of which is based on the ratio to which the population of such State bears to the total population of all such States: Provided further. That the amounts apportioned under this paragraph shall be adjusted equitably so that no State shall be apportioned a sum which is less than 1 percent of the amount available for apportionment under this paragraph for any fiscal year or more than 5 percent of such amount: Provided further, That the Federal share of planning grants shall not exceed 75 percent of the total costs of such projects and the Federal share of implementation grants shall not exceed 65 percent of the total costs of such projects: Provided further, That the non-Federal share of such projects may not be derived from Federal grant programs: Provided further, That any amount apportioned in 2023 to any State, territory, or other jurisdiction that remains unobligated as of September 30, 2024, shall be reapportioned, together with funds appropriated in 2025, in the manner provided herein.

## ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

The United States Fish and Wildlife Service may carry out the operations of Service programs by direct expenditure, contracts, grants, cooperative agreements and reimbursable agreements with public and private entities. Appropriations and funds available to the United States Fish and Wildlife Service shall be available for repair of damage to public roads within and adjacent to reservation areas caused by operations of the Service; options for the purchase of land at not to exceed one dollar for each option; facilities incident to such public recreational uses on conservation areas as are consistent with their primary purpose; and the maintenance and improvement of aquaria, buildings, and other facilities under the jurisdiction of the Service and to which the United States has title, and which are used pursuant to law in connection with management, and investigation of fish and wildlife resources: Provided. That notwithstanding 44 U.S.C. 501, the Service may, under cooperative cost sharing and partnership arrangements authorized by law, procure printing services from cooperators in connection with jointly produced publications for which the cooperators share at least one-half the cost of printing either in cash or services and the Service determines the cooperator is capable of meeting accepted quality standards: Provided further, That the Service may accept donated aircraft as replacements for existing aircraft: Provided further, That notwithstanding 31 U.S.C. 3302, all fees collected for non-toxic shot review and approval shall be deposited under the heading "United States Fish and Wildlife Service-Resource Management" and shall be available to the Secretary, without further appropriation, to be used for expenses of processing of such non-toxic shot type or coating applications and revising regulations as necessary, and shall remain available until expended: Provided further, That the second proviso under the heading "United States Fish and Wildlife Service-Resource Management" in title

I of division E of Public Law 112-74 (16 U.S.C. 7421-1) is amended by striking "2012" and inserting "2023" and striking "\$400,000" and inserting "\$750,000".

#### NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

#### OPERATION OF THE NATIONAL PARK SYSTEM

For expenses necessary for the management, operation, and maintenance of areas and facilities administered by the National Park Service and for the general administration of the National Park Service, \$3,089,856,000, of which \$11,661,000 for planning and interagency coordination in support of Everglades restoration and \$135,980,000 for maintenance, repair, or rehabilitation projects for constructed assets and \$188,184,000 for cyclic maintenance projects for constructed assets and cultural resources and \$5,000,000 for uses authorized by section 101122 of title 54, United States Code shall remain available until September 30, 2024: Provided, That funds appropriated under this heading in this Act are available for the purposes of section 5 of Public Law 95-348: Provided further, That notwithstanding section 9 of the 400 Years of African-American History Commission Act (36 U.S.C. note prec. 101; Public Law 115-102), \$3,300,000 of the funds provided under this heading shall be made available for the purposes specified by that Act: Provided further, That sections (7)(b) and (8) of that Act shall be amended by striking "July 1, 2023" and inserting "July 1. 2024"

In addition, for purposes described in section 2404 of Public Law 116-9, an amount equal to the amount deposited in this fiscal year into the National Park Medical Services Fund established pursuant to such section of such Act, to remain available until expended, shall be derived from such Fund.

### NATIONAL RECREATION AND PRESERVATION

For expenses necessary to carry out recreation programs, natural programs, cultural programs, heritage partnership programs, environmental compliance and review, international park affairs, and grant administration, not otherwise provided for, \$88,243,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024.

## $HISTORIC\ PRESERVATION\ FUND$

For expenses necessary in carrying out the National Historic Preservation Act (division A of subtitle III of title 54, United States Code), \$170,825,000, to be derived from the Historic Preservation Fund and to remain available until September 30, 2024, of which \$26,500,000 shall be for Save America's Treasures grants for preservation of nationally significant sites, structures and artifacts as authorized by section 7303 of the Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009 (54 U.S.C. 3089): Provided, That an individual Save America's Treasures grant shall be matched by non-Federal funds: Provided further. That individual projects shall only be eligible for one grant: Provided further, That all projects to be funded shall be approved by the Secretary of the Interior in consultation with the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations: Provided further, That of the funds provided for the Historic Preservation Fund, \$1,250,000 is for competitive grants for the survey and nomination of properties to the National Register of Historic Places and as National Historic Landmarks associated with communities currently under-represented, as determined by the Secretary; \$26,750,000 is for competitive grants to preserve the sites and stories of the Civil Rights movement; \$10,000,000 is for grants to Historically Black Colleges and Universities; \$10,000,000 is for competitive grants for the restoration of historic properties of national, State, and local significance listed on or eligible for inclusion on the National Register of Historic Places, to be made without imposing the usage or direct grant restrictions of section 101(e)(3) (54 U.S.C. 302904) of the National Historical Preservation Act; \$3,000,000 is for a comhonor petitive grant program to

semiquincentennial anniversary of the United States by restoring and preserving sites and structures listed on the National Register of Historic Places that commemorate the founding of the nation; and \$11,650,000 is for projects specified for the Historic Preservation Fund in the table titled "Interior and Environment Incorporation of Community Project Funding Items" included for this division in the report accompanying this Act: Provided further, That such competitive grants shall be made without imposthe matching requirements in section 302902(b)(3) of title 54, United States Code to States and Indian tribes as defined in chapter 3003 of such title, Native Hawaiian organizations, local governments, including Certified Local Governments, and non-profit organiza-

#### CONSTRUCTION

For construction, improvements, repair, or replacement of physical facilities, and compliance and planning for programs and areas administered by the National Park Service, \$279.340,000. to remain available until expended: Provided, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, for any project initially funded in fiscal year 2023 with a future phase indicated in the National Park Service 5-Year Line Item Construction Plan, a single procurement may be issued which includes the full scope of the project: Provided further, That the solicitation and contract shall contain the clause availability of funds found at 48 CFR 52.232-18: Provided further, That National Park Service Donations, Park Concessions Franchise Fees, and Recreation Fees may be made available for the cost of adjustments and changes within the original scope of effort for projects funded by the National Park Service Construction appropriation: Provided further. That the Secretary of the Interior shall consult with the Committees on Appropriations, in accordance with current reprogramming thresholds, prior to making any charges authorized by this section.

## CENTENNIAL CHALLENGE

For expenses necessary to carry out the provisions of section 101701 of title 54, United States Code, relating to challenge cost share agreements, \$15,000,000, to remain available until expended, for Centennial Challenge projects and programs: Provided, That not less than 50 percent of the total cost of each project or program shall be derived from non-Federal sources in the form of donated cash, assets, or a pledge of donation guaranteed by an irrevocable letter of credit.

## ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

In addition to other uses set forth in section 101917(c)(2) of title 54, United States Code, franchise fees credited to a sub-account shall be available for expenditure by the Secretary, without further appropriation, for use at any unit within the National Park System to extinguish or reduce liability for Possessory Interest or leasehold surrender interest. Such funds may only be used for this purpose to the extent that the benefitting unit anticipated franchise fee receipts over the term of the contract at that unit exceed the amount of funds used to extinguish or reduce liability. Franchise fees at the benefitting unit shall be credited to the sub-account of the originating unit over a period not to exceed the term of a single contract at the benefitting unit, in the amount of funds so expended to extinguish or reduce liability.

For the costs of administration of the Land and Water Conservation Fund grants authorized by section 105(a)(2)(B) of the Gulf of Mexico Energy Security Act of 2006 (Public Law 109-432), the National Park Service may retain up to 3 percent of the amounts which are authorized to be disbursed under such section, such retained amounts to remain available until expended.

National Park Service funds may be transferred to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Department of Transportation, for purposes authorized under 23 U.S.C. 203. Transfers may include a reasonable amount for FHWA administrative support costs.

UNITED STATES GEOLOGICAL SURVEY SURVEYS, INVESTIGATIONS, AND RESEARCH

For expenses necessary for the United States Geological Survey to perform surveys, investigations, and research covering topography, geology, hydrology, biology, and the mineral and water resources of the United States, its territories and possessions, and other areas as authorized by 43 U.S.C. 31, 1332, and 1340; classify lands as to their mineral and water resources: give engineering supervision to power permittees and Federal Energy Regulatory Commission licensees: administer the minerals exploration program (30 U.S.C. 641); conduct inquiries into the economic conditions affecting mining and materials processing industries (30 U.S.C. 3, 21a, and 1603; 50 U.S.C. 98g(a)(1)) and related purposes as authorized by law; and to publish and disseminate data relative to the foregoing activities; \$1,644,232,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024; of which \$92,274,000 shall remain available until expended for satellite operations; and of which \$74,840,000 shall be available until expended for deferred maintenance and capital improvement projects that exceed \$100,000 in cost: Provided. That none of the funds provided for the ecosystem research activity shall be used to conduct new surveys on private property, unless specifically authorized in writing by the property owner: Provided further, That no part of this appropriation shall be used to pay more than one-half the cost of topographic mapping or water resources data collection and investigations carried on in cooperation with States and municipalities.

## ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

From within the amount appropriated for activities of the United States Geological Survey such sums as are necessary shall be available for contracting for the furnishing of topographic maps and for the making of geophysical or other specialized surveys when it is administratively determined that such procedures are in the public interest: construction and maintenance of necessary buildings and appurtenant facilities: acquisition of lands for gauging stations, observation wells, and seismic equipment; expenses of the United States National Committee for Geological Sciences; and payment of compensation and expenses of persons employed by the Survey duly appointed to represent the United States in the negotiation and administration of interstate compacts: Provided, That activities funded by appropriations herein made may be accomplished through the use of contracts, grants, or cooperative agreements as defined in section 6302 of title 31, United States Code: Provided further, That the United States Geological Survey may enter into contracts or cooperative agreements directly with individuals or indirectly with institutions or nonprofit organizations, without regard to 41 U.S.C. 6101, for the temporary or intermittent services of students or recent graduates, who shall be considered employees for the purpose of chapters 57 and 81 of title 5, United States Code, relating to compensation for travel and work injuries, and chapter 171 of title 28, United States Code, relating to tort claims, but shall not be considered to be Federal employees for any other purposes.

## BUREAU OF OCEAN ENERGY MANAGEMENT

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For expenses necessary for granting and administering leases, easements, rights-of-way, and agreements for use for oil and gas, other minerals, energy, and marine-related purposes on the Outer Continental Shelf and approving operations related thereto, as authorized by law; for environmental studies, as authorized by law; for implementing other laws and to the extent provided by Presidential or Secretarial delegation; and for matching grants or cooperative

agreements \$228,765,000, of which \$191,765,000 is to remain available until September 30, 2024, and of which \$37,000,000 is to remain available until expended: Provided, That this total appropriation shall be reduced by amounts collected by the Secretary of the Interior and credited to this appropriation from additions to receipts resulting from increases to lease rental rates in effect on August 5, 1993, and from cost recovery fees from activities conducted by the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management pursuant to the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act, including studies, assessments, analysis, and miscellaneous administrative activities: Provided further, That the sum herein appropriated shall be reduced as such collections are received during the fiscal year, so as to result in a final fiscal year 2023 appropriation estimated at not more than \$191,765,000: Provided further, That not to exceed \$3,000 shall be available for reasonable expenses related to promoting volunteer beach and marine cleanup activities.

## BUREAU OF SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENTAL ENFORCEMENT

## $\begin{array}{c} OFFSHORE \; SAFETY \; AND \; ENVIRONMENTAL \\ ENFORCEMENT \end{array}$

For expenses necessary for the regulation of operations related to leases, easements, rightsof-way, and agreements for use for oil and gas. other minerals, energy, and marine-related purposes on the Outer Continental Shelf, as authorized by law; for enforcing and implementing laws and regulations as authorized by law and to the extent provided by Presidential or Secretarial delegation; and for matching grants or cooperative agreements, \$175,086,000, of which \$151,086,000 is to remain available until September 30, 2024, and of which \$24,000,000 is to remain available until expended, including \$5,000,000 for offshore decommissioning activities: Provided, That this total appropriation shall be reduced by amounts collected by the Secretary of the Interior and credited to this appropriation from additions to receipts resulting from increases to lease rental rates in effect on August 5, 1993, and from cost recovery fees from activities conducted by the Bureau of Safetu and Environmental Enforcement pursuant to the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act, including studies, assessments, analysis, and miscellaneous administrative activities: Provided further, That the sum herein appropriated shall be reduced as such collections are received during the fiscal year, so as to result in a final fiscal year 2023 appropriation estimated at not more than \$156,086,000.

For an additional amount, \$44,000,000, to remain available until expended, to be reduced by amounts collected by the Secretary and credited to this appropriation, which shall be derived from non-refundable inspection fees collected in fiscal year 2023, as provided in this Act: Provided, That to the extent that amounts realized from such inspection fees exceed \$44,000,000, the amounts realized in excess of \$44,000,000 shall be credited to this appropriation and remain available until expended: Provided further, That for fiscal year 2023, not less than 50 percent of the inspection fees expended by the Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement will be used to fund personnel and mission-related costs to expand capacity and expedite the orderly development, subject to environmental safeguards, of the Outer Continental Shelf pursuant to the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act (43 U.S.C. 1331 et sea.), including the review of applications for permits to drill.

## OIL SPILL RESEARCH

For necessary expenses to carry out title I, section 1016; title IV, sections 4202 and 4303; title VII; and title VIII, section 8201 of the Oil Pollution Act of 1990, \$15,099,000, which shall be derived from the Oil Spill Liability Trust Fund, to remain available until expended.

Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement

#### REGULATION AND TECHNOLOGY

For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions of the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977, Public Law 95-87, \$122,076,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024, of which \$65,000,000 shall be available for state and tribal regulatory grants: Provided, That appropriations for the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement may provide for the travel and per diem expenses of State and tribal personnel attending Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement sponsored training.

In addition, for costs to review, administer, and enforce permits issued by the Office pursuant to section 507 of Public Law 95–87 (30 U.S.C. 1257), \$40,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That fees assessed and collected by the Office pursuant to such section 507 shall be credited to this account as discretionary offsetting collections, to remain available until expended: Provided further, That the sum herein appropriated from the general fund shall be reduced as collections are received during the fiscal year, so as to result in a fiscal year 2023 appropriation estimated at not more than \$122,076,000.

### ABANDONED MINE RECLAMATION FUND

For necessary expenses to carry out title IV of the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977, Public Law 95-87, \$34,142,000, to be derived from receipts of the Abandoned Mine Reclamation Fund and to remain available until expended: Provided, That pursuant to Public Law 97-365, the Department of the Interior is authorized to use up to 20 percent from the recovery of the delinquent debt owed to the United States Government to pay for contracts to collect these debts: Provided further, That funds made available under title IV of Public Law 95-87 may be used for any required non-Federal share of the cost of projects funded by the Federal Government for the purpose of environmental restoration related to treatment or abatement of acid mine drainage from abandoned mines: Provided further, That such projects must be consistent with the purposes and priorities of the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act: Provided further, That amounts provided under this heading may be used for the travel and per diem expenses of State and tribal personnel attending Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement sponsored training.

In addition, \$135,000,000, to remain available until expended, for grants to States and federally recognized Indian Tribes for reclamation of abandoned mine lands and other related activities in accordance with the terms and conditions described in the report accompanying this Act. Provided. That such additional amount shall be used for economic and community development in conjunction with the priorities in section 403(a) of the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 (30 U.S.C. 1233(a)): Provided further. That of such additional amount. \$88,042,000 shall be distributed in equal amounts to the three Appalachian States with the greatest amount of unfunded needs to meet the priorities described in paragraphs (1) and (2) of such section, \$35,218,000 shall be distributed in equal amounts to the three Appalachian States with the subsequent greatest amount of unfunded needs to meet such priorities, and \$11,740,000 shall be for grants to federally recognized Indian Tribes without regard to their status as certified or uncertified under the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 (30 U.S.C. 1233(a)), for reclamation of abandoned mine lands and other related activities in accordance with the terms and conditions described in the report accompanying this Act and shall be used for economic and community development in conjunction with the priorities in section 403(a) of the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977: Provided further, That such additional amount shall be allocated to States and Indian Tribes within 60 days after the date of enactment of this Act.

INDIAN AFFAIRS
BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
OPERATION OF INDIAN PROGRAMS

(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

For expenses necessary for the operation of Indian programs, as authorized by law, including the Snyder Act of November 2, 1921 (25 U.S.C. 13) and the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act of 1975 (25 U.S.C. 5301 et seq.), \$2,149,387,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024, except as otherwise provided herein; of which not to exceed \$8,500 may be for official reception and representation expenses: of which not to exceed \$78,488,000 shall be for welfare assistance payments: Provided. That in cases of designated Federal disasters, the Secretary of the Interior may exceed such cap for welfare payments from the amounts provided herein, to provide for disaster relief to Indian communities affected by the disaster: Provided further, That federally recognized Indian tribes and tribal organizations of federally recognized Indian tribes may use their tribal priority allocations for unmet welfare assistance costs: Provided further, That not to exceed \$67,084,000 shall remain available until expended for housing improvement, road maintenance, land acquisition, attorney fees, litigation support, land records improvement, and the Navajo-Hopi Settlement Program: Provided further, That any forestry funds allocated to a federally recognized tribe which remain unobligated as of September 30, 2024, may be transferred during fiscal year 2025 to an Indian forest land assistance account established for the benefit of the holder of the funds within the holder's trust fund account: Provided further, That any such unobligated balances not so transferred shall expire on September 30, 2025: Provided further, That in order to enhance the safety of Bureau field employees, the Bureau may use funds to purchase uniforms or other identifying articles of clothing for personnel: Provided further, That the Bureau of Indian Affairs may accept transfers of funds from United States Customs and Border Protection to supplement any other funding available for reconstruction or repair of roads owned by the Bureau of Indian Affairs as identified on the National Tribal Transportation Facility Inventory, 23 U.S.C. 202(b)(1).

## INDIAN LAND CONSOLIDATION

For the acquisition of fractional interests to further land consolidation as authorized under the Indian Land Consolidation Act Amendments of 2000 (Public Law 106-462), and the American Indian Probate Reform Act of 2004 (Public Law 108-374), \$50,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That any provision of the Indian Land Consolidation Act Amendments of 2000 (Public Law 106-462) that requires or otherwise relates to application of a lien shall not apply to the acquisitions funded herein.

## CONTRACT SUPPORT COSTS

For payments to tribes and tribal organizations for contract support costs associated with Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act agreements with the Bureau of Indian Education for fiscal year 2023, such sums as may be necessary, which shall be available for obligation through September 30, 2024: Provided, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, no amounts made available under this heading shall be available for transfer to another budget account.

## PAYMENTS FOR TRIBAL LEASES

For payments to tribes and tribal organizations for leases pursuant to section 105(l) of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 5324(l)) for fiscal year

2023, such sums as may be necessary, which shall be available for obligation through September 30, 2024: Provided, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, no amounts made available under this heading shall be available for transfer to another budget account.

#### CONSTRUCTION

#### (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For construction, repair, improvement, and maintenance of irrigation and power systems, buildings, utilities, and other facilities, including architectural and engineering services by contract; acquisition of lands, and interests in lands; and preparation of lands for farming, and for construction of the Navajo Indian Irrigation Project pursuant to Public Law 87-483; \$181,009,000, to remain available until expended: Provided. That such amounts as may be available for the construction of the Navaio Indian Irrigation Project may be transferred to the Bureau of Reclamation: Provided further That any funds provided for the Safety of Dams program pursuant to the Act of November 2. 1921 (25 U.S.C. 13) shall be made available on a nonreimbursable basis: Provided further, That this appropriation may be reimbursed from the Office of the Special Trustee for American Indians appropriation for the appropriate share of construction costs for space expansion needed in agency offices to meet trust reform implementation: Provided further, That of the funds made available under this heading, \$10,000,000 shall be derived from the Indian Irrigation Fund established by section 3211 of the WIIN Act (Public Law 114-322; 130 Stat. 1749).

## INDIAN LAND AND WATER CLAIM SETTLEMENTS AND MISCELLANEOUS PAYMENTS TO INDIANS

For payments and necessary administrative expenses for implementation of Indian land and water claim settlements pursuant to Public Laws 99–264, 114–322, and 116–260, and for implementation of other land and water rights settlements, \$825,000, to remain available until expended.

## INDIAN GUARANTEED LOAN PROGRAM ACCOUNT

For the cost of guaranteed loans and insured loans, \$13,884,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024, of which \$2,680,000 is for administrative expenses, as authorized by the Indian Financing Act of 1974: Provided, That such costs, including the cost of modifying such loans, shall be as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974: Provided further, That these funds are available to subsidize total loan principal, any part of which is to be guaranteed insured, not erceed ort.o \$150,213,551.

## BUREAU OF INDIAN EDUCATION

## OPERATION OF INDIAN EDUCATION PROGRAMS

For expenses necessary for the operation of Indian education programs, as authorized by law, including the Snyder Act of November 2, 1921 (25 U.S.C. 13), the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act of 1975 (25 U.S.C. 5301 et seq.), the Education Amendments of 1978 (25 U.S.C. 2001–2019), and the Tribally Controlled Schools Act of 1988 (25 U.S.C. 2501 et seq.), \$1,202,676,000 to remain available until September 30, 2024, except as otherwise provided herein: Provided, That federally recognized Indian tribes and tribal organizations of federally recognized Indian tribes may use their tribal priority allocations for unmet welfare assistance costs: Provided further, That not to exceed \$870,288,000 for school operations costs of Bureau-funded schools and other education programs shall become available on July 1, 2023, and shall remain available until September 30, 2024: Provided further, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, including but not limited to the Indian Self-Determination Act of 1975 (25 U.S.C. 5301 et seq.) and section 1128 of the Education Amendments of 1978 (25 U.S.C. 2008), not to exceed \$99,107,000 within and only from such amounts made available for school

operations shall be available for administrative cost grants associated with grants approved prior to July 1, 2023: Provided further, That in order to enhance the safety of Bureau field employees, the Bureau may use funds to purchase uniforms or other identifying articles of clothing for personnel.

#### EDUCATION CONSTRUCTION

For construction, repair, improvement, and maintenance of buildings, utilities, and other facilities necessary for the operation of Indian education programs, including architectural and engineering services by contract; acquisition of lands, and interests in lands; \$375,102,000 to remain available until expended: Provided, That in order to ensure timely completion of construction projects, the Secretary of the Interior may assume control of a project and all funds related to the project, if, not later than 18 months after the date of the enactment of this Act, any Public Law 100-297 (25 U.S.C. 2501, et seq.) grantee receiving funds appropriated in this Act or in any prior Act, has not completed the planning and design phase of the project and commenced construction.

### ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

The Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Bureau of Indian Education may carry out the operation of Indian programs by direct expenditure, contracts, cooperative agreements, compacts, and grants, either directly or in cooperation with States and other organizations.

Notwithstanding Public Law 87-279 (25 U.S.C. 15), the Bureau of Indian Affairs may contract for services in support of the management, operation, and maintenance of the Power Division of the San Carlos Irrigation Project.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no funds available to the Bureau of Indian Affairs or the Bureau of Indian Education for central office oversight and Executive Direction and Administrative Services (except Executive Direction and Administrative Services funding for Tribal Priority Allocations, regional offices, and facilities operations and maintenance) shall be available for contracts, grants, compacts, or cooperative agreements with the Bureau of Indian Affairs or the Bureau of Indian Education under the provisions of the Indian Self-Determination Act or the Tribal Self-Governance Act of 1994 (Public Law 103-413).

In the event any tribe returns appropriations made available by this Act to the Bureau of Indian Affairs or the Bureau of Indian Education, this action shall not diminish the Federal Government's trust responsibility to that tribe, or the government-to-government relationship between the United States and that tribe, or that tribe's ability to access future appropriations.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no funds available to the Bureau of Indian Education, other than the amounts provided herein for assistance to public schools under 25 U.S.C. 452 et seq., shall be available to support the operation of any elementary or secondary school in the State of Alaska.

No funds available to the Bureau of Indian Education shall be used to support expanded grades for any school or dormitory beyond the grade structure in place or approved by the Secretary of the Interior at each school in the Bureau of Indian Education school system as of October 1, 1995, except that the Secretary of the Interior may waive this prohibition to support expansion of up to one additional grade when the Secretary determines such waiver is needed to support accomplishment of the mission of the Bureau of Indian Education, or more than one grade to expand the elementary grade structure for Bureau-funded schools with a K-2 grade structure on October 1, 1996. Appropriations made available in this or any prior Act for schools funded by the Bureau shall be available, in accordance with the Bureau's funding formula, only to the schools in the Bureau school system as of September 1, 1996, and to any school or school program that was reinstated in

fiscal year 2012. Funds made available under this Act may not be used to establish a charter school at a Bureau-funded school (as that term is defined in section 1141 of the Education Amendments of 1978 (25 U.S.C. 2021)), except that a charter school that is in existence on the date of the enactment of this Act and that has operated at a Bureau-funded school before September 1, 1999, may continue to operate during that period, but only if the charter school pays to the Bureau a pro rata share of funds to reimburse the Bureau for the use of the real and personal property (including buses and vans), the funds of the charter school are kept separate and apart from Bureau funds, and the Bureau does not assume any obligation for charter school programs of the State in which the school is located if the charter school loses such funding. Employees of Bureau-funded schools sharing a campus with a charter school and performing functions related to the charter school's operation and employees of a charter school shall not be treated as Federal employees for purposes of chapter 171 of title 28, United States Code.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, including section 113 of title I of appendix C of Public Law 106–113, if in fiscal year 2003 or 2004 a grantee received indirect and administrative costs pursuant to a distribution formula based on section 5(f) of Public Law 101–301, the Secretary shall continue to distribute indirect and administrative cost funds to such grantee using the section 5(f) distribution formula.

Funds available under this Act may not be used to establish satellite locations of schools in the Bureau school system as of September 1, 1996, except that the Secretary may waive this prohibition in order for an Indian tribe to provide language and cultural immersion educational programs for non-public schools located within the jurisdictional area of the tribal government which exclusively serve tribal members, do not include grades beyond those currently served at the existing Bureau-funded school, provide an educational environment with educator presence and academic facilities comparable to the Bureau-funded school, comply with all applicable Tribal, Federal, or State health and safety standards, and the Americans with Disabilities Act, and demonstrate the benefits of establishing operations at a satellite location in lieu of incurring extraordinary costs. such as for transportation or other impacts to students such as those caused by busing students extended distances: Provided, That no funds available under this Act may be used to fund operations, maintenance, rehabilitation, construction, or other facilities-related costs for such assets that are not owned by the Bureau: Provided further, That the term "satellite school" means a school location physically separated from the existing Bureau school by more than 50 miles but that forms part of the existing school in all other respects.

Funds made available for Tribal Priority Allocations within Operation of Indian Programs and Operation of Indian Education Programs may be used to execute requested adjustments in tribal priority allocations initiated by an Indian Tribe

Office of the Special Trustee for American Indians

## FEDERAL TRUST PROGRAMS

## (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For the operation of trust programs for Indians by direct expenditure, contracts, cooperative agreements, compacts, and grants, \$111,286,000, to remain available until expended, of which not to exceed \$17,867,000 from this or any other Act, may be available for historical accounting: Provided, That funds for trust management improvements and litigation support may, as needed, be transferred to or merged with the Bureau

of Indian Affairs, "Operation of Indian Programs" and Bureau of Indian Education, "Op-eration of Indian Education Programs" accounts; the Office of the Solicitor, "Salaries and Expenses" account; and the Office of the Secretary, "Departmental Operations" Provided further, That funds made available through contracts or grants obligated during fiscal year 2023, as authorized by the Indian Self-Determination Act of 1975 (25 U.S.C. 5301 et seq.), shall remain available until expended by the contractor or grantee: Provided further, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary shall not be required to provide a quarterly statement of performance for any Indian trust account that has not had activity for at least 15 months and has a balance of \$15 or less: Provided further. That the Secretary shall issue an annual account statement and maintain a record of any such accounts and shall permit the balance in each such account to be withdrawn upon the express written reauest of the account holder: Provided further, That not to exceed \$100,000 is available for the Secretary to make payments to correct administrative errors of either disbursements from or deposits to Individual Indian Money or Tribal accounts after September 30, 2002: Provided further, That erroneous payments that are recovered shall be credited to and remain available in this account for this purpose: Provided further, That the Secretary shall not be required to reconcile Special Deposit Accounts with a balance of less than \$500 unless the Office of the Special Trustee receives proof of ownership from a Special Deposit Accounts claimant: Provided further, That notwithstanding section 102 of the American Indian Trust Fund Management Reform Act of 1994 (Public Law 103-412) or any other provision of law, the Secretary may aggregate the trust accounts of individuals whose whereabouts are unknown for a continuous period of at least 5 years and shall not be required to generate periodic statements of performance for the individual accounts: Provided further, That with respect to the eighth proviso, the Secretary shall continue to maintain sufficient records to determine the balance of the individual accounts, including any accrued interest and income, and such funds shall remain available to the individual account holders.

> DEPARTMENTAL OFFICES OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses for management of the Department of the Interior and for grants and cooperative agreements, as authorized by law, \$147,706,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024; of which not to exceed \$15,000 may be for official reception and representation expenses; of which up to \$1,000,000 shall be available for workers compensation payments and unemployment compensation payments associated with the orderly closure of the United States Bureau of Mines; and of which\$14 295 000 for Indian land mineral and resource valuation activities shall remain available until expended: Provided, That funds for Indian land, mineral, and resource valuation activities may, as needed, be transferred to and merged with the Bureau of Indian Affairs "Operation of Indian Programs" and Bureau of Indian Education "Operation of Indian Education Programs" accounts and the Office of the Special Trustee "Federal Trust Programs" account: Provided further, That funds made available through contracts or grants obligated during fiscal year 2023, as authorized by the Indian Self-Determination Act of 1975 (25 U.S.C. 5301 et seq.), shall remain available until expended by the contractor or grantee.

## ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

For fiscal year 2023, up to \$400,000 of the payments authorized by chapter 69 of title 31, United States Code, may be retained for admin-

istrative expenses of the Payments in Lieu of Taxes Program: Provided, That the amounts provided under this Act specifically for the Payments in Lieu of Taxes program are the only amounts available for payments authorized under chapter 69 of title 31, United States Code: Provided further, That in the event the sums appropriated for any fiscal year for payments pursuant to this chapter are insufficient to make the full payments authorized by that chapter to all units of local government, then the payment to each local government shall be made proportionally: Provided further, That the Secretary may make adjustments to payment to individual units of local government to correct for prior overpayments or underpayments: Provided further, That no payment shall be made pursuant to that chapter to otherwise eligible units of local government if the computed amount of the payment is less than \$100.

### Insular Affairs

### ASSISTANCE TO TERRITORIES

For expenses necessary for assistance to territories under the jurisdiction of the Department of the Interior and other jurisdictions identified section 104(e) of Public Law 108-188, \$121,257,000, of which: (1) \$111,040,000 shall remain available until expended for territorial assistance, including general technical assistance, maintenance assistance, disaster assistance, coral reef initiative and natural resources activities, and brown tree snake control and research; grants to the judiciary in American Samoa for compensation and expenses, as authorized by law (48 U.S.C. 1661(c)); grants to the Government of American Samoa, in addition to current local revenues, for construction and support of governmental functions; grants to the Government of the Virgin Islands, as authorized by law; grants to the Government of Guam, as authorized by law: and grants to the Government of the Northern Mariana Islands, as authorized by law (Public Law 94-241: 90 Stat. 272); and (2) \$10.217.000 shall be available until September 30, 2024, for salaries and expenses of the Office of Insular Affairs: Provided, That all financial transactions of the territorial and  $local\ governments\ herein\ provided\ for,\ including$ such transactions of all agencies or instrumentalities established or used by such governments, may be audited by the Government Accountability Office, at its discretion, in accordance with chapter 35 of title 31, United States Code: Provided further, That Northern Mariana Islands Covenant grant funding shall be provided according to those terms of the Agreement of the Special Representatives on Future United States Financial Assistance for the Northern Mariana Islands approved by Public Law 104-134: Provided further, That the funds for the program of operations and maintenance improvement are appropriated to institutionalize routine operations and maintenance improvement of capital infrastructure with territorial participation and cost sharing to be determined by the Secretary based on the grantee's commitment to timely maintenance of its capital assets: Provided further, That any appropriation for disaster assistance under this heading in this Act or previous appropriations Acts may be used as non-Federal matching funds for the purpose of hazard mitigation grants provided pursuant to section 404 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5170c).

## COMPACT OF FREE ASSOCIATION

For grants and necessary expenses, \$8,463,000, to remain available until expended, as provided for in sections 221(a)(2) and 233 of the Compact of Free Association for the Republic of Palau, and section 221(a)(2) of the Compacts of Free Association for the Government of the Republic of the Marshall Islands and the Federated States of Micronesia, as authorized by Public Law 99-658 and Public Law 108-188: Provided, That of the funds appropriated under this heading, \$5,000,000 is for deposit into the Compact

Trust Fund of the Republic of the Marshall Islands as compensation authorized by Public Law 108–188 for adverse financial and economic impacts.

## ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

At the request of the Governor of Guam, the Secretary may transfer discretionary funds or mandatory funds provided under section 104(e) of Public Law 108-188 and Public Law 104-134, that are allocated for Guam, to the Secretary of Agriculture for the subsidy cost of direct or guaranteed loans, plus not to exceed three percent of the amount of the subsidy transferred for the cost of loan administration, for the purposes authorized by the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 and section 306(a)(1) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act for construction and repair projects in Guam, and such funds shall remain available until expended: Provided, That such costs, including the cost of modifying such loans, shall be as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974: Provided further, That such loans or loan guarantees may be made without regard to the population of the area, credit elsewhere requirements, and restrictions on the types of eligible entities under the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 and section 306(a)(1) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act: Provided further, That any funds transferred to the Secretary of Agriculture shall be in addition to funds otherwise made available to make or guarantee loans under such authorities.

## OFFICE OF THE SOLICITOR SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Office of the Solicitor, \$103,190,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL
SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector General, \$76,870,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024.

DEPARTMENT-WIDE PROGRAMS
WILDLAND FIRE MANAGEMENT
(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses for fire preparedness, fire suppression operations, fire science and research, emergency rehabilitation, fuels management activities, and rural fire assistance by the Department of the Interior, \$1,202,130,000, to remain available until expended, of which not to exceed \$10,000,000 shall be for the renovation or construction of fire facilities: Provided, That such funds are also available for repayment of advances to other appropriation accounts from which funds were previously transferred for such purposes: Provided further, That of the funds provided \$304,344,000 is for fuels management activities: Provided further, That of the funds provided \$22,470,000 is for burned area rehabilitation: Provided further, That persons hired pursuant to 43 U.S.C. 1469 may be furnished subsistence and lodging without cost from funds available from this appropriation: Provided further, That notwithstanding 42 U.S.C. 1856d, sums received by a bureau or office of the Department of the Interior for fire protection rendered pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 1856 et seq., protection of United States property, may be credited to the appropriation from which funds were expended to provide that protection, and are available without fiscal year limitation: Provided further, That using the amounts designated under this title of this Act, the Secretary of the Interior may enter into procurement contracts, grants, or cooperative agreements, for fuels management activities, and for training and monitoring associated with such fuels management activities on Federal land, or on adjacent non-Federal land for activities that benefit resources on Federal land: Provided further, That the costs of implementing any cooperative agreement between the Federal Government and any non-Federal entity may be

shared, as mutually agreed on by the affected parties: Provided further, That notwithstanding requirements of the Competition in Contracting Act, the Secretary, for purposes of fuels management activities, may obtain maximum practicable competition among: (1) local private, nonprofit, or cooperative entities; (2) Youth Conservation Corps crews, Public Lands Corps (Public Law 109-154), or related partnerships with State, local, or nonprofit youth groups; (3) small or micro-businesses; or (4) other entities that will hire or train locally a significant percentage, defined as 50 percent or more, of the project workforce to complete such contracts: Provided further. That in implementing this section, the Secretary shall develop written guidance to field units to ensure accountability and consistent application of the authorities provided herein: Provided further, That funds appropriated under this heading may be used to reimburse the United States Fish and Wildlife Service and the National Marine Fisheries Service for the costs of carrying out their responsibilities under the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.) to consult and conference, as required by section 7 of such Act, in connection with wildland fire management activities: Provided further, That the Secretary of the Interior may use wildland fire appropriations to enter into leases of real property with local governments, at or below fair market value, to construct capitalized improvements for fire facilities on such leased properties, including but not limited to fire guard stations, retardant stations, and other initial attack and fire support facilities, and to make advance payments for any such lease or for construction activity associated with the lease: Provided further, That the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture may authorize the transfer of funds appropriated for wildland fire management, in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$50,000,000 between the Departments when such transfers would facilitate and expedite wildland fire management programs and projects: Provided further, That funds provided for wildfire suppression shall be available for support of Federal emergency response actions: Provided further, That funds appropriated under this heading shall be available for assistance to or through the Department of State in connection with forest and rangeland research, technical information, and assistance in foreign countries, and, with the concurrence of the Secretary of State, shall be available to support forestry, wildland fire management, and related natural resource activities outside the United States and its territories and possessions, including technical assistance, education and training, and cooperation with United States and international organizations: Provided further, That of the funds provided under this heading, \$383,657,000 shall be available for wildfire suppression operations, and is provided to meet the terms of section 4004(b)(5)(B) of S. Con. Res. 14 (117th Congress), the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2022, and section 1(g)(2) of H. Res. 1151 (117th Congress), as engrossed in the House of Representatives on June 8, 2022.

## WILDFIRE SUPPRESSION OPERATIONS RESERVE FUND

## (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

In addition to the amounts provided under the heading "Department of the Interior—Department-Wide Programs—Wildland Fire Management" for wildfire suppression operations, \$340,000,000, to remain available until transferred, is additional new budget authority as specified for purposes of section 4004(b)(5) of S. Con. Res. 14 (117th Congress), the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2022, and section 1(g) of H. Res. 1151 (117th Congress), as engrossed in the House of Representatives on June 8, 2022: Provided, That such amounts may be transferred to and merged with amounts made available under the headings

'Department of Agriculture-Forest Service-Wildland Fire Management" and "Department of the Interior-Department-Wide Programs-Wildland Fire Management" for wildfire suppression operations in the fiscal year in which such amounts are transferred: Provided further, That amounts may be transferred to the "Wildland Fire Management" accounts in the Department of Agriculture or the Department of the Interior only upon the notification of the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations that all wildfire suppression operations funds appropriated under that heading in this and prior appropriations Acts to the agency to which the funds will be transferred will be obligated within 30 days: Provided further, That the transfer authority provided under this heading is in addition to any other transfer authority provided by law: Provided further, That, in determining whether all wildfire suppression operations funds appropriated under the heading "Wildland Fire Management" in this and prior appropriations Acts to either the Department of Agriculture or the Department of the Interior will be obligated within 30 days pursuant to the preceding proviso, any funds transferred or permitted to be transferred pursuant to any other transfer authority provided by law shall be excluded.

#### CENTRAL HAZARDOUS MATERIALS FUND

For necessary expenses of the Department of the Interior and any of its component offices and bureaus for the response action, including associated activities, performed pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (42 U.S.C. 9601 et seq.), \$10,064,000, to remain available until expended.

## ENERGY COMMUNITY REVITALIZATION PROGRAM (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses of the Department of the Interior to inventory, assess, decommission. reclaim, respond to hazardous substance releases, remediate lands pursuant to section 40704 of Public Law 117-58 (30 U.S.C. 1245), and carry out the purposes of section 349 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 15907), as amended, \$45,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That such amount shall be in addition to amounts otherwise available for such purposes: Provided further, That amounts appropriated under this heading are available for program management and oversight of these activities: Provided further, That the Secretary may transfer the funds provided under this heading in this Act to any other account in the Department to carry out such purposes, and may expend such funds directly, or through grants: Provided further, That these amounts are not available to fulfill Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (42 U.S.C. 9601 et seq.) obligations agreed to in settlement or imposed by a court, whether for payment of funds or for work to be performed.

## $\begin{array}{c} NATURAL \ RESOURCE \ DAMAGE \ ASSESSMENT \ AND \\ RESTORATION \end{array}$

## $NATURAL\ RESOURCE\ DAMAGE\ ASSESSMENT\ FUND$

To conduct natural resource damage assessment, restoration activities, and onshore oil spill preparedness by the Department of the Interior necessary to carry out the provisions of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (42 U.S.C. 9601 et seq.), the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.), the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 (33 U.S.C. 2701 et seq.), and 54 U.S.C. 100721 et seq., \$8,059,000, to remain available until expended.

## WORKING CAPITAL FUND

For the operation and maintenance of a departmental financial and business management system, data management, and information technology improvements of general benefit to the Department, cybersecurity, and the consoli-

dation of facilities and operations throughout the Department, \$118,746,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That none of the funds appropriated in this Act or any other Act may be used to establish reserves in the Working Capital Fund account other than for accrued annual leave and depreciation of equipment without prior approval of the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate: Provided further, That the Secretary of the Interior may assess reasonable charges to State, local, and tribal government employees for training services provided by the National Indian Program Training Center, other than training related to Public Law 93-638: Provided further, That the Secretary may lease or otherwise provide space and related facilities. equipment, or professional services of the National Indian Program Training Center to State, local and tribal government employees or persons or organizations engaged in cultural educational, or recreational activities (as defined in section 3306(a) of title 40. United States Code) at the prevailing rate for similar space, facilities. equipment, or services in the vicinity of the National Indian Program Training Center: Provided further, That all funds received pursuant to the two preceding provisos shall be credited to this account, shall be available until expended, and shall be used by the Secretary for necessary expenses of the National Indian Program Training Center: Provided further, That the Secretary may enter into grants and cooperative agreements to support the Office of Natural Resource Revenue's collection and disbursement of royalties, fees, and other mineral revenue proceeds, as authorized by law.

### ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISION

There is hereby authorized for acquisition from available resources within the Working Capital Fund, aircraft which may be obtained by donation, purchase, or through available excess surplus property: Provided, That existing aircraft being replaced may be sold, with proceeds derived or trade-in value used to offset the purchase price for the replacement aircraft.

## OFFICE OF NATURAL RESOURCES REVENUE

For necessary expenses for management of the collection and disbursement of royalties, fees, and other mineral revenue proceeds, and for grants and cooperative agreements, as authorized by law, \$174,977,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024; of which \$69,751,000 shall remain available until expended for the purpose of mineral revenue management activities: Provided. That notwithstanding any other provision of law, \$15,000 shall be available for refunds of overpayments in connection with certain Indian leases in which the Secretary of the Interior concurred with the claimed refund due. to pay amounts owed to Indian allottees or tribes, or to correct prior unrecoverable erroneous payments.

## GENERAL PROVISIONS, DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

## (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

## $\begin{array}{c} \textit{EMERGENCY TRANSFER AUTHORITY} \\ \textit{BUREAU} \end{array}$

SEC. 101. Appropriations made in this title shall be available for expenditure or transfer (within each bureau or office), with the approval of the Secretary of the Interior, for the emergency reconstruction, replacement, or repair of aircraft, buildings, utilities, or other facilities or equipment damaged or destroyed by fire, flood, storm, or other unavoidable causes: Provided, That no funds shall be made available under this authority until funds specifically made available to the Department of the Interior for emergencies shall have been exhausted: Provided further, That all funds used pursuant to this section must be replenished by a supplemental appropriation, which must be requested as promptly as possible.

EMERGENCY TRANSFER AUTHORITY— DEPARTMENT-WIDE

SEC. 102. The Secretary of the Interior may authorize the expenditure or transfer of any no year appropriation in this title, in addition to the amounts included in the budget programs of the several agencies, for the suppression or emergency prevention of wildland fires on or threatening lands under the jurisdiction of the Department of the Interior; for the emergency rehabilitation of burned-over lands under its jurisdiction; for emergency actions related to potential or actual earthquakes, floods, volcanoes, storms, or other unavoidable causes; for contingency planning subsequent to actual oil spills; for response and natural resource damage assessment activities related to actual oil spills or releases of hazardous substances into the environment; for the prevention, suppression, and control of actual or potential grasshopper and Mormon cricket outbreaks on lands under the jurisdiction of the Secretary, pursuant to the authority in section 417(b) of Public Law 106-224 (7 U.S.C. 7717(b)); for emergency reclamation projects under section 410 of Public Law 95-87; and shall transfer, from any no year funds available to the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, such funds as may be necessary to permit assumption of regulatory authority in the event a primacy State is not carrying out the regulatory provisions of the Surface Mining Act: Provided, That appropriations made in this title for wildland fire operations shall be available for the payment of obligations incurred during the preceding fiscal year, and for reimbursement to other Federal agencies for destruction of vehicles, aircraft, or other equipment in connection with their use for wildland fire operations, with such reimbursement to be credited to appropriations currently available at the time of receipt thereof: Provided further, That for wildland fire operations, no funds shall be made available under this authority until the Secretary determines that funds appropriated for "wildland fire suppression" shall be exhausted within 30 days: Provided further, That all funds used pursuant to this section must be replenished by a supplemental appropriation, which must be requested as promptly as possible: Provided further, That such replenishment funds shall be used to reimburse, on a pro rata basis, accounts from which emergency funds were transferred.

## AUTHORIZED USE OF FUNDS

SEC. 103. Appropriations made to the Department of the Interior in this title shall be available for services as authorized by section 3109 of title 5, United States Code, when authorized by the Secretary of the Interior, in total amount not to exceed \$500,000; purchase and replacement of motor vehicles, including specially equipped law enforcement vehicles; hire, maintenance, and operation of aircraft; hire of passenger motor vehicles; purchase of reprints; payment for telephone service in private residences in the field, when authorized under regulations approved by the Secretary; and the payment of dues, when authorized by the Secretary, for library membership in societies or associations which issue publications to members only or at a price to members lower than to subscribers who are not members.

#### AUTHORIZED USE OF FUNDS, INDIAN TRUST MANAGEMENT

SEC. 104. Appropriations made in this Act under the headings Bureau of Indian Affairs and Bureau of Indian Education, and Office of the Special Trustee for American Indians and any unobligated balances from prior appropriations Acts made under the same headings shall be available for expenditure or transfer for Indian trust management and reform activities. Total funding for historical accounting activities shall not exceed amounts specifically designated in this Act for such purpose. The Secretary shall notify the House and Senate Com-

mittees on Appropriations within 60 days of the expenditure or transfer of any funds under this section, including the amount expended or transferred and how the funds will be used.

REDISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS, BUREAU OF INDIAN
AFFAIRS

SEC. 105. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to redistribute any Tribal Priority Allocation funds, including tribal base funds, to alleviate tribal funding inequities by transferring funds to address identified, unmet needs, dual enrollment, overlapping service areas or inaccurate distribution methodologies. No tribe shall receive a reduction in Tribal Priority Allocation funds of more than 10 percent in fiscal year 2023. Under circumstances of dual enrollment, overlapping service areas or inaccurate distribution methodologies, the 10 percent limitation does not apply.

#### ELLIS, GOVERNORS, AND LIBERTY ISLANDS

SEC. 106. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to acquire lands, waters, or interests therein, including the use of all or part of any pier, dock, or landing within the State of New York and the State of New Jersey, for the purpose of operating and maintaining facilities in the support of transportation and accommodation of visitors to Ellis, Governors, and Liberty Islands, and of other program and administrative activities, by donation or with appropriated funds, including franchise fees (and other monetary consideration), or by exchange; and the Secretary is authorized to negotiate and enter into leases, subleases, concession contracts, or other agreements for the use of such facilities on such terms and conditions as the Secretary may determine reasonable: Provided, That for the purposes of 54 U.S.C. 200306(a), such lands, waters, or interests therein shall be considered to be within the exterior boundary of a System unit authorized or established.

## OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF INSPECTION FEES

SEC. 107. (a) In fiscal year 2023, the Secretary of the Interior shall collect a nonrefundable inspection fee, which shall be deposited in the "Offshore Safety and Environmental Enforcement" account, from the designated operator for facilities subject to inspection under 43 U.S.C. 1348(c).

(b) Annual fees shall be collected for facilities that are above the waterline, excluding drilling rigs, and are in place at the start of the fiscal year. Fees for fiscal year 2023 shall be—

(1) \$11,725 for facilities with no wells, but with processing equipment or gathering lines:

(2) \$18,984 for facilities with 1 to 10 wells, with any combination of active or inactive wells; and (3) \$35,176 for facilities with more than 10

(3) \$35,176 for facilities with more than 10 wells, with any combination of active or inactive wells.

(c) Fees shall be assessed for facilities that are above the waterline, excluding drilling rigs, and require follow-up inspections. Fees for fiscal year 2023 shall be—

(1) \$5,863 for facilities with no wells, but with processing or gathering lines;

(2) \$9,492 for facilities with 1 to 10 wells, with any combination of active or inactive wells; and

(3) \$17,588 for facilities with more than 10 wells, with any combination of active or inactive wells.

(d) Fees for drilling rigs shall be assessed for all inspections completed in fiscal year 2023. Fees for fiscal year 2023 shall be—

(1) \$34,059 per inspection for rigs operating in water depths of 500 feet or more; and

(2) \$18,649 per inspection for rigs operating in water depths of less than 500 feet.

(e) Fees for inspection of well operations conducted via non-rig units as outlined in title 30 CFR 250 subparts D, E, F, and Q shall be assessed for all inspections completed in fiscal year 2023. Fees for fiscal year 2023 shall be—

(1) \$13,260 per inspection for non-rig units operating in water depths of 2,500 feet or more;

(2) \$11,530 per inspection for non-rig units operating in water depths between 500 and 2,499 feet; and

(3) \$4,470 per inspection for non-rig units op-

erating in water depths of less than 500 feet.
(f) The Secretary shall bill designated operators under subsection (b) quarterly, with payment required within 30 days of billing. The Secretary shall bill designated operators under subsection (c) within 30 days of the end of the month in which the inspection occurred, with payment required within 30 days of billing. The Secretary shall bill designated operators under subsection (d) with payment required by the end of the following quarter.

#### CONTRACTS AND AGREEMENTS FOR WILD HORSE AND BURRO HOLDING FACILITIES

SEC. 108. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, the Secretary of the Interior may enter into multiyear cooperative agreements with nonprofit organizations and other appropriate entities, and may enter into multiyear contracts in accordance with the provisions of section 3903 of title 41, United States Code (except that the 5-year term restriction in subsection (a) shall not apply), for the long-term care and maintenance of excess wild free roaming horses and burros by such organizations or entities on private land. Such cooperative agreements and contracts may not exceed 10 years, subject to renewal at the discretion of the Secretary.

#### MASS MARKING OF SALMONIDS

SEC. 109. The United States Fish and Wildlife Service shall, in carrying out its responsibilities to protect threatened and endangered species of salmon, implement a system of mass marking of salmonid stocks, intended for harvest, that are released from federally operated or federally financed hatcheries including but not limited to fish releases of coho, chinook, and steelhead species. Marked fish must have a visible mark that can be readily identified by commercial and recreational fishers.

## $\begin{array}{c} CONTRACTS \ AND \ AGREEMENTS \ WITH \ INDIAN \\ AFFAIRS \end{array}$

SEC. 110. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, during fiscal year 2023, in carrying out work involving cooperation with State, local, and tribal governments or any political subdivision thereof, Indian Affairs may record obligations against accounts receivable from any such entities, except that total obligations at the end of the fiscal year shall not exceed total budgetary resources available at the end of the fiscal year.

## $\begin{array}{c} \textit{DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR EXPERIENCED} \\ \textit{SERVICES PROGRAM} \end{array}$

SEC. 111. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law relating to Federal grants and cooperative agreements, the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to make grants to, or enter into cooperative agreements with, private nonprofit organizations designated by the Secretary of Labor under title V of the Older Americans Act of 1965 to utilize the talents of older Americans in programs authorized by other provisions of law administered by the Secretary and consistent with such provisions of law.

(b) Prior to awarding any grant or agreement under subsection (a), the Secretary shall ensure that the agreement would not—

(1) result in the displacement of individuals currently employed by the Department, including partial displacement through reduction of non-overtime hours, wages, or employment benefits:

(2) result in the use of an individual under the Department of the Interior Experienced Services Program for a job or function in a case in which a Federal employee is in a layoff status from the same or substantially equivalent job within the Department: or

(3) affect existing contracts for services.

## $OBLIGATION\ OF\ FUNDS$

SEC. 112. Amounts appropriated by this Act to the Department of the Interior shall be available for obligation and expenditure not later than 60 days after the date of enactment of this Act.

#### SEPARATION OF ACCOUNTS

SEC. 113. The Secretary of the Interior, in order to implement an orderly transition to separate accounts of the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Bureau of Indian Education, may transfer funds among and between the successor offices and bureaus affected by the reorganization only in conformance with the reprogramming quidelines described in this Act.

### PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES (PILT)

SEC. 114. Section 6906 of title 31, United States Code, shall be applied by substituting "fiscal year 2023" for "fiscal year 2019".

## $\begin{array}{c} \textit{DISCLOSURE OF DEPARTURE OR ALTERNATE} \\ \textit{PROCEDURE APPROVAL} \end{array}$

SEC. 115. (a) Subject to subsection (b), in any case in which the Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement or the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management prescribes or approves any departure or use of alternate procedure or equipment, in regards to a plan or permit, under 30 CFR 555.103; 30 CFR 550.141; 30 CFR 550.142; or 30 CFR 250.142, the head of such bureau shall post a description of such departure or alternate procedure or equipment use approval on such bureau's publicly available website not more than 15 business days after such issuance.

(b) The head of each bureau may exclude confidential business information.

#### LONG BRIDGE PROJECT

- SEC. 116. (a) AUTHORIZATION OF CONVEY-ANCE.—On request by the State of Virginia or the District of Columbia for the purpose of the construction of rail and other infrastructure relating to the Long Bridge Project, the Secretary of the Interior may convey to the State or the District of Columbia, as applicable, all right, title, and interest of the United States in and to any portion of the approximately 4.4 acres of National Park Service land depicted as "Permanent Impact to NPS Land" on the Map dated May 15, 2020, that is identified by the State or the District of Columbia.
- (b) TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—Such conveyance of the National Park Service land under subsection (a) shall be subject to any terms and conditions that the Secretary may require. If such conveyed land is no longer being used for the purposes specified in this section, the lands or interests therein shall revert to the National Park Service after they have been restored or remediated to the satisfaction of the Secretary.
- (c) CORRECTIONS.—The Secretary and the State or the District of Columbia, as applicable, by mutual agreement, may—
- (1) make minor boundary adjustments to the National Park Service land to be conveyed to the State or the District of Columbia under subsection (a); and
- (2) correct any minor errors in the Map referred to in subsection (a).
- (d) Definitions.—For purposes of this section:
- (1) LONG BRIDGE PROJECT.—The term "Long Bridge Project" means the rail project, as identified by the Federal Railroad Administration, from Rosslyn (RO) Interlocking in Arlington, Virginia, to L'Enfant (LE) Interlocking in Washington, DC, which includes a bicycle and pedestrian bridge.
- (2) Secretary.—The term "Secretary" means the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Director of the National Park Service.
- (3) STATE.—The term "State" means the State of Virginia.

## INTERAGENCY MOTOR POOL

SEC. 117. Notwithstanding any other provision of law or Federal regulation, federally recognized Indian tribes or authorized tribal organizations that receive Tribally-Controlled School Grants pursuant to Public Law 100–297 may obtain interagency motor vehicles and related

services for performance of any activities carried out under such grants to the same extent as if they were contracting under the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act.

#### DELAWARE WATER GAP AUTHORITY

SEC. 118. Section 4(b) of The Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area Improvement Act, as amended by section 1 of Public Law 115–101, shall be applied by substituting "2023" for "2021".

#### NATIONAL HERITAGE AREAS AND CORRIDORS

SEC. 119. (a) Section 109(a) of the Quinebaug and Shetucket Rivers Valley National Heritage Corridor Act of 1994 (title I of Public Law 103– 449), is amended by striking "\$17,000,000" and inserting "\$19,000,000".

(b) Section 409(a) of the Steel Industry American Heritage Area Act of 1996 (title IV of division II of Public Law 104–333) is amended by striking "\$20,000,000" and inserting "\$22,000,000".

(c) Section 608(a) of the South Carolina National Heritage Corridor Act of 1996 (title VI of division II of Public Law 104–333) is amended by striking "\$17,000,000" and inserting "\$19,000,000".

(d) Subsection 157(h)(1) of the Wheeling National Heritage Area Act of 2000 (section 157 of Public Law 106–291) is amended by striking "\$15,000,000" and inserting "\$17,000,000".

(e) Sections 411, 432, and 451 of title IV of the Consolidated Natural Resources Act of 2008 (Public Law 110–229), are each amended by striking "the date that is 15 years after the date of" and all that follows through the end of each section and inserting "September 30, 2024."

(f) Section 512 of the National Aviation Heritage Area Act (title V of division J of Public Law 108–447), is amended by striking "2022" and inserting "2024".

(g) Section 608 of the Oil Region National Heritage Area Act (title VI of Public Law 108-447) is amended by striking "2022" and inserting "2024".

(h) Section 125(a) of Public Law 98–398, as amended by section 402 of Public Law 109–338 (120 Stat. 1853), is amended by striking "\$10,000,000" and inserting "\$12,000,000".

## STUDY FOR SELMA TO MONTGOMERY NATIONAL HISTORIC TRAIL

SEC. 120. (a) STUDY.—The Secretary of the Interior (Secretary) shall conduct a study to evaluate—

(1) resources associated with the 1965 Voting Rights March from Selma to Montgomery not currently part of the Selma to Montgomery National Historic Trail (Trail) (16 U.S.C. 1244(a)(20)) that would be appropriate for addition to the Trail; and

(2) the potential designation of the Trail as a unit of the National Park System instead of, or in addition to, remaining a designated part of the National Trails System.

(b) REPORT.—Not later than one year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations, the Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate a report that describes the results of the study and the conclusions and recommendations of the study.

(c) LAND ACQUISITION.—The Secretary is authorized, subject to the availability of appropriations and at her discretion, to acquire property or interests therein located in the city of Selma, Alabama and generally depicted on the map entitled, "Selma to Montgomery NHT Proposed Addition," numbered 628/177376 and dated September 14, 2021, with the consent of the owner, for the benefit of the Selma to Montgomery National Historic Trail and to further the purpose for which the trail has been established.

## APPRAISER PAY AUTHORITY

SEC. 121. For fiscal year 2023, funds made available in this or any other Act or otherwise

made available to the Department of the Interior for the Appraisal and Valuation Services Office may be used by the Secretary of the Interior to establish higher minimum rates of basic pay for employees of the Department of the Interior in the Appraiser (GS-1171) job series at grades 11 through 15 carrying out appraisals of real property and appraisal reviews conducted in support of the Department's realty programs at rates no greater than 15 percent above the minimum rates of basic pay normally scheduled, and such higher rates shall be consistent with subsections (e) through (h) of section 5305 of title 5, United States Code.

#### ONSHORE OIL AND GAS INSPECTION FEE

SEC. 122. (a) ONSHORE OIL AND GAS INSPECTION FEES.—The designated operator under each oil and gas lease on Federal or Indian lands, or under each unit and communitization agreement that includes one or more such Federal or Indian leases, that is subject to inspection under section 108(b) of the Federal Oil and Gas Royalty Management Act of 1982 (30 U.S.C. 1718(b)) and that is in force at the start of fiscal year 2022 shall pay a nonrefundable annual inspection fee that the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) shall collect and deposit in the "Management of Lands and Resources" account.

- (b) FEES.—Fees for fiscal year 2023 shall be—
  (1) \$1,560 for each lease or unit or communitization agreement with 1 to 10 wells, with any combination of active or inactive wells:
- (2) \$7,000 for each lease or unit or communitization agreement with 11 to 50 wells, with any combination of active or inactive wells; and
- (3) \$14,000 for each lease or unit or communitization agreement with more than 50 wells, with any combination of active or inactine nells
- (c) BILLING AND PAYMENT.—BLM shall bill designated operators not later than 60 days after the date of enactment of this Act, with payment required within 30 days of billing.
- (d) PENALTY.—If the designated operator fails to pay the full amount of the fee as prescribed in this section, the Secretary may, in addition to utilizing any other applicable enforcement authority, assess civil penalties against the operator in the same manner as if this section were a mineral leasing law as defined in paragraph (8) of section 3 of Public Law 97-451 (30 U.S.C 1702(8)) as amended
- (e) EXEMPTION FOR TRIBAL OPERATORS.—An operator that is a Tribe or is controlled by a Tribe is not subject to subsection (a) with respect to a lease, unit, or communitization agreement that is located entirely on the lands of such Tribe.

## $DECOMMISSIONING\ ACCOUNT$

SEC. 123. (a) Effective upon the later of October 1, 2022, or the date of enactment of this Act, the fifth and sixth provisos under the amended heading "Royalty and Offshore Minerals Management" for the Minerals Management Service in Public Law 101–512 shall hereafter have no force or effect.

(b) Beginning on the later of October 1, 2022, or the date of enactment of this Act, and in each fiscal year hereafter—

(1) Notwithstanding section 3302 of title 31, any moneys hereafter received as a result of the forfeiture of a bond or other security by an Outer Continental Shelf permittee, lessee, or right-of-way holder that does not fulfill the requirements of its permit, lease, or right-of-way or does not comply with the regulations of the Secretary, or as a bankruptcy distribution or settlement associated with such failure or noncompliance, shall be credited to a separate account established in the Treasury for decommissioning activities and shall be available to the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management without further appropriation or fiscal year limitation to

cover the cost to the United States of any improvement, protection, rehabilitation, or decommissioning work rendered necessary by the action or inaction that led to the forfeiture or bankruptcy distribution or settlement, to remain available until expended.

- (2) Amounts deposited into the decommissioning account may be allocated to the Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement for such costs.
- (3) Any moneys received for such costs currently held in the Ocean Energy Management account shall be transferred to the decommissioning account; and
- (4) Any portion of the moneys so credited shall be returned to the bankruptcy estate, permittee, lessee, or right-of-way holder to the extent that the money is in excess of the amount expended in performing the work necessitated by the action or inaction which led to their receipt or, if the bond or security was forfeited for failure to pay the civil penalty, in excess of the civil penalty imposed.

## LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO STATES

SEC. 124. For expenses necessary to carry out section 200305 of title 54, United States Code, the National Park Service may retain up to 7 percent of the State Conservation Grants program to provide to States, the District of Columbia, and insular areas, as matching grants to support state program administrative costs.

#### INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE

- SEC. 125. (a) H.R. 6707 as introduced in the 117th Congress (Advancing Equality for Wabanaki Nations Act) is hereby enacted into law
- (b) In publishing this Act in slip form and in the United States Statutes at large pursuant to section 112 of title 1, United States Code, the Archivist of the United States shall include after the date of approval at the end an appendix setting forth the text of the sections of the bill referred to in subsection (a).

## INDIAN RESERVATION GAMING REGULATIONS

SEC. 126. The Ysleta del Sur Pueblo and Alabama and Coushatta Indian Tribes of Texas Restoration Act (Public Law 100—89; 101 Stat. 666) is amended by adding at the end the following:

## "SEC. 301 RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.

"Nothing in this Act shall be construed to preclude or limit the applicability of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (25 U.S.C. 2701 et seg.).".

## $INDIAN\ REORGANIZATION\ ACT$

- SEC. 127. (a) MODIFICATION.—(1) IN GENERAL.—The first sentence of section 19 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (commonly known as the "Indian Reorganization Act") (25 U.S.C. 5129), is amended—
- (A) by striking "The term" and inserting "Effective beginning on June 18, 1934, the term";
- (B) by striking "any recognized Indian tribe now under Federal jurisdiction" and inserting "any federally recognized Indian tribe".
- (2) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by paragraph (1) shall take effect as if included in the Act of June 18, 1934 (commonly known as the "Indian Reorganization Act") (25 U.S.C. 5129), on the date of enactment of that Act.
- (b) RATIFICATION AND CONFIRMATION OF ACTIONS.—Any action taken by the Secretary of the Interior pursuant to the Act of June 18, 1934 (commonly known as the "Indian Reorganization Act") (25 U.S.C. 5101 et seq.) for any Indian tribe that was federally recognized on the date of the action is ratified and confirmed, to the extent such action is subjected to challenge based on whether the Indian tribe was federally recognized or under Federal jurisdiction on June 18, 1934, as if the action had, by prior act of Congress, been specifically authorized and directed.

- (c) EFFECT ON OTHER LAWS.—(1) IN GENERAL.—Nothing in this section or the amendments made by this section affects—
- (A) the application or effect of any Federal law other than the Act of June 18, 1934 (25 U.S.C. 5101 et seq.) (as amended by subsection (a)): or
- (B) any limitation on the authority of the Secretary of the Interior under any Federal law or regulation other than the Act of June 18, 1934 (25 U.S.C. 5101 et seq.) (as so amended).
- (2) REFERENCES IN OTHER LAWS.—An express reference to the Act of June 18, 1934 (25 U.S.C. 5101 et seq.) contained in any other Federal law shall be considered to be a reference to that Act as amended by subsection (a).

### LOWELL NATIONAL HISTORIC PARK

SEC. 128. Section 103(a) of Public Law 95–290 (16 U.S.C. 410cc–13; 92 Stat. 292) is amended by striking paragraph (1) and redesignating paragraph (2) as paragraph (1).

#### RESTRICTION ON USE OF FUNDS

SEC. 129. (a) None of the funds made available in this Act may be used by the Secretary of the Interior or the Director of the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management to conduct or authorize oil and gas preleasing, leasing, or related activities, including but not limited to the issuance of permits for geological and geophysical exploration, in any planning area where the 2017-2022 Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Leasing Proposed Final Program (November 2016) did not schedule leases.

(b) The restrictions under subsection (a) apply to the formal steps identified by the Department of the Interior and the enabling steps prior to leasing, including the issuance of permits for geological and geophysical exploration.

#### TRIBAL CANNABIS

SEC. 130. None of the funds appropriated by this Act to the Department of Justice or its agencies or bureaus or the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Office of Justice Services, including those agency funds distributed to any Indian tribe (as such term is defined in the Federally Recognized Indian Tribe List Act of 1994 (25 U.S.C. 5130(2))) via the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. § 5301, et. seq.), may be used to enforce federal laws criminalizing the use, distribution, possession, or cultivation of marijuana against any person engaged in the use, distribution, possession, or cultivation of marijuana in Indian country (as defined by 18 U.S.C. § 1151), where tribal laws authorize such use, distribution, possession, or cultivation of marijuana, subject to the following:

(1) unless federal law subjects the Indian lands (as such term is defined in the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (25 U.S.C. 2703(4)) to the civil and criminal laws of the state and the tribal laws authorizing the use, distribution, possession, or cultivation of marijuana do not comply therewith or the Indian lands are not in a state that has legalized marijuana for any purpose; and

(2) provided the governing Indian tribe (Federally Recognized Indian Tribe List Act) takes reasonable measures under tribal marijuana laws to ensure that marijuana is prohibited for minors; marijuana is not diverted to states or tribes where marijuana is prohibited by state or tribal law; marijuana is not used as a means for trafficking other illegal drugs or used to support organized crime activity; and marijuana is not permitted on Federal public lands.

VISITOR EXPERIENCE IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY

SEC. 131. Section 101938 of title 54, United States Code, is amended by striking "7" and inserting "9".

## BIG CYPRESS NATIONAL PRESERVE

SEC. 132. The Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Director of the National Park Service, shall prepare an environmental impact statement under the National Environmental

Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.), prior to approving an operations permit, as described in 36 Code of Federal Regulations, subpart B §§9.80 through 9.90, for the purpose of conducting or proposing to conduct non-federal oil or gas operations within the Big Cypress National Preserve.

#### TITLE II

## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

For science and technology, including research and development activities, which shall include research and development activities under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980; necessary expenses for personnel and related costs and travel expenses; procurement of laboratory equipment and supplies; hire, maintenance, and operation of aircraft; and other operating expenses in support of research and development, \$872,743,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024: Provided, That of the funds included under this heading, \$10,000,000 shall be for Research: National Priorities as specified in the report accompanying this Act.

#### ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS AND MANAGEMENT

For environmental programs and management, including necessary expenses not otherwise provided for, for personnel and related costs and travel expenses; hire of passenger motor vehicles; hire, maintenance, and operation of aircraft; purchase of reprints; library memberships in societies or associations which issue publications to members only or at a price to members lower than to subscribers who are not members: administrative costs of the brownfields program under the Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act of 2002: implementation of a coal combustion residual permit program under section 2301 of the Water and Waste Act of 2016; and not to exceed \$9,000 for official reception and representation expenses, \$3,792,315,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024: Provided, That of the amounts made available under this heading, \$27,700,000 shall be for Environmental Protection: National Priorities as specified in the report accompanying this Act: Provided further, That of the amounts made available under this heading, \$679,938,000 shall be for Geographic Programs specified in the report accompanying this Act: Provided further, That amounts made available under this heading may be used for environmental justice implementation and training grants, and associated program support costs. Provided further, That of the amounts made available under this heading, the Chemical Risk Review and Reduction program project shall be allocated for this fiscal year, excluding the amount of any fees appropriated, not less than the amount of appropriations for that program project for fiscal year 2014.

## Office of Inspector General

For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector General in carrying out the provisions of the Inspector General Act of 1978, \$55,865,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024.

## Buildings and Facilities

For construction, repair, improvement, extension, alteration, and purchase of fixed equipment or facilities of, or for use by, the Environmental Protection Agency, \$80,570,000, to remain available until expended.

## HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE SUPERFUND (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses to carry out the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA), including sections 111(c)(3), (c)(5), (c)(6), and (e)(4) (42 U.S.C. 9611), and hire, maintenance, and operation of aircraft, \$1,313,638,000, to remain available until expended, consisting of, in the following order, amounts made available for fiscal year 2023 pursuant to section 613 of Public

Law 117-58; to the extent necessary, such sums as are available in the Trust Fund on September 30, 2022, and not otherwise appropriated from the Trust Fund, as authorized by section 517(a) of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA); and to the extent necessary, up to \$1,313,638,000 as a payment from general revenues to the Hazardous Substance Superfund for purposes as authorized by section 517(b) of SARA: Provided, That funds appropriated under this heading may be allocated to other Federal agencies in accordance with section 111(a) of CERCLA: Provided further, That of the funds appropriated under this heading, \$12,111,000 shall be paid to the "Office of Inspector General" appropriation to remain available until September 30, 2024, and \$31,391,000 shall be paid to the "Science and Technology" appropriation to remain available until September 30, 2024.

#### LEAKING UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK TRUST FUND PROGRAM

For necessary expenses to carry out leaking underground storage tank cleanup activities authorized by subtitle I of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, \$93,814,000, to remain available until expended, of which \$67,145,000 shall be for carrying out leaking underground storage tank cleanup activities authorized by section 9003(h) of the Solid Waste Disposal Act; \$26,669,000 shall be for carrying out the other provisions of the Solid Waste Disposal Act specified in section 9508(c) of the Internal Revenue Code: Provided, That the Administrator is authorized to use appropriations made available under this heading to implement section 9013 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act to provide financial assistance to federally recognized Indian tribes for the development and implementation of programs to manage underground storage tanks.

### INLAND OIL SPILL PROGRAMS

For expenses necessary to carry out the Environmental Protection Agency's responsibilities under the Oil Pollution Act of 1990, including hire, maintenance, and operation of aircraft, \$26,502,000, to be derived from the Oil Spill Liability trust fund, to remain available until expended.

## STATE AND TRIBAL ASSISTANCE GRANTS

For environmental programs and infrastructure assistance, including capitalization grants for State revolving funds and performance partnership grants, \$5,177,332,000, to remain available until expended, of which—

(1) \$1,751,646,000 shall be for making capitalization grants for the Clean Water State Revolving Funds under title VI of the Federal Water Control Act: and Pollution of which \$1,126,096,000 shall be for making capitalization grants for the Drinking Water State Revolving Funds under section 1452 of the Safe Drinking Water Act: Provided, That \$553,401,264 of the funds made available for capitalization grants for the Clean Water State Revolving Funds and \$381,263,499 of the funds made available for capitalization grants for the Drinking Water State Revolving Funds shall be for the construction of drinking water, wastewater, and storm water infrastructure and for water quality protection in accordance with the terms and conditions specified for such grants in the report accompanying this Act for projects specified for "STAG—Drinking Water SRF" and "STAG— Clean Water SRF", in the table titled "Interior and Environment Incorporation of Community Project Funding Items" included in the report accompanying this Act, and, for purposes of these grants, each grantee shall contribute not less than 20 percent of the cost of the project unless the grantee is approved for a waiver by the Agency: Provided further, That for fiscal year 2023, to the extent there are sufficient eligible project applications and projects are consistent with State Intended Use Plans, not less than 10 percent of the funds made available under this title to each State for Clean Water

State Revolving Fund capitalization grants shall be used by the State for projects to address green infrastructure, water or energy efficiency improvements, or other environmentally innovative activities: Provided further, That the Administrator is authorized to use up to \$1,500,000 of amounts made available for the Clean Water State Revolving Funds under this heading under title VI of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1381) to conduct the Clean Watersheds Needs Survey: Provided further, That for fiscal year 2023, amounts made available under this title to each State for Drinking Water State Revolving Fund capitalization grants may, at the discretion of each State, be used for projects to address green infrastructure, water or energy efficiency improvements, or other environmentally innovative activities: Provided further, That notwithstanding section 603(d)(7) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, the limitation on the amounts in a State water pollution control revolving fund that may be used by a State to administer the fund shall not apply to amounts included as principal in loans made by such fund in fiscal year 2023 and prior years where such amounts represent costs of administering the fund to the extent that such amounts are or were deemed reasonable by the Administrator, accounted for separately from other assets in the fund, and used for eligible purposes of the fund, including administration: Provided further, That for fiscal year 2023, notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (g)(1), (h), and (l) of section 201 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, grants made under title II of such Act for American Samoa, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas, the United States Virgin Islands, and the District of Columbia may also be made for the purpose of providing assistance: (1) solely for facility plans, design activities, or plans, specifications, and estimates for any proposed project for the construction of treatment works; and (2) for the construction, repair, or replacement of privately owned treatment works serving one or more principal residences or small commercial establishments: Provided further That for fiscal year 2023, notwithstanding the provisions of such subsections (q)(1), (h), and (l)of section 201 and section 518(c) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, funds reserved by Administrator for grants under section 518(c) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act may also be used to provide assistance: (1) solely for facility plans, design activities, or plans, specifications, and estimates for any proposed project for the construction of treatment works: and (2) for the construction, repair, or replacement of privately owned treatment works serving one or more principal residences or small commercial establishments: Provided further. That for fiscal year 2023, notwithstanding any provision of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act and regulations issued pursuant thereof, up to a total of \$2,000,000 of the funds reserved by the Administrator for grants under section 518(c) of such Act may also be used for grants for training, technical assistance, and educational programs relating to the operation and management of the treatment works specified in section 518(c) of such Act: Provided further, That for fiscal year 2023, funds reserved under section 518(c) of such Act shall be available for grants only to Indian tribes, as defined in section 518(h) of such Act and former Indian reservations in Oklahoma (as determined by the Secretary of the Interior) and Native Villages as defined in Public Law 92-203: Provided further, That for fiscal year 2023, notwithstanding the limitation on amounts in section 518(c) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, up to a total of 2 percent of the funds appropriated, or \$30,000,000, whichever is greater, and notwithstanding the limitation on amounts in section 1452(i) of the Safe Drinking Water Act, up to a total of 2 percent of the funds appropriated, or \$20,000,000, whichever is greater, for State Revolving Funds under such Acts may be reserved

by the Administrator for grants under section 518(c) and section 1452(i) of such Acts: Provided further, That for fiscal year 2023, notwithstanding the amounts specified in section 205(c) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, up to 1.5 percent of the aggregate funds appropriated for the Clean Water State Revolving Fund program under the Act less any sums reserved under section 518(c) of the Act, may be reserved by the Administrator for grants made under title II of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act for American Samoa, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas, and United States Virgin Islands: Provided further, That for fiscal year 2023, notwithstanding the limitations on amounts specified in section 1452(i) of the Safe Drinking Water Act, up to 1.5 percent of the funds appropriated for the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund programs under the Safe Drinking Water Act may be reserved by the Administrator for grants made under section 1452(j) of the Safe Drinking Water Act: Provided further, That 10 percent of the funds made available under this title to each State for Clean Water State Revolving Fund capitalization grants and 14 percent of the funds made available under this title to each State for Drinking Water State Revolving Fund capitalization grants shall be used by the State to provide additional subsidy to eligible recipients in the form of forgiveness of principal, negative interest loans, or grants (or any combination of these), and shall be so used by the State only where such funds are provided as initial financing for an eligible recipient or to buy, refinance, or restructure the debt obligations of eligible recipients only where such debt was incurred on or after the date of enactment of this Act, or where such debt was incurred prior to the date of enactment of this Act if the State, with concurrence from the Administrator, determines that such funds could be used to help address a threat to public health from heightened exposure to lead in drinking water or if a Federal or State emergency declaration has been issued due to a threat to public health from heightened exposure to lead in a municipal drinking water supply before the date of enactment of this Act: Provided further. That in a State in which such an emergency declaration has been issued, the State may use more than 14 percent of the funds made available under this title to the State for Drinking Water State Revolving Fund capital $iz at ion\ grants\ to\ provide\ additional\ subsidy\ to$ eligible recipients: Provided further, That notwithstanding section 1452(o) of the Safe Drinking Water Act (42 U.S.C. 300j-12(o)), the Administrator shall reserve \$12,000,000 of amounts made available under this paragraph for making capitalization grants for the Drinking Water State Revolving Funds to pay the costs of monitoring for unregulated contaminants under section 1445(a)(2)(C) of such Act during fiscal years 2023 through 2027;

(2) \$35,000,000 shall be for architectural, engineering, planning, design, construction and related activities in connection with the construction of high priority water and wastewater facilities in the area of the United States-Mexico Border, after consultation with the appropriate border commission: Provided, That no funds provided by this appropriations Act to address the water, wastewater and other critical infrastructure needs of the colonias in the United States along the United States-Mexico border shall be made available to a county or municipal government unless that government has established an enforceable local ordinance, or other zoning rule, which prevents in that jurisdiction the development or construction of any additional colonia areas, or the development within an existing colonia the construction of any new home, business, or other structure which lacks water, wastewater, or other necessary infrastructure:

(3) \$40,000,000 shall be for grants to the State of Alaska to address drinking water and wastewater infrastructure needs of rural and Alaska

Native Villages: Provided, That of these funds: (A) the State of Alaska shall provide a match of 25 percent; (B) no more than 5 percent of the funds may be used for administrative and overhead expenses; and (C) the State of Alaska shall make awards consistent with the Statewide priority list established in conjunction with the Agency and the U.S. Department of Agriculture for all water, sewer, waste disposal, and similar projects carried out by the State of Alaska that are funded under section 221 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1301) or the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1921 et seq.) which shall allocate not less than 25 percent of the funds provided for projects in regional hub communities;

(4) \$130,982,000 shall be to carry out section 104(k) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA), including grants, interagency agreements, and associated program support costs: Provided, That at least 10 percent shall be allocated for assistance in persistent poverty counties: Provided further. That for purposes of this section, the term "persistent poverty counties" means any county that has had 20 percent or more of its population living in poverty over the past 30 years, as measured by the 1993 Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates, the 2000 decennial census, and the most recent Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates, or any territory or possession of the United States:

(5) \$150,000,000 shall be for grants under title VII, subtitle G of the Energy Policy Act of 2005;

(6) \$100,000,000 shall be for targeted airshed grants in accordance with the terms and conditions in the explanatory statement described in section 4 (in the matter preceding division A of this consolidated Act):

(7) \$4,000,000 shall be to carry out the water quality program authorized in section 5004(d) of the Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation Act (Public Law 114—322):

(8) \$42,593,000 shall be for grants under subsections (a) through (j) of section 1459A of the Safe Drinking Water Act (42 U.S.C. 300j-19a);

(9) \$36,000,000 shall be for grants under section 1464(d) of the Safe Drinking Water Act (42 U.S.C. 300i-24(d)):

(10) \$51,011,000 shall be for grants under section 1459B of the Safe Drinking Water Act (42 U.S.C. 300j-19b);

(11) \$6,000,000 shall be for grants under section 1459A(1) of the Safe Drinking Water Act (42 U.S.C. 300i-19a(1)):

(12) \$33,000,000 shall be for grants under section 104(b)(8) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1254(b)(8));

(13) \$280,000,000 shall be for grants under section 221 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1301);

(14) \$5,000,000 shall be for grants under section 4304(b) of the America's Water Infrastructure Act of 2018 (Public Law 115-270);

(15) \$10,000,000 shall be for grants under section 1442(b) of the Safe Drinking Water Act (42 U.S.C. 300j—1(b));

(16) \$10,000,000 shall be for grants under section 1459F of the Safe Drinking Water Act (42 U.S.C. 300j—19g);

(17) \$5,000,000, in addition to amounts otherwise available, shall be for grants under sections 104(b)(3), 104(b)(8), and 104(g) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1254(b)(3), 1254(b)(8) and 1254(g));

(18) \$5,000,000 shall be for grants under section 224 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1302b);

(19) \$5,000,000 shall be for grants under section 226 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1302d);

(20) \$5,000,000 shall be for grants under section 50213 of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (42 U.S.C. 10361; Public Law 117—58);

(21) \$5,000,000 shall be for grants under section 50217(b) of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (33 U.S.C. 1302f(b); Public Law 117—88)

(22) \$5,000,000 shall be for grants under section 50217(c) of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (33 U.S.C. 1302f(c); Public Law 117—58):

(23) \$10,000,000 shall be for grants under section 220 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1300):

(24) \$5,000,000 shall be for grants under section 124 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1276); and

(25) \$1,321,004,000 shall be for grants, including associated program support costs, to States, federally recognized Tribes, interstate agencies, tribal consortia, and air pollution control agencies for multi-media or single media pollution prevention, control and abatement, and related activities, including activities pursuant to the provisions set forth under this heading in Public Law 104-134, and for making grants under section 103 of the Clean Air Act for particulate matter monitoring and data collection activities subject to terms and conditions specified by the Administrator, and under section 2301 of the Water and Waste Act of 2016 to assist States in developing and implementing programs for control of coal combustion residuals, of which: \$46,954,000 shall be for carrying out section 128 of CERCLA; \$15,000,000 shall be for Environmental Information Exchange Network grants, including associated program support costs: \$1,505,000 shall be for grants to States under section 2007(f)(2) of the Solid Waste Disposal Act. which shall be in addition to funds appro-priated under the heading "Leaking Underground Storage Tank Trust Fund Program" to carry out the provisions of the Solid Waste Disnosal Act specified in section 9508(c) of the Internal Revenue Code other than section 9003(h) of the Solid Waste Disposal Act; \$18.512.000 of the funds available for grants under section 106 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act shall be for State participation in national- and State-level statistical surveys of water resources and enhancements to State monitoring programs; and \$10,000,000 shall be for carrying out section 302(a) of the Save Our Seas 2.0 Act (33 U.S.C. 4283(a)), of which not more than 2 percent shall be for administrative costs to carry out such section: Provided, That grants made pursuant to the authority in such section 302(a) may also be used for the construction, maintenance, and operation of post consumer materials management or recycling facilities: Provided further, That notwithstanding such section 302(a), the Administrator may also provide grants pursuant to such authority to intertribal consortia consistent with the requirements in 40 CFR 35.504(a), to former Indian reservations in Oklahoma (as determined by the Secretary of the Interior), and Alaska Native Villages as defined in Public Law 92-203).

## WATER INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCE AND INNOVATION PROGRAM ACCOUNT

For the cost of direct loans and for the cost of guaranteed loans, as authorized by the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act of 2014, \$72,108,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That such costs, including the cost of modifying such loans, shall be as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974: Provided further, That these funds are available to subsidize gross obligations for the principal amount of direct loans, including capitalized interest, and total loan principal, including capitalized interest, any part of which guaranteed,not\$12,500,000,000: Provided further, That of the funds made available under this heading, \$5,000,000 shall be used solely for the cost of direct loans and for the cost of guaranteed loans for projects described in section 5026(9) of the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act of 2014 to State infrastructure financing authorities, as authorized by section 5033(e) of such Act: Provided further, That the use of direct loans or loan guarantee authority under this heading for direct loans or commitments to

guarantee loans for any project shall be in accordance with the criteria published in the Federal Register on June 30, 2020 (85 FR 39189) pursuant to the fourth proviso under the heading "Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Program Account" in division D of the Further Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2020 (Public Law 116-94): Provided further, That none of the direct loans or loan guarantee authority made available under this heading shall be available for any project unless the Administrator and the Director of the Office of Management and Budget have certified in advance in writing that the direct loan or loan guarantee, as applicable, and the project comply with the criteria referenced in the preceding proviso: Provided further. That, for the purposes of carrying out the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, the Director of the Congressional Budget Office may request, and the Administrator shall promptly provide. documentation and information relating to a project identified in a Letter of Interest submitted to the Administrator pursuant to a Notice of Funding Availability for applications for credit assistance under the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act Program, including with respect to a project that was initiated or completed before the date of enactment of this

In addition, fees authorized to be collected pursuant to sections 5029 and 5030 of the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act of 2014 shall be deposited in this account, to remain available until expended.

In addition, for administrative expenses to carry out the direct and guaranteed loan programs, notwithstanding section 5033 of the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act of 2014, \$8,236,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024.

## ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

## (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

For fiscal year 2023, notwithstanding 31 U.S.C. 6303(1) and 6305(1), the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, in carrying out the Agency's function to implement directly Federal environmental programs required or authorized by law in the absence of an acceptable tribal program, may award cooperative agreements to federally recognized Indian tribes or Intertribal consortia, if authorized by their member tribes, to assist the Administrator in implementing Federal environmental programs for Indian tribes required or authorized by law, except that no such cooperative agreements may be awarded from funds designated for State financial assistance agreements.

The Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency is authorized to collect and obligate pesticide registration service fees in accordance with section 33 of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (7 U.S.C. 136w-8), to remain available until expended.

Notwithstanding section 33(d)(2) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) (7 U.S.C. 136w-8(d)(2)), the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency may assess fees under section 33 of FIFRA (7 U.S.C. 136w-8) for fiscal year 2023.

The Administrator is authorized to transfer up to \$368,000,000 of the funds appropriated for the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative under the heading "Environmental Programs and Management" to the head of any Federal department or agency, with the concurrence of such head, to carry out activities that would support the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative and Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement programs, projects, or activities; to enter into an interagency agreement with the head of such Federal department or agency to carry out these activities; and to make grants to governmental entities, nonprofit organizations, institutions,

and individuals for planning, research, monitoring, outreach, and implementation in furtherance of the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative and the Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement

The Science and Technology, Environmental Programs and Management, Office of Inspector General, Hazardous Substance Superfund, and Leaking Underground Storage Tank Trust Fund Program Accounts, are available for the construction, alteration, repair, rehabilitation, and renovation of facilities, provided that the cost does not exceed \$350,000 per project.

The Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency is authorized to collect and obligate fees in accordance with section 3024 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act (42 U.S.C. 6939g) for fiscal year 2023, to remain available until expended.

The Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency is authorized to collect and obligate fees in accordance with section 26(b) of the Toxic Substances Control Act (15 U.S.C. 2625(b)) for fiscal year 2023, to remain available until expended.

For fiscal year 2023, and notwithstanding section 518(f) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1377(f)), the Administrator is authorized to use the amounts appropriated for any fiscal year under section 319 of the Act to make grants to Indian tribes pursuant to sections 319(h) and 518(e) of that Act.

The Administrator is authorized to use the amounts appropriated under the heading "Environmental Programs and Management" for fiscal year 2023 to provide grants to implement the Southeastern New England Watershed Restoration Program.

Notwithstanding the limitations on amounts in section 320(i)(2)(B) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, not less than \$4,000,000 of the funds made available under this title for the National Estuary Program shall be for making competitive awards described in section 320(g)(4).

Section 122(b)(3) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (42 U.S.C. 9622(b)(3)), shall be applied by inserting before the period: ", including for the hire, maintenance, and operation of aircraft."

For fiscal years 2023 through 2027, the Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention and the Office of Water may, using funds appropriated under the headings "Environmental Programs and Management" and "Science and Technology", contract directly with individuals or indirectly with institutions or nonprofit organizations, without regard to 41 U.S.C. 5, for the temporary or intermittent personal services of students or recent graduates, who shall be considered employees for the purposes of chapters 57 and 81 of title 5. United States Code, relating to compensation for travel and work injuries. and chapter 171 of title 28, United States Code, relating to tort claims, but shall not be considered to be Federal employees for any other purpose: Provided, That amounts used for this purpose by the Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention and the Office of Water collectively may not exceed \$2,000,000.

## TITLE III

## RELATED AGENCIES

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR NATURAL
RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENT

For necessary expenses of the Office of the Under Secretary for Natural Resources and Environment, \$1,429,000: Provided, That funds made available by this Act to any agency in the Natural Resources and Environment mission area for salaries and expenses are available to fund up to one administrative support staff for the office.

FOREST SERVICE

#### FOREST SERVICE OPERATIONS

## (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses of the Forest Service, not otherwise provided for, \$1,112,652,000, to remain available through September 30, 2026: Provided, That a portion of the funds made available under this heading shall be for the base salary and expenses of employees in the Chief's Office, the Work Environment and Performance Office, the Business Operations Deputy Area, and the Chief Financial Officer's Office to carry out administrative and general management support functions: Provided further, That funds provided under this heading shall be available for the costs of facility maintenance, repairs, and leases for buildings and sites where these administrative, general management and other Forest Service support functions take place: the costs of all utility and telecommunication expenses of the Forest Service, as well as business services: and, for information technology, including cuber security requirements: Provided further, That funds provided under this heading may be used for necessary expenses to carry out administrative and general management support functions of the Forest Service not otherwise provided for and necessary for its operation.

#### FOREST AND RANGELAND RESEARCH

For necessary expenses of forest and rangeland research as authorized by law, \$360,370,000, to remain available through September 30, 2026: Provided, That of the funds provided, \$37,700,000 is for the forest inventory and analysis program: Provided further, That all authorities for the use of funds, including the use of contracts, grants, and cooperative agreements, available to execute the Forest and Rangeland Research appropriation, are also available in the utilization of these funds for Fire Science Research.

## STATE AND PRIVATE FORESTRY

For necessary expenses of cooperating with and providing technical and financial assistance to States, territories, possessions, and others, and for forest health management, including for invasive plants, and conducting an international program and trade compliance activities as authorized, \$332,626,000, to remain available through September 30, 2026, as authorized by law, of which \$9,482,000 shall be for projects specified for Forest Resource Information and Analysis in the table titled "Interior and Environment Incorporation of Community Project Funding Items" included in the report accompanying this Act.

## NATIONAL FOREST SYSTEM

## (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses of the Forest Service. not otherwise provided for, for management, protection, improvement, and utilization of the National Forest System, and for hazardous fuels management on or adjacent to such lands. \$1.997.650.000, to remain available through September 30, 2026: Provided, That of the funds provided, \$60,000,000 shall be deposited in the Collaborative Forest Landscape Restoration Fund for ecological restoration treatments as authorized by 16 U.S.C. 7303(f): Provided further, That of the funds provided, \$38,000,000 shall be for forest products: Provided further, That of the amounts made available for hazardous fuels management under this heading in prior Acts, any unobligated amounts may be transferred to "Forest Service-Wildland Fire Management" to be used for the purposes provided therein: Provided further, That funds made available to implement the Community Forest Restoration Act, Public Law 106-393, title VI, shall be available for use on non-Federal lands in accordance with authorities made available to the Forest Service under the "State and Private Forestry" appropriation: Provided further, That notwithstanding section 33 of the Bankhead Jones Farm Tenant Act (7 U.S.C. 1012), the Secretary of Ag-

riculture, in calculating a fee for grazing on a National Grassland, may provide a credit of up to 50 percent of the calculated fee to a Grazing Association or direct permittee for a conservation practice approved by the Secretary in advance of the fiscal year in which the cost of the conservation practice is incurred, and that the amount credited shall remain available to the Grazing Association or the direct permittee, as appropriate, in the fiscal year in which the credit is made and each fiscal year thereafter for use on the project for conservation practices approved by the Secretary: Provided further, That funds appropriated to this account shall be available for the base salary and expenses of employees that carry out the functions funded "Capital Improvement and Maintebu the nance" account, the "Range Betterment Fund" account, and the "Management of National Forest Lands for Subsistence Uses" account.

## CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND MAINTENANCE

### (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses of the Forest Service, not otherwise provided for, \$162,182,000, to remain available through September 30, 2026, for construction, capital improvement, maintenance, and acquisition of buildings and other facilities and infrastructure: and for construction reconstruction and decommissioning of roads that are no longer needed, including unauthorized roads that are not part of the transportation system; and for maintenance of forest roads and trails by the Forest Service as authorized by 16 U.S.C. 532-538 and 23 U.S.C. 101 and 205: Provided, That \$15,000,000 shall be for activities authorized by 16 U.S.C. 538(a): Provided further, That funds becoming available in fiscal year 2023 under the Act of March 4, 1913 (16 U.S.C. 501) shall be transferred to the General Fund of the Treasury and shall not be available for transfer or obligation for any other purpose unless the funds are appropriated.

## $\begin{array}{c} \textit{ACQUISITION OF LANDS FOR NATIONAL FORESTS} \\ \textit{SPECIAL ACTS} \end{array}$

For acquisition of lands within the exterior boundaries of the Cache, Uinta, and Wasatch National Forests, Utah; the Toiyabe National Forest, Nevada; and the Angeles, San Bernardino, Sequoia, and Cleveland National Forests, California; and the Ozark-St. Francis and Ouachita National Forests, Arkansas; as authorized by law, \$664,000, to be derived from forest receipts.

## $\begin{array}{c} \textit{ACQUISITION OF LANDS TO COMPLETE LAND} \\ \textit{EXCHANGES} \end{array}$

For acquisition of lands, such sums, to be derived from funds deposited by State, county, or municipal governments, public school districts, or other public school authorities, and for authorized expenditures from funds deposited by non-Federal parties pursuant to Land Sale and Exchange Acts, pursuant to the Act of December 4, 1967 (16 U.S.C. 484a), to remain available through September 30, 2026, (16 U.S.C. 516-617a, 555a; Public Law 96-586; Public Law 76-589, Public Law 76-591; and Public Law 78-310).

## RANGE BETTERMENT FUND

For necessary expenses of range rehabilitation, protection, and improvement, 50 percent of all moneys received during the prior fiscal year, as fees for grazing domestic livestock on lands in National Forests in the 16 Western States, pursuant to section 401(b)(1) of Public Law 94–579, to remain available through September 30, 2026, of which not to exceed 6 percent shall be available for administrative expenses associated with on-the-ground range rehabilitation, protection, and improvements.

#### GIFTS, DONATIONS AND BEQUESTS FOR FOREST AND RANGELAND RESEARCH

For expenses authorized by 16 U.S.C. 1643(b), \$45,000, to remain available through September 30, 2026, to be derived from the fund established pursuant to the above Act.

 $\begin{array}{c} \textit{MANAGEMENT OF NATIONAL FOREST LANDS FOR} \\ \textit{SUBSISTENCE USES} \end{array}$ 

For necessary expenses of the Forest Service to manage Federal lands in Alaska for subsistence uses under title VIII of the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act (16 U.S.C. 3111 et seq.), \$1,099,000, to remain available through September 30, 2026.

## WILDLAND FIRE MANAGEMENT (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

necessary expenses for forest Forpresuppression activities on National Forest System lands, for emergency wildland fire suppression on or adjacent to such lands or other lands under fire protection agreement, and for emergency rehabilitation of burned-over Na-Forest System lands and water, tional. \$2,678,659,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That such funds including unobligated balances under this heading, are available for repayment of advances from other appropriations accounts previously transferred for such purposes: Provided further. That any unobligated funds appropriated in a previous fiscal year for hazardous fuels management may be transferred to the "National Forest System" account: Provided further, That such funds shall be available to reimburse State and other cooperating entities for services provided in response to wildfire and other emergencies or disasters to the extent such reimbursements by the Forest Service for non-fire emergencies are fully repaid by the responsible emergency management agency: Provided further, That funds provided shall be available for support to Federal emergency response: Provided further, That the costs of implementing any cooperative agreement between the Federal Government and any non-Federal entity may be shared, as mutually agreed on by the affected parties: Provided further, That of the funds provided, \$321,388,000 shall be for hazardous fuels management activities, of which not to exceed \$15,000,000 may be used to make grants, using any authorities available to the Forest Service under the "State and Private Forestry" appropriation, for the purpose of creating incentives for increased use of biomass from National Forest System lands: Provided further. That funds made available in the preceding proviso to implement the Community Forest Restoration Act, Public Law 106-393. title VI. shall be available for use on non-Federal lands in accordance with authorities made available to the Forest Service under the "State and Private Forestry' appropriation: Provided further, That of the funds provided under this heading, \$20,000,000 may be used by the Secretary of Agriculture to enter into procurement contracts or cooperative agreements; to issue grants for hazardous fuels management activities; for training or monitoring associated with such hazardous fuels management activities on Federal land; or for training or monitoring associated with such hazardous fuels management activities on non-Federal land if the Secretary determines such activities benefit resources on Federal land: Provided further, That of the provided under thisheading. \$1,011,000,000 shall be available for wildfire suppression operations, and is provided to meet the terms of section 4004(b)(5)(B) of S. Con. Res. 14 (117th Congress), the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2022, and section 1(g)(2) of H. Res. 1151 (117th Congress), as engrossed in the House of Representatives on June

## $\begin{array}{c} \textit{WILDFIRE SUPPRESSION OPERATIONS RESERVE} \\ \textit{FUND} \end{array}$

## (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

In addition to the amounts provided under the heading "Department of Agriculture—Forest Service—Wildland Fire Management" for wildfire suppression operations, \$2,210,000,000, to rain available until transferred, is additional new budget authority as specified for purposes of section 4004(b)(5) of S. Con. Res. 14 (117th

Congress), the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2022, and section 1(g) of H. Res. 1151 (117th Congress), as engrossed in the House of Representatives on June 8, 2022: Provided, That such amounts may be transferred to and merged with amounts made available under the headings "Department of the Interior—Department-Wide Programs—Wildland Fire Management' and "Department of Agriculture—Forest Service—Wildland Fire Management" for wildfire suppression operations in the fiscal year in which such amounts are transferred: Provided further, That amounts may be transferred to the "Wildland Fire Management" accounts in the Department of the Interior or the Department of Agriculture only upon the notification of the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations that all wildfire suppression operations funds appropriated under that heading in this and prior appropriations Acts to the agency to which the funds will be transferred will be obligated within 30 days: Provided further, That the transfer authority provided under this heading is in addition to any other transfer authority provided by law: Provided further. That, in determining whether all wildfire suppression operations funds appropriated under the heading "Wildland Fire Managein this and prior appropriations Acts to ment' either the Department of Agriculture or the Department of the Interior will be obligated within 30 days pursuant to the preceding proviso, any funds transferred or permitted to be transferred pursuant to any other transfer authority provided by law shall be excluded.

## COMMUNICATIONS SITE ADMINISTRATION

### (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

Amounts collected in this fiscal year pursuant to section 8705(f)(2) of the Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018 (Public Law 115–334), shall be deposited in the special account established by section 8705(f)(1) of such Act, shall be available to cover the costs described in subsection (c)(3) of such section of such Act, and shall remain available until expended: Provided, That such amounts shall be transferred to the "National Forest System" account.

### ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—FOREST SERVICE (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

Appropriations to the Forest Service for the current fiscal year shall be available for: (1) purchase of passenger motor vehicles; acquisition of passenger motor vehicles from excess sources, and hire of such vehicles; purchase, lease, operation, maintenance, and acquisition of aircraft to maintain the operable fleet for use in Forest Service wildland fire programs and other Forest Service programs; notwithstanding other provisions of law, existing aircraft being replaced may be sold, with proceeds derived or trade-in value used to offset the purchase price for the replacement aircraft; (2) services pursuant to 7 U.S.C. 2225, and not to exceed \$100,000 for employment under 5 U.S.C. 3109; (3) purchase, erection, and alteration of buildings and other public improvements (7 U.S.C. 2250); (4) acquisition of land, waters, and interests therein pursuant to 7 U.S.C. 428a; (5) for expenses pursuant to the Volunteers in the National Forest Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. 558a, 558d, and 558a note): (6) the cost of uniforms as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 5901-5902; and (7) for debt collection contracts in accordance with 31 U.S.C. 3718(c).

Funds made available to the Forest Service in this Act may be transferred between accounts affected by the Forest Service budget restructure outlined in section 435 of division D of the Further Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2020 (Public Law 116-94): Provided, That any transfer of funds pursuant to this paragraph shall not increase or decrease the funds appropriated to any account in this fiscal year by more than ten percent: Provided further, That such transfer authority is in addition to any other transfer authority provided by law.

Any appropriations or funds available to the Forest Service may be transferred to the

Wildland Fire Management appropriation for forest firefighting, emergency rehabilitation of burned-over or damaged lands or waters under its jurisdiction, and fire preparedness due to severe burning conditions upon the Secretary of Agriculture's notification of the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations that all fire suppression funds appropriated under the heading "Wildland Fire Management" will be obligated within 30 days: Provided, That all funds used pursuant to this paragraph must be replenished by a supplemental appropriation which must be requested as promptly as possible.

Not more than \$50,000,000 of funds appropriated to the Forest Service shall be available for expenditure or transfer to the Department of the Interior for wildland fire management, hazardous fuels management, and State fire assistance when such transfers would facilitate and expedite wildland fire management programs and projects.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, the Forest Service may transfer unobligated balances of discretionary funds appropriated to the Forest Service by this Act to or within the National Forest System Account, or reprogram funds to be used for the purposes of hazardous fuels management and urgent rehabilitation of burned-over National Forest System lands and water: Provided, That such transferred funds shall remain available through September 30, 2026: Provided further, That none of the funds transferred pursuant to this paragraph shall be available for obligation without written notification to and the prior approval of the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress.

Funds appropriated to the Forest Service shall be available for assistance to or through the Agency for International Development in connection with forest and rangeland research, technical information, and assistance in foreign countries, and shall be available to support forestry and related natural resource activities outside the United States and its territories and possessions, including technical assistance, education and training, and cooperation with United States government, private sector, and international organizations. The Forest Service, acting for the International Program, may sign direct funding agreements with foreign governments and institutions as well as other domestic agencies (including the U.S. Agency for International Development, the Department of State, and the Millennium Challenge Corporation), United States private sector firms, institutions and organizations to provide technical assistance and training programs on forestry and rangeland management: Provided, That to maximize effectiveness of domestic and international research and cooperation, the International Program may utilize all authorities related to forestry, research, and cooperative assistance regardless of program designations.

Funds appropriated to the Forest Service shall be available for expenditure or transfer to the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management, for removal, preparation, and adoption of excess wild horses and burros from National Forest System lands, and for the performance of cadastral surveys to designate the boundaries of such lands.

None of the funds made available to the Forest Service in this Act or any other Act with respect to any fiscal year shall be subject to transfer under the provisions of section 702(b) of the Department of Agriculture Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2257), section 442 of Public Law 106–224 (7 U.S.C. 7772), or section 10417(b) of Public Law 107–171 (7 U.S.C. 8316(b)).

Not more than \$82,000,000 of funds available to the Forest Service shall be transferred to the Working Capital Fund of the Department of Agriculture and not more than \$14,500,000 of funds available to the Forest Service shall be transferred to the Department of Agriculture for Department Reimbursable Programs, commonly referred to as Greenbook charges. Nothing in this

paragraph shall prohibit or limit the use of reimbursable agreements requested by the Forest Service in order to obtain information technology services, including telecommunications and system modifications or enhancements, from the Working Capital Fund of the Department of Agriculture.

Of the funds available to the Forest Service, up to \$5,000,000 shall be available for priority projects within the scope of the approved budget, which shall be carried out by the Youth Conservation Corps and shall be carried out under the authority of the Public Lands Corps Act of 1993 (16 U.S.C. 1721 et seq.).

Of the funds available to the Forest Service, \$4,000 is available to the Chief of the Forest Service for official reception and representation expenses.

Pursuant to sections 405(b) and 410(b) of Public Law 101-593, of the funds available to the Forest Service, up to \$3,000,000 may be advanced in a lump sum to the National Forest Foundation to aid conservation partnership projects in support of the Forest Service mission, without regard to when the Foundation incurs expenses, for projects on or benefitting National Forest System lands or related to Forest Service programs: Provided, That of the Federal funds made available to the Foundation, no more than \$300,000 shall be available for administrative expenses: Provided further, That the Foundation shall obtain, by the end of the period of Federal financial assistance, private contributions to match funds made available by the Forest Service on at least a one-for-one basis: Provided further, That the Foundation may transfer Federal funds to a Federal or a non-Federal recipient for a project at the same rate that the recipient has obtained the non-Federal matching funds.

Pursuant to section 2(b)(2) of Public Law 98–244, up to \$3,000,000 of the funds available to the Forest Service may be advanced to the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation in a lump sum to aid cost-share conservation projects, without regard to when expenses are incurred, on or benefitting National Forest System lands or related to Forest Service programs: Provided, That such funds shall be matched on at least a one-for-one basis by the Foundation or its sub-recipients: Provided further, That the Foundation may transfer Federal funds to a Federal or non-Federal recipient for a project at the same rate that the recipient has obtained the non-Federal matching funds.

Funds appropriated to the Forest Service shall be available for interactions with and providing technical assistance to rural communities and natural resource-based businesses for sustainable rural development purposes.

Funds appropriated to the Forest Service shall be available for payments to counties within the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area, pursuant to section 14(c)(1) and (2), and section 16(a)(2) of Public Law 99-663.

Any funds appropriated to the Forest Service may be used to meet the non-Federal share requirement in section 502(c) of the Older Americans Act of 1965 (42 U.S.C. 3056(c)(2)).

The Forest Service shall not assess funds for the purpose of performing fire, administrative, and other facilities maintenance and decommissioning.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, of any appropriations or funds available to the Forest Service, not to exceed \$500,000 may be used to reimburse the Office of the General Counsel (OGC), Department of Agriculture, for travel and related expenses incurred as a result of OGC assistance or participation requested by the Forest Service at meetings, training sessions, management reviews, land purchase negotiations, and similar matters unrelated to civil litigation. Future budget justifications for both the Forest Service and the Department of Agriculture should clearly display the sums previously transferred and the sums requested for transfer.

An eligible individual who is employed in any project funded under title V of the Older Ameri-

cans Act of 1965 (42 U.S.C. 3056 et seq.) and administered by the Forest Service shall be considered to be a Federal employee for purposes of chapter 171 of title 28, United States Code.

Funds appropriated to the Forest Service shall be available to pay, from a single account, the base salary and expenses of employees who carry out functions funded by other accounts for Enterprise Program, Geospatial Technology and Applications Center, remnant Natural Resource Manager, Job Corps, and National Technology and Development Program.

## $\begin{array}{c} DEPARTMENT\ OF\ HEALTH\ AND\ HUMAN\\ SERVICES \end{array}$

## INDIAN HEALTH SERVICES INDIAN HEALTH SERVICES

For expenses necessary to carry out the Act of August 5, 1954 (68 Stat. 674), the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act, the Indian Health Care Improvement Act, and titles II and III of the Public Health Service Act with respect totheIndianHealth\$5,734,044,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024, except as otherwise provided herein, together with payments received during the fiscal year pursuant to sections 231(b) and 233 of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 238(b)and 238b), for services furnished by the Indian Health Service: Provided That funds made available to tribes and tribal organizations through contracts, grant agreements, or any other agreements or compacts authorized by the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act of 1975 (25 U.S.C. 450), shall be deemed to be obligated at the time of the grant or contract award and thereafter shall remain available to the tribe or tribal organization without fiscal year limitation: Provided further, That \$2,500,000 shall be available for grants or contracts with public or private institutions to provide alcohol or drug treatment services to Indians, including alcohol detoxification services: Provided further, That \$1,097,255,000 for Purchased/Referred Care, including \$54,000,000 for the Indian Catastrophic Health Emergency Fund, shall remain available until expended: Provided further, That of the funds provided, up to \$66,000,000 shall remain available until expended for implementation of the loan repayment program under section 108 of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act: Provided further, That of the funds provided, \$58,000,000 shall be for costs related to or resulting from accreditation emergencies, including supplementing activities funded under the heading Health Facilities," of which up to \$4,000,000 may be used to supplement amounts otherwise available for Purchased/Referred Care: Provided further. That the amounts collected by the Federal Government as authorized by sections 104 and 108 of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act (25 U.S.C. 1613a and 1616a) during the preceding fiscal year for breach of contracts shall be deposited in the Fund authorized by section 108A of that Act (25 U.S.C. 1616a-1) and shall remain available until expended and, notwithstanding section 108A(c) of that Act (25 U.S.C. 1616a-1(c)), funds shall be available to make new awards under the loan repayment and scholarship programs under sections 104 and 108 of that Act (25 U.S.C. 1613a and 1616a): Provided further, That the amounts made available within this account for the substance use and suicide prevention program, for Opioid Prevention, Treatment and Recovery Services, for the Domestic Violence Prevention Program, for the Zero Suicide Initiative, for the housing subsidy authority for civilian employees, for Aftercare Pilot Programs at Youth Regional Treatment Centers, for transformation and modernization costs of the Indian Health Service Electronic Health Record system, for national quality and oversight activities, to improve collections from public and private insurance at Indian Health Service and tribally operated facilities, for an initiative to treat or reduce the transmission of HIV and HCV, for a maternal health initiative,

for the Telebehaviorial Health Center of Excellence, for Alzheimer's grants, for Village Built Clinics, for a produce prescription pilot, and for accreditation emergencies shall be allocated at the discretion of the Director of the Indian Health Service and shall remain available until expended: Provided further, That funds provided in this Act may be used for annual contracts and grants that fall within 2 fiscal years, provided the total obligation is recorded in the year the funds are appropriated: Provided further, That the amounts collected by the Secretary of Health and Human Services under the authority of title IV of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act (25 U.S.C. 1613) shall remain available until expended for the purpose of achieving compliance with the applicable conditions and requirements of titles XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act, except for those related to the planning, design, or construction of new facilities: Provided further, That funding contained herein for scholarship programs under the Indian Health Care Improvement Act (25 U.S.C. 1613) shall remain available until expended: Provided further, That amounts received by tribes and tribal organizations under title IV of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act shall be reported and accounted for and available to the receiving tribes and tribal organizations until expended: Provided further, That the Bureau of Indian Affairs may collect from the Indian Health Service, and from tribes and tribal organizations operating health facilities pursuant to Public Law 93-638, such individually identifiable health information relating to disabled children as may be necessary for the purpose of carrying out its functions under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (20 U.S.C. 1400 et seq.): Provided further, That of the funds provided, \$232,138,000 is for the Indian Health Care Improvement Fund and may be used, as needed, to carry out activities typically funded under the Indian Health Facilities account: Provided further, That none of the funds appropriated by this Act, or any other Act, to the Indian Health Service for the Electronic Health Record system shall be available for obligation or expenditure for the selection or implementation of a new Information Technology infrastructure system, unless the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate are consulted 90 days in advance of such obligation.

## $CONTRACT\ SUPPORT\ COSTS$

For payments to tribes and tribal organizations for contract support costs associated with Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act agreements with the Indian Health Service for fiscal year 2023, such sums as may be necessary: Provided, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, no amounts made available under this heading shall be available for transfer to another budget account: Provided further, That amounts obligated but not expended by a tribe or tribal organization for contract support costs for such agreements for the current fiscal year shall be applied to contract support costs due for such agreements for subsequent fiscal years.

## PAYMENTS FOR TRIBAL LEASES

For payments to tribes and tribal organizations for leases pursuant to section 105(1) of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 5324(1)) for fiscal year 2023, such sums as may be necessary, which shall be available for obligation through September 30, 2024: Provided, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, no amounts made available under this heading shall be available for transfer to another budget account.

## INDIAN HEALTH FACILITIES

For construction, repair, maintenance, demolition, improvement, and equipment of health and related auxiliary facilities, including quarters for personnel; preparation of plans, specifications, and drawings; acquisition of sites, purchase and erection of modular buildings, and purchases of trailers; and for provision of domestic and community sanitation facilities for Indians, as authorized by section 7 of the Act of August 5, 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2004a), the Indian Self-Determination Act, and the Indian Health Care Improvement Act, and for expenses necessary to carry out such Acts and titles II and III of the Public Health Service Act with respect to environmental health and facilities support activities of the Indian Health Service, \$1,306,979,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, funds appropriated for the planning, design, construction, renovation, or expansion of health facilities for the benefit of an Indian tribe or tribes may be used to purchase land on which such facilities will be located: Provided further, That not to exceed \$500,000 may be used by the Indian Health Service to purchase TRANSAM equipment from the Department of Defense for distribution to the Indian Health Service and tribal facilities: Provided further. That none of the funds appropriated to the Indian Health Service may be used for sanitation facilities construction for new homes funded with grants by the housing programs of the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.

## $\begin{array}{c} \textit{ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS} \\ --\textit{INDIAN HEALTH} \\ \textit{SERVICE} \end{array}$

Appropriations provided in this Act to the Indian Health Service shall be available for services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109 at rates not to exceed the per diem rate equivalent to the maximum rate payable for senior-level positions under 5 U.S.C. 5376; hire of passenger motor vehicles and aircraft; purchase of medical equipment; purchase of reprints; purchase, renovation, and erection of modular buildings and renovation of existing facilities; payments for telephone service in private residences in the field, when authorized under regulations approved by the Secretary of Health and Human Services; uniforms, or allowances therefor as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 5901-5902; and for expenses of attendance at meetings that relate to the functions or activities of the Indian Health Service: Provided, That in accordance with the provisions of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act, non-Indian patients may be extended health care at all tribally administered or Indian Health Service facilities, subject to charges, and the proceeds along with funds recovered under the Federal Medical Care Recovery Act (42 U.S.C. 2651-2653) shall be credited to the account of the facility providing the service and shall be available without fiscal year limitation: Provided further, That notwithstanding any other law or regulation, funds transferred from the Department of Housing and Urban Development to the Indian Health Service shall be administered under Public Law 86-121, the Indian Sanitation Facilities Act and Public Law 93-638: Provided further, That funds appropriated to the Indian Health Service in this Act, except those used for administrative and program direction purposes, shall not be subject to limitations directed at curtailing Federal travel and transportation: Provided further, That none of the funds made available to the Indian Health Service in this Act shall be used for any assessments or charges by the Department of Health and Human Services unless identified in the budget justification and provided in this Act, or approved by the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations through the reprogramming process: Provided further, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, funds previously or herein made available to a tribe or tribal organization through a contract, grant, or agreement authorized by title I or title V of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act of 1975 (25 U.S.C. 450 et seq.), may be deobligated and reobligated to a self-determination contract under title I, or a self-governance agreement under title V of such Act and there-

after shall remain available to the tribe or tribal organization without fiscal year limitation: Provided further, That none of the funds made available to the Indian Health Service in this Act shall be used to implement the final rule published in the Federal Register on September 16, 1987, by the Department of Health and Human Services, relating to the eligibility for the health care services of the Indian Health Service until the Indian Health Service has submitted a budget request reflecting the increased costs associated with the proposed final rule, and such request has been included in an appropriations Act and enacted into law: Provided further, That with respect to functions transferred by the Indian Health Service to tribes or tribal organizations, the Indian Health Service is authorized to provide goods and services to those entities on a reimbursable basis, including payments in advance with subsequent adjustment and the reimbursements received therefrom, along with the funds received from those entities pursuant to the Indian Self-Determination Act, may be credited to the same or subsequent appropriation account from which the funds were originally derived, with such amounts to remain available until expended: Provided further, That reimbursements for training, technical assistance, or services provided by the Indian Health Service will contain total costs, including direct, administrative, and overhead costs associated with the provision of goods, services, or technical assistance: Provided further, That the Indian Health Service may provide to civilian medical personnel serving in hospitals operated by the Indian Health Service housing allowances equivalent to those that would be provided to members of the Commissioned Corps of the United States Public Health Service serving in similar positions at such hospitals: Provided further, That the appropriation structure for the Indian Health Service may not be altered without advance notification to the and Senate Committees on Appropria-House

# NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SCIENCES

For necessary expenses for the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences in carrying out activities set forth in section 311(a) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (42 U.S.C. 9660(a)) and section 126(g) of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986, \$83,035,000.

 $\begin{array}{c} AGENCY \ FOR \ TOXIC \ SUBSTANCES \ AND \ DISEASE \\ REGISTRY \end{array}$ 

## $TOXIC\ SUBSTANCES\ AND\ ENVIRONMENTAL\ PUBLIC\\ HEALTH$

For necessary expenses for the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) in carrying out activities set forth in sections 104(i) and 111(c)(4) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA) and section 3019 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, \$85,020,000: Provided, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, in lieu of performing a health assessment under section 104(i)(6) of CERCLA, the Administrator of ATSDR may conduct other appropriate health studies, evaluations, or activities, including, without limitation, biomedical testing, clinical evaluations, medical monitoring, and referral to accredited healthcare providers: Provided further, That in performing any such health assessment or health study, evaluation, or activity, the Administrator of ATSDR shall not be bound by the deadlines in section 104(i)(6)(A) of CERCLA: Provided further, That none of the funds appropriated under this heading shall be available for ATSDR to issue in excess of 40 toxicological profiles pursuant to section 104(i) of CERCLA during fiscal year 2023, and existing profiles may be updated as necessary.

OTHER RELATED AGENCIES
EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
COUNCIL ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY AND
OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

For necessary expenses to continue functions assigned to the Council on Environmental Quality and Office of Environmental Quality pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, the Environmental Quality Improvement Act of 1970, and Reorganization Plan No. 1 of 1977, and not to exceed \$750 for official reception and representation expenses, \$4,676,000: Provided, That notwithstanding section 202 of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1970, the Council shall consist of one member, appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, serving as chairman and exercising all powers, functions, and duties of the Council.

CHEMICAL SAFETY AND HAZARD INVESTIGATION
BOARD

#### SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses in carrying out activities pursuant to section 112(r)(6) of the Clean Air Act, including hire of passenger vehicles, uniforms or allowances therefor, as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 5901-5902, and for services authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109 but at rates for individuals not to exceed the per diem equivalent to the maximum rate payable for senior level positions under 5 U.S.C. 5376, \$14,400,000: Provided, That the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board (Board) shall have not more than three career Senior Executive Service positions: Provided further, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, the individual appointed to the position of Inspector General of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) shall, by virtue of such appointment, also hold the position of Inspector General of the Board: Provided further, That notwithstanding any other provision of law the Inspector General of the Board shall utilize personnel of the Office of Inspector General of EPA in performing the duties of the Inspector General of the Board, and shall not appoint any individuals to positions within the Board.

## Office of Navajo and Hopi Indian RELOCATION

## SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Office of Navaio and Hopi Indian Relocation as authorized by Public Law 93-531, \$3,060,000, to remain available until expended, which shall be derived from unobligated balances from prior year appropriations available under this heading: Provided, That funds provided in this or any other appropriations Act are to be used to relocate eligible individuals and groups including evictees from District 6, Hopi-partitioned lands residents, those in significantly substandard housing, and all others certified as eligible and not included in the preceding categories: Provided further, That none of the funds contained in this or any other Act may be used by the Office of Navajo and Hopi Indian Relocation to evict any single Navajo or Navajo family who, as of November 30, 1985, was physically domiciled on the lands partitioned to the Hopi Tribe unless a new or replacement home is provided for such household: Provided further, That no relocatee will be provided with more than one new or replacement home: Provided further, That the Office shall relocate any certified eligible relocatees who have selected and received an approved homesite on the Navajo reservation or selected a replacement residence off the Navajo reservation or on the land acquired pursuant to section 11 of Public Law 93-531 (88 Stat. 1716).

INSTITUTE OF AMERICAN INDIAN AND ALASKA NATIVE CULTURE AND ARTS DEVELOPMENT PAYMENT TO THE INSTITUTE

For payment to the Institute of American Indian and Alaska Native Culture and Arts Development, as authorized by part A of title XV of

Public Law 99–498 (20 U.S.C. 4411 et seq.), \$13,274,000, which shall become available on July 1, 2023, and shall remain available until September 30, 2024.

#### SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION

### SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Smithsonian Institution, as authorized by law, including research in the fields of art, science, and history; development, preservation, and documentation of the National Collections; presentation of public exhibits and performances; collection, preparation, dissemination, and exchange of information and publications; conduct of education, training, and museum assistance programs; maintenance, alteration, operation, lease agreements of no more than 30 years, and protection of buildings, facilities, and approaches; not to exceed \$100,000 for services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109; and purchase, rental, repair, and cleaning of uniforms for employees, \$909.500,000. to remain available until September 30, 2024, except as otherwise provided herein; of which not to exceed \$26,974,000 for the instrumentation program, collections acquisition, exhibition reinstallation Smithsonian American Women's History Museum, National Museum of the American Latino, and the repatriation of skeletal remains program shall remain available until expended; and including such funds as may be necessary to support American overseas research centers: Provided. That funds appropriated herein are available for advance payments to independent contractors performing research services or participating in official Smithsonian presentations: Provided further, That the Smithsonian Institution may expend Federal appropriations designated in this Act for lease or rent payments, as rent payable to the Smithsonian Institution, and such rent payments may be deposited into the general trust funds of the Institution to be available as trust funds for expenses associated with the purchase of a portion of the building at 600 Maryland Avenue, SW, Washington, DC, to the extent that federally supported activities will be housed there: Provided further, That the use of such amounts in the general trust funds of the Institution for such purpose shall not be construed as Federal debt service for, a Federal guarantee of, a transfer of risk to, or an obligation of the Federal Government: Provided further, That no appropriated funds may be used directly to service debt which is incurred to finance the costs of acquiring a portion of the building at 600 Maryland Avenue, SW, Washington, DC, or of planning, designing, and constructing improvements to such building: Provided further, That any agreement entered into by the Smithsonian Institution for the sale of its ownership interest, or any portion thereof, in such building so acquired may not take effect until the expiration of a 30 day period which begins on the date on which the Secretary of the Smithsonian submits to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and Senate, the Committees on House Administration and Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives, and the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate a report, as outlined in the explanatory statement described in section 4 of the Further Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2020 (Public Law 116-94; 133 Stat. 2536) on the intended sale.

## FACILITIES CAPITAL

For necessary expenses of repair, revitalization, and alteration of facilities owned or occupied by the Smithsonian Institution, by contract or otherwise, as authorized by section 2 of the Act of August 22, 1949 (63 Stat. 623), and for construction, including necessary personnel, \$265,000,000, to remain available until expended, of which not to exceed \$10,000 shall be for services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109.

### NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For the upkeep and operations of the National Gallery of Art, the protection and care of the works of art therein, and administrative expenses incident thereto, as authorized by the Act of March 24, 1937 (50 Stat. 51), as amended by the public resolution of April 13, 1939 (Public Resolution 9, 76th Congress), including services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109; payment in advance when authorized by the treasurer of the Gallery for membership in library, museum, and art associations or societies whose publications or services are available to members only, or to members at a price lower than to the general public; purchase, repair, and cleaning of uniforms for guards, and uniforms, or allowances therefor, for other employees as authorized by law (5 U.S.C. 5901-5902); purchase or rental of devices and services for protecting buildings and contents thereof, and maintenance, alteration, improvement, and repair of buildings, approaches, and grounds; and purchase of services for restoration and repair of works of art for the National Gallery of Art by contracts made, without advertising, with individuals, firms, or organizations at such rates or prices and under such terms and conditions as the Gallery may deem proper, \$170,240,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024, of which not to exceed \$3,875,000 for the special exhibition program shall remain available until expended.

## $REPAIR, \ RESTORATION \ AND \ RENOVATION \ OF \\ BUILDINGS$

#### (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses of repair, restoration, and renovation of buildings, grounds and facilities owned or occupied by the National Gallery of Art, by contract or otherwise, for operating lease agreements of no more than 10 years, that address space needs created by the ongoing renovations in the Master Facilities Plan, as authorized, \$39,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That of this amount, \$27,208,000 shall be available for design and construction of an off-site art storage facility in partnership with the Smithsonian Institution and may be transferred to the Smithsonian Institution for such purposes: Provided further, That contracts awarded for environmental systems, protection systems, and exterior repair or renovation of buildings of the National Gallery of Art may be negotiated with selected contractors and awarded on the basis of contractor qualifications as well as price.

## John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts

## OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE

For necessary expenses for the operation, maintenance, and security of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, \$27,640,000, to remain available until September, 30, 2024.

## CAPITAL REPAIR AND RESTORATION

For necessary expenses for capital repair and restoration of the existing features of the building and site of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, \$17,740,000, to remain available until expended.

WOODROW WILSON INTERNATIONAL CENTER FOR SCHOLARS

## SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For expenses necessary in carrying out the provisions of the Woodrow Wilson Memorial Act of 1968 (82 Stat. 1356) including hire of passenger vehicles and services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109, \$15,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024.

NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE ARTS GRANTS AND ADMINISTRATION

For necessary expenses to carry out the National Foundation on the Arts and the Human-

ities Act of 1965, \$207,000,000 shall be available to the National Endowment for the Arts for the support of projects and productions in the arts, including arts education and public outreach activities, through assistance to organizations and individuals pursuant to section 5 of the Act, for program support, and for administering the functions of the Act, to remain available until expended.

## NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE HUMANITIES GRANTS AND ADMINISTRATION

For necessary expenses to carry out the National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities Act of 1965, \$207,000,000 to remain available until expended, of which \$188,250,000 shall be available for support of activities in the humanities, pursuant to section 7(c) of the Act and for administering the functions of the Act; and \$18,750,000 shall be available to carry out the matching grants program pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Act, including \$15,750,000 for the purposes of section 7(h): Provided, That appropriations for carrying out section 10(a)(2) shall be available for obligation only in such amounts as may be equal to the total amounts of gifts, bequests, devises of money, and other property accepted by the chairman or by grantees of the National Endowment for the Humanities under the provisions of sections 11(a)(2)(B) and 11(a)(3)(B) during the current and preceding fiscal years for which equal amounts have not previously been appropriated.

#### ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

None of the funds appropriated to the National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities may be used to process any grant or contract documents which do not include the text of 18 U.S.C. 1913: Provided. That none of the funds appropriated to the National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities may be used for official reception and representation expenses: Provided further, That funds from nonappropriated sources may be used as necessary for official reception and representation expenses: Provided further, That the Chairperson of the National Endowment for the Arts may approve grants of up to \$10,000, if in the aggregate the amount of such grants does not exceed 5 percent of the sums appropriated for grantmaking purposes per year: Provided further, That such small grant actions are taken pursuant to the terms of an expressed and direct delegation of authority from the National Council on the Arts to the Chairperson

## COMMISSION OF FINE ARTS SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For expenses of the Commission of Fine Arts under chapter 91 of title 40, United States Code. \$3.661.000: Provided. That the Commission is authorized to charge fees to cover the full costs of its publications, and such fees shall be credited to this account as an offsetting collection, to remain available until expended without further appropriation: Provided further, That the Commission is authorized to accept gifts, including objects, papers, artwork, drawings and artifacts. that pertain to the history and design of the Nation's Capital or the history and activities of the Commission of Fine Arts, for the purpose of artistic display, study, or education: Provided further, That one-tenth of one percent of the funds provided under this heading may be used for official reception and representation expenses.

NATIONAL CAPITAL ARTS AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

For necessary expenses as authorized by Public Law 99–190 (20 U.S.C. 956a), \$5,000,000: Provided, That the item relating to "National Capital Arts and Cultural Affairs" in the Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 1986, as enacted into law by section 101(d) of Public Law 99–190 (20 U.S.C. 956a), shall be applied in fiscal year 2023 in the second paragraph by inserting ", calendar year 2020 excluded" before the first period: Provided further, That in determining an eligible organization's annual income for calendar years 2021,

2022, and 2023 funds or grants received by the eligible organization from any supplemental appropriations Act related to coronavirus or any other law providing appropriations for the purpose of preventing, preparing for, or responding to coronavirus shall be counted as part of the eligible organization's annual income.

ADVISORY COUNCIL ON HISTORIC PRESERVATION
SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (Public Law 89-665), \$8.585.000.

## NATIONAL CAPITAL PLANNING COMMISSION SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the National Capital Planning Commission under chapter 87 of title 40, United States Code, including services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109, \$8,750,000: Provided, That one-quarter of 1 percent of the funds provided under this heading may be used for official reception and representational expenses associated with hosting international visitors engaged in the planning and physical development of world capitals.

### UNITED STATES HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL MUSEUM HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL MUSEUM

For expenses of the Holocaust Memorial Museum, as authorized by Public Law 106–292 (36 U.S.C. 2301–2310), \$65,231,000, of which \$1,000,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2025, for the Museum's equipment replacement program; and of which \$4,000,000 for the Museum's repair and rehabilitation program and \$1,264,000 for the Museum's outreach initiatives program shall remain available until expended.

#### Presidio Trust

The Presidio Trust is authorized to issue obligations to the Secretary of the Treasury pursuant to section 104(d)(3) of the Omnibus Parks and Public Lands Management Act of 1996 (Public Law 104–333), in an amount not to exceed \$90,000,000: Provided, That such section is amended by striking "\$150,000,000" and inserting "\$250,000,000".

## WORLD WAR I CENTENNIAL COMMISSION

## SALARIES AND EXPENSES

Notwithstanding section 9 of the World War I Centennial Commission Act, as authorized by the World War I Centennial Commission Act (Public Law 112–272) and the Carl Levin and Howard P. "Buck" McKeon National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2015 (Public Law 113–291), for necessary expenses of the World War I Centennial Commission, \$1,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024: Provided, That in addition to the authority provided by section 6(g) of such Act, the World War I Commission may accept money, in-kind personnel services, contractual support, or any appropriate support from any executive branch agency for activities of the Commission.

## United States Semiquincentennial Commission

## SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the United States Semiquincentennial Commission to plan and coordinate observances and activities associated with the 250th anniversary of the founding of the United States, as authorized by Public Law 116–282, the technical amendments to Public Law 114–196, \$15,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024.

## TITLE IV GENERAL PROVISIONS

 $(INCLUDING\ TRANSFERS\ OF\ FUNDS)$ 

RESTRICTION ON USE OF FUNDS

SEC. 401. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall be available for any activity or the publication or distribution of literature that in any way tends to promote public support or opposition to any legislative proposal

on which Congressional action is not complete other than to communicate to Members of Congress as described in 18 U.S.C. 1913.

#### OBLIGATION OF APPROPRIATIONS

SEC. 402. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall remain available for obligation beyond the current fiscal year unless expressly so provided herein.

#### DISCLOSURE OF ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

SEC. 403. The amount and basis of estimated overhead charges, deductions, reserves, or holdbacks, including working capital fund charges, from programs, projects, activities and subactivities to support government-wide, departmental, agency, or bureau administrative functions or headquarters, regional, or central operations shall be presented in annual budget justifications and subject to approval by the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate. Changes to such estimates shall be presented to the Committees on Appropriations for approval.

#### MINING APPLICATIONS

SEC. 404. (a) LIMITATION OF FUNDS.—None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available pursuant to this Act shall be obligated or expended to accept or process applications for a patent for any mining or mill site claim located under the general mining laws.

(b) EXCEPTIONS.—Subsection (a) shall not apply if the Secretary of the Interior determines that, for the claim concerned: (1) a patent application was filed with the Secretary on or before September 30, 1994; and (2) all requirements established under sections 2325 and 2326 of the Revised Statutes (30 U.S.C. 29 and 30) for vein or lode claims, sections 2329, 2330, 2331, and 2333 of the Revised Statutes (30 U.S.C. 35, 36, and 37) for placer claims, and section 2337 of the Revised Statutes (30 U.S.C. 42) for mill site claims, as the case may be, were fully complied with by the applicant by that date.

(c) REPORT.—On September 30, 2024, the Secretary of the Interior shall file with the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations and the Committee on Natural Resources of the House and the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate a report on actions taken by the Department under the plan submitted pursuant to section 314(c) of the Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 1997 (Public Law 104–208).

(d) MINERAL EXAMINATIONS.—In order to process patent applications in a timely and responsible manner, upon the request of a patent applicant, the Secretary of the Interior shall allow the applicant to fund a qualified third-party contractor to be selected by the Director of the Bureau of Land Management to conduct a mineral examination of the mining claims or milestes contained in a patent application as set forth in subsection (b). The Bureau of Land Management shall have the sole responsibility to choose and pay the third-party contractor in accordance with the standard procedures employed by the Bureau of Land Management in the retention of third-party contractors.

## $\begin{array}{c} CONTRACT \ SUPPORT \ COSTS, \ PRIOR \ YEAR \\ LIMITATION \end{array}$

SEC. 405. Sections 405 and 406 of division F of the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015 (Public Law 113–235) shall continue in effect in fiscal year 2023.

## $CONTRACT \ SUPPORT \ COSTS, \ FISCAL \ YEAR \ 2023$ LIMITATION

SEC. 406. Amounts provided by this Act for fiscal year 2023 under the headings "Department of Health and Human Services, Indian Health Service, Contract Support Costs" and "Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs and Bureau of Indian Education, Contract Support Costs" are the only amounts available for contract support costs arising out of self-determination or self-governance contracts, grants, compacts, or annual funding agreements for fis-

cal year 2023 with the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Bureau of Indian Education, and the Indian Health Service: Provided, That such amounts provided by this Act are not available for payment of claims for contract support costs for prior years, or for repayments of payments for settlements or judgments awarding contract support costs for prior years.

#### FOREST MANAGEMENT PLANS

SEC. 407. The Secretary of Agriculture shall not be considered to be in violation of subparagraph 6(f)(5)(A) of the Forest and Rangeland Renewable Resources Planning Act of 1974 (16)  $U.S.C.\ 1604(f)(5)(A))$  solely because more than 15 years have passed without revision of the plan for a unit of the National Forest System. Nothing in this section exempts the Secretary from any other requirement of the Forest and Rangeland Renewable Resources Planning Act (16 U.S.C. 1600 et seq.) or any other law: Provided, That if the Secretary is not acting expeditiously and in good faith, within the funding available, to revise a plan for a unit of the National Forest System, this section shall be void with respect to such plan and a court of proper jurisdiction may order completion of the plan on an acceler-

#### PROHIBITION WITHIN NATIONAL MONUMENTS

SEC. 408. No funds provided in this Act may be expended to conduct preleasing, leasing and related activities under either the Mineral Leasing Act (30 U.S.C. 181 et seq.) or the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act (43 U.S.C. 1331 et seq.) within the boundaries of a National Monument established pursuant to the Act of June 8, 1906 (16 U.S.C. 431 et seq.) as such boundary existed on January 20, 2001, except where such activities are allowed under the Presidential proclamation establishing such monument.

#### LIMITATION ON TAKINGS

SEC. 409. Unless otherwise provided herein, no funds appropriated in this Act for the acquisition of lands or interests in lands may be expended for the filing of declarations of taking or complaints in condemnation without the approval of the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations: Provided, That this provision shall not apply to funds appropriated to implement the Everglades National Park Protection and Expansion Act of 1989, or to funds appropriated for Federal assistance to the State of Florida to acquire lands for Everglades restoration purposes.

## $PROHIBITION\ ON\ NO\text{-}BID\ CONTRACTS$

SEC. 410. None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act to executive branch agencies may be used to enter into any Federal contract unless such contract is entered into in accordance with the requirements of Chapter 33 of title 41, United States Code, or Chapter 137 of title 10, United States Code, and the Federal Acquisition Regulation, unless—

(1) Federal law specifically authorizes a contract to be entered into without regard for these requirements, including formula grants for States, or federally recognized Indian tribes:

(2) such contract is authorized by the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (Public Law 93–638, 25 U.S.C. 450 et seq.) or by any other Federal laws that specifically authorize a contract within an Indian tribe as defined in section 4(e) of that Act (25 U.S.C. 450b(e)); or

(3) such contract was awarded prior to the date of enactment of this Act.

## POSTING OF REPORTS

SEC. 411. (a) Any agency receiving funds made available in this Act, shall, subject to subsections (b) and (c), post on the public website of that agency any report required to be submitted by the Congress in this or any other Act, upon the determination by the head of the agency that it shall serve the national interest.

(b) Subsection (a) shall not apply to a report if—

- (1) the public posting of the report compromises national security; or
- (2) the report contains proprietary informa-
- (c) The head of the agency posting such report shall do so only after such report has been made available to the requesting Committee or Committees of Congress for no less than 45 days.

NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE ARTS GRANT GUIDELINES

SEC. 412. Of the funds provided to the National Endowment for the Arts—

(1) The Chairperson shall only award a grant to an individual if such grant is awarded to such individual for a literature fellowship, National Heritage Fellowship, or American Jazz Masters Fellowship.

(2) The Chairperson shall establish procedures to ensure that no funding provided through a grant, except a grant made to a State or local arts agency, or regional group, may be used to make a grant to any other organization or individual to conduct activity independent of the direct grant recipient. Nothing in this subsection shall prohibit payments made in exchange for goods and services.

(3) No grant shall be used for seasonal support to a group, unless the application is specific to the contents of the season, including identified programs or projects.

 $NATIONAL\ ENDOWMENT\ FOR\ THE\ ARTS\ PROGRAM$  PRIORITIES

SEC. 413. (a) In providing services or awarding financial assistance under the National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities Act of 1965 from funds appropriated under this Act, the Chairperson of the National Endowment for the Arts shall ensure that priority is given to providing services or awarding financial assistance for projects, productions, workshops, or programs that serve underserved populations.

(b) In this section:

(1) The term "underserved population" means a population of individuals, including urban minorities, who have historically been outside the purview of arts and humanities programs due to factors such as a high incidence of income below the poverty line or to geographic isolation.

(2) The term "poverty line" means the poverty line (as defined by the Office of Management and Budget, and revised annually in accordance with section 673(2) of the Community Services Block Grant Act (42 U.S.C. 9902(2))) applicable to a family of the size involved.

- (c) In providing services and awarding financial assistance under the National Foundation on the Arts and Humanities Act of 1965 with funds appropriated by this Act, the Chairperson of the National Endowment for the Arts shall ensure that priority is given to providing services or awarding financial assistance for projects, productions, workshops, or programs that will encourage public knowledge, education, understanding, and appreciation of the arts.
- (d) With funds appropriated by this Act to carry out section 5 of the National Foundation on the Arts and Humanities Act of 1965—
- (1) the Chairperson shall establish a grant category for projects, productions, workshops, or programs that are of national impact or availability or are able to tour several States;
- (2) the Chairperson shall not make grants exceeding 15 percent, in the aggregate, of such funds to any single State, excluding grants made under the authority of paragraph (1);
- (3) the Chairperson shall report to the Congress annually and by State, on grants awarded by the Chairperson in each grant category under section 5 of such Act; and
- (4) the Chairperson shall encourage the use of grants to improve and support community-based music performance and education.

STATUS OF BALANCES OF APPROPRIATIONS

SEC. 414. The Department of the Interior, the Environmental Protection Agency, the Forest

Service, and the Indian Health Service shall provide the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and Senate quarterly reports on the status of balances of appropriations including all uncommitted, committed, and unobligated funds in each program and activity within 60 days of enactment of this Act.

### EXTENSION OF GRAZING PERMITS

SEC. 415. The terms and conditions of section 325 of Public Law 108–108 (117 Stat. 1307), regarding grazing permits issued by the Forest Service on any lands not subject to administration under section 402 of the Federal Lands Policy and Management Act (43 U.S.C. 1752), shall remain in effect for fiscal year 2023.

#### FUNDING PROHIBITION

SEC. 416. (a) None of the funds made available in this Act may be used to maintain or establish a computer network unless such network is designed to block access to pornography websites.

(b) Nothing in subsection (a) shall limit the use of funds necessary for any Federal, State, tribal, or local law enforcement agency or any other entity carrying out criminal investigations, prosecution, or adjudication activities.

 $HUMANE\ TRANSFER\ AND\ TREATMENT\ OF\ ANIMALS$ 

SEC. 417. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary of the Interior, with respect to land administered by the Bureau of Land Management, or the Secretary of Agriculture, with respect to land administered by the Forest Service (referred to in this section as the "Secretary concerned"), may transfer excess wild horses and burros that have been removed from land administered by the Secretary concerned to other Federal, State, and local government agencies for use as work animals.

(b) The Secretary concerned may make a transfer under subsection (a) immediately on the request of a Federal, State, or local government agency.

(c) An excess wild horse or burro transferred under subsection (a) shall lose status as a wild free-roaming horse or burro (as defined in section 2 of Public Law 92–195 (commonly known as the "Wild Free-Roaming Horses and Burros Act") (16 U.S.C. 1332)).

(d) A Federal, State, or local government agency receiving an excess wild horse or burro pursuant to subsection (a) shall not—

(1) destroy the horse or burro in a manner that results in the destruction of the horse or burro into a commercial product;

(2) sell or otherwise transfer the horse or burro in a manner that results in the destruction of the horse or burro for processing into a commercial product; or

(3) euthanize the horse or burro, except on the recommendation of a licensed veterinarian in a case of severe injury, illness, or advanced age.

(e) Amounts appropriated by this Act shall not be available for—

(1) the destruction of any healthy, unadopted, and wild horse or burro under the jurisdiction of the Secretary concerned (including a contractor); or

(2) the sale of a wild horse or burro that results in the destruction of the wild horse or burro for processing into a commercial product.

FOREST SERVICE FACILITY REALIGNMENT AND ENHANCEMENT AUTHORIZATION EXTENSION

SEC. 418. Section 503(f) of Public Law 109-54 (16 U.S.C. 580d note) shall be applied by substituting "September 30, 2023" for "September 30, 2019".

## USE OF AMERICAN IRON AND STEEL

SEC. 419. (a)(1) None of the funds made available by a State water pollution control revolving fund as authorized by section 1452 of the Safe Drinking Water Act (42 U.S.C. 300j-12) shall be used for a project for the construction, alteration, maintenance, or repair of a public water system or treatment works unless all of the iron and steel products used in the project are produced in the United States.

- (2) In this section, the term "iron and steel" products means the following products made primarily of iron or steel: lined or unlined pipes and fittings, manhole covers and other municipal castings, hydrants, tanks, flanges, pipe clamps and restraints, valves, structural steel, reinforced precast concrete, and construction materials.
- (b) Subsection (a) shall not apply in any case or category of cases in which the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency (in this section referred to as the "Administrator") finds that—

(1) applying subsection (a) would be inconsistent with the public interest;

(2) iron and steel products are not produced in the United States in sufficient and reasonably available quantities and of a satisfactory qualitu: or

(3) inclusion of iron and steel products produced in the United States will increase the cost of the overall project by more than 25 percent.

(c) If the Administrator receives a request for a waiver under this section, the Administrator shall make available to the public on an informal basis a copy of the request and information available to the Administrator concerning the request, and shall allow for informal public input on the request for at least 15 days prior to making a finding based on the request. The Administrator shall make the request and accompanying information available by electronic means, including on the official public Internet Web site of the Environmental Protection Agency.

(d) This section shall be applied in a manner consistent with United States obligations under international agreements.

(e) The Administrator may retain up to 0.25 percent of the funds appropriated in this Act for the Clean and Drinking Water State Revolving Funds for carrying out the provisions described in subsection (a)(1) for management and oversight of the requirements of this section.

LOCAL COOPERATOR TRAINING AGREEMENTS AND TRANSFERS OF EXCESS EQUIPMENT AND SUP-PLIES FOR WILDFIRES

SEC. 420. The Secretary of the Interior is authorized to enter into grants and cooperative agreements with volunteer fire departments, rural fire departments, rangeland fire protection associations, and similar organizations to provide for wildland fire training and equipment, including supplies and communication devices. Notwithstanding section 121(c) of title 40, United States Code, or section 521 of title 40, United States Code, the Secretary is further authorized to transfer title to excess Department of the Interior firefighting equipment no longer needed to carry out the functions of the Department's wildland fire management program to such organizations.

## RECREATION FEES

SEC. 421. Section 810 of the Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act (16 U.S.C. 6809) shall be applied by substituting "October 1, 2024" for "Sentember 30, 2019".

## $REPROGRAMMING\ GUIDELINES$

SEC. 422. None of the funds made available in this Act, in this and prior fiscal years, may be reprogrammed without the advance approval of the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations in accordance with the reprogramming procedures contained in the explanatory statement described in section 4 (in the matter preceding division A of this consolidated Act).

## $LOCAL\ CONTRACTORS$

SEC. 423. Section 412 of division E of Public Law 112-74 shall be applied by substituting "fiscal year 2023" for "fiscal year 2019".

## SHASTA-TRINITY MARINA FEE AUTHORITY AUTHORIZATION EXTENSION

SEC. 424. Section 422 of division F of Public Law 110–161 (121 Stat 1844), as amended, shall be applied by substituting "fiscal year 2023" for "fiscal year 2019".

#### INTERPRETIVE ASSOCIATION AUTHORIZATION EXTENSION

SEC. 425. Section 426 of division G of Public Law 113-76 (16 U.S.C. 565a-1 note) shall be applied by substituting "September 30, 2023" for "September 30, 2019".

## $\begin{array}{c} \textit{PUERTO RICO SCHOOLING AUTHORIZATION} \\ \textit{EXTENSION} \end{array}$

SEC. 426. The authority provided by the 19th unnumbered paragraph under heading "Administrative Provisions, Forest Service" in title III of Public Law 109–54, as amended, shall be applied by substituting "fiscal year 2023" for "fiscal year 2019".

## FOREST BOTANICAL PRODUCTS FEE COLLECTION AUTHORIZATION EXTENSION

SEC. 427. Section 339 of the Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2000 (as enacted into law by Public Law 106–113; 16 U.S.C. 528 note), as amended by section 335(6) of Public Law 108–108 and section 432 of Public Law 113–76, shall be applied by substituting "fiscal year 2023" for "fiscal year 2019".

### CHACO CANYON

SEC. 428. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to accept a nomination for oil and gas leasing under 43 CFR 3120.3 et seq., or to offer for oil and gas leasing, any Federal lands within the withdrawal area identified on the map of the Chaco Culture National Historical Park prepared by the Bureau of Land Management and dated April 2, 2019.

#### TRIBAL LEASES

SEC. 429. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, in the case of any lease under section 105(1) of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 5324(1)), the initial lease term shall commence no earlier than the date of receipt of the lease proposal.

FOREST ECOSYSTEM HEALTH AND RECOVERY FUND

SEC. 430. The authority provided under the heading "Forest Ecosystem Health and Recovery Fund" in title I of Public Law 111-88, as amended by section 117 of division F of Public Law 113-235, shall be applied by substituting "fiscal year 2023" for "fiscal year 2020" each place it appears.

ALLOCATION OF PROJECTS, NATIONAL PARKS AND PUBLIC LAND LEGACY RESTORATION FUND AND LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND

SEC. 431. (a)(1) Within 45 days of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Interior shall allocate amounts made available from the National Parks and Public Land Legacy Restoration Fund for fiscal year 2023 pursuant to subsection (c) of section 200402 of title 54, United States Code, and as provided in subsection (e) of such section of such title to the agencies of the Department of the Interior and the Department of Agriculture specified, in the amounts specified. for the stations and unit names specified, and for the projects and activities specified in the table titled "Allocation of Funds: National Parks and Public Land Legacy Restoration Fund Fiscal Year 2023" in the report accompanying this Act.

(2) Within 45 days of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture, as appropriate, shall allocate amounts made available for expenditure from the Land and Water Conservation Fund for fiscal year 2023 pursuant to subsection (a) of section 200303 of title 54, United States Code, to the agencies and accounts specified, in the amounts specified, and for the projects and activities specified in the table titled "Allocation of Funds: Land and Water Conservation Fund Fiscal Year 2023" in the report accompanying this

(b) Except as otherwise provided by subsection (c) of this section, neither the President nor his designee may allocate any amounts that are made available for any fiscal year under sub-

section (c) of section 200402 of title 54, United States Code, or subsection (a) of section 200303 of title 54, United States Code, other than in amounts and for projects and activities that are allocated by subsections (a)(1) and (a)(2) of this section: Provided, That in any fiscal year, the matter preceding this proviso shall not apply to the allocation of amounts for continuing administration of programs allocated funds from the National Parks and Public Land Legacy Restoration Fund or the Land and Water Conservation Fund, which may be allocated only in amounts that are no more than the allocation for such purposes in subsections (a)(1) and (a)(2) of this section.

(c) The Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture may reallocate amounts from each agency's "Contingency Fund" line in the table titled "Allocation of Funds: National Parks and Public Land Legacy Restoration Fund Fiscal Year 2023" to any project funded by the National Parks and Public Land Legacy Restoration Fund within the same agency, from any fiscal year, that experienced a funding deficiency due to unforeseen cost overruns, in accordance with the following requirements:

(1) "Contingency Fund" amounts may only be reallocated if there is a risk to project completion resulting from unforeseen cost overruns;

(2) "Contingency Fund" amounts may only be reallocated for cost of adjustments and changes within the original scope of effort for projects funded by the National Parks and Public Land Legacy Restoration Fund; and

(3) The Secretary of the Interior or the Secretary of Agriculture must provide written notification to the Committees on Appropriations 30 days before taking any actions authorized by this subsection if the amount reallocated from the "Contingency Fund" line for a project is projected to be 10 percent or greater than the following, as applicable:

(A) The amount allocated to that project in the table titled "Allocation of Funds: National Parks and Public Land Legacy Restoration Fund Fiscal Year 2023" in the report accompanying this Act: or

(B) The initial estimate in the most recent report submitted, prior to enactment of this Act, to the Committees on Appropriations pursuant to section 434(e) of Division G of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 (Public Law 116–260).

(d)(1) Concurrent with the annual budget submission of the President for fiscal year 2024, the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture shall each submit to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate project data sheets for the projects in the "Submission of Annual List of Projects to Congress" required by section 200402(h) of title 54, United States Code: Provided, That the "Submission of Annual List of Projects to Congress" must include a "Contingency Fund" line for each agency within the allocations defined in subsection (e) of section 200402 of title 54, United States Code: Provided further, That in the event amounts allocated by this Act or any prior Act for the National Parks and Public Land Legacy Restoration Fund are no longer needed to complete a specified project, such amounts may be reallocated in such submission to that agency's "Contingency Fund" line: Provided further, That any proposals to change the scope of or terminate a previously approved project must be clearly identified in such submission.

(2)(A) Concurrent with the annual budget submission of the President for fiscal year 2024, the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture shall each submit to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate a list of supplementary allocations for Federal land acquisition and Forest Legacy Projects at the National Park Service, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the Bureau of Land Management, and the U.S. Forest Service that are in addition to the "Submission of Cost Estimates" required by section

200303(c)(1) of title 54, United States Code, that are prioritized and detailed by account, program, and project, and that total no less than half the full amount allocated to each account for that land management Agency under the allocations submitted under section 200303(c)(1) of title 54, United States Code: Provided, That in the event amounts allocated by this Act or any prior Act pursuant to subsection (a) of section 200303 of title 54, United States Code are no longer needed because a project has been completed or can no longer be executed, such amounts must be clearly identified if proposed for reallocation in the annual budget submission.

(B) The Federal land acquisition and Forest Legacy projects in the "Submission of Cost Estimates" required by section 200303(c)(1) of title 54, United States Code, and on the list of supplementary allocations required by subparagraph (A) shall be comprised only of projects for which a willing seller has been identified and for which an appraisal or market research has been initiated.

(C) Concurrent with the annual budget submission of the President for fiscal year 2024, the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture shall each submit to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate project data sheets in the same format and containing the same level of detailed information that is found on such sheets in the Budget Justifications annually submitted by the Department of the Interior with the President's Budget for the projects in the "Submission of Cost Estimates" required by section 200303(c)(1) of title 54, United States Code, and in the same format and containing the same level of detailed information that is found on such sheets submitted to the Committees pursuant to section 427 of division D of the Further Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2020 (Public Law 116-94) for the list of supplementary allocations required by subparagraph

(e) The Department of the Interior and the Department of Agriculture shall provide the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and Senate quarterly reports on the status of balances of projects and activities funded by the National Parks and Public Land Legacy Restoration Fund for amounts allocated pursuant to subsection (a)(1) of this section and the status of balances of projects and activities funded by the Land and Water Conservation Fund for amounts allocated pursuant to subsection (a)(2) of this section, including all uncommitted, committed, and unobligated funds, and, for amounts allocated pursuant to subsection (a)(1) of this section, National Parks and Public Land Legacy Restoration Fund amounts reallocated pursuant to subsection (c) of this section

## POLICIES RELATING TO BIOMASS ENERGY

SEC. 432. To support the key role that forests in the United States can play in addressing the energy needs of the United States, the Secretary of Energy, the Secretary of Agriculture, and the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency shall, consistent with their missions, jointly—

- (1) ensure that Federal policy relating to forest bioenergy—
- (A) is consistent across all Federal departments and agencies; and
- (B) using the best available science, recognizes the benefits of the use of forest biomass for energy, conservation, and responsible forest management; and
- (2) establish clear and simple policies for the use of forest biomass as an energy solution, including policies that—
- (A) reflect the carbon benefits of forest bioenergy and recognize biomass as a renewable energy source, provided the use of forest biomass for energy production does not cause conversion of forests to non-forest use;

- (B) encourage private investment throughout the forest biomass supply chain, including in—
  - (i) working forests;
  - (ii) harvesting operations;
  - (iii) forest improvement operations;
- (iv) forest bioenergy production;(v) wood products manufacturing; or
- (vi) paper manufacturing;
- (C) encourage forest management to improve forest health; and
- (D) recognize State initiatives to produce and use forest biomass.

#### TIMBER SALE REQUIREMENTS

SEC. 433. No timber sale in Alaska's Region 10 shall be advertised if the indicated rate is deficit (defined as the value of the timber is not sufficient to cover all logging and stumpage costs and provide a normal profit and risk allowance under the Forest Service's appraisal process) when appraised using a residual value appraisal. The western red cedar timber from those sales which is surplus to the needs of the domestic processors in Alaska, shall be made available to domestic processors in the contiguous 48 United States at prevailing domestic prices. All additional western red cedar volume not sold to Alaska or contiguous 48 United States domestic processors may be exported to foreign markets at the election of the timber sale holder. All Alaska yellow cedar may be sold at prevailing export prices at the election of the timber sale holder.

TRANSFER AUTHORITY TO FEDERAL HIGHWAY AD-MINISTRATION FOR THE NATIONAL PARKS AND PUBLIC LAND LEGACY RESTORATION FUND

SEC. 434. Funds made available or allocated in this Act to the Department of the Interior or the Department of Agriculture that are subject to the allocations and limitations in 54 U.S.C. 200402(e) and prohibitions in 54 U.S.C. 200402(f) may be further allocated or reallocated to the Federal Highway Administration for transportation projects of the covered agencies defined in 54 U.S.C. 200401(2).

## ICE AGE NATIONAL SCENIC TRAIL

SEC. 435. Section 5(a)(10) of the National Trails System Act (16 U.S.C. 1244(a)(10)) is amended by striking the third and fourth sentences and inserting "The trail shall be administered by the Secretary of the Interior as a unit of the National Park System.".

FACILITIES RENOVATION FOR URBAN INDIAN ORGANIZATIONS TO THE EXTENT AUTHORIZED FOR OTHER GOVERNMENT CONTRACTORS

SEC. 436. The Secretary of Health and Human Services may authorize an urban Indian organization (as defined in section 4 of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act (25 U.S.C. 1603) that is awarded a grant or contract under title V of that Act (25 U.S.C. 1651 et seq.)) to use funds provided in such grant or contract for minor renovations to facilities or construction or expansion of facilities, including leased facilities, to assist the urban Indian organization in meeting or maintaining standards issued by Federal or State governments or by accreditation organizations.

## TONGASS NATIONAL FOREST

SEC. 437. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to plan, design, study, or construct, for the purpose of harvesting timber by private entities or individuals, a forest development road in the Tongass National Forest.

## ROAD CONSTRUCTION

SEC. 438. Section 8206(a)(4)(B)(i) of the Agricultural Act of 2014 (16 U.S.C. 2113a(a)(4)(B)(i)) is amended by inserting "or Bureau of Land Management managed" after "National Forest Sustem".

## PERMIT PROHIBITION

SEC. 439. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to issue a permit for the import of a sport-hunted trophy of an elephant or lion taken in Tanzania, Zimbabwe, or Zambia. The limitation described in this section shall

not apply in the case of the administration of a tax or tariff.

This division may be cited as the "Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2023".

### DIVISION F—MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, VETERANS AFFAIRS, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2023

#### $TITLE\ I$

### DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, ARMY

acquisition, construction, installation, and equipment of temporary or permanent public works, military installations, facilities, and real property for the Army as currently authorized by law, including personnel in the Army Corps of Engineers and other personal services necessary for the purposes of this appropriation, and for construction and operation of facilities in support of the functions of the Commander in Chief, \$997,425,000, to remain available until September 30, 2027: Provided, That, of the amount made available under this heading, not to exceed \$240,011,000 shall be available for study, planning, design, architect and engineer services, and host nation support, as authorized by law, unless the Secretary of the Army determines that additional obligations are necessary for such purposes and notifies the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress of the determination and the reasons therefor: Provided further, That of the amount made available under this heading, \$101,860,000 shall be for the projects and activities, and in the amounts. specified in the table under the heading "Military Construction, Army" in the report accompanying this Act, in addition to amounts otherwise available for such purposes.

## MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, NAVY AND MARINE CORPS

For acquisition, construction, installation, and equipment of temporary or permanent public works, naval installations, facilities, and real property for the Navy and Marine Corps as currently authorized by law, including personnel in the Naval Facilities Engineering Command and other personal services necessary for the purposes of this appropriation, \$3,808,340,000, to remain available until September 30, 2027: Provided. That, of the amount made available under this heading, not to exceed \$428,073,000 shall be available for study, planning, design, and architect and engineer services, as authorized by law, unless the Secretary of the Navy determines that additional obligations are necessary for such purposes and notifies the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress of the determination and the reasons therefor: Provided further, That of the amount made available under this heading, \$5,949,000 shall be for the project and activity, and in the amount, specified in the table under the heading "Military Construction, Navy and Marine Corps" in the report accompanying this Act, in addition to amounts otherwise available for such purposes.

## MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, AIR FORCE

For acquisition, construction, installation, and equipment of temporary or permanent public works, military installations, facilities, and real property for the Air Force as currently authorized by law, \$2,291,156,000, to remain available until September 30, 2027: Provided, That, of the amount made available under this heading, not to exceed \$171,094,000 shall be available for study, planning, design, and architect and engineer services, as authorized by law, unless the Secretary of the Air Force determines that additional obligations are necessary for such purposes and notifies the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress of the determination and the reasons therefor: Provided further, That of the amount made available under this heading, \$185,700,000 shall be for the projects and activities, and in the amounts,

specified in the table under the heading "Military Construction, Air Force" in the report accompanying this Act, in addition to amounts otherwise available for such purposes.

## MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, DEFENSE-WIDE (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For acquisition, construction, installation, and equipment of temporary or permanent public works, installations, facilities, and real property for activities and agencies of the Department of Defense (other than the military departments), as currently authorized by law, \$2,675,128,000, to remain available until September 30, 2027: Provided, That such amounts of this appropriation as may be determined by the Secretary of Defense may be transferred to such appropriations of the Department of Defense available for military construction or family housing as the Secretary may designate, to be merged with and to be available for the same purposes, and for the same time period, as the appropriation or fund to which transferred: Provided further, That, of the amount made available under this heading, not to exceed \$506,107,000 shall be available for study, planning, design, and architect and engineer services, as authorized by law, unless the Secretary of Defense determines that additional obligations are necessary for such purposes and notifies the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress of the determination and the reasons therefor: Provided further. That of the amount made available under this heading, \$58,730,000 shall be for the projects and activities, and in the amounts, specified in the table under the heading "Military Construction, Defense-Wide" in the report accompanying this Act, in addition to amounts otherwise available for such purposes.

## MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, ARMY NATIONAL GUARD

For construction, acquisition, expansion, rehabilitation, and conversion of facilities for the training and administration of the Army National Guard, and contributions therefor, as authorized by chapter 1803 of title 10, United States Code, and Military Construction Authorization Acts, \$325,658,000, to remain available until September 30, 2027: Provided, That, of the amount made available under this heading, not to exceed \$43,625,000 shall be available for study, planning, design, and architect and engineer services, as authorized by law, unless the Director of the Army National Guard determines that additional obligations are necessary for such purposes and notifies the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress of the determination and the reasons therefor: Provided further, That of the amount made available under this heading, \$3,380,000 shall be for the projects and activities, and in the amounts, specified in the table under the heading "Military Construction, Army National Guard" in the report accompanying this Act, in addition to amounts otherwise available for such purposes. MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, AIR NATIONAL GUARD

For construction, acquisition, expansion, rehabilitation, and conversion of facilities for the training and administration of the Air National Guard, and contributions therefor, as authorized by chapter 1803 of title 10, United States Code, and Military Construction Authorization Acts, \$193,983,000, to remain available until September 30, 2027: Provided, That, of the amount made available under this heading, not to exceed \$41,712,000 shall be available for study, planning, design, and architect and engineer services, as authorized by law, unless the Director of the Air National Guard determines that additional obligations are necessary for such purposes and notifies the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress of the determination and the reasons therefor: Provided further, That of the amount made available under this heading, \$20,100,000 shall be for the projects and activities, and in the amounts,

specified in the table under the heading "Military Construction, Air National Guard" in the report accompanying this Act, in addition to amounts otherwise available for such purposes.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, ARMY RESERVE

For construction, acquisition, expansion, rehabilitation, and conversion of facilities for the training and administration of the Army Reserve as authorized by chapter 1803 of title 10, United States Code, and Military Construction Authorization Acts, \$119,878,000, to remain available until September 30, 2027: Provided, That, of the amount made available under this heading, not to exceed \$19,829,000 shall be available for study, planning, design, and architect and engineer services, as authorized by law, unless the Chief of the Army Reserve determines that additional obligations are necessary for such purposes and notifies the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress of the determination and the reasons therefor.

#### MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, NAVY RESERVE

For construction, acquisition, expansion, rehabilitation, and conversion of facilities for the training and administration of the reserve components of the Navy and Marine Corps as authorized by chapter 1803 of title 10, United States Code, and Military Construction Authorization Acts, \$30,337,000, to remain available until September 30, 2027: Provided, That, of the amount made available under this heading, not to exceed \$2,590,000 shall be available for study. planning, design, and architect and engineer services, as authorized by law, unless the Secretary of the Navy determines that additional obligations are necessary for such purposes and notifies the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress of the determination and the reasons therefor.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, AIR FORCE RESERVE

For construction, acquisition, expansion, rehabilitation, and conversion of facilities for the training and administration of the Air Force Reserve as authorized by chapter 1803 of title 10. United States Code, and Military Construction Authorization Acts \$82,123,000 to remain available until September 30, 2027: Provided, That, of the amount made available under this heading. not to exceed \$21,773,000 shall be available for study, planning, design, and architect and engineer services, as authorized by law, unless the Chief of the Air Force Reserve determines that additional obligations are necessary for such purposes and notifies the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress of the determination and the reasons therefor: Provided further. That of the amount made available under this heading, \$5,500,000 shall be for the projects and activities, and in the amounts. specified in the table under the heading "Military Construction, Air Force Reserve" in the report accompanying this Act, in addition to amounts otherwise available for such purposes.

## NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANIZATION

## SECURITY INVESTMENT PROGRAM

For the United States share of the cost of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization Security Investment Program for the acquisition and construction of military facilities and installations (including international military headquarters) and for related expenses for the collective defense of the North Atlantic Treaty Area as authorized by section 2806 of title 10, United States Code, and Military Construction Authorization Acts, \$220,139,000, to remain available until expended.

## $\begin{array}{c} DEPARTMENT\ OF\ DEFENSE\ BASE\ CLOSURE\\ ACCOUNT \end{array}$

For deposit into the Department of Defense Base Closure Account, established by section 2906(a) of the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Act of 1990 (10 U.S.C. 2687 note), \$574,687,000, to remain available until expended.

FAMILY HOUSING CONSTRUCTION, ARMY

For expenses of family housing for the Army for construction, including acquisition, replacement, addition, expansion, extension, and alteration, as authorized by law, \$169,339,000, to remain available until September 30, 2027.

## FAMILY HOUSING OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, ARMY

For expenses of family housing for the Army for operation and maintenance, including debt payment, leasing, minor construction, principal and interest charges, and insurance premiums, as authorized by law, \$446,411,000.

## FAMILY HOUSING CONSTRUCTION, NAVY AND MARINE CORPS

For expenses of family housing for the Navy and Marine Corps for construction, including acquisition, replacement, addition, expansion, extension, and alteration, as authorized by law, \$337,297,000, to remain available until September 30, 2027.

#### FAMILY HOUSING OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, NAVY AND MARINE CORPS

For expenses of family housing for the Navy and Marine Corps for operation and maintenance, including debt payment, leasing, minor construction, principal and interest charges, and insurance premiums, as authorized by law, \$378,224,000.

#### FAMILY HOUSING CONSTRUCTION, AIR FORCE

For expenses of family housing for the Air Force for construction, including acquisition, replacement, addition, expansion, extension, and alteration, as authorized by law, \$232,788,000, to remain available until September 30, 2027.

#### FAMILY HOUSING OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, AIR FORCE

For expenses of family housing for the Air Force for operation and maintenance, including debt payment, leasing, minor construction, principal and interest charges, and insurance premiums, as authorized by law, \$365,222,000.

## $FAMILY\ HOUSING\ OPERATION\ AND\ MAINTENANCE,\\ DEFENSE-WIDE$

For expenses of family housing for the activities and agencies of the Department of Defense (other than the military departments) for operation and maintenance, leasing, and minor construction, as authorized by law, \$50,113,000.

## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

## FAMILY HOUSING IMPROVEMENT FUND

For the Department of Defense Family Housing Improvement Fund, \$6,442,000, to remain available until expended, for family housing initiatives undertaken pursuant to section 2883 of title 10, United States Code, providing alternative means of acquiring and improving military family housing and supporting facilities.

## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

#### MILITARY UNACCOMPANIED HOUSING IMPROVEMENT FUND

For the Department of Defense Military Unaccompanied Housing Improvement Fund, \$494,000, to remain available until expended, for unaccompanied housing initiatives undertaken pursuant to section 2883 of title 10, United States Code, providing alternative means of acquiring and improving military unaccompanied housing and supporting facilities.

## ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

SEC. 101. None of the funds made available in this title shall be expended for payments under a cost-plus-a-fixed-fee contract for construction, where cost estimates exceed \$25,000, to be performed within the United States, except Alaska, without the specific approval in writing of the Secretary of Defense setting forth the reasons therefor.

SEC. 102. Funds made available in this title for construction shall be available for hire of passenger motor vehicles.

SEC. 103. Funds made available in this title for construction may be used for advances to the Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation, for the construction of access roads as authorized by section 210 of title 23, United States Code, when projects authorized therein are certified as important to the national defense by the Secretary of Defense.

SEC. 104. None of the funds made available in this title may be used to begin construction of new bases in the United States for which specific appropriations have not been made.

SEC. 105. None of the funds made available in this title shall be used for purchase of land or land easements in excess of 100 percent of the value as determined by the Army Corps of Engineers or the Naval Facilities Engineering Command, except: (1) where there is a determination of value by a Federal court; (2) purchases negotiated by the Attorney General or the designee of the Attorney General; (3) where the estimated value is less than \$25,000; or (4) as otherwise determined by the Secretary of Defense to be in the public interest.

SEC. 106. None of the funds made available in this title shall be used to: (1) acquire land; (2) provide for site preparation; or (3) install utilities for any family housing, except housing for which funds have been made available in annual Acts making appropriations for military construction.

SEC. 107. None of the funds made available in this title for minor construction may be used to transfer or relocate any activity from one base or installation to another, without prior notification to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress.

SEC. 108. None of the funds made available in this title may be used for the procurement of steel for any construction project or activity for which American steel producers, fabricators, and manufacturers have been denied the opportunity to compete for such steel procurement.

SEC. 109. None of the funds available to the Department of Defense for military construction or family housing during the current fiscal year may be used to pay real property taxes in any foreign nation.

SEC. 110. None of the funds made available in this title may be used to initiate a new installation overseas without prior notification to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress.

SEC. 111. None of the funds made available in this title may be obligated for architect and engineer contracts estimated by the Government to exceed \$500,000 for projects to be accomplished in Japan, in any North Atlantic Treaty Organization member country, or in countries bordering the Arabian Gulf, unless such contracts are awarded to United States firms or United States firms in joint venture with host nation firms

SEC. 112. None of the funds made available in this title for military construction in the United States territories and possessions in the Pacific and on Kwajalein Atoll, or in countries bordering the Arabian Gulf, may be used to award any contract estimated by the Government to exceed \$1,000,000 to a foreign contractor: Provided, That this section shall not be applicable to contract awards for which the lowest responsive and responsible bid of a United States contractor exceeds the lowest responsive and responsible bid of a foreign contractor by greater than 20 percent: Provided further, That this section shall not apply to contract awards for military construction on Kwajalein Atoll for which the lowest responsive and responsible bid is submitted by a Marshallese contractor.

SEC. 113. The Secretary of Defense shall inform the appropriate committees of both Houses of Congress, including the Committees on Appropriations, of plans and scope of any proposed military exercise involving United States personnel 30 days prior to its occurring, if amounts expended for construction, either temporary or permanent, are anticipated to exceed \$100.000.

SEC. 114. Funds appropriated to the Department of Defense for construction in prior years shall be available for construction authorized

for each such military department by the authorizations enacted into law during the current session of Congress.

SEC. 115. For military construction or family housing projects that are being completed with funds otherwise expired or lapsed for obligation, expired or lapsed funds may be used to pay the cost of associated supervision, inspection, overhead, engineering and design on those projects and on subsequent claims, if any.

SEC. 116. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any funds made available to a military department or defense agency for the construction of military projects may be obligated for a military construction project or contract, or for any portion of such a project or contract, at any time before the end of the fourth fiscal year after the fiscal year for which funds for such project were made available, if the funds obligated for such project: (1) are obligated from funds available for military construction projects; and (2) do not exceed the amount appropriated for such project, plus any amount by which the cost of such project is increased pursuant to law.

#### (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 117. Subject to 30 days prior notification, or 14 days for a notification provided in an electronic medium pursuant to sections 480 and 2883 of title 10, United States Code, to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress, such additional amounts as may be determined by the Secretary of Defense may be transferred to: (1) the Department of Defense Family Housing Improvement Fund from amounts appropriated for construction in "Family Housing" accounts, to be merged with and to be available for the same purposes and for the same period of time as amounts appropriated directly to the Fund; or (2) the Department of Defense Military Unaccompanied Housing Improvement Fund from amounts appropriated for construction of military unaccompanied housing in "Military Construction" accounts, to be merged with and to be available for the same purposes and for the same period of time as amounts appropriated directly to the Fund: Provided, That appropriations made available to the Funds shall be available to cover the costs, as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, of direct loans or loan guarantees issued by the Department of Defense pursuant to the provisions of subchapter IV of chapter 169 of title 10, United States Code, pertaining to alternative means of acquiring and improving military family housing, military unaccompanied housing, and supporting facilities.

## (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 118. In addition to any other transfer authority available to the Department of Defense, amounts may be transferred from the Department of Defense Base Closure Account to the fund established by section 1013(d) of the Demonstration Cities and Metropolitan Development Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 3374) to pay for expenses associated with the Homeowners Assistance Program incurred under 42 U.S.C. 3374(a)(1)(A). Any amounts transferred shall be merged with and be available for the same purposes and for the same time period as the fund to which transferred.

SEC. 119. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, funds made available in this title for operation and maintenance of family housing shall be the exclusive source of funds for repair and maintenance of all family housing units, including general or flag officer quarters: Provided, That not more than \$35,000 per unit may be spent annually for the maintenance and repair of any general or flag officer quarters without 30 days prior notification, or 14 days for a notification provided in an electronic medium pursuant to sections 480 and 2883 of title 10, United States Code, to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress, except that an after-the-fact notification shall be submitted if the limitation is exceeded solely due to costs associated with environmental remediation that could not be reasonably anticipated at the time of the budget submission: Provided further, That the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller) is to report annually to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress all operation and maintenance expenditures for each individual general or flag officer quarters for the prior fiscal year.

SEC. 120. Amounts contained in the Ford Island Improvement Account established by subsection (h) of section 2814 of title 10, United States Code, are appropriated and shall be available until expended for the purposes specified in subsection (i)(1) of such section or until transferred pursuant to subsection (i)(3) of such section

#### (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 121. During the 5-year period after appropriations available in this Act to the Department of Defense for military construction and family housing operation and maintenance and construction have expired for obligation, upon a determination that such appropriations will not be necessary for the liquidation of obligations or for making authorized adjustments to such appropriations for obligations incurred during the period of availability of such appropriations, unobligated balances of such appropriations may be transferred into the appropriation "Foreign Currency Fluctuations, Construction, Defense", to be merged with and to be available for the same time period and for the same purposes as the appropriation to which transferred.

SEC. 122. None of the funds made available in this title may be obligated or expended for planning and design and construction of projects at Arlington National Cemetery.

SEC. 123. All amounts appropriated to the "Department of Defense—Military Construction, Army", "Department of Defense—Military Construction, Navy and Marine Corps", "Department of Defense—Military Construction, Air Force", and "Department of Defense—Military Construction, Defense-Wide" accounts pursuant to the authorization of appropriations in a National Defense Authorization Act specified for fiscal year 2023 in the funding table in section 4601 of that Act shall be immediately available and allotted to contract for the full scope of authorized projects.

SEC. 124. Notwithstanding section 116 of this Act, funds made available in this Act or any available unobligated balances from prior appropriations Acts may be obligated before October 1, 2024 for fiscal years 2017 and 2018 military construction projects for which project authorization has not lapsed or for which authorization is extended for fiscal year 2023 by a National Defense Authorization Act: Provided, That no amounts may be obligated pursuant to this section from amounts that were designated by the Congress as an emergency requirement pursuant to a concurrent resolution on the budget or the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

SEC. 125. For the purposes of this Act, the term "congressional defense committees" means the Committees on Armed Services of the House of Representatives and the Senate, the Subcommittee on Military Construction and Veterans Affairs of the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate, and the Subcommittee on Military Construction and Veterans Affairs of the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives.

SEC. 126. For an additional amount for the accounts and in the amounts specified for planning and design and unspecified minor construction, for improving military installation resilience, to remain available until September 30, 2027:

"Military Construction, Army", \$40,000,000; "Military Construction, Navy and Marine Corps", \$40,000,000;

"Military Construction, Air Force" \$40,000,000; and

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} ``Military & Construction, & Defense-Wide", $15,000,000: \end{tabular}$ 

Provided, That not later than 60 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the military department concerned, or their designee, shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress an expenditure plan for funds provided under this section: Provided further, That the Secretary of the military department concerned may not obligate or expend any funds prior to approval by the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress of the expenditure plan required by this section.

SEC. 127. For an additional amount for the accounts and in the amounts specified for planning and design, for child development centers, to remain available until September 30, 2027:

"Military Construction, Army", \$15,000,000; "Military Construction, Navy and Marine

Corps'', \$15,000,000; and ''Military Construction, Air Force'', \$15,000,000:

Provided, That not later than 60 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the military department concerned, or their designee, shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress an expenditure plan for funds provided under this section.

SEC. 128. For an additional amount for "Military Construction, Air Force", \$360,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2027, for expenses incurred as a result of natural disasters: Provided, That not later than 60 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Air Force, or their designee, shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress an expenditure plan for funds provided under this section.

SEC. 129. For an additional amount for the accounts and in the amounts specified for planning and design, unspecified minor construction, and authorized major construction projects, for construction improvements to Department of Defense laboratory facilities, to remain available until September 30, 2027:

"Military Construction, Army", \$40,000,000; "Military Construction, Navy and Marine Corps", \$30,000,000; and

"Military Construction, Air Force", \$30.000.000:

Provided, That not later than 30 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the military department concerned, or their designee, shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress an expenditure plan for funds provided under this section: Provided further, That the Secretary of the military department concerned may not obligate or expend any funds prior to approval by the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress of the expenditure plan required by this section.

SEC. 130. For an additional amount for "Mili-ForceConstruction, Air Reserve' \$8,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2027: Provided, That such funds may only be obligated to carry out construction projects identified in the Department of the Air Force's unfunded priority list for fiscal year 2023 submitted to Congress: Provided further, That not later than 60 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Air Force, or a duly authorized designee, shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress an expenditure plan for funds provided under this section.

SEC. 131. For an additional amount for the accounts and in the amounts specified to address cost increases identified subsequent to the fiscal year 2023 budget request for authorized major construction projects included in that request, to remain available until September 30. 2027:

"Military Construction, Army", \$253,500,000; "Military Construction, Navy and Marine Corps", \$200,000,000;

"Military Construction, Air Force", \$30,000,000;

"Military Construction, Defense-Wide", \$37,897,000;

"Military Construction, ArmyNational Guard", \$89,000,000;

'Military Construction, Air National Guard''. \$11.000.000:

Construction. Reserve". 'Militaru Armu\$66.000,000; and

Construction. Navu Reserve" 'Military \$2,660,000:

Provided, That not later than 30 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the military department concerned, or their designee, shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress an expenditure plan for funds provided under this section: Provided further. That the Secretary of the military department concerned may not obligate or expend any funds prior to approval by the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress of the expenditure plan required by this section.

SEC. 132. For an additional amount for "Mili-. \$8,000,000. tary Construction, Defense-Wide" to remain available until September 30, 2027, to address cost increases for authorized major construction projects funded by this Act: Provided, That not later than 30 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, or their designee, shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress an expenditure plan for funds provided under this section: Provided further, That the Secretary of Defense may not obligate or expend any funds prior to approval by the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress of the expenditure plan required by this section.

SEC. 133. For an additional amount for "Military Construction, Navy and Marine Corps" \$100,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2027, for planning and design of water treatment and distribution facilities construction, including relating to improvements of infrastructure and defueling at the Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility: Provided, That not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Navy, or their designee, shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress an expenditure plan for funds provided under this section: Provided further, That the Secretary of the Navy may not obligate or expend any funds prior to approval by the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress of the expenditure plan required by this section.

SEC. 134. For an additional amount for the accounts and in the amounts specified for barracks and unaccompanied personnel housing, to remain available until September 30, 2027:

''Militaru Construction, Armu NationalGuard", \$15,243,000; and

"Military Construction, Army Reserve". \$68,400,000:

Provided, That such funds may only be obligated to carry out construction projects identified in the Department's unfunded priority list for fiscal year 2023 submitted to Congress: Provided further, That not later than 30 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Army, or their designee, shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress an expenditure plan for funds provided under this section.

SEC. 135. For an additional amount for "Family Housing Construction, Army", \$138,783,000, to remain available until September 30, 2027: Provided, That such funds may only be obligated to carry out construction, improvement, and replacement projects identified in the Department of the Army's cost to complete projects list of previously appropriated projects submitted to Congress: Provided further, That, of the amount made available under this section, \$28,900,000 shall be available for projects within the continental United States: Provided further, That such projects are subject to authorization prior to obligation and expenditure of funds to carry out construction: Provided further, That

not later than 30 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Army, or their designee, shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress an expenditure plan for funds provided under this section.

SEC. 136. For an additional amount for the accounts and in the amounts specified for child development centers, to remain available until September 30, 2027:
"Military Construction, Army", \$9,000,000;

"Military Construction, Navy and Marine

Corps'', \$47,940,000; and "Military Construc Construction, AirForce", \$22,393,000

Provided, That such funds may only be obligated to carry out construction projects identified in the respective military department's Future Years Defense Program list for fiscal year 2023 submitted to Congress, or the respective military department's cost to complete project list of previously appropriated projects submitted to Congress: Provided further, That not later than 30 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the military department concerned, or their designee, shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress an expenditure plan for funds provided under this section.

#### TITLE II

## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

VETERANS BENEFITS ADMINISTRATION COMPENSATION AND PENSIONS

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For the payment of compensation benefits to or on behalf of veterans and a pilot program for disability examinations as authorized by section 107 and chapters 11, 13, 18, 51, 53, 55, and 61 of title 38, United States Code; pension benefits to or on behalf of veterans as authorized by chapters 15, 51, 53, 55, and 61 of title 38, United States Code; and burial benefits, the Reinstated Entitlement Program for Survivors, emergency and other officers' retirement pay, adjustedservice credits and certificates, payment of premiums due on commercial life insurance policies guaranteed under the provisions of title IV of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act (50 U.S.C. App. 541 et seq.) and for other benefits as authorized by sections 107, 1312, 1977, and 2106, and chapters 23, 51, 53, 55, and 61 of title 38, United States Code, \$146,778,136,000, which shall become available on October 1, 2023, to remain available until expended: Provided, That not to exceed \$21,423,000 of the amount made available for fiscal year 2024 under this heading shall be reimbursed to "General Operating Expenses, Veterans Benefits Administration", and "Information Technology Systems" for necessary expenses in implementing the provisions of chapters 51, 53, and 55 of title 38, United States Code, the funding source for which is specifically provided as the "Compensation and Pensions" propriation: Provided further, That such sums as may be earned on an actual qualifying patient basis, shall be reimbursed to "Medical Care Collections Fund" to augment the funding of individual medical facilities for nursing home care provided to pensioners as authorized.

## READJUSTMENT BENEFITS

For the payment of readjustment and rehabilitation benefits to or on behalf of veterans as authorized by chapters 21, 30, 31, 33, 34, 35, 36, 39, 41, 51, 53, 55, and 61 of title 38, United States Code, \$8,452,500,000, which shall become available on October 1, 2023, to remain available until expended: Provided, That expenses for rehabilitation program services and assistance which the Secretary is authorized to provide under subsection (a) of section 3104 of title 38, United States Code, other than under paragraphs (1), (2), (5), and (11) of that subsection, shall be charged to this account.

## VETERANS INSURANCE AND INDEMNITIES

For military and naval insurance, national service life insurance, servicemen's indemnities, service-disabled veterans insurance, and veterans mortgage life insurance as authorized by chapters 19 and 21 of title 38, United States Code, \$121,126,000, which shall become available on October 1, 2023, to remain available until expended.

## VETERANS HOUSING BENEFIT PROGRAM FUND

For the cost of direct and guaranteed loans, such sums as may be necessary to carry out the program, as authorized by subchapters I through III of chapter 37 of title 38, United States Code: Provided, That such costs, including the cost of modifying such loans, shall be as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974: Provided further, That, during fiscal year 2023, within the resources available, not to exceed \$500,000 in gross obligations for direct loans are authorized for specially adapted housing loans.

In addition, for administrative expenses to carry out the direct and guaranteed loan programs, \$282,361,131.

## VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION LOANS PROGRAM ACCOUNT

For the cost of direct loans, \$7,171, as authorized by chapter 31 of title 38, United States Code: Provided. That such costs, including the cost of modifying such loans, shall be as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974: Provided further, That funds made available under this heading are available to subsidize gross obligations for the principal amount of direct loans not to exceed \$942.330.

In addition, for administrative expenses necessary to carry out the direct loan program, \$445.698, which may be paid to the appropria $tion\ for\ ``General\ Operating\ Expenses,\ Veterans$ Benefits Administration".

### NATIVE AMERICAN VETERAN HOUSING LOAN PROGRAM ACCOUNT

For administrative expenses to carry out the direct loan program authorized by subchapter V of chapter 37 of title 38, United States Code, \$1,400,000.

#### GENERAL OPERATING EXPENSES, VETERANS BENEFITS ADMINISTRATION

For necessary operating expenses of the Veterans Benefits Administration, not otherwise provided for, including hire of passenger motor vehicles, reimbursement of the General Services Administration for security guard services, and reimbursement of the Department of Defense for overseas employee costof\$3,863,000,000: Provided, That expenses for services and assistance authorized under paragraphs (1), (2), (5), and (11) of section 3104(a) of title 38, United States Code, that the Secretary of Veterans Affairs determines are necessary to enable entitled veterans: (1) to the maximum extent feasible, to become employable and to obtain and maintain suitable employment; or (2) to achieve maximum independence in daily living, shall be charged to this account: Provided further, That, of the funds made available under this heading, not to exceed 10 percent shall remain available until September 30, 2024.

### VETERANS HEALTH ADMINISTRATION MEDICAL SERVICES

For necessary expenses for furnishing, as authorized by law, inpatient and outpatient care and treatment to beneficiaries of the Department of Veterans Affairs and veterans described in section 1705(a) of title 38, United States Code, including care and treatment in facilities not under the jurisdiction of the Department, and including medical supplies and equipment, bioengineering services, food services, and salaries and expenses of healthcare employees hired under title 38, United States Code, assistance and support services for caregivers as authorized by section 1720G of title 38, United States Code, loan repayments authorized by section 604 of the Caregivers and Veterans Omnibus Health Services Act of 2010 (Public Law 111-163; 124 Stat. 1174; 38 U.S.C. 7681 note), monthly assistance allowances authorized by section 322(d) of

title 38, United States Code, grants authorized by section 521A of title 38, United States Code, and administrative expenses necessary to carry out sections 322(d) and 521A of title 38, United States Code, and hospital care and medical services authorized by section 1787 of title 38, United States Code; \$327,000,000, which shall be in addition to funds previously appropriated under this heading that become available on October 1, 2022; and, in addition, \$74,004,000,000, plus reimbursements, shall become available on October 1, 2023, and shall remain available until September 30, 2024: Provided, That, of the amount made available on October 1, 2023, under this heading, \$1,500,000,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2025: Provided further, That, notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall establish a priority for the provision of medical treatment for veterans who have service-connected disabilities, lower income, or have special needs: Provided further. That, notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall give priority funding for the provision of basic medical benefits to veterans in enrollment priority groups 1 through 6: Provided further, That, notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs may authorize the dispensing of prescription drugs from Veterans Health Administration facilities to enrolled veterans with privately written prescriptions based on requirements established by the Secretary: Provided further, That the implementation of the program described in the previous proviso shall incur no additional cost to the Department of Veterans Affairs: Provided further, That the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall ensure that sufficient amounts appropriated under this heading for medical supplies and equipment are available for the acquisition of prosthetics designed specifically for female veterans.

## $MEDICAL\ COMMUNITY\ CARE$

For necessary expenses for furnishing health care to individuals pursuant to chapter 17 of title 38, United States Code, at non-Department facilities, \$4,300,000,000, which shall be in addition to funds previously appropriated under this heading that become available on October 1, 2022; and, in addition, \$33,000,000,000, plus reimbursements, shall become available on October 1, 2023, and shall remain available until September 30, 2024: Provided, That, of the amount made available on October 1, 2023, under this heading, \$2,000,000,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2025.

## MEDICAL SUPPORT AND COMPLIANCE

For necessary expenses in the administration of the medical, hospital, nursing home, domiciliary, construction, supply, and research activities, as authorized by law; administrative expenses in support of capital policy activities; and administrative and legal expenses of the Department for collecting and recovering amounts owed the Department as authorized under chapter 17 of title 38, United States Code, and the Federal Medical Care Recovery Act (42 U.S.C. 2651 et seq.), \$1,400,000,000, which shall be in addition to funds previously appropriated under this heading that become available on October 1, 2022; and, in addition, \$12,300,000,000. plus reimbursements, shall become available on October 1, 2023, and shall remain available until September 30, 2024: Provided, That, of the amount made available on October 1, 2023. under this heading, \$200,000,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2025.

## MEDICAL FACILITIES

For necessary expenses for the maintenance and operation of hospitals, nursing homes, domiciliary facilities, and other necessary facilities of the Veterans Health Administration; for administrative expenses in support of planning design, project management, real property acquisition and disposition, construction, and renovation of any facility under the jurisdiction or

for the use of the Department; for oversight, engineering, and architectural activities not charged to project costs; for repairing, altering, improving, or providing facilities in the several hospitals and homes under the jurisdiction of the Department, not otherwise provided for, either by contract or by the hire of temporary employees and purchase of materials; for leases of andforlaundry \$1,500,000,000, which shall be in addition to funds previously appropriated under this heading that become available on October 1, 2022; and, in addition, \$8,800,000,000, plus reimbursements, shall become available on October 1, 2023, and shall remain available until September 30, 2024: Provided, That, of the amount made available on October 1, 2023, under this heading, \$350,000,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2025.

### MEDICAL AND PROSTHETIC RESEARCH

For necessary expenses in carrying out programs of medical and prosthetic research and development as authorized by chapter 73 of title 38, United States Code, \$926,000,000, plus reimbursements, shall remain available until September 30, 2024: Provided, That the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall ensure that sufficient amounts appropriated under this heading are available for prosthetic research specifically for female veterans, and for toxic exposure research.

### NATIONAL CEMETERY ADMINISTRATION

For necessary expenses of the National Cemetery Administration for operations and maintenance, not otherwise provided for, including uniforms or allowances therefor; cemeterial expenses as authorized by law; purchase of one passenger motor vehicle for use in cemeterial operations; hire of passenger motor vehicles; and repair, alteration or improvement of facilities under the jurisdiction of the National Cemetery Administration, \$430,000,000, of which not to exceed 10 percent shall remain available until September 30, 2024.

# DEPARTMENTAL ADMINISTRATION GENERAL ADMINISTRATION (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For necessary operating expenses of the Department of Veterans Affairs, not otherwise provided for, including administrative expenses in support of Department-wide capital planning, management and policy activities, uniforms, or allowances therefor; not to exceed \$25,000 for official reception and representation expenses; hire of passenger motor vehicles; and reimbursement of the General Services Administration for security guard services, \$435,000,000, of which not to exceed 10 percent shall remain available until September 30, 2024: Provided, That funds provided under this heading may be transferred to "General Operating Expenses, Veterans Benefits Administration".

## BOARD OF VETERANS APPEALS

For necessary operating expenses of the Board of Veterans Appeals, \$285,000,000, of which not to exceed 10 percent shall remain available until September 30, 2024.

## INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses for information technology systems and telecommunications support, including developmental information systems and operational information systems; for pay and associated costs; and for the capital asset acquisition of information technology systems, including management and related contractual costs of said acquisitions, including contractual costs associated with operations authorized by section 3109 of title 5, United States Code, \$5,782,000,000, plus reimbursements: Provided, That \$1,494,230,000 shall be for pay and associated costs, of which not to exceed 3 percent shall remain available until September 30, 2024: Provided further, That \$4,145,678,000 shall be for

operations and maintenance, of which not to exceed 5 percent shall remain available until Sep-2024: Provided further, \$142,092,000 shall be for information technology systems development, and shall remain available until September 30, 2024: Provided further, That amounts made available for salaries and expenses, operations and maintenance, and information technology systems development may be transferred among the three subaccounts after the Secretary of Veterans Affairs requests from the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress the authority to make the transfer and an approval is issued: Provided further, That amounts made available for the 'Information Technology Systems" account for development may be transferred among projects or to newly defined projects: Provided further, That no project may be increased or decreased by more than \$3,000,000 of cost prior to submitting a request to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress to make the transfer and an approval is issued, or absent a response, a period of 30 days has elapsed: Provided further, That the funds made available under this heading for information technology systems development shall be for the projects, and in the amounts, specified in the table enti-"Information Technology Development Projects" under this heading in the report ac $companying\ this\ Act.$ 

#### VETERANS ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORD

For activities related to implementation, preparation, development, interface, management, rollout, and maintenance of a Veterans Electronic Health Record system, including contractual costs associated with operations authorized by section 3109 of title 5, United States Code, and salaries and expenses of employees hired under titles 5 and 38, United States Code, \$1,759,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2025: Provided, That the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress quarterly reports detailing obligations, expenditures and deployment implementation by facility, including any changes from the deployment plan or schedule: Provided further. That the funds provided in this account shall only be available to the Office of the Deputy Secretary, to be administered by that Office: Provided further, That 25 percent of the funds made available under this heading shall not be available until July 1, 2023, and are contingent upon the Secretary of Veterans Affairs providing a certification of any changes to the deployment schedules contained in the plan submitted pursuant to the last proviso under this heading in division J of Public Law 117-103, an updated plan with benchmarks and measurable metrics for deployment, and an updated plan for addressing all required infrastructure upgrades, no later than 30 days prior to that date to the Committees on Appropriations, and upon approval of the Committees on Appropriations prior to that date.

## OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector General, to include information technology, in carrying out the provisions of the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.), \$273,000,000, of which not to exceed 10 percent shall remain available until September 30, 2024.

## CONSTRUCTION, MAJOR PROJECTS

For constructing, altering, extending, and improving any of the facilities, including parking projects, under the jurisdiction or for the use of the Department of Veterans Affairs, or for any of the purposes set forth in sections 316, 2404, 2406 and chapter 81 of title 38, United States Code, not otherwise provided for, including planning, architectural and engineering services, construction management services, maintenance or guarantee period services costs associated with equipment guarantees provided under the project, services of claims analysts, offsite

utility and storm drainage system construction costs, and site acquisition, where the estimated cost of a project is more than the amount set forth in section 8104(a)(3)(A) of title 38, United States Code, or where funds for a project were made available in a previous major project appropriation, \$1,371,890,000, of which \$731,722,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2027, and of which \$640,168,000 shall remain available until expended, of which \$1,500,000 shall be available for seismic improvement projects and seismic program management activities, including for projects that would otherwise be funded by the Construction, Minor Projects, Medical Facilities or National Cemetery Administration accounts: Provided, That except for advance planning activities, including needs assessments which may or may not lead to capital investments, and other capital asset management related activities, including portfolio development and management activities, and planning, cost estimating, and design for major medical facility projects and major medical facility leases and investment strategy studies funded through the advance planning fund and the planning and design activities funded through the design fund, staffing expenses, and funds provided for the purchase, security, and maintenance of land for the National Cemetery Administration through the land acquisition line item, none of the funds made available under this heading shall be used for any project that has not been notified to Congress through the budgetary process or that has not been approved by the Congress through statute, joint resolution, or in the explanatory statement accompanying such Act and presented to the President at the time of enrollment: Provided further, That such sums as may be necessary shall be available to reimburse the "General Administration" account for payment of salaries and expenses of all Office of Construction and Facilities Management employees to support the full range of capital infrastructure services provided, including minor construction and leasing services: Provided further, That funds made available under this heading for fiscal year 2023, for each approved project shall be obligated: (1) by the awarding of a construction documents contract by September 30, 2023; and (2) by the awarding of a construction contract by September 30, 2024: Provided further, That the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall promptly submit to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress a written report on any approved major construction project for which obligations are not incurred within the time limitations established above: Provided further. That notwithstanding the requirements of section 8104(a) of title 38. United States Code, amounts made available under this heading for seismic improvement projects and seismic program management activities shall be available for the completion of both new and existing seismic projects of the Department.

## CONSTRUCTION, MINOR PROJECTS

For constructing, altering, extending, and improving any of the facilities, including parking projects, under the jurisdiction or for the use of the Department of Veterans Affairs, including planning and assessments of needs which may lead to capital investments, architectural and engineering services, maintenance or guarantee period services costs associated with equipment guarantees provided under the project, services of claims analysts, offsite utility and storm drainage system construction costs, and site acquisition, or for any of the purposes set forth in sections 316, 2404, 2406 and chapter 81 of title 38, United States Code, not otherwise provided for, where the estimated cost of a project is equal to or less than the amount set forth in section 8104(a)(3)(A) of title 38, United States Code, \$626,110,000, of which \$563,499,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2027, and of which \$62,611,000 shall remain available until expended, along with unobligated balances of pre-"Construction, Minor Projects" appropriations which are hereby made available for any project where the estimated cost is equal to or less than the amount set forth in such section: Provided, That funds made available under this heading shall be for: (1) repairs to any of the nonmedical facilities under the jurisdiction or for the use of the Department which are necessary because of loss or damage caused by any natural disaster or catastrophe; and (2) temporary measures necessary to prevent or to minimize further loss by such causes.

#### GRANTS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF STATE EXTENDED CARE FACILITIES

For grants to assist States to acquire or construct State nursing home and domiciliary facilities and to remodel, modify, or alter existing hospital, nursing home, and domiciliary facilities in State homes, for furnishing care to veterans as authorized by sections 8131 through 8137 of title 38, United States Code, \$150,000,000, to remain available until expended.

## $\begin{array}{c} \textit{GRANTS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF VETERANS} \\ \textit{CEMETERIES} \end{array}$

For grants to assist States and tribal organizations in establishing, expanding, or improving veterans cemeteries as authorized by section 2408 of title 38, United States Code, \$50,000,000, to remain available until expended.

## ASSET AND INFRASTRUCTURE REVIEW

For carrying out the VA Asset and Infrastructure Review Act of 2018 (subtitle A of title II of Public Law 115–182), \$5,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024.

## ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

#### (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 201. Any appropriation for fiscal year 2023 for "Compensation and Pensions", "Readjustment Benefits", and "Veterans Insurance and Indemnities" may be transferred as necessary to any other of the mentioned appropriations: Provided, That, before a transfer may take place, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall request from the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress the authority to make the transfer and such Committees issue an approval, or absent a response, a period of 30 days has elapsed.

## (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 202. Amounts made available for the Department of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 2023, in this or any other Act, under the "Med-Services" "Medical Community Care". 'Medical Support and Compliance'', and "Medical Facilities" accounts may be transferred among the accounts: Provided, That any transfers among the "Medical Services", "Medical Community Care", and "Medical Support and Compliance" accounts of 1 percent or less of the total amount appropriated to the account in this or any other Act may take place subject to notification from the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress of the amount and purpose of the transfer: Provided further, That any transfers among the "Medical Services", "Medical Community Care", and "Medical Support and Compliance" accounts in excess of 1 percent, or exceeding the cumulative 1 percent for the fiscal year, may take place only after the Secretary requests from the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress the authority to make the transfer and an approval is issued: Provided further, That any transfers to or from the "Medical Facilities" account may take place only after the Secretary requests from the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress the authority to make the transfer and an approval is issued.

SEC. 203. Appropriations available in this title for salaries and expenses shall be available for services authorized by section 3109 of title 5, United States Code; hire of passenger motor vehicles; lease of a facility or land or both; and uniforms or allowances therefore, as authorized by sections 5901 through 5902 of title 5, United States Code.

SEC. 204. No appropriations in this title (except the appropriations for "Construction, Major Projects", and "Construction, Minor Projects") shall be available for the purchase of any site for or toward the construction of any new hospital or home.

SEC. 205. No appropriations in this title shall be available for hospitalization or examination of any persons (except beneficiaries entitled to such hospitalization or examination under the laws providing such benefits to veterans, and persons receiving such treatment under sections 7901 through 7904 of title 5, United States Code, or the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq.)), unless reimbursement of the cost of such hospitalization or examination is made to the "Medical Services" account at such rates as may be fixed by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

SEC. 206. Appropriations available in this title for "Compensation and Pensions", "Readjustment Benefits", and "Veterans Insurance and Indemnities" shall be available for payment of prior year accrued obligations required to be recorded by law against the corresponding prior year accounts within the last quarter of fiscal year 2022.

SEC. 207. Appropriations available in this title shall be available to pay prior year obligations of corresponding prior year appropriations accounts resulting from sections 3328(a), 3334, and 3712(a) of title 31, United States Code, except that if such obligations are from trust fund accounts they shall be payable only from "Compensation and Pensions".

#### (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 208. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, during fiscal year 2023, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall, from the National Service Life Insurance Fund under section 1920 of title 38, United States Code, the Veterans' Special Life Insurance Fund under section 1923 of title 38, United States Code, and the United States Government Life Insurance Fund under section 1955 of title 38, United States Code, reimburse the "General Operating Expenses, Veterans Benefits Administration" and "Information Technology Systems" accounts for the cost of administration of the insurance programs financed through those accounts: Provided. That reimbursement shall be made only from the surplus earnings accumulated in such an insurance program during fiscal year 2023 that are available for dividends in that program after claims have been paid and actuarially determined reserves have been set aside. Provided further That if the cost of administration of such an in $surance\ program\ exceeds\ the\ amount\ of\ surplus$ earnings accumulated in that program, reimbursement shall be made only to the extent of such surplus earnings: Provided further, That the Secretary shall determine the cost of administration for fiscal year 2023 which is properly allocable to the provision of each such insurance program and to the provision of any total disability income insurance included in that insurance program.

SEC. 209. Amounts deducted from enhanceduse lease proceeds to reimburse an account for expenses incurred by that account during a prior fiscal year for providing enhanced-use lease services shall be available until expended.

## (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 210. Funds available in this title or funds for salaries and other administrative expenses shall also be available to reimburse the Office of Resolution Management, Diversity and Inclusion, the Office of Employment Discrimination Complaint Adjudication, and the Alternative Dispute Resolution function within the Office of Human Resources and Administration for all services provided at rates which will recover actual costs but not to exceed \$86,481,000 for the Office of Resolution Management, Diversity and Inclusion, \$6,812,000 for the Office of Employment Discrimination Complaint Adjudication,

and \$4,576,000 for the Alternative Dispute Resolution function within the Office of Human Resources and Administration: Provided, That payments may be made in advance for services to be furnished based on estimated costs: Provided further, That amounts received shall be credited to the "General Administration" and "Information Technology Systems" accounts for use by the office that provided the service.

SEC. 211. No funds of the Department of Veterans Affairs shall be available for hospital care, nursing home care, or medical services provided to any person under chapter 17 of title 38, United States Code, for a non-service-connected disability described in section 1729(a)(2) of such title, unless that person has disclosed to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, in such form as the Secretary may require, current, accurate thirdparty reimbursement information for purposes of section 1729 of such title: Provided, That the Secretary may recover, in the same manner as any other debt due the United States, the reasonable charges for such care or services from any person who does not make such disclosure as required: Provided further, That any amounts so recovered for care or services provided in a prior fiscal year may be obligated by the Secretary during the fiscal year in which amounts are received.

## (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 212. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, proceeds or revenues derived from enhanced-use leasing activities (including disposal) may be deposited into the "Construction, Minor Projects" accounts and be used for construction (including site acquisition and disposition), alterations, and improvements of any medical facility under the jurisdiction or for the use of the Department of Veterans Affairs. Such sums as realized are in addition to the amount provided for in "Construction, Major Projects" and "Construction, Minor Projects"

SEC. 213. Amounts made available under "Medical Services" are available—

(1) for furnishing recreational facilities, supplies, and equipment; and

(2) for funeral expenses, burial expenses, and other expenses incidental to funerals and burials for beneficiaries receiving care in the Department.

## (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 214. Such sums as may be deposited into the Medical Care Collections Fund pursuant to section 1729A of title 38, United States Code, may be transferred to the "Medical Services" and "Medical Community Care" accounts to remain available until expended for the purposes of these accounts.

SEC. 215. The Secretary of Veterans Affairs may enter into agreements with Federally Qualified Health Centers in the State of Alaska and Indian tribes and tribal organizations which are party to the Alaska Native Health Compact with the Indian Health Service, to provide healthcare, including behavioral health and dental care, to veterans in rural Alaska. The Secretary shall require participating veterans and facilities to comply with all appropriate rules and regulations, as established by the Secretary. The term "rural Alaska" shall mean those lands which are not within the boundaries of the municipality of Anchorage or the Fairbanks North Star Borough.

## (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 216. Such sums as may be deposited into the Department of Veterans Affairs Capital Asset Fund pursuant to section 8118 of title 38, United States Code, may be transferred to the "Construction, Major Projects" and "Construction, Minor Projects" accounts, to remain available until expended for the purposes of these accounts

SEC. 217. Not later than 30 days after the end of each fiscal quarter, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress a report on the financial status of the Department of Veterans Affairs for the preceding quarter: Provided, That, at a minimum, the report shall include the direction contained in the paragraph entitled "Quarterly reporting", under the heading "General Administration" in the joint explanatory statement accompanying Public Law 114-223.

#### (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 218. Amounts made available under the ``Medical``MedicalServices". "Medical Support and Compliance", 'Medical Facilities'', "General Operating Expenses, Veterans Benefits Administration", 'Board of Veterans Appeals", "General Adminpenses. istration", and "National Cemetery Administration" accounts for fiscal year 2023 may be transferred to or from the "Information Technology Systems" account: Provided, That such transfers may not result in a more than 10 percent aggregate increase in the total amount made available by this Act for the "Information Technology Systems" account: Provided further, That, before a transfer may take place, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall request from the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress the authority to make the transfer and an approval is issued.

#### (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 219. Of the amounts appropriated to the Department of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 2023 for "Medical Services", "Medical Commu-"Medical Support and Compli-dical Facilities", "Construction, nitu Care". ance" "Medical Facilities", Minor Projects", and "Information Technology Systems", up to \$330,140,000, plus reimbursements, may be transferred to the Joint Department of Defense-Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Facility Demonstration Fund, established by section 1704 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010 (Public Law 111-84; 123 Stat. 2571) and may be used for operation of the facilities designated as combined Federal medical facilities as described by section 706 of the Duncan Hunter National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2009 (Public Law 110-417; 122 Stat. 4500): Provided, That additional funds may be transferred from accounts designated in this section to the Joint Department of Defense-Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Facility Demonstration Fund upon written notification by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress: Provided further, That section 220 of title II of division J of Public Law 117-103 is repealed.

## (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 220. Of the amounts appropriated to the Department of Veterans Affairs which become available on October 1, 2023, for "Medical Serv-"Medical "Medical Community Care". Support and Compliance", and "Medical Facilities", up to \$314,825,000, plus reimbursements, may be transferred to the Joint Department of Defense—Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Facility Demonstration Fund, established by section 1704 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010 (Public Law 111-84; 123 Stat. 2571) and may be used for operation of the facilities designated as combined Federal medical facilities as described by section 706 of the Duncan Hunter National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2009 (Public Law 110-417; 122 Stat. 4500): Provided, That additional funds may be transferred from accounts designated in this section to the Joint Department of Defense-Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Facility Demonstration Fund upon written notification by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress.

## (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 221. Such sums as may be deposited into the Medical Care Collections Fund pursuant to section 1729A of title 38, United States Code, for

healthcare provided at facilities designated as combined Federal medical facilities as described by section 706 of the Duncan Hunter National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2009 (Public Law 110-417; 122 Stat. 4500) shall also be available: (1) for transfer to the Joint Department of Defense-Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Facility Demonstration Fund, established by section 1704 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010 (Public Law 111-84; 123 Stat. 2571); and (2) for operations of the facilities designated as combined Federal medical facilities as described by section 706 of the Duncan Hunter National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2009 (Public Law 110-417; 122 Stat. 4500): Provided, That, notwithstanding section 1704(b)(3) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010 (Public Law 111-84; 123 Stat. 2573), amounts transferred to the Joint Department of Defense—Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Facility Demonstration Fund shall remain available until expended.

#### (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 222. Of the amounts available in this title for "Medical Services", "Medical Community Care", "Medical Support and Compliance", and "Medical Facilities", a minimum of \$15,000,000 shall be transferred to the DOD-VA Health Care Sharing Incentive Fund, as authorized by section 8111(d) of title 38, United States Code, to remain available until expended, for any purpose authorized by section 8111 of title 38, United States Code.

SEC. 223. The Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall notify the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress of all bid savings in a major construction project that total at least \$5,000,000, or 5 percent of the programmed amount of the project, whichever is less: Provided, That such notification shall occur within 14 days of a contract identifying the programmed amount: Provided further, That the Secretary shall notify the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress 14 days prior to the obligation of such bid savings and shall describe the anticipated use of such savings.

SEC. 224. None of the funds made available for "Construction, Major Projects" may be used for a project in excess of the scope specified for that project in the original justification data provided to the Congress as part of the request for appropriations unless the Secretary of Veterans Affairs receives approval from the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress.

SEC. 225. Not later than 30 days after the end of each fiscal quarter, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress a quarterly report containing performance measures and data from each Veterans Benefits Administration Regional Office: Provided, That, at a minimum, the report shall include the direction contained in the section entitled "Disability claims backlog", under the heading "General Operating Expenses, Veterans Benefits Administration" in the joint explanatory statement accompanying Public Law 114-223: Provided further, That the report shall also include information on the number of appeals pending at the Veterans Benefits Administration as well as the Board of Veterans Appeals on a quarterly basis.

SEC. 226. The Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall provide written notification to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress 15 days prior to organizational changes which result in the transfer of 25 or more full-time equivalents from one organizational unit of the Department of Veterans Affairs to another.

SEC. 227. The Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall provide on a quarterly basis to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress notification of any single national outreach and awareness marketing campaign in which obligations exceed \$1,000,000.

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 228. The Secretary of Veterans Affairs, upon determination that such action is necessary to address needs of the Veterans Health Administration, may transfer to the "Medical Services" account any discretionary appropriations made available for fiscal year 2023 in this title (except appropriations made to the "General Operating Expenses, Veterans Benefits Administration" account) or any discretionary unobligated balances within the Department of Veterans Affairs, including those appropriated for fiscal year 2023, that were provided in advance by appropriations Acts: Provided, That transfers shall be made only with the approval of the Office of Management and Budget: Provided further, That the transfer authority provided in this section is in addition to any other transfer authority provided by law: Provided further, That no amounts may be transferred from amounts that were designated by Congress as an emergency requirement pursuant to a concurrent resolution on the budget or the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985: Provided further, That such authority to transfer may not be used unless for higher priority items, based on emergent healthcare reauirements than those for which originally anpropriated and in no case where the item for which funds are requested has been denied by Congress: Provided further, That, upon determination that all or part of the funds transferred from an appropriation are not necessary, such amounts may be transferred back to that appropriation and shall be available for the same purposes as originally appropriated: Provided further, That before a transfer may take place, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall request from the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress the authority to make the transfer and receive approval of that re-

## (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 229. Amounts made available for the Department of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 2023, under the "Board of Veterans Appeals" and the "General Operating Expenses, Veterans Benefits Administration" accounts transferred between such accounts: Provided, That before a transfer may take place, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall request from the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress the authority to make the transfer and receive approval of that request.

SEC. 230. The Secretary of Veterans Affairs may not reprogram funds among major construction projects or programs if such instance of reprogramming will exceed \$7,000,000, unless such reprogramming is approved by the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Con-

SEC. 231. (a) The Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall ensure that the toll-free suicide hotline under section 1720F(h) of title 38, United States

(1) provides to individuals who contact the hotline immediate assistance from a trained professional: and

(2) adheres to all requirements of the Amer-

ican Association of Suicidology.

(b)(1) None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to enforce or otherwise carry out any Executive action that prohibits the Secretary of Veterans Affairs from appointing an individual to occupy a vacant civil service position, or establishing a new civil service position, at the Department of Veterans Affairs with respect to such a position relating to the hotline specified in subsection (a).

(2) In this subsection—

- $\widehat{A}$ ) the term "civil service" has the meaning given such term in section 2101(1) of title 5, United States Code; and
- (B) the term "Executive action" includes— (i) any Executive order, Presidential memorandum, or other action by the President; and
- (ii) any agency policy, order, or other directive.

- (c)(1) The Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall conduct a study on the effectiveness of the hotline specified in subsection (a) during the 5-year period beginning on January 1, 2016, based on an analysis of national suicide data and data collected from such hotline.
- (2) At a minimum, the study required by paragraph (1) shall-
- (A) determine the number of veterans who contact the hotline specified in subsection (a) and who receive follow up services from the hotline or mental health services from the Department of Veterans Affairs thereafter;
- (B) determine the number of veterans who contact the hotline who are not referred to, or do not continue receiving, mental health care who commit suicide; and

(C) determine the number of veterans described in subparagraph (A) who commit or attempt suicide.

SEC. 232. Effective during the period beginning on October 1, 2018, and ending on January 1. 2024, none of the funds made available to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs by this or any other Act may be obligated or expended in contravention of the "Veterans Health Administration Clinical Preventive Services Guidance Statement on the Veterans Health Administration's Screening for Breast Cancer Guidance' published on May 10, 2017, as issued by the Veterans Health Administration National Center for Health Promotion and Disease Prevention.

SEC. 233. Subchapter II of chapter 17 of title 38, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new section (and conforming the table of sections at the beginning of such chapter accordingly):

## "§ 1720K. Infertility counseling and treatment; reimbursement of adoption expenses

"(a) INFERTILITY COUNSELING AND TREAT-MENT.—(1) Pursuant to regulations the Secretary shall prescribe to carry out this subsection, the Secretary may provide infertility counseling and treatment, using assisted reproductive technology, including in vitro fertilization, intrauterine insemination, and other advanced reproductive technologies, to the following:

(A) A veteran-

"(i) who is enrolled in the system of annual patient enrollment established and operated under section 1705 of this title; and

"(ii) who, in the judgment of a health care professional of the Department-

'(I) has a service-connected disability or condition causing or aggravating infertility; or

"(II) is infertile as a result of having received medically necessary treatment pursuant to this

'(B) The spouse of a veteran described in subparagraph (A), or the partner of a veteran described in subparagraph (A) whom the veteran designates for purposes of this subsection.

'(2)(A) The Secretary may contract with a provider of in vitro fertilization services to obtain donor gametes or embryos from third-party donors.

- "(B) The Secretary may only obtain thirdparty donation of gametes or embryos through a contract.
- '(C) The Secretary may not provide assisted reproductive technology services or medical services to third-party donors.
- (3)(A) The Secretary may contract with a facility to furnish the cryopreservation, storage, and transportation of gametes and embruos.
- '(B) The Secretary may not impose any limitation on the period in which an embryo or gamete is cryopreserved and stored pursuant to this subsection.
- (4) The legal status, custody, future use, donation, disposition, or destruction, of gametes or embryos relating to infertility or treatment furnished under this subsection shall be determined in accordance with the law of the State in which the gametes or embryos are located.

f'(5)(A) In prescribing regulations to carry out this subsection, the Secretary shall ensure that any in vitro fertilization (including with respect to the number of retrieval attempts and completed embryo transfer cycles) will be-

"(i) determined using the best medical evidence available; and

'(ii) provided in accordance with applicable standards of care.

'(B) In furnishing in vitro fertilization to a covered individual pursuant to this subsection. the Secretary is responsible only for payment of the costs of the in vitro fertilization services.

'(C) The Secretary may not furnish an in vitro fertilization cycle to a covered individual under this subsection unless the Secretary receives consent for such cycle from each of the following:

(i) The covered individual.

"(ii) If the covered individual is a spouse or partner of a veteran as described in subparagraph (1)(B), the veteran.

(iii) If applicable, the third-party donor.

(6) In this subsection:

- '(A) The term 'covered individual' means a veteran, spouse, or partner who receives infertility counseling and treatment under paraaraph(1).
- '(B) The term 'gamete' means a mature sperm or an oocyte or egg germ cell, as applicable.
- '(C) The term 'infertility' means the inability to procreate without the use of infertility treatment.
- "(D) The term 'in vitro fertilization' means the procedure in which an oocyte is removed from a mature ovarian follicle and fertilized by a sperm cell outside the human body and, at the appropriate time, transferred into the uterus.

'(E) The term 'third-party donor' means an individual who consents to donate the gametes or embryo of the individual for use in treatment furnished pursuant to this subsection.

'(b) Adoption Reimbursement.—(1) Pursuant to regulations the Secretary shall prescribe to carry out this subsection, the Secretary may reimburse an eligible veteran for qualifying adoption expenses incurred by the veteran in the adoption of a child.

"(2) For purposes of this subsection, an eligible veteran is a veteran who meets the following criteria:

'(A) The veteran is enrolled in the system of annual patient enrollment established and operated under section 1705 of this title.

'(B) The veteran, in the judgment of the health care professional of the Department-

'(i) has a service-connected disability or condition causing or aggravating infertility; or

'(ii) is infertile as a result of having received medically necessary treatment pursuant to this chapter.

(3) An adoption for which expenses may be reimbursed under this subsection includes an adoption by a single person, an infant adoption, an intercountry adoption, or an adoption of a child with special needs (as defined in section 473(c) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 673(c))).

"(4) The Secretary may reimburse an eligible veteran for qualifying adoption expenses under this subsection only after the adoption is final.

"(5) The Secretary may not reimburse an eligible veteran for qualifying adoption expenses under this subsection for any expense paid to or for the veteran under any other adoption benefits program administered by the Federal Government or under any such program administered by a State or local government.

'(6)(A)(i) The Secretary may not reimburse an eligible veteran, or two eligible veterans who are partners, for qualifying adoption expenses under this subsection for more than one adop-

'(ii) The Secretary may not reimburse more than one eligible veteran for the qualifying adoption expenses under this subsection for the adoption of the same child.

(B) In prescribing regulations to carry out this subsection, the Secretary shall establish minimum and maximum amounts for the reimbursement of qualifying adoption expenses.

(7) In this subsection:

'(A) Notwithstanding section 101 of this title, the term 'child' means an individual who is under the age of eighteen years.

'(B) The term 'qualified adoption agencu means-

'(i) a State or local government agency that has responsibility under State or local law for child placement through adoption;

'(ii) a nonprofit, voluntary adoption agency that is authorized by State or local law to place children for adoption;

"(iii) any other source authorized by a State to provide adoption placement if the adoption is supervised by a court under State or local law;

or
"(iv) a foreign government or an agency authorized by a foreign government to place children for adoption, in any case in which

"(I) the adopted child is entitled to automatic citizenship under section 320 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1431): or

'(II) a certificate of citizenship has been issued for such child under section 322 of that Act (8 U.S.C. 1433).

(C) The term 'qualifying adoption expenses' means reasonable and necessary expenses that are directly related to the legal adoption of a child, but only if such adoption is arranged by a qualified adoption agency. Such term does not include any expense incurred-

(i) by an adopting parent for travel; or

"(ii) in connection with an adoption arranged in violation of Federal, State, or local law.

(D) The term 'reasonable and necessary expenses' includes-

"(i) public and private agency fees, including adoption fees charged by an agency in a foreign country;

'(ii) placement fees, including fees charged adoptive parents for counseling;

'(iii) legal fees (including court costs) or notary expenses: and

'(iv) medical expenses, including hospital expenses of the biological mother of the child to be adopted and of a newborn infant to be adopted.

SEC. 234. None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act or any other Act for the Department of Veterans Affairs may be used in a manner that is inconsistent with: (1) section 842 of the Transportation, Treasury, Housing and Urban Development, the Judiciary, the District of Columbia, and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act. 2006 (Public Law 109-115; 119 Stat. 2506); or (2) section 8110(a)(5) of title 38. United States Code.

SEC. 235. Section 842 of Public Law 109-115 shall not apply to conversion of an activity or function of the Veterans Health Administration, Veterans Benefits Administration, or National Cemetery Administration to contractor performance by a business concern that is at least 51 percent owned by one or more Indian tribes as defined in section 5304(e) of title 25. United States Code, or one or more Native Hawaiian Organizations as defined in section 637(a)(15) of title 15 United States Code.

SEC. 236. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, in consultation with the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of Labor, shall discontinue using Social Security account numbers to identify individuals in all information systems of the Department of Veterans Affairs as follows:

(1) For all veterans submitting to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs new claims for benefits under laws administered by the Secretary, not later than March 23, 2023.

(2) For all individuals not described in paragraph (1), not later than March 23, 2026.

(b) The Secretary of Veterans Affairs may use a Social Security account number to identify an individual in an information system of the Department of Veterans Affairs if and only if the use of such number is required to obtain information the Secretary requires from an information system that is not under the jurisdiction of the Secretary.

(c) The matter in subsections (a) and (b) shall supersede section 238 of division F of Public Law 116-94.

SEC. 237. For funds provided to the Department of Veterans Affairs for each of fiscal year 2023 and 2024 for "Medical Services", section 239 of division A of Public Law 114-223 shall apply.

SEC. 238. None of the funds appropriated in this or prior appropriations Acts or otherwise made available to the Department of Veterans Affairs may be used to transfer any amounts from the Filipino Veterans Equity Compensation Fund to any other account within the Department of Veterans Affairs.

SEC. 239. Of the funds provided to the Department of Veterans Affairs for each of fiscal year 2023 and fiscal year 2024 for "Medical Services" funds may be used in each year to carry out and expand the child care program authorized by section 205 of Public Law 111-163, notwithstanding subsection (e) of such section.

SEC. 240. None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available in this title may be used by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to enter into an agreement related to resolving a dispute or claim with an individual that would restrict in any way the individual from speaking to members of Congress or their staff on any topic not otherwise prohibited from disclosure by Federal law or required by Executive order to be kept secret in the interest of national defense or the conduct of foreign affairs.

SEC. 241. For funds provided to the Department of Veterans Affairs for each of fiscal year 2023 and 2024, section 258 of division A of Public

Law 114-223 shall apply.

SEC. 242. (a) None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act may be used to deny an Inspector General funded under this Act timely access to any records, documents, or other materials available to the department or agency over which that Inspector General has responsibilities under the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.), or to prevent or impede the access of the Inspector General to such records, documents, or other materials, under any provision of law, except a provision of law that expressly refers to such Inspector General and expressly limits the right of access.

(b) A department or agency covered by this section shall provide its Inspector General access to all records, documents, and other materials in a timely manner.

(c) Each Inspector General shall ensure compliance with statutory limitations on disclosure relevant to the information provided by the establishment over which that Inspector General has responsibilities under the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.).

(d) Each Inspector General covered by this section shall report to the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate and the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives within 5 calendar days of any failure by any department or agency covered by this section to comply with this requirement.

SEC. 243. None of the funds made available in this Act may be used in a manner that would increase wait times for veterans who seek care at medical facilities of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

SEC. 244. None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act to the Veterans Health Administration may be used in fiscal year 2023 to convert any program which received specific purpose funds in fiscal year 2022 to a general purpose funded program unless the Secretary of Veterans Affairs submits written notification of any such proposal to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress at least 30 days prior to any such action and an approval is issued by the Committees.

SEC. 245. (a) Except as provided by subsection (b), none of the funds made available by this Act may be used by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to purchase, breed, transport, house, feed, maintain, dispose of, or experiment on, dogs or cats as part of the conduct of any study including an assignment of pain category D or E, as defined by the Pain and Distress Categories of the Department of Agriculture (or such successor categories developed pursuant to section 13 of the Animal Welfare Act (7 U.S.C. 2143))

(b) Subsection (a) shall not apply to training programs or studies of service dogs described in section 1714 of title 38. United States Code, or section 17.148 of title 38. Code of Federal Regulations.

SEC. 246. Amounts made available for the "Veterans Health Administration, Medical Community Care" account in this or any other Act for fiscal years 2023 and 2024 may be used for expenses that would otherwise be payable from the Veterans Choice Fund established by section 802 of the Veterans Access, Choice, and Accountability Act, as amended (38 U.S.C. 1701 note).

SEC. 247. Obligations and expenditures applicable to the "Medical Services" account in fiscal years 2017 through 2019 for aid to state homes (as authorized by section 1741 of title 38, United States Code) shall remain in the "Medical Community Care" account for such fiscal years.

SEC. 248. Of the amounts made available for the Department of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 2023, in this or any other Act, under the 'Veterans Health. Administration—Medical Services', "Veterans Health Administration— Medical Community Care", "Veterans Health Administration—Medical Support and Compliance", and "Veterans Health Administration-Medical Facilities" accounts, \$911,119,000 shall be made available for gender-specific care and programmatic efforts to deliver care for women veterans.

#### (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 249. Amounts made available for the Department of Veterans Affairs for "Medical Facilities" and "General Administration" in this Act or prior Acts that remain available for obligation in fiscal year 2023 may be transferred as necessary to the "Asset and Infrastructure Review" account for the purposes of carrying out the VA Asset and Infrastructure Review Act of 2018 (subtitle A of title II of Public Law 115-182): Provided. That the total amounts transferred may not increase the account by more than \$2,000,000: Provided further, That in advance of any such transfer, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall request from the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress the authority to make the transfer and such Committees issue an approval, or absent a response, a period of 30 days has elapsed.

## (RESCISSION OF FUNDS)

SEC. 250. Of the unobligated balances in the "Recurring Expenses Transformational Fund established in section 243 of division J of Public Law 114–113, \$48,132,853 is hereby rescinded.

SEC. 251. Not later than 30 days after the end of each fiscal quarter, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress a quarterly report on the status of the "Veterans Medical Care and Health Fund", established to execute section 8002 of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Public Law 117-2): Provided, That, at a minimum, the report shall include an update on obligations by program, project or activity and a plan for expending the remaining funds: Provided further, That the Secretary of Veterans Affairs must submit notification of any plans to reallocate funds from the current apportionment categories of "Medical Services" 'Medical Support and Compliance'', "Medical Facilities'', ''Medical Community Care'', or 'Medical and Prosthetic Research'', including Facilities", the amount and purpose of each reallocation to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress and such Committees issue an approval, or absent a response, a period of 30 daus has elapsed.

SEC. 252. By no later than September 30, 2023, the Secretary shall commence construction of the Community-Based Outpatient Clinic in Bakersfield, California in accordance with Lease No. 36C10F20L0008.

## $TITLE\ III$ $RELATED\ AGENCIES$

AMERICAN BATTLE MONUMENTS COMMISSION SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for, of the American Battle Monuments Commission, including the acquisition of land or interest in land in foreign countries; purchases and repair of uniforms for caretakers of national cemeteries and monuments outside of the United States and its territories and possessions; rent of office and garage space in foreign countries; purchase (one-for-one replacement basis only) and hire of passenger motor vehicles; not to exceed \$15,000 for official reception and representation expenses; and insurance of official motor vehicles in foreign countries, when required by law of such countries, \$87,500,000, to remain available until expended.

#### FOREIGN CURRENCY FLUCTUATIONS ACCOUNT

For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for, of the American Battle Monuments Commission, such sums as may be necessary, to remain available until expended, for purposes authorized by section 2109 of title 36, United States Code.

### UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR VETERANS CLAIMS

#### SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses for the operation of the United States Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims as authorized by sections 7251 through 7298 of title 38, United States Code, \$45,159,000: Provided, That \$3,385,000 shall be available for the purpose of providing financial assistance as described and in accordance with the process and reporting procedures set forth under this heading in Public Law 102-229.

# DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE—CIVIL CEMETERIAL EXPENSES, ARMY SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses for maintenance, operation, and improvement of Arlington National Cemetery and Soldiers' and Airmen's Home National Cemetery, including the purchase or lease of passenger motor vehicles for replacement on a one-for-one basis only, and not to exceed \$2,000 for official reception and representation expenses, \$93,400,000, of which not to exceed \$15,000,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2025. In addition, such sums as may be necessary for parking maintenance, repairs and replacement, to be derived from the "Lease of Department of Defense Real Property for Defense Agencies" account.

## CONSTRUCTION

For necessary expenses for planning and design and construction at Arlington National Cemetery and Soldiers' and Airmen's Home National Cemetery, \$62,500,000, to remain available until expended, of which \$2,500,000 shall be for study, planning and design, and architect and engineering services for Memorial Avenue improvements at Arlington National Cemetery; and \$60,000,000 shall be for planning and design and construction associated with the Southern Expansion project at Arlington National Cemetery.

## ARMED FORCES RETIREMENT HOME

## TRUST FUND

For expenses necessary for the Armed Forces Retirement Home to operate and maintain the Armed Forces Retirement Home—Washington, District of Columbia, and the Armed Forces Retirement Home—Gulfport, Mississippi, to be paid from funds available in the Armed Forces Retirement Home Trust Fund, \$75,360,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024, of which \$7,300,000 shall remain available until expended for construction and renovation of the physical plants at the Armed Forces Retirement

Home—Washington, District of Columbia, and the Armed Forces Retirement Home—Gulfport, Mississippi: Provided, That of the amounts made available under this heading from funds available in the Armed Forces Retirement Home Trust Fund, \$25,000,000 shall be paid from the general fund of the Treasury to the Trust Fund.

#### MAJOR CONSTRUCTION

For an additional amount for necessary expenses related to design, planning, and construction for renovation of the Sheridan Building at the Armed Forces Retirement Home—Washington, District of Columbia, \$77,000,000, to remain available until expended, shall be paid from the general fund of the Treasury to the Armed Forces Retirement Home Trust Fund.

### ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISION

SEC. 301. Amounts deposited into the special account established under 10 U.S.C. 7727 are appropriated and shall be available until expended to support activities at the Army National Military Cemeteries.

#### $TITLE\ IV$

#### GENERAL PROVISIONS

SEC. 401. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall remain available for obligation beyond the current fiscal year unless expressly so provided herein.

SEC. 402. None of the funds made available in this Act may be used for any program, project, or activity, when it is made known to the Federal entity or official to which the funds are made available that the program, project, or activity is not in compliance with any Federal law relating to risk assessment, the protection of private property rights, or unfunded mandates.

SEC. 403. All departments and agencies funded under this Act are encouraged, within the limits of the existing statutory authorities and funding, to expand their use of "E-Commerce" technologies and procedures in the conduct of their business practices and public service activities.

SEC. 404. Unless stated otherwise, all reports and notifications required by this Act shall be submitted to the Subcommittee on Military Construction and Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies of the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Subcommittee on Military Construction and Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies of the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate.

SEC. 405. None of the funds made available in this Act may be transferred to any department, agency, or instrumentality of the United States Government except pursuant to a transfer made by, or transfer authority provided in, this or any other appropriations Act.

SEC. 406. None of the funds made available in this Act may be used for a project or program named for an individual serving as a Member, Delegate, or Resident Commissioner of the United States House of Representatives.

SEC. 407. (a) Any agency receiving funds made available in this Act, shall, subject to subsections (b) and (c), post on the public Web site of that agency any report required to be submitted by the Congress in this or any other Act, upon the determination by the head of the agency that it shall serve the national interest.

(b) Subsection (a) shall not apply to a report if—

- (1) the public posting of the report compromises national security; or
- (2) the report contains confidential or proprietary information.
- (c) The head of the agency posting such report shall do so only after such report has been made available to the requesting Committee or Committees of Congress for no less than 45 days.

SEC. 408. (a) None of the funds made available in this Act may be used to maintain or establish a computer network unless such network blocks the viewing, downloading, and exchanging of pornography.

(b) Nothing in subsection (a) shall limit the use of funds necessary for any Federal, State,

tribal, or local law enforcement agency or any other entity carrying out criminal investigations, prosecution, or adjudication activities.

SEC. 409. None of the funds made available in this Act may be used by an agency of the executive branch to pay for first-class travel by an employee of the agency in contravention of sections 301–10.122 through 301–10.124 of title 41, Code of Federal Regulations.

SEC. 410. None of the funds made available in

SEC. 410. None of the funds made available in this Act may be used to execute a contract for goods or services, including construction services, where the contractor has not complied with Executive Order No. 12989.

SEC. 411. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used in contravention of section 101(e)(8) of title 10, United States Code. This division may be cited as the "Military

This division may be cited as the "Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2023".

The Acting CHAIR. No further amendment to the bill shall be in order except those printed in part A of House Report 117–420, amendments en bloc described in section 3 of House Resolution 1232, and pro forma amendments described in section 4 of that resolution.

Each further amendment printed in part A of House Report 117-420 not earlier considered as part of amendments en bloc pursuant to section 3 of House Resolution 1232, shall be considered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, may be withdrawn by the proponent at any time before action thereon, shall not be subject to amendment except as provided by section 4 of House Resolution 1232, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question.

It shall be in order at any time for the chair of the Committee on Appropriations or her designee to offer amendments en bloc consisting of amendments printed in part A of the report not earlier disposed of. Amendments en bloc shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for 30 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations or their designees, shall not be subject to amendment, except as provided by section 4 of House Resolution 1232, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question.

During consideration of the bill for amendment, the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations or their respective designees may offer up to five pro forma amendments each at any point for the purpose of debate.

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Chair, I move to strike the last word.

The Acting CHAIR. The gentlewoman from Connecticut is recognized for 5 minutes.

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Chair, I yield to the gentlewoman from California (Ms. LEE), the chairwoman of the State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Subcommittee.

Ms. LEE of California. First of all, I thank our chair for the time. I rise in

support of H.R. 8294, which provides funding for numerous critical Federal programs for Fiscal Year 2023.

And let me just take a moment to thank our chairwoman, Rosa Delauro, for leading this appropriations process; what a job. But it was amazing, very inclusive, very democratic, and I thank her for including so much for not only Democrats in the bill, but also for our Republican colleagues.

I also thank Leader HOYER, our Speaker, and Whip CLYBURN for working to get this bill to the floor.

Not least, I thank Chairs BISHOP, KAPTUR, PINGREE, PRICE, QUIGLEY, and WASSERMAN SCHULTZ for their leadership in crafting each of these individual bills included in this package.

I tell you, systemic racism—and you know I am going to talk about that, Mr. Chair—it is really at the heart of every crisis that we face today. This bill responds with critical investments to fight poverty, hunger, homelessness, housing insecurity, the climate crisis, and also includes so many provisions for equity and for justice.

I represent a district in the Bay Area that has some of the biggest challenges with transportation and housing affordability in the country. This bill fully funds President Biden's plan to fight for fair housing. And it includes important investments in housing and transportation equity, to help reverse decades of systemic racism.

The climate crisis threatens the health, safety, air quality, and livelihoods of neighborhoods, especially poor and low-income neighborhoods which primarily are communities of color.

This bill would advance energy independence, lower energy costs, invest in renewable energy and scientific innovation, and address fundamental environmental injustices.

Finally, as the co-chair of the Congressional Cannabis Caucus, I am pleased that this bill furthers the effort to stop unfairly targeting people and businesses in States and localities where voters have chosen to make cannabis legal.

I urge my colleagues to vote for H.R. 8294. I once again thank our chairwoman for such a great job.

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Chair, I yield back the balance of my time.

Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Chair, I move to strike the last word.

The Acting CHAIR. The gentlewoman from Texas is recognized for 5 minutes.

Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Chair, I yield to the gentleman from Arkansas (Mr. WOMACK), the ranking member of the Financial Services and General Government Subcommittee.

Mr. WOMACK. Mr. Chair, I thank the ranking member for the time. I would have been here a little bit earlier, but previous commitments kept me from speaking during general debate.

I rise in opposition to this package of appropriations bills. I am the ranking member of the Financial Services and General Government Subcommittee, and I have a great deal of respect for

my chairman, MIKE QUIGLEY. We work well together. I appreciate the hard work that Mike and his team put in in trying to get a bill that we can come to agreement on.

However, the bill we are debating is packed with unjustifiable spending that ignores the government's unsustainable fiscal trajectory and the historic level of inflation burdening all Americans, and we should be fixing that, not making it worse.

As the pandemic wanes and inflation soars, I was hoping that we could begin reducing spending. Instead, the Financial Services division of this bill increases discretionary spending by over 17 percent.

Many programs in the bill get double-digit percentage increases; some get triple-digit percentage increases. For example, the bill provides:

An increase of 433 percent for election grants;

A 20 percent for the White House;

A 30 percent for the Federal Trade Commission:

A \$1 billion increase for the IRS; and A \$1.6 billion increase for GSA.

These increases are unconscionable when considering the U.S.' historically high debt, now in excess of \$30 trillion, and inflation over 9 percent. The combination of debt and inflation places a heavy burden on future generations of Americans. We should be fixing that.

There are also several controversial policy changes included in the FSGG division, such as allowing D.C. tax dollars to fund abortions, and removing the prohibitions on Federal employee health benefits funding for abortions. These policy changes are no-goes. They make this bill and minibus, as a whole, dead in the water. They will have to be fixed if we are going to come to some agreement.

We need to continue the longstanding legacy riders and drop the poison pills. And we need a top-line spending agreement that reduces nondefense spending and funds national security at an appropriate level.

But maybe the larger question about this bill has more to do with how we came up with these top-line numbers. We allowed the four corners of leadership to dictate these top-line numbers. They didn't come out after a budget process. And we have a Budget Committee over here whose purpose is, in part, to do that very thing.

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But that didn't happen. So we kick out numbers that we won't agree to, wasn't through a budget process where we can define our priorities, the emerging needs of our country, and come to some agreement through a legitimate budget process, but that is not what happened here.

So it is long since time that we stop this process of doing deeming resolutions or burying top-line numbers in rule bills and get back to the process that is laid out for us, and that is to do a budget resolution, House and Senate, to get to some kind of an agreement, and then establish an appropriate appropriation process where we can do these bills individually.

There are 12. We are going to do six today, and then we are going to do six later, but we ought to be doing them individually, and we ought to give the Members of Congress an opportunity—because it is our Article I responsibility. We need to be giving the Members of Congress the ability to have input on these bills and not just let the four corners of leadership decide what we are going to do or what we are not going to do.

So while I oppose this package in its current form, I do look forward to working with my friend MIKE QUIGLEY on a bipartisan compromise, at least on the FSGG side, and then perhaps we can do that for the 12 bills completely and then get about the business of funding the government, which is part of our fundamental responsibility.

Mr. Chair, I appreciate the Madam Ranking Member yielding time.

AMENDMENTS EN BLOC NO. 1 OFFERED BY MS. DELAURO OF CONNECTICUT

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Chair, pursuant to House Resolution 1232, I offer amendments en bloc.

The Acting CHAIR. The Clerk will designate the amendments en bloc.

Amendments en bloc No. 1 consisting of amendment Nos. 1, 18, 31, 44, 53, 79, 83, 97, 118, 128, 139, 151, and 160 printed in part A of House Report 117–420, offered by Ms. DELAURO of Connecticut:

AMENDMENT NO. 1 OFFERED BY MR. ALLEN OF GEORGIA

At the end of division A (before the short title), insert the following:

SEC. \_\_. Each amount made available by this Act (other than an amount required to be made available by a provision of law) is hereby reduced by 5 percent.

AMENDMENT NO. 18 OFFERED BY MR. HERN OF OKLAHOMA

At the end of division A (before the short title), insert the following:

## SEC. \_\_\_. GLOBAL REDUCTION.

Each amount made available by this Act (other than an amount required to be made available by a provision of law or an amount defined as a "security category" under section 250(c)(4)(B) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985) is hereby reduced by 26 percent.

AMENDMENT NO. 31 OFFERED BY MR. NORMAN OF SOUTH CAROLINA

At the end of division A (before the short title), insert the following:

## SEC. \_\_\_. GLOBAL REDUCTION.

Each amount made available by this Act (other than an amount required to be made available by a provision of law) is hereby reduced by 5 percent.

AMENDMENT NO. 44 OFFERED BY MR. HERN OF OKLAHOMA

At the end of division B (before the short title), insert the following:

## SEC. \_\_\_. GLOBAL REDUCTION.

Each amount made available by this Act (other than an amount required to be made available by a provision of law or an amount defined as a "security category" under section 250(c)(4)(B) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985) is hereby reduced by 22 percent.

AMENDMENT NO. 53 OFFERED BY MR. NORMAN OF SOUTH CAROLINA

At the end of division B (before the short title), insert the following:

## SEC. \_\_\_. GLOBAL REDUCTION.

Each amount made available by this Act (other than an amount required to be made available by a provision of law) is hereby reduced by 5 percent.

AMENDMENT NO. 79 OFFERED BY MR. HERN OF OKLAHOMA

At the end of division C (before the short title), insert the following:

### SEC. \_\_\_. GLOBAL REDUCTION.

Each amount made available by this Act (other than an amount required to be made available by a provision of law or an amount defined as a "security category" under section 250(c)(4)(B) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985) is hereby reduced by 24 percent.

AMENDMENT NO. 83 OFFERED BY MR. NORMAN OF SOUTH CAROLINA

At the end of division C (before the short title), insert the following:

## SEC. \_\_\_. GLOBAL REDUCTION.

Each amount made available by this Act (other than an amount required to be made available by a provision of law) is hereby reduced by 5 percent.

AMENDMENT NO. 97 OFFERED BY MR. ALLEN OF GEORGIA

At the end of division D (before the short title), insert the following:

## TITLE IX-ADDITIONAL PROVISION

### SEC. \_\_\_\_\_. GLOBAL REDUCTION.

Each amount made available by any title in this Act (other than an amount required to be made available by a provision of law) is hereby reduced by 5 percent.

AMENDMENT NO. 118 OFFERED BY MR. HERN OF OKLAHOMA

At the end of division D (before the short title), insert the following:

## TITLE IX—ADDITIONAL PROVISION

## SEC. . GLOBAL REDUCTION.

Each amount made available by any title in this Act (other than an amount required to be made available by a provision of law or an amount defined as a "security category" under section 250(c)(4)(B) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985) is hereby reduced by 22 percent.

AMENDMENT NO. 128 OFFERED BY MR. NORMAN

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

At the end of division D (before the short

## TITLE IX—ADDITIONAL PROVISION

## SEC. \_\_\_. GLOBAL REDUCTION.

title), insert the following:

Each amount made available by this Act (other than an amount required to be made available by a provision of law) is hereby reduced by 5 percent.

AMENDMENT NO. 139 OFFERED BY MR. ALLEN OF GEORGIA

At the end of division E (before the short title), insert the following:

## SEC. \_\_\_. GLOBAL REDUCTION.

Each amount made available by this Act (other than an amount required to be made available by a provision of law) is hereby reduced by 5 percent.

AMENDMENT NO. 151 MR. HERN OF OKLAHOMA

At the end of division E (before the short title), insert the following:

## SEC. \_\_\_. GLOBAL REDUCTION.

Each amount made available by this Act (other than an amount required to be made available by a provision of law or an amount defined as a "security category" under section 250(c)(4)(B) of the Balanced Budget and

Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985) is hereby reduced by 22 percent.

AMENDMENT NO. 160 OFFERED BY MR. NORMAN OF SOUTH CAROLINA

At the end of division E (before the short title), insert the following:

## SEC. \_\_\_. GLOBAL REDUCTION.

Each amount made available by this Act (other than an amount required to be made available by a provision of law) is hereby reduced by 5 percent.

The Acting CHAIR. Pursuant to House Resolution 1232, the gentle-woman from Connecticut (Ms. DELAURO) and the gentlewoman from Texas (Ms. GRANGER) each will control 15 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Connecticut.

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Chair, I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Chair, I yield 2 minutes to the gentleman from Oklahoma (Mr. HERN).

Mr. HERN. Mr. Chair, I rise today with a deep concern over the rampant spending that has come out of this Chamber over the last 2 years.

While our constituents suffer from 40-year high inflation, this Chamber has done nothing to help them. Instead, my colleagues across the aisle have doubled down on their reckless spending and continue to make each bill bigger than the last. The spending has got to stop.

We know that the American Rescue Plan was the catalyst for inflation problems. We know that Biden's agenda has worsened those inflationary pressures. And yet, today—today—we are looking at even more exorbitant spending.

We have been here before. Me and my colleagues remember the 1970s and the 1980s when inflation was even worse than it is today.

Inflation isn't new. We know how to reverse it. We have to stop the spending. That is what my amendments do, cut our spending.

I urge every Member of this Chamber to support my amendments, which will cut wasteful spending from government programs.

The status quo is not serving our constituents. For 20 years, we have operated without the appropriate appropriations process in this country. For the last 4 years, since I have been in Congress, I've never seen a budget that has been provided and worked out, as my colleague just mentioned prior to me.

The spending has continued to rise unchallenged. When will it end? To maintain what we have done for the last 20 years is a disservice to the people counting on us.

When I am home in Oklahoma, the only thing my constituents ask me is: How are you going to stop inflation?

I know it is the same for all of my colleagues. Here is how we can answer them: Cut the spending.

Mr. Chair, I urge adoption of my amendments from both sides of the aisle.

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Chair, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

While I have offered this en bloc amendment for the purposes of legislative efficiency, I strongly oppose it. This en bloc amendment makes severe and harmful cuts to the minibus.

The draconian cuts are indiscriminate, they are harmful, and they seek to overturn long overdue investments. I urge all Members to oppose this en bloc amendment.

Mr. Chair, I yield 3 minutes to the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. QUIGLEY), the chair of the Subcommittee on Financial Service and General Government.

Mr. QUIGLEY. Mr. Chair, I rise in opposition to the legislation included in this amendment. These amendments would impose 5 and 22 percent cuts across the board.

These cuts are, frankly, a clumsy way to randomly hack away at funding with no thought or consideration to their impact.

The amendment would slash funding for the Small Business Administration by more than \$200 million, severely undercutting much-needed support for small businesses and entrepreneurs.

The reduction to the IRS amendment would reduce staffing across the entire agency, resulting in lower customer service, reduced enforcement efforts, increasing the tax gap, and placing U.S. taxpayers at increased risk of identification theft.

A 22 percent cut to the District of Columbia public safety funding would result in layoffs and reduced service for the D.C. courts, the D.C. Public Defender's Office, and the Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency. The ability to monitor defendants pending trial and returning citizens would be severely hampered.

A cut of this magnitude would also cripple many small but important agencies. It would prevent the Federal Trade Commission from investigating privacy and cybersecurity issues or pursuing cases to block anticompetitive mergers.

It would harm the Consumer Product Safety Commission's ability to monitor and block dangerous products.

Additionally, this amendment would cripple the Office of Personnel Management's distribution of monthly annuity payments, as well as undermine other critical agencies that support millions of Federal workers across the country.

I, therefore, urge my colleagues to vote "no" on this ill-conceived and irresponsible amendment.

Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Chair, I yield 2 minutes to the gentleman from Georgia (Mr. ALLEN).

Mr. ALLEN. Mr. Chair, I rise today in strong support of my amendments on this en bloc package.

Let's review our Nation's fiscal trajectory here. Our Nation is over \$30 trillion in debt. American families are dealing with record inflation, in large part due to unprecedented Federal spending. What does the other side want to do? Spend more money, which will make inflation worse.

This time last year, the President told us inflation was temporary when the rate was just over 5 percent. Fast forward 12 months, and inflation in this country has skyrocketed to 9 percent. This bill spends almost 14 percent over last year's spending levels.

If adopted, my three amendments would reduce spending by a modest 5 percent in Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, Financial Services and General Government, and Department of the Interior, environment divisions of this spending package.

This amendment should be an easy one for everyone to support. Look at the American people. Don't you think they have cut their expenses much more than 5 percent because of inflation? Are we going to respond to them like this? Yet, Democrats oppose those cuts.

Every time I am in the district, I hear about the cost of food, the price of gas, and how the other side's failed fiscal policies are harming American families.

Milk is up 16 percent. Butter is up 21 percent. Eggs are up 33 percent. The American people are not happy, and it is showing up in the President's approval ratings.

Instead of continuing down this reckless path, let's change course. Americans shouldn't have to watch their hard-earned money continue to be devalued due to radical Democratic policies. If we are serious about stopping inflation, Congress must rein in wasteful spending and enact policies that will enable us to reclaim our energy independence.

I urge all Members to vote in favor of my amendments in this en bloc package.

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Chair, I yield 4 minutes to the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. PRICE), the chairman of the Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies.

Mr. PRICE of North Carolina. Mr. Chair, I urge my colleagues to sit up and take notice of this. This is quite an amendment—quite a radical amendment.

It indiscriminately would cut a total of 36 percent from programs in Transportation and Housing without any regard for the merits of the programs, just indiscriminate whacking away.

This is only in the T-HUD section of the bill, and I will limit myself to that. I can't imagine that Members would dream of supporting this amendment.

Investments in our transportation and housing infrastructure will stall. Jobs will be lost. Some of our most vulnerable people, including veterans, children, will be harmed.

This amendment will result in a reduction—I want to stress—in the very programs Republicans profess to support. Let me give you some good examples.

The FAA's Contract Tower Program that enjoyed strong bipartisan support, critical to air safety—whacked away.

NeighborWorks, which supports local solutions to expand affordable housing, increased housing counseling assistance, and strengthens economic development. We increase NeighborWorks under bipartisan urging—slashed.

Community Project Funding. Republicans and Democrats alike have requested these appropriations to address transportation and housing challenges in their local communities. Believe me: If we don't do it, no one will. Those would be drastically cut.

Port infrastructure, another Republican emphasis—cut.

The amendment would even cut the small amount of defense spending included in the T-HUD section of the bill: That would be directed to critical maritime security programs.

Here is what else this amendment would mean the eviction of tens of thousands of low-income households, half of which are elderly or disabled, a growing backlog of roof, elevator, and other critical health and safety repairs to public housing; thousands of homeless veterans, survivors of domestic violence, youth out on the street; and a halt in the production of affordable housing, which already is in short supply.

Roads, bridges, aviation, transit, rail, and port systems across rural and urban communities—having their repair and upkeep halted or slowed, becoming less safe.

The bill before us helps us make progress in rebuilding and restoring our infrastructure. This amendment would take us backward.

It is strange, isn't it, that deficits only seem to matter when it comes to helping people keep a safe roof over their heads and creating a more resilient infrastructure that can withstand the next tornado or earthquake or flood, something every one of our districts benefits from.

This isn't just a run-of-the-mill amendment. I suggest that Members look carefully at what is in it and what it would do and what kind of totally justified criticism they will be subject to if this amendment even comes close to passing. I urge its defeat.

Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Chair, I yield back the balance of my time.

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Chair, I yield 3 minutes to the gentleman from Georgia (Mr. BISHOP), the chairman of the Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies.

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Mr. Chair, I rise in opposition to the en bloc. Mr. HERN's amendment in this en bloc would cut discretionary programs in the agriculture bill by 22 percent. Mr. NORMAN's would cut them by 5 percent. Either level will have devastating and counterproductive consequences across numerous programs.

This would mean cutting rural development initiatives. The 22 percent cut

would reduce much-needed investments in rural broadband, electricity, water and waste systems, and housing at a time when we really, really want to lift our rural communities.

It would mean cutting our investment in farm and conservation programs, agriculture research, Food for Peace grants, and the McGovern-Dole program.

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The Food and Drug Administration budget would be cut by over \$800 million under Mr. HERN's proposal, lessening our ability to address the opioid crisis, medical supply chain issues, infant formula, and food safety.

I ask my colleagues to join me in opposition to these amendments.

Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Chair, I yield 2 minutes to the gentleman from Oklahoma (Mr. HERN).

Mr. HERN. Mr. Chair, I appreciate the comments from my colleagues across the aisle. What the American people have just heard is the only way forward is to spend even more.

Remember, the Obama administration's own Treasury Secretary said the spending is what caused the inflation that you are experiencing that is running rampant across America. The spending is crushing the future of our American kids and our grandkids and future generations, with over \$30 trillion in debt. The same inflation that the Feds right now are raising interest rates, they are going to drive up our mandatory spending on the interest on our debt.

The answer is not to continue spending ourselves into bankruptcy. There has been no offer from my colleagues across the aisle where there is any way to quit spending the amount of money we are seeing today.

Moody's just said that the American people have \$5 trillion more in their bank accounts today than they had just a little over a year ago, money that was sent to them by the Federal Government that we borrow from places like China.

Friends, we have got to be more fiscally responsible. I spent the last 2 years—5½ months last year, 5½ months this year—as the budget chairman for the Republican Study Committee, actually working on the budget, actually seeing where our spending goes.

We cannot keep having double-digit increases in our spending and expect to be ever responsible to the American people for the future of this country.

Ms. Delauro. Mr. Chair, if my colleagues on the other side were so interested in really reducing inflation, I would hope that they would be supportive of the child tax credit, which none of them have supported, which, in fact, the majority of the people using the child tax credit are dealing with food, with clothing, with school supplies, with rent, but all of these expenses have gone up, and the money has run out.

They can't find their way clear to support a child tax credit, and that lack of action from the Congress to renew the child tax credit is trouble, it is big trouble for these families, especially as the costs of life continue to swell due to inflation.

Let's look at the cost of inflation and why we have inflation and take a look at what the oil companies are doing with price gouging. What we ought to do is to do a windfall profits tax on people who are making money hand over fist and refuse to lower the price of gasoline at the pump because they are buying back stock to take care of themselves and their stakeholders.

That is a portion of what is causing inflation and the rise in the cost of living. If you were genuine about that, you would look at these matters as well as just talking about inflation and not looking at the root causes of it today.

Mr. Chair, I yield back the balance of my time.

Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Chair, I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from California (Mr. McCarthy), the Republican leader.

Mr. McCARTHY. Mr. Chairman, I rise today in support of my amendment, which is in part of the en bloc package of amendments No. 7 that is designed to help protect our giant sequoias, which are native to my home State of California, from catastrophic wildfires.

Giant sequoias only grow one place in the world, in California. They live to 2,000, 3,000 years. Historically, they only die when they tumble over after living through so many thousands of years.

But right now, as I stand here, there are currently 1,500 firefighters on the ground working to contain the Washburn fire in Yosemite National Park. The fire is threatening more than 500 giant sequoias, including the world's largest and oldest, the Grizzly Giant.

On record prior, the only time in history that we had giant sequoias dying from fire was in 1297; but in the last 2 years, we have lost 20 percent of all the giant sequoias from fire. Think about that. In just 2 years, we have now lost 20 percent. As we speak and talk right now, 1,500 firefighters are trying to defend 500 giant sequoias, even the oldest one on record.

I led a bipartisan congressional delegation to see the giant sequoias impacted by fires in my district earlier this year. The devastation was shocking. These losses are a clarion call for not only the National Park Service and the U.S. Forest Service to act to remove hazardous fuel buildup so we can reduce the risk of high-intensity fires in these groves, but for Congress to make the critical management reforms and provide the resources necessary to protect these iconic trees.

It is interesting when we were there together in a bipartisan group to study it, there were people from other countries just to come see these majestic beauties. When you talk to the Forest

Service that led us throughout, you would look at their badges. I don't know if anyone has ever taken the time, but these trees are so iconic, they are on the badge of our U.S. Forest Service.

But, again, in the last 2 years, 20 percent of them have been wiped out by fire. If we do nothing, they can all be taken away.

In a Congress as divided as ours today, these giant sequoias have actually united a bipartisan group of lawmakers who are committed to protecting these natural wonders. I have been proud to introduce the Save Our Sequoias Act with fellow California Congressman Scott Peters as well as Natural Resources Ranking Member BRUCE WESTERMAN, Congressman PA-NETTA, Congressman McCLINTOCK, Con-COSTA, Congressman gressman VALADAO. and Congressman GARAMENDI. They have all taken the time to study what is before us right

The SOS Act will help save giant sequoias because it was declared an emergency so we can immediately reduce the risk of catastrophic fires in the giant sequoia groves by removing the hazardous fuel buildup, remove the barriers that prevent the Forest Service and local experts from taking action in advance to save these resources, provide funding for the comprehensive reforestation study.

We are able to come together on this bill because we all have deep understandings that our giant sequoias are in a crisis. That knowledge also brought us together to offer this amendment today. This amendment would prioritize \$5 million in the National Park Service and \$5 million in the U.S. Forest Service to support efforts to reduce the risk of catastrophic fires killing giant sequoias in the Si-Nevada, including environmentally responsible prescribed burns and mechanical thinning, among other things. But this would only be for the groves.

It would also help prioritize funds for the development of a strategy by the Secretaries of the Interior and Agriculture to better protect the giant sequoia groves from catastrophic fires, a requirement included in the fiscal year 2023 Interior Appropriations Committee report.

We are racing against the clock. Fires are burning right now in the Sierra National Forest, threatening these trees. Some of them are more than 2,000 years old. We cannot be the generation that allows these massive and ancient natural wonders to perish on our watch.

I urge my colleagues to support this amendment and vote for the en bloc package No. 7. I thank the chairman, and I thank our ranking member for yielding the time.

Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Chair, I yield back the balance of my time.

The Acting CHAIR. The question is on the amendments en bloc offered by

the gentlewoman from Connecticut (Ms. DELAURO).

The question was taken; and the Acting Chair announced that the noes appeared to have it.

Mr. HERN. Mr. Chair, I demand a recorded vote.

The Acting CHAIR. Pursuant to clause 6 of rule XVIII, further proceedings on the amendments en bloc offered by the gentlewoman from Connecticut will be postponed.

AMENDMENTS EN BLOC NO. 2 OFFERED BY MS. DELAURO OF CONNECTICUT

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Chair, pursuant to House Resolution 1232, I offer amendments en bloc.

The Acting CHAIR. The Clerk will designate the amendments en bloc.

Amendments en bloc No. 2 consisting of amendment Nos. 2, 4, 5, 8, 26, 33, 34, 36, 37, 40, 42, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 52, 56, 57, 59, 60, 61, 64, 65, 69, 74, 75, 76, 77, 81, and 96 printed in part A of House Report number 117–420 offered by Ms. DELAURO of Connecticut:

AMENDMENT NO. 2 OFFERED BY MR. ALLRED OF TEXAS

Page 39, line 1, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$1,000,000) (increased by \$1,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 4 OFFERED BY MR. CARTER OF
LOUISIANA

Page 152, line 25, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$3,000,000,000) (reduced by \$3,000,000,000)".

Page 153, line 2, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$3,000,000,000) (reduced by \$3,000,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 5 OFFERED BY MS. CASTOR OF FLORIDA

Page 26, line 21, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by 115,000,000) (increased by 115,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 8 OFFERED BY MR. DESAULNIER OF CALIFORNIA

Page 162, line 7, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$2,000,000)".

Page 162, line 13, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$2,000,000)".

Page 188, line 22, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$2,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 26 OFFERED BY MR. KAHELE OF HAWAII

Strike section 419 of division A of the bill and insert the following:

SEC. 419. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to approve a new foreign air carrier permit under sections 41301 through 41305 of title 49, United States Code, or exemption application under section 40109 of that title, where such approval would contravene section 40101(a)(5) and (15) of title 49, United States Code.

AMENDMENT NO. 33 OFFERED BY MR. PANETTA OF CALIFORNIA

Page 40, line 9, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$2,000,000)".

Page 45, after line 7, insert the following (and redesignate the subsequent paragraphs accordingly):

(8) \$2,000,000 shall be for grants to eligible entities to carry out activities to benefit pollinators on roadsides and highway rights-ofway under section 11528 of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (23 U.S.C. 332);

AMENDMENT NO. 34 OFFERED BY MR. PFLUGER OF TEXAS

Page 22, line 23, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$1,000,000) (reduced by \$1,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 36 OFFERED BY MS. SHERRILL OF NEW JERSEY

Page 56, line 21, after the dollar amount. insert "(reduced by \$10,000,000) (increased by \$10,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 37 OFFERED BY MS. SHERRILL OF NEW JERSEY

Page 231, line 2, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$5,000,000) (increased by \$5,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 40 OFFERED BY MR. BAIRD OF INDIANA

Page 312, line 3, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$8,000,000)".

Page 311, line 14, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$8,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 42 OFFERED BY MR. BERGMAN OF MICHIGAN

Page 305, line 24, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$1,000,000) (reduced by \$1,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 46 OFFERED BY MS. JACKSON LEE OF TEXAS

Page 245, line 12, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$3,000,000)".

Page 251, line 24, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$2.000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 47 OFFERED BY MS. JACKSON LEE OF TEXAS

At the end of division B (before the short title), insert the following:

SEC. 770. None of the funds made available by this Act under the heading "DOMESTIC FOOD PROGRAMS-Food and Nutrition Service—Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program" may be used in contravention of section 107(b) of division A of the Victims of Trafficking and Violence Protection Act of 2000 (114 Stat. 1475; 22 U.S.C. 7105(b)).

AMENDMENT NO. 48 OFFERED BY MS. JACOBS OF CALIFORNIA

Page 245, line 9, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$3,000,000)"

Page 298, line 19, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$3,000,000)"

Page 299, line 14, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$3,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 49 OFFERED BY MS. KUSTER OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Page 246, line 17, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$700,000)".

Page 288, line 8, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$700,000)"

Page 288, line 9, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$700,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 50 OFFERED BY MR. LARSEN OF WASHINGTON

Page 251, line 24, after the dollar amount. insert "(reduced by \$10,000,000) (increased by \$10,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 52 OFFERED BY MR. NEGUSE OF COLORADO

Page 245, line 6, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$1,000,000)".

Page 270, line 12, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$1,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 56 OFFERED BY MR. PENETTA OF CALIFORNIA

Page 308, line 24, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$3,000,000) (reduced by \$3,000,000)"

AMENDMENT NO. 57 OFFERED BY MR. PFLUGER OF TEXAS

Page 242, line 11, after the first dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$1,000,000) (increased by \$1,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 59 OFFERED BY MS. SCHRIER OF WASHINGTON

At the end of division B (before the short title), insert the following:

SEC. \_\_\_\_.

"Agricultural Programs-Research, Education, and Economics-National Institute of Food and Agriculture-Research and Education Activities" for the establishment of a program to make competitive grants to assist in the facility construction, alteration, acquisition, modernization, renovation, or remodeling of agricultural research facilities, as authorized by the Research Facilities Act (7 U.S.C. 390 et seq.), there is hereby appropriated, and the amount otherwise provided by this Act for "Agricultural Programs-Rural Development-Salaries and Expenses" is hereby reduced by, \$2,000,000.

### AMENDMENT NO. 60 OFFERED BY MS. SPANBERGER OF VIRGINIA

Page 245, line 6, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$2,000,000)"

Page 270, line 12, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$2,000,000)".

> AMENDMENT NO. 61 OFFERED BY MS. SPANBERGER OF VIRGINIA

Page 245, line 6, after the dollar amount. insert "(reduced by \$3,000,000)"

Page 298, line 19, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$3.000.000)"

Page 299, line 6, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$3,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 64 OFFERED BY MR. STAUBER OF MINNESOTA

Page 246, line 17, after the dollar amount. insert "(reduced by \$418,000)"

Page 290, line 21, after the dollar amount. insert "(increased by \$418,000)"

Page 292, line 17, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$418,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 65 OFFERED BY MR. STEIL OF WISCONSIN

Page 311, line 1, after the dollar amount. insert "(increased by \$5,000,000)"

Page 311, line 6, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$5,000,000)"

Page 312, line 3, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$5,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 69 OFFERED BY MR. BEYER OF VIRGINIA

Page 383, line 15, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$234,678,000)"

Page 383, line 15, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$234,678,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 74 OFFERED BY MR.

DESAULNIER OF CALIFORNIA

Page 358, line 3, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$3,000,000)"

Page 360, line 16, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$3,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 75 OFFERED BY MS. ESCOBAR OF TEXAS

Page 387, line 11, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$8,000,000) (reduced by \$8,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 76 OFFERED BY MR. GRAVES OF LOUISIANA

Page 356, line 16, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$1,000,000) (increased by \$1,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 77 OFFERED BY MR. GRAVES OF LOUISIANA

Page 356, line 16, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$1,000,000) (increased by \$1,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 81 OFFERED BY MR. MOORE OF UTAH

Page 361, line 9, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$4,000,000) (increased by \$4.000.000)"

AMENDMENT NO. 96 OFFERED BY MRS. TRAHAN OF MASSACHUSETTS

Page 383, line 15, after the dollar amount. insert "(reduced by \$20,000,000)(increased by \$20,000,000)"

The Acting CHAIR. Pursuant to House Resolution 1232, the gentle-

woman from Connecticut DELAURO) and the gentlewoman from Texas (Ms. Granger) each will control 15 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Connecticut.

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Chair, I yield myself 45 seconds. The en bloc amendment includes a number of proposals offered by my Democratic and Republican colleagues. I urge my colleagues to support the important proposals contained in this amendment, and I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Chair, I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from Utah (Mr. Moore).

Mr. MOORE of Utah. Mr. Chair. I rise today in support of amendment No. 81, which would provide funding for the Modernization Access to Our Public Land Act, otherwise known as the MAPLand Act, which was enacted last April.

I was proud to work with a strong, bipartisan coalition of Members in the House and the Senate to get this bill signed into law, and I appreciate Congresswoman DINGELL for working with me on this amendment before us today.

Making public land information more detailed and accessible in the digital age is one of the many reasons why this bill has enjoyed such broad support as it soared through the legislative process.

Adoption of this amendment today will provide the funding needed to modernize and improve the quality of this data so that Americans can more easily recreate on our Federal lands. which will also improve our ability to fund important conservation programs that enhance and protect habitats across this Nation.

This amendment is about helping families spend more time together outside, about improving the way our government works, and about fostering and sharing the joy of the great outdoors.

Mr. Chair. I urge my colleagues to support amendment No. 81.

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Chair, I yield 3 minutes to the gentlewoman from Washington (Ms. Schrier).

Ms. SCHRIER. Mr. Chair, I am so glad that my amendment to fund the Research Facilities Act was included in this government spending package. We need to address our deferred research maintenance backlog and increase investments in next-generation agriculture research.

This research is critical, as farmers in my district face daunting challenges. For example, the ability for researchers to conduct experiments on plants under various environmental stresses is critical for understanding how crops respond to new climate conditions. Modern facilities can also help researchers screen new crop varieties and understand the impacts of a changing climate on things like nutrient density and susceptibility to pestilence.

Many farmers in Washington State rely on the tremendous research done at institutions like Washington State University. Ensuring that they have modern facilities, cutting-edge facilities, will make it easier for them to attract and keep world-class researchers.

These investments will reposition the United States for leadership, long-term success, and competitiveness around the world, and make sure we are leading in agricultural research and food research.

Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Chair, I yield 3 minutes to the gentleman from Minnesota (Mr. STAUBER).

Mr. STAUBER. Mr. Chair, I rise today in support of my amendment I introduced, which increases the Circuit Rider program. The modest increase of \$418,000, offset entirely, means cleaner water for rural America.

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Circuit riders travel from facility to facility across our small towns, lending expertise and technical assistance because each individual locality does not have the money to pay for their own. Many treatment facilities in rural America have a dozen or less employees, and these circuit riders save money for local budgets and taxpayers.

According to the National Rural Water Association, this minor increase allows for about 90 more circuit riders. That is 90 more experts traveling across rural America and rural Minnesota, lending their invaluable knowledge to our rural water treatment facilities.

In an industry losing expertise to retirement or other jobs, this funding can also be used to keep these missioncritical positions competitive.

Finally, this amendment brings funding for the Circuit Rider Program in line with a request I led along with 50 other bipartisan Members of Congress.

Let's allow rural America to have clean, sanitary water, free up local budgets, and ensure our rural operators get the technical assistance they so desperately need.

Mr. Chair, I urge adoption of my amendment.

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Chair, I yield 3 minutes to the gentleman from Georgia (Mr. BISHOP), the chair of the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Subcommittee.

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Mr. Chair, I rise in support of this bipartisan en bloc. These amendments addressing the Agriculture division of the package were made in order by the rule, and they have been agreed to by both sides.

This was a truly collaborative process between both sides of the aisle, and I believe this bipartisan effort will definitely improve the bill.

I thank the sponsors for their efforts and highlight a few of the issues that are covered by these amendments: encouraging innovation in USDA research programs, protecting victims of trafficking, and increasing funding for the farm-to-school program and the Circuit Rider Program.

Mr. Chair, I support the amendment and urge its adoption. It improves the

Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Chair. I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Chair, I yield 3 minutes to the gentleman from Louisiana (Mr. CARTER).

Mr. CARTER of Louisiana. Mr. Chair, I thank Chairwoman DELAURO very much for the opportunity to speak.

Last year, Hurricane Ida swept through my State, leaving in its wake a shocking, terrible path of destruction. This body saw the devastation of this storm and saw fit to make an immediate downpayment so that the recovery could begin in Louisiana as we assessed the incredible damage.

Implied in that downpayment was a commitment to come back and do more when Louisiana determined its actual need. My State, and many people here, are asking this body to keep its commitment.

Disaster knows no boundary. It can and will hit all of our districts unexpectedly. I promise to be with you when it does. Today, I need this body to stand with me and pass additional hurricane relief funding so that the people of Louisiana can fully recover.

Mr. Chair, I urge the passage of en bloc No. 2.

Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Chair, I yield back the balance of my time.

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Chair. I vield back the balance of my time.

The Acting CHAIR. The question is on the amendments en bloc offered by the gentlewoman from Connecticut (Ms. DELAURO).

The question was taken; and the Acting Chair announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Mr. TIFFANY. Mr. Chair, I demand a recorded vote

The Acting CHAIR. Pursuant to clause 6 of rule XVIII, further proceedings on the amendments en bloc offered by the gentlewoman from Connecticut will be postponed.

AMENDMENTS EN BLOC NO. 3 OFFERED BY MS. DELAURO OF CONNECTICUT

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Chair, pursuant to House Resolution 1232. I offer amendments en bloc.

The Acting CHAIR. The Clerk will designate the amendments en bloc.

Amendments en bloc No. 3 consisting of amendment Nos. 3, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 27, 28, 29, 30, 32, 35, 39, 41, 43, 45, 51, 54, 55, 58, 62, 63, 66, 67, 68, 70, 71, 72, 73, 80, 82, 84, 85, 86, 89, 93, 94, and 95, printed in part A of House Report 117-420, offered by Ms. DELAURO of Connecticut:

#### AMENDMENT NO. 3 OFFERED BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS OF MASSACHUSETTS

Page 7, line 9, after the first dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$15,000,000)".

Page 7, line 9, after the first dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$15,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 6 OFFERED BY MR. COHEN OF TENNESSEE

Page 23, line 7, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$1,000,000)(increased by \$1,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 7 OFFERED BY MR. DANNY K. DAVIS OF ILLINOIS

Page 28, line 18, after the dollar amount. insert "(increased by \$10,000,000)(reduced by \$10,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 9 OFFERED BY MS. ESCOBAR OF TEXAS

Page 5, line 10, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$1,000,000) (reduced by \$1.000.000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 10 OFFERED BY MS. ESCOBAR OF TEXAS

Page 152, line 25, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$1,000,000) (reduced by \$1,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 11 OFFERED BY MS. ESCOBAR OF TEXAS

Page 5, line 10, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$2,000,000)"

Page 5, line 16, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$1,000.000)"

Page 6, line 10, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$1,000,000)".

Page 7, line 23, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$2,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 12 OFFERED BY MS. ESCOBAR OF TEXAS

Page 110, line 1, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$105,800,000) (reduced by \$105,800,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 19 OFFERED BY MS. JACKSON LEE OF TEXAS

Page 190, line 25, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$1,000,000)(increased by \$1,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 20 OFFERED BY MS. JACKSON LEE OF TEXAS

Page 8, line 3, after the dollar amount, insert ''(increased by 1,000,000)''.

AMENDMENT NO. 21 OFFERED BY MS. JACKSON LEE OF TEXAS

Page 152, line 25, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$1,000,000) (increased by \$1,000,000)

Page 153, line 2, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$1,000,000) (increased by \$1.000.000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 22 OFFERED BY MS. JACKSON LEE OF TEXAS

Page 64, line 9, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$1,000,000)(increased by \$1.000.000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 23 OFFERED BY MS. JACKSON LEE OF TEXAS

At the end of division A (before the short title), insert the following:

. None of the funds made avail-SEC. \_\_\_\_\_. None of the funds made available by division A of this Act to the Department of Transportation may be used in contravention of section 306108 of title 54. United States Code

AMENDMENT NO. 24 OFFERED BY MS. JAYAPAL OF WASHINGTON

Page 163, line 8, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$3,604,000,000)".

Page 163, line 8, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$3,604,000,000)"

AMENDMENT NO. 25 OFFERED BY MR. JONES OF NEW YORK

Page 121, line 13, after the dollar amount insert "(reduced by \$1,000,000) (increased by \$1,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 27 OFFERED BY MR. LARSEN OF WASHINGTON

Page 28, line 18, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$1,000,000) (reduced by \$1,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 28 OFFERED BY MR. LEVIN OF MICHIGAN

Page 134, line 1, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$12,500,000) (increased by \$12,500,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 29 OFFERED BY MR. LEVIN OF MICHIGAN

Page 7, line 23, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$1,000,000) (reduced by \$1,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 30 OFFERED BY MS. MANNING OF NORTH CAROLINA

Page 181, line 23, after the dollar amount insert "(reduced by \$1,000,000) (increased by \$1,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 32 OFFERED BY MS. OMAR OF MINNESOTA

Page 181, line 23, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$1,000,000)(increased by \$1,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 35 OFFERED BY MS. PRESSLEY
OF MASSACHUSETTS

Page 76, line 14, after the dollar amount insert "(reduced by \$1,000,000) (increased by \$1.000.000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 39 OFFERED BY MS. WATERS OF CALIFORNIA

Page 111, line 15, after the dollar amount insert "(increased by \$24,000,000) (reduced by \$24,000,000)".

Page 130, line 15, after the dollar amount insert "(increased by \$24,000,000) (reduced by \$24,000,000)".

Page 133, line 23, after the dollar amount insert "(increased by \$65,000,000,000) (reduced by \$65,000,000,000)".

Page 134, line 23, after the dollar amount insert "(increased by \$65,000,000,000) (reduced by \$65,000,000,000)".

Page 152, line 25, after the dollar amount insert "(increased by \$3,000,000,000) (reduced by \$3,000,000,000)".

Page 153, line 2, after the dollar amount insert "(increased by \$3,000,000,000) (reduced by \$3,000,000,000)".

Page 157, line 5, after the dollar amount insert "(increased by \$20,000,000,000) (reduced by \$20,000,000,000)".

Page 157, line 7, after the dollar amount insert "(increased by \$10,000,000,000) (reduced by \$10,000,000,000)".

Page 173, line 5, after the dollar amount insert "(increased by \$500,000,000) (reduced by \$500,000,000)".

Page 175, line 25, after the dollar amount insert "(increased by \$500,000,000) (reduced by \$500,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 41 OFFERED BY MR. BERA OF CALIFORNIA

Page 249, line 13, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$1,500,000) (increased by \$1,500,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 43 OFFERED BY MS. ESCOBAR OF TEXAS

Page 289, line 13, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$10,045,000) (reduced by \$10,045,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 45 OFFERED BY MS. HOULAHAN OF PENNSYLVANIA

Page 244, line 22, after the first dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$10,000,000)".

Page 246, line 17, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$5,000,000)".

Page 286, line 3, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$15,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 51 OFFERED BY MS. MOORE OF WISCONSIN

Page 245, line 6, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$2.000.000)".

Page 298, line 19, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$2,000,000)".

Page 299, line 25, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$2,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 54 OFFERED BY MS. OMAR OF MINNESOTA

Page 298, line 19, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$1,000,000) (increased by \$1,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 55 OFFERED BY MS. OMAR OF MINNESOTA

Page 302, line 1, after the first dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$5,000,000) (increased by \$5,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 58 OFFERED BY MS. PLASKETT OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS

At the end of division B (before the short title), insert the following  $\,$ 

SEC. \_\_\_\_\_. There is hereby appropriated, and the amount otherwise made available by this Act for "Agricultural Programs—Agricultural Marketing Service—Marketing Services" is reduced by, \$10,000,000, to carry out section 4206 of Public Law 115-334.

AMENDMENT NO. 62 OFFERED BY MS. SPANBERGER OF VIRGINIA

Page 308, line 24, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$500,000)".

Page 308, line 24, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$500,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 63 OFFERED BY MS. SPANBERGER OF VIRGINIA

Page 246, line 17, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$1,000,000)".

Page 258, line 22, after the first dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$1,000,000)". AMENDMENT NO. 66 OFFERED BY MS. VELÁZQUEZ OF NEW YORK

Page 302, line 1, after the first dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$1,000,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 67 OFFERED BY MR.

Page 377, line 18, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$2,000,000) (increased by \$2,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 68 OFFERED BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS OF MASSACHUSETTS

Page 377, line 18, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$5,000,000)".

Page 388, line 20, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$5,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 70 OFFERED BY MS. BUSH OF MISSOURI

Page 384, line 25, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$5,000,000)".

Page 388, line 20, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$5,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 71 OFFERED BY MS. BUSH OF MISSOURI

Page 383, line 15, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$500,000)".

Page 388, line 20, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$500,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 72 OFFERED BY MS. BUSH OF MISSOURI

Page 377, line 18, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$5,000,000)".

Page 380, line 2, after the dollar amount.

insert "(reduced by \$5,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 73 OFFERED BY MS. CASTOR OF

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Page 378, line 18, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$30,000,000)(increased by \$30,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 80 OFFERED BY MS. MATSUI OF CALIFORNIA

Page 377, line 18, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$3,000,000)".

Page 388, line 20, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$3,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 82 OFFERED BY MR. NEGUSE OF COLORADO

Page 368, line 25, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$2,000,000)".

Page 371, line 22, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$2,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 84 OFFERED BY MS. OMAR OF MINNESOTA

Page 380, line 2, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$1,000,000) (increased by \$1,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 85 OFFERED BY MS. OMAR OF MINNESOTA

At the end of division C (before the short title), insert the following:

SEC. \_\_\_\_. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used by the Secretary of Energy to make a guarantee under section 1703 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 16513) for a project that does not avoid, reduce, or sequester air pollutants or anthropogenic emissions of greenhouse gases.

AMENDMENT NO. 86 OFFERED BY MR. PETERS OF CALIFORNIA

Page 378, line 18, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$30,500,000)(increased by \$30.500.000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 89 OFFERED BY MR. PHILLIPS OF MINNESOTA

Page 399, line 15, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by 1,000,000)" (increased by 1,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 93 OFFERED BY MS. SCANLON OF PENNSYLVANIA

Page 377, line 18, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$1.00) (increased by \$1.00)".

AMENDMENT NO. 94 OFFERED BY MS. SHERRILL OF NEW JERSEY

Page 377, line 18, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$5,000,000) (increased by \$5,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 95 OFFERED BY MS. SPEIER OF CALIFORNIA

Page 377, line 18, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$3,000,000)".

Page 388, line 20, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$3,000,000)".

The Acting CHAIR. Pursuant to House Resolution 1232, the gentle-woman from Connecticut (Ms. DELAURO) and the gentlewoman from Texas (Ms. GRANGER) each will control 15 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Connecticut.

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Chair, I yield myself 45 seconds.

The amendments en bloc includes a number of proposals offered by my Democratic colleagues. It reflects our shared values of investing in the American people to create good-paying jobs, grow opportunity, and provide a lifeline to the vulnerable.

Mr. Chair, I urge my colleagues to support the important proposals contained in this en bloc, and I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Chair, I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Chair, I yield 3 minutes to the gentleman from Georgia (Mr. BISHOP), the chairman of the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Subcommittee.

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Mr. Chair, I thank the gentlewoman for yielding.

These amendments en bloc address the Agriculture division of this package that were made in order by the rule. I believe they will improve the bill also.

In particular, the amendments will increase the funding for the school breakfast expansion program and further advance the needs of Puerto Rico and the other territories, all of which participate in the Micro-Grants for

Food Security Program. Representative Velázquez' amendment draws attention to Puerto Rico's nutrition needs, where about 1.5 million residents receive nutrition assistance.

The amendments highlight other important issues, such as rural energy efficiency and the need to build our infant formula manufacturing base in this country.

Mr. Chair, I support the amendment, and I urge its adoption.

Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Chair, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

I rise in opposition to the en bloc package of amendments. These 46 amendments do nothing to reduce inflation, fix the supply chain, lower gas prices, or bolster our national security. Instead, these amendments continue the majority's trend of inflationary spending increases, including a proposal to increase mandatory spending by another \$1 billion, just one example of excess spending.

The Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Office receives an enormous 25 percent increase in this bill, and this en bloc package would increase it even more.

My colleagues on the other side of the aisle must understand Americans will not stand for bloated bureaucracy and runaway spending.

Mr. Chair, I urge Members to vote "no" on this en bloc package, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Chair, I yield back the balance of my time.

Miss GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN. Mr. Chair, I rise in support of amendment No. 66 included in En Bloc 3 and sponsored by Congresswoman NYDIA VELÁZQUEZ of New York. I am a cosponsor of this amendment, which supports an increase of \$1 billion for the Nutrition Assistance Program in Puerto Rico for Fiscal Year 2023.

Unlike the 50 states, the U.S, Virgin Islands, and Guam, Puerto Rico does not participate in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, known as SNAP. Instead, we have the NAP block grant, which provides capped funding and serves over 1.4 million of my constituents on the Island.

Due to limited funds, NAP does not automatically adjust to increases in demand These are most common in the aftermath of natural disasters, like we saw after the hurricanes in 2017, and most recently the COVID-19 pandemic. Because of this, we have had to turn to Congress on multiple occasions to advocate for additional emergency NAP funds, included in various disaster supplementals.

The most recent allotment, provided due to COVID-19, was expended last month, meaning Island residents who rely on this program have already noticed a significant reduction in their monthly benefits as we continue managing the challenges related to the pandemic and the rising costs of food. Additional funds are needed since, for many, NAP is the main program that secures their access to a healthy dick

Mr. Speaker, the true remedy to this issue is a transition to SNAP. Currently, NAP beneficiaries in PR receive far less in monthly benefits than their counterparts in SNAP, and don't have access to programs like D-SNAP.

which is a vehicle to get expedited disaster assistance without depending on supplemental legislation. As such, I have introduced H.R. 5220, the Puerto Rico Nutrition Assistance Fairness Act, which transitions Puerto Rico from NAP to SNAP, and I continue working with stakeholders to gather additional input on this issue moving forward.

Still, there is an immediate need at hand. As such, I support this and every effort that seeks to secure additional funds for NAP and underscores the need to transition to SNAP

I urge my colleagues to vote in favor.

Mr. LEVIN of Michigan. Mr. Chair, I rise today in support of my amendment to H.R. 8294, the fiscal year 2023 Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, Agriculture, Rural Development, Energy and Water Development, Financial Services and General Government, Interior, Environment, Military Construction, and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Act, to ensure that Congress is adequately funding Tenant Participation Activities. I thank Chairs ROSA DELAURO AND DAVID PRICE for supporting this amendment.

The right of tenants to organize is a fundamental part of successful federal housing programs. The tenant participation process, built into all of HUD's major housing programs, can ensure that tenants play an integral role in the management process and promote services benefitting all residents. For example, through the public notice and comment process, tenants can prevent changes to the property that will destabilize residents' lives or diminish their rights. Funding resident participation and organizing activities is also an intentional and active way to value the lived experience of assisted families. Their empowerment is essential as we work towards a more just housing system.

At present, these activities are not adequately funded. The allotment that Public Housing Authorities can provide tenant participation activities through a formula-\$25 per occupied unit—has not changed since 2001. As a former union organizer, I understand what a difference even a small amount of funds can make for getting people activated and motivated to join an organizing effort. My amendment seeks to ensure that the PHA allotment is increased to \$40 per occupied unit, per year, adjusted for inflation so that HUD residents have the financial support they need to participate in organizing activities that will improve the lives of residents and their surrounding communities.

I urge my colleagues to support this important amendment.

Mr. LEVIN of Michigan. Mr. Chair, I rise today in support of my amendment to ensure that funding is prioritized for the Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) discretionary grant program in H.R. 8294, the fiscal year 2023 Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, Agriculture, Rural Development, Energy and Water Development, Financial Services and General Government. Interior, Environment, Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Act. It is critical that RAISE grants include equipping our highways with electric vehicle charging equipment, as well as powering public buses and rail with electricity. I thank Chairs Rosa DeLauro and David Price for their support for my amendment.

Today, continued investments in outdated technology that contributes to our planet's disastrous overheating are not sustainable. Instead, we should be investing in projects that will decarbonize and electrify our public transportation sector and help the country achieve net-zero carbon emissions. We must also commit to funding projects that further the goal of equity and uplift our most vulnerable populations, as the effects of climate change have a disproportionate impact on communities of color.

Our planet and the future of younger Americans and future generations depend on our ability to act on climate change now, and take every opportunity to transition away from fossil fuel dependence. Madam Speaker, this is one of those critical opportunities. This is our opportunity to ensure that our infrastructure is sustainable and equitable; to make a strategic investment both in our nation's infrastructure and our environment; to invest in future generations, not just for our grandchildren but for their children and beyond. I urge my colleagues to support this amendment.

Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois. Mr. Chair, I rise in support of En Bloc 3 that includes my Rules amendment number 110 to increase funding for diversity in the aviation field.

Being an aircraft pilot is an in-demand, highpaying profession, with the median annual wage for a commercial pilot being over \$99,000. Unfortunately, the aviation industry is impressively homogenous. According to the Bureau of Labor and Statistics, 93 percent of aviation pilots and engineers in 2021 were White with only 6.1 percent being Hispanic/ Latino, 3.9 percent being Black, and 1.5 percent being Asian. Approximately 95 percent of aviation pilots and engineers are men.

Prior to the pandemic, the pilot pipeline was untenably low, We have heard repeatedly this summer about how the recent travel problems occur in part due to a pilot shortage. The high cost of pilot training is a key barrier to entering the profession, especially for people of color. Pilot training can cost between \$80,000 to \$100,000.

My amendment gives Congress an opportunity to help individuals enter aviation careers while increasing the diversity of the field. My amendment increases and decreases the Research, Engineering, and Development program by \$10 million to highlight the need to double funding for the Aviation Workforce Development Grants. The Aviation Workforce Development Grants program invests in training and diversification of aircraft pilots and aviation maintenance workers. The aircraft pilot program and the aviation maintenance program each is currently authorized at \$5 million. My amendment highlights how doubling funding for these grants would help address the immediate need to increase the aviation workforce with a focus on individuals currently underrepresented in the profession.

Further, my amendment focuses on how the Aviation Workforce program could include more students of color by expanding partnerships with Historically Black Colleges and Universities, Tribal Colleges and Universities, and Universities, and the five Minority Serving Institutions, including: Asian American Native American Pacific Islander-Serving Institutions; Alaska Native and

Native Hawaiian Serving Institutions; Hispanic Serving Institutions; Native American-Serving Non-Tribal Institutions; and Predominantly Black Institutions. These institutions have expertise in educating and graduating low income students of color. Collaborating with these institutions is an effective way to target grants to students from racial/ethnic backgrounds with financial need.

In closing, I urge my colleagues to support my amendment to bring attention to the need to increase funding for aviation workforce training and diversity.

The Acting CHAIR. The question is on the amendments en bloc offered by the gentlewoman from Connecticut (Ms. DELAURO).

The question was taken; and the Acting Chair announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Chair, I demand a recorded vote.

The Acting CHAIR. Pursuant to clause 6 of rule XVIII, further proceedings on the amendments en bloc offered by the gentlewoman from Connecticut will be postponed.

AMENDMENTS EN BLOC NO. 4 OFFERED BY MS. DELAURO OF CONNECTICUT

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Chair, pursuant to House Resolution 1232, I offer amendments en bloc.

The Acting CHAIR. The Clerk will designate the amendments en bloc.

Amendments en bloc No. 4 consisting of amendments Nos. 13 and 179, printed in part A of House Report 117–420, offered by Ms. DELAURO of Connecticut:

AMENDMENT NO. 13 OFFERED BY MR. GOOD OF VIRGINIA

Page 241, after line 8, insert the following: SEC. \_\_\_\_. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to implement, administer, or enforce the prevailing wage requirements in subchapter IV of chapter 31 of title 40, United States Code (commonly referred to as the "Davis-Bacon Act").

AMENDMENT NO. 179 OFFERED BY MR. GOOD OF  $\mbox{VIRGINIA}$ 

Page 241, after line 8, insert the following: SEC. \_\_\_. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to implement, administer, or enforce the prevailing wage requirements in subchapter IV of chapter 31 of title 40, United States Code (commonly referred to as the "Davis-Bacon Act").

The Acting CHAIR. Pursuant to House Resolution 1232, the gentle-woman from Connecticut (Ms. DELAURO) and the gentlewoman from Texas (Ms. GRANGER) each will control 15 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Connecticut.

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Chair, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

I oppose these amendments en bloc. Davis-Bacon is a pretty simple concept and a fair one. What does the Davis-Bacon Act do? It protects the government as well as workers in carrying out the policy of paying a decent wage on government contracts.

The Davis-Bacon Act requires that workers on federally funded construction projects be paid no less than the wages paid in the community for similar work. It requires that every contract for construction to which the

Federal Government is a party, in excess of \$2,000, contain a provision defining the minimum wages paid to various classes of laborers and mechanics.

The House has taken numerous votes on this issue, and on every vote this body has voted to maintain Davis-Bacon requirements. We should not be attacking working-class people, men and women who work every single day for a decent paycheck, and their wages haven't been increased with the cost of inflation. We should defeat the amendment before us today, and we should move on to more important matters.

Mr. Chair, I urge all Members to vote "no," and I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Chair, I yield 10 minutes to the gentleman from California (Mr. VALADAO), a member of the Appropriations Committee.

Mr. VALADAO. Mr. Chair, I request support from my colleagues on a very simple amendment.

This amendment would prohibit the Department of Energy from sending America's Strategic Petroleum Reserve to China. Supporting this language is common sense, especially since we need to focus on increasing energy production and not supporting our adversaries while Americans are still suffering from outrageously high fuel prices here at home.

These reserves are meant to be used for emergencies only. They are not meant to be used when our leadership has failed us by unnecessarily restricting domestic energy production.

What is even more concerning is that under the Biden administration, our Strategic Petroleum Reserve supplies have been severely diminished. It does not make sense that we are using our already depleted energy supplies to help China build up their own strategic reserves.

It is irresponsible and dangerous for the United States to provide our foreign adversary with fuel that we desperately need to keep here in the United States in case of an emergency. It seems the Biden administration is helping to support China's national security at the expense of our own.

It has been suggested that selling resources from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve will help reduce fuel prices here at home. That is simply not true.

What we should be doing instead is supporting our energy producers here in the United States. We have abundant resources here that can and should be used. We are deliberately holding our country back by overregulating and stifling our domestic energy producers. The very last thing we should be doing is sending our precious resources from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve to China. I urge all of my colleagues to support the United States national security by supporting this amendment.

Mr. Chair, I include in the RECORD the text of this amendment.

At the end of division C (before the short title), insert the following:

SEC. \_\_\_\_. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to draw down and sell petroleum products from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve to any entity that does not certify to the Secretary of Energy that—

(1) it is not under the ownership, control, or influence of the Chinese Communist Party; and

(2) such petroleum products will not be exported to the People's Republic of China.

Mr. VALADAO. Mr. Chair, thank you for allowing me this time to talk about the importance of the three amendments I submitted to this bill that, unfortunately, we won't be voting on today.

The severe drought throughout the American West has been negatively impacting my constituents and local community for years.

In the Central Valley, our farmers have had to turn to pumping ground-water to protect their high-value crops. Towns have been forced to pump more and more groundwater to meet their communities' needs. As a result, these communities have experienced land subsidence at the expense of critical water infrastructure.

In the worst cases, farmers are forced to fallow their fields and dry out valuable orchards due to access to little or no water.

My constituents are farmers who feed the world, and with record-high food prices, the inability for our domestic farmers to grow food is going to impact the entire country. The situation is dire and only getting worse.

We can't produce more water, but we can work with the water we already have and apply commonsense solutions to make this water available to our agricultural communities.

My first amendment would have addressed water storage capacity issues by extending the storage provision of subtitle J of the WIIN Act. It would have also created a program to assist in funding the repairs to damaged canal facilities.

Unless these canals are completely restored, the issue of subsidence and resulting unnecessary water loss will continue and conditions will worsen.

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My second amendment would codify the 2019 biological opinions that were independently peer-reviewed and informed by the most accurate and bestavailable science.

Unfortunately, the Biden administration's Bureau of Reclamation has ignored science and reinitiated consultation with the BiOps with no explanation. Codifying the 2019 BiOps would put an end to senseless litigation and provide operational certainty for Valley farmers.

My third amendment was one focused on transparency and would direct the Bureau of Reclamation to provide the Committee on Appropriations with a justification on their decision to reinitiate consultation of 2019 biological opinions. We need to stop playing politics with a resource that the Central Valley is so reliant on.

It is extremely disappointing that the majority rejected each one of these amendments that would bring more water to the communities throughout the Central Valley who are doing everything they possibly can to survive these conditions and provide food for our Nation.

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Chair, I yield 2 minutes to the gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. NORCROSS).

Mr. NORCROSS. Mr. Chairman, I appreciate the gentlewoman for yielding.

Here we are once again having a discussion about Davis-Bacon prevailing wages. Dozens of studies over decades have shown prevailing wages increase productivity, raise wages, helps local contractors, promote high-quality apprenticeship programs. The very thing that we talk about doing here for our districts

Prevailing wage laws increase productivity by attracting higher-quality general contractors and subcontractors to bid on public works; it levels the playing field. As a result, public projects cut down on change orders and finish projects with greater efficiency.

In fact, in 2015, West Virginia repealed its State prevailing wage law, arguing it would allow the State to build five schools instead of four. But after a study, the repeal showed that there were no cost savings from repeal of the law—but massive decreases in wages, out-of-town contractors and apprenticeships.

Not only that, prevailing wage laws are also good for business. They are good for contractor associations. They are good for people.

I find it absolutely unbelievable that we come down and have these discussions each and every time saying: I am fighting to lower wages in my district. This is what my people want, they want to be paid less. Not a word on what the contractor/owners can make. But the workers, the ones who build things, we are fighting to lower those wages.

This is insane. I would call it dumb, but I want to be kinder. We are in a great institution. Let's just call it wrong, hateful, misappropriated.

But the fact of the matter is, we are here to raise the level of quality and, certainly, of helping those who need it most, the ones who build America.

Mr. Chair, I urge my colleagues to defeat this amendment.

Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Chairman, I yield 3 minutes to the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. GOOD).

Mr. GOOD of Virginia. Mr. Chairman, I rise in support of two amendments that would prohibit Federal funding for Davis-Bacon under Division A and Division F of this minibus.

Passed into law in 1931, Davis-Bacon was a conglomeration of many Jim Crow-era policies intended to inflate the wages of government contractors and eliminate competition for labor in favor of White union workers.

Nearly every day on this House floor, we hear from Democrats about how anyone who disagrees with them must obviously be a racist. That is their default response to virtually all opposition to their disastrous policies.

Climate—racist. Healthcare—racist. COVID—racist. Infrastructure—racist. Police—racist. School choice—racist. Border security—racist. Voting Republican—obviously, racist. Being a patriot in the military—racist. Election integrity—super racist.

In fact, the President of the United States called proponents of voter ID worse than Jim Crow. They were "Jim Eagle."

But will any Democrat join me today in this effort to oppose Davis-Bacon, a hateful, legal artifact from the Jim Crow era?

Beyond its history, the Davis-Bacon Act artificially drives up the cost of Federally funded construction projects by requiring the payment of the prevailing wage, an arbitrary wage determined by the Department of Labor, rather than the wage determined by the marketplace. That is never good, and certainly not in the interest of the taxpayer—you know, the ones who pay the bills.

In fact, Davis-Bacon drives up Federal construction costs by about 10 percent every year and costs taxpayers about \$11 billion a year. I know, I know. We waste trillions around here, and we don't care about billions. We don't take that seriously. But why should American taxpayers subsidize unions when only 14 percent of construction workers are unionized.

Billions of Federal dollars are being funneled towards just one-tenth of the entire construction workforce in our country. By inflating wages far above the market rate, we are not helping American workers, we are robbing taxpayers of \$11 billion a year. Nonunion workers are paying more in taxes to subsidize higher union wages for Davis-Bacon workers.

With the Biden price hike driving inflation to a 40-percent high at 9 percent, we should all be thinking about ways to save taxpayer money and make government more efficient. The Biden price hike has the impact of making every American work one month for free this year. That is how much less purchasing power they have.

My legislation to repeal the Davis-Bacon Act has the support of Americans for Prosperity, Citizens Against Government Waste, FreedomWorks, Heritage Action for America, and National Right to Work.

Mr. Chairman, I urge all my colleagues to support my commonsense amendments to prohibit funding for Davis-Bacon and save taxpayers \$11 billion per year.

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Chair, I yield 2 minutes to the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. PRICE), the chairman of the Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies for appropriations.

Mr. PRICE of North Carolina. Mr. Chair, I strongly oppose this amend-

ment. It seeks to waive longstanding prevailing wage requirements that are contained in the Davis-Bacon Act.

This act ensures that workers are paid decent wages while preventing contractors from undercutting competitors by offering wages or setting wages below prevailing levels.

Davis-Bacon helps protect workers. It helps protect the government. Davis-Bacon applies government-wide, but it does particularly apply to the T-HUD sections of the bill. Hence, I strongly oppose it.

I often noted immodestly over these last years when everybody was talking infrastructure—and "Infrastructure Week" almost became a punch line—that while everybody else was talking about it, we were doing it. We were doing it on the T-HUD Appropriations Subcommittee and in the Congress, year after year, plugging away at our infrastructure needs.

And that is what we have done. We have actually made investments in the annual T-HUD bill, and these investments are practically synonymous with construction. That is what they are about. Construction. Construction workers.

There are countless transportation formula and competitive grant programs, as well as affordable housing programs in the bill that follow Davis-Bacon requirements—have done so happily and productively over many years—and they would suddenly face new standards.

Davis-Bacon has helped construction workers in all trades all throughout the Nation since 1931, and there is no need to abandon it now—although Republicans have been trying to abandon it for a good number of those years.

Instead of actively trying to reduce wages, we should be working to lift up workers and increase wages. The Congress has rejected similar amendments in the past because there is a strong bipartisan support in this body for fair labor standards for construction contracts.

So it is my hope that we stop disrespecting working people. Stop disrespecting working people. Stand up for working people. Defeat this amendment before us today.

Mr. Chair, I urge all Members to oppose the en bloc amendment.

Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Chairman, I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Chair, I yield 2 minutes to the gentlewoman from Virginia (Ms. SPANBERGER).

Ms. SPANBERGER. Mr. Chairman, I rise today in support of my amendment to protect seniors and crack down on drug companies obscuring the side effects of their prescription drugs in their television ads.

The United States is one of only two countries that allow direct-to-consumer pharmaceutical advertising, and there are serious consumer safety concerns about these ads. These ads use distracting imagery, such as butterflies, happy puppies, cheesy music, and

beautiful sunrises to distract consumers from a drug's dangerous side effects.

Congress instructed the FDA to crack down on these deceptive techniques more than a decade ago. However, the FDA has misused that statutory deadline by more than a decade.

My amendment simply instructs the agency to finalize the rulemaking as soon as possible. Medical decisions should always be made between a patient and their doctor, not between a patient and their TV screen.

Mr. Chair, I urge my colleagues to support my commonsense consumer protection amendment.

Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Chairman, yield back the balance of my time.

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Chairman, in closing, I just remind my colleagues, this body has rejected this amendment on a bipartisan basis time and time again.

Speaking about inflation, we know that wages have not kept up with inflation, and working people are struggling, living paycheck to paycheck. Why are we dealing with an amendment that would try to curtail wages and prevailing wages for workers every day who go on a job and put forth all of their efforts to be able to get a decent wage to take care of their children, to be able to deal with inflation?

It speaks loudly of my colleagues who refuse to believe that we need to have wages increase to help people fight inflation.

Mr. Chairman, I yield back the balance of my time.

The Acting CHAIR. The question is on the amendments en bloc offered by the gentlewoman from Connecticut (Ms. DELAURO).

The question was taken; and the Acting Chair announced that the noes appeared to have it.

Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Chair, I demand a recorded vote.

The Acting CHAIR. Pursuant to clause 6 of rule XVIII, further proceedings on the amendments en bloc offered by the gentlewoman from Connecticut will be postponed.

AMENDMENTS EN BLOC NO. 5 OFFERED BY MS. DELAURO OF CONNECTICUT

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Chair, pursuant to House Resolution 1232, I offer amendments en bloc.

The Acting CHAIR. The Clerk will designate the amendments en bloc.

Amendments en bloc No. 5 consisting of amendment Nos. 14, 15, 16, 17, 38, 78, 87, 88, 90, 91, 92, 100, 103, 105, 109, 110, 111, 112, 117, 120, 122, 131, 133, 134, 135, 143, 145, 147, 148, 149, 150, 157, 163, 167, 168, and 175 printed in part A of House Report 117–420, offered by Ms. DELAURO of Connecticut:

AMENDMENT NO. 14 OFFERED BY MR. GOOD OF  $\begin{array}{c} \text{VIRGINIA} \end{array}$ 

Page 18, beginning on line 13, strike "Electric Vehicle Fleet" and all that follows through "preceding proviso." on page 19, line 3.

AMENDMENT NO. 15 OFFERED BY MR. GOOD OF VIRGINIA

Page 133, line 23, insert "(reduced by \$75,000,000)".

Page 138, line 5, insert "and" after the semicolon.

Page 138, line 8, strike the semicolon and insert a period.

Page 138, strike line 9, and all that follows through page 139, line 14.

AMENDMENT NO. 16 OFFERED BY MR. GROTHMAN OF WISCONSIN

At the end of division A (before the short title), insert the following:

SEC. \_\_\_\_. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used for the implementation of the equity action plan of the Department of Transportation.

AMENDMENT NO. 17 OFFERED BY MR. GROTHMAN OF WISCONSIN

Page 153, line 2, after the dollar amount, insert ''(reduced by 300,000,000)''.

AMENDMENT NO. 38 OFFERED BY MR. TAYLOR OF TEXAS

Page 39, line 1, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$1,000,000) (increased by \$1,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 78 OFFERED BY MR. GROTHMAN OF WISCONSIN

At the end of division C (before the short title), insert the following:

SEC. \_\_\_\_. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to fund the Office of Economic Impact and Diversity of the Department of Energy.

AMENDMENT NO. 87 OFFERED BY MR. PFLUGER OF TEXAS

At the end of division C (before the short title), insert the following:

SEC. \_\_\_\_. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to implement or enforce Executive Order 14008 entitled "Tackling the Climate Crisis at Home and Abroad" published in the Federal Register on February 1, 2021 (86 Fed. Reg. 7619).

AMENDMENT NO. 88 OFFERED BY MR. PFLUGER OF TEXAS

Strike page 384, line 19 through page 385, line 8.

AMENDMENT NO. 90 OFFERED BY MR. ROY OF TEXAS

At the end of division C (before the short title), insert the following:

SEC. \_\_\_\_. None of the funds made available by this Act under the heading "Department of Energy Energy Programs—Departmental Administration" shall be available for the Department of Energy Office of Economic Impact and Diversity, and the amount otherwise provided under such heading is hereby reduced by \$34,140,000.

AMENDMENT NO. 91 OFFERED BY MR. ROY OF TEXAS

Page 385, strike lines 9 through 15.

AMENDMENT NO. 92 OFFERED BY MR. ROY OF TEXAS

Page 384, strike line 19 and all that follows through page 385, line 8.

AMENDMENT NO. 100 OFFERED BY MR. BUDD OF NORTH CAROLINA

At the end of division D (before the short title), insert the following:

TITLE IX—GENERAL PROVISIONS

SEC. \_\_\_\_. None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act may be used to implement or enforce Executive Order 14019 (86 Federal Register 13623).

AMENDMENT NO. 103 OFFERED BY MR. CLYDE OF GEORGIA

At the end of division D (before the short title), insert the following:

# TITLE IX—GENERAL PROVISIONS

SEC. 901. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to promulgate, implement, administer, or enforce Executive

Order 14076 signed by President Biden on July 8, 2022.

AMENDMENT NO. 105 OFFERED BY MR. DAVIDSON OF OHIO

At the end of division D (before the short title), insert the following:

## TITLE IX—GENERAL PROVISIONS

#### SEC. 901.

None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to promulgate rules to amend the following forms issued by the Securities and Exchange Commission: Form N-1A, Form N-2, Form N-CSR, Form N-8B-2, Form S-6, Form N-CEN, and part 2A of Form ADV.

AMENDMENT NO. 109 OFFERED BY MR. FALLON OF TEXAS

Page 419, line 19, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$278,382,000) (increased by \$278,382,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 110 OFFERED BY MR. FALLON OF TEXAS

Page 506, strike line 6 and all that follows through line 20.

AMENDMENT NO. 111 OFFERED BY MR. FITZGERALD OF WISCONSIN

At the end of division D (before the short title), insert the following:

SEC. \_\_\_\_. None of the funds in this Act made available to the Federal Trade Commission may be used to promulgate any rule defining or describing unfair methods of competition for purposes of the Federal Trade Commissission Act (15 U.S.C. 41 et seq.).

AMENDMENT NO. 112 OFFERED BY MR. GOODEN OF TEXAS

Page 590, beginning on line 6, strike section 751.

AMENDMENT NO. 117 OFFERED BY MR. GROTHMAN OF WISCONSIN

Strike section 751 of division D of the bill.

AMENDMENT NO. 120 OFFERED BY MR. HUIZENGA
OF MICHIGAN

Page 520, line 21, insert after the dollar figure the following: "(reduced by \$83,000,000) (increased by \$83,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 122 OFFERED BY MR. JOYCE OF OHIO

At the end of division D (before the short title), insert the following:

# TITLE IX—GENERAL PROVISIONS

SEC. 901. None of funds made available by this Act may be used to finalize the proposed rule of the Securities and Exchange Commission titled "The Enhancement and Standardization of Climate-Related Disclosures for Investors" (March 21, 2022) or to implement or enforce such a finalized rule.

AMENDMENT NO. 131 OFFERED BY MR. PFLUGER OF TEXAS

Page 506, strike lines 6 through 20.

AMENDMENT NO. 133 OFFERED BY MR. ROSE OF TENNESSEE

At the end of division D (before the short title), insert the following:

# TITLE IX—GENERAL PROVISIONS

SEC. 901. None of the amounts made available by this Act may be used to implement or enforce the provisions of the rule titled "The Enhancement and Standardization of Climate-Related Disclosures for Investors" (March 21, 2022) that would require registrants to disclose Scope 3 emissions.

AMENDMENT NO. 134 OFFERED BY MR. ROY OF TEXAS

At the end of division D (before the short title), insert the following:

#### TITLE IX—ADDITIONAL PROVISION

SEC. 901. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used for the implementation of Executive Order 13985 (relating to Advancing Racial Equity and Support for Underserved Communities Throughout the Federal Government).

AMENDMENT NO. 135 OFFERED BY MR. ROY OF

Page 493, strike lines 9 through page 494 line 5.

AMENDMENT NO. 143 OFFERED BY MR. BURGESS OF TEXAS

At the end of division E (before the short title) insert the following:

SEC. \_\_\_\_. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used by the Environmental Protection Agency to hire or pay the salary of any officer or employee of the Environmental Protection Agency under subsection (f) or (g) of section 207 of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 209) who is not already receiving pay under either such subsection on the date of enactment of this Act. AMENDMENT NO. 145 OFFERED BY MR. DUNCAN OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Strike section 439 of division E.

AMENDMENT NO. 147 OFFERED BY MR. GOODEN OF TEXAS

At the end of division E (before the short title), insert the following:

SEC. \_\_\_\_. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used for environmental justice activities.

AMENDMENT NO. 148 OFFERED BY MR. GROTHMAN OF WISCONSIN

Page 750, line 15, after the dollar amount insert "(reduced by \$57,151,000)".

Page 751, line 1, after the dollar amount insert "(reduced by \$57,152,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 149 OFFERED BY MR. GROTHMAN OF WISCONSIN

Page 745, line 15, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$240,950,000)".

Page 747, line 15, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$70,203,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 150 OFFERED BY MR. GROTHMAN OF WISCONSIN

Page 689, line 9, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$294,938,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 157 OFFERED BY MRS. MILLER OF ILLINOIS

Page 689, beginning line 16, strike the 3rd proviso.

AMENDMENT NO. 163 OFFERED BY MR. PFLUGER OF TEXAS

At the end of division E (before the short title), insert the following:

SEC. \_\_\_\_. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to implement or enforce Executive Order 14008 entitled "Tackling the Climate Crisis at Home and Abroad" published in the Federal Register on February 1, 2021 (86 Fed. Reg. 7619).

AMENDMENT NO. 167 OFFERED BY MR. ROY OF TEXAS

At the end of division E (before the short title), insert the following:

SEC. 440. None of the funds made available by this Act under the heading "Bureau of Ocean Energy Management - Ocean Energy Management" shall be available for renewable energy programs, and the amount otherwise provided under such heading is hereby reduced by \$51,675,000.

AMENDMENT NO. 168 OFFERED BY MR. ROY OF TEXAS

At the end of division E (before the short title), insert the following:

SEC. \_\_\_\_. None of the funds made available by this Act under the heading "Indian Affairs—Bureau of Indian Affairs—Operation of Indian Programs" shall be available for Bureau of Indian Affairs Tribal climate resilience programs, and the amount otherwise provided under such heading is hereby reduced by \$59.859.000.

AMENDMENT NO. 175 OFFERED BY MR. BUDD OF NORTH CAROLINA

At the end of division F (before the short title), insert the following:

SEC. . None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act may be used to implement or enforce Executive Order 14019 (86 Federal Register 13623).

The Acting CHAIR. Pursuant to House Resolution 1232, the gentle-woman from Connecticut (Ms. DELAURO) and the gentlewoman from Texas (Ms. GRANGER) each will control 15 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Connecticut.

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Chairman, I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Chairman, I yield 3 minutes to the gentleman from Wisconsin (Mr. Grothman).

Mr. GROTHMAN. Mr. Chair, I have seven amendments in the en bloc, and I will talk on two issues, in general, that cover, I think, all of the amendments.

The first thing is an overall concern of spending. It is a lot easier to break an economy than to fix an economy. And the American Rescue Plan and the very high-spending infrastructure bill—between them, spending over \$3 trillion—I think is the primary reason for the huge inflation we are having to deal with today.

Look at these underlying bills—the T-HUD bill, up 12 percent; financial services—in general government up 17 percent—these programs have to be held at an even or slight decrease level for years to make up for the damage that was done with those two big bills.

I am not going to say there wasn't damage done before that. I think a little bit of the COVID bills that were originally signed by the prior President were not exactly the most frugal things either, but everybody knew at the time this was a problem. And my amendments are along the lines of not destroying programs, not taking out programs altogether, but going back to the amount that was spent last year, or the amount that was spent in President Obama's final year.

I sometimes use President Obama's final year to show that I am not being reckless here, but what I am saying is, there ought to be a little bit of restraint in the Committee on Appropriations and a little bit of restraint of the new bills coming out.

A couple of my amendments also address this obsession with hiring bureaucrats to enforce diversity. America is supposed to be a country in which we view ourselves as individuals. There are people who, I think, want to destroy America, and try to set one group against the other group.

When I look in my district, I know a lot of people who are Hmong. I recently got to know a lot of people from India. I know people from Russia. They have

had no problem succeeding in America. And they all tell me the same thing: The easiest place in the world to succeed is America.

But there are people who try to divide us and set up programs in which you say, I am not going to succeed because of who I am. I want to succeed as a group of people determined by where my ancestors were born three or five or ten generations ago.

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Not only are these programs, first of all, a waste of money. We have to have some people administer the programs, we have nowhere near enough people to work in American business as it is.

Secondly, they are designed to train people that what goes on in Washington is a fight or a contest between ethnic groups—that is a cancerous way to think. The fact that so many immigrants come here without even being able to speak English and succeed, wildly show it as a lie. I am trying to reduce funding or get rid of funding all together for some of these programs.

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Chair, I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Chair, I yield 2 minutes to the gentleman from Georgia (Mr. CLYDE).

Mr. CLYDE. Mr. Chair, I rise in support of my amendment in en bloc No. 5.

My amendment prohibits funds made available by this act to be used to promulgate, implement, administer, or enforce President Biden's radical abortion executive order number 14076.

In this executive order, the Biden administration chose to focus its attention on protecting the abortion industry at the expense of women and their unborn children. This is totally unaccentable.

This executive order is also ruled by executive fiat, and my amendment rightfully defunds it. The executive order is also a great example of disinformation. The Biden administration tried to create the Disinformation Governance Board, and it didn't do so well. Now we have it in an executive order—disinformation.

Let me be very clear. Miscarriage management and the treatment of ectopic pregnancies are not abortions. The Biden administration's executive order simply creates fear and confusion by spreading this misinformation.

Finally, nothing in the Constitution grants the Federal Government the authority to expand access to abortion. This is a State's rights issue and must be resolved at the State level.

Mr. Chair, I urge all my colleagues to support this amendment to defund this Biden executive order promoting abortion.

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Chair, I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Chair, I yield 2 minutes to the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. Good).

Mr. GOOD of Virginia. Mr. Chair, I offered two amendments to this appropriations package that would save a total of \$86 million in taxpayer dollars.

One amendment strikes funding to buy electric vehicles for the Federal fleet, and the other removes woke Federal funding to make public housing "climate resilient"—whatever the heck that is.

The American people cannot afford Biden's climate agenda. They also don't want it, as I am confident they will demonstrate 112 days from today.

Americans are suffering from 9 percent inflation, the highest in 40 years. Call it the Biden price hike, if you will, with an average national gas price of nearly \$5 per gallon.

Yet, this Democratic majority wants to make the American people pay for unelected bureaucrats to drive around in expensive electric vehicles and make them fund climate welfare programs.

Washington is pumping \$91 billion in funding toward a ridiculous transportation and housing bill. This is an increase of 12 percent year over year.

Voting for an absurd spending increase is simply a vote for more inflation and economic pain for all Americans.

Mr. Chair, I urge my colleagues to support my amendment, vote to eliminate wasteful spending, and oppose the underlying bill.

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Chair, I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Chair, I yield back the balance of my time.

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Chair, I yield myself such time as I may consume in closing.

Mr. Chair, while I have offered this en bloc amendment for legislative efficiency, I strongly oppose it.

The en bloc amendment makes severe, harmful changes to the bills that are under consideration. Included in the en bloc amendments there is a limitation on the Environmental Protection Agency to be able to hire new employees and detrimental efforts to the environment; it limits access to voting; and, in particular, infringes on a woman's access to healthcare. These amendments do not move our country forward, they really are harmful to all Americans.

Mr. Chair, I urge all Members to oppose this amendment, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The Acting CHAIR (Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHI). The question is on the amendments en bloc offered by the gentlewoman from Connecticut (Ms. DELAURO).

The question was taken; and the Acting Chair announced that the noes appeared to have it.

Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Chair, I demand a recorded vote.

The Acting CHAIR. Pursuant to clause 6 of rule XVIII, further proceedings on the amendments en bloc offered by the gentlewoman from Connecticut will be postponed.

AMENDMENTS EN BLOC NO. 6 OFFERED BY MS. DELAURO OF CONNECTICUT

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Chair, pursuant to House Resolution 1232, I offer amendments en bloc.

The Acting CHAIR. The Clerk will designate the amendments en bloc.

Amendments en bloc No. 6 consisting of amendment Nos. 98, 99, 101, 102, 108, 114, 119, 121, 124, 126, 127, 129, 130, 132, 138, 140, 144, 146, 154, 162, 165, 166, 169, 170, 171, 173, 176, 177, 178, and 185 printed in part A of House Report 117–420, offered by Ms. DELAURO of Connecticut:

AMENDMENT NO. 98 OFFERED BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS OF MASSACHUSETTS

Page 427, line 24, after the dollar amount, insert "(increase by \$1,000,000)(reduced by \$1,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 99 OFFERED BY MRS. BEATTY OF OHIO

Page 419, line 19, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$20)".

Page 419, line 19, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$20)".

AMENDMENT NO. 101 OFFERED BY MS. OMAR OF MINNESOTA

Page 419, line 19, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by 500,000)(increased by 500,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 102 OFFERED BY MS. CASTOR OF FLORIDA

Page 498, line 3, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$20,000,000)".

Page 499, line 13, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$20,000,000)".

Page 500, line 23, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$20,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 108 OFFERED BY MS. ESCOBAR OF TEXAS

Page 427, line 24, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$2,000,000)".

Page 428, line 1, after the dollar amount,

insert "(increased by \$2,000,000)".
Page 428, line 20, after the dollar amount,

insert "(increased by \$2,000,000)".

Page 497, line 4, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$2,000,000)".

Page 500, line 23, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$2,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 114 OFFERED BY MR. GOTTHEIMER OF NEW JERSEY

Page 419, line 19, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$1,000,000)".

Page 497, line 4, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$1,000,000)".

Page 500, line 23, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$1,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 119 OFFERED BY MS. HOULAHAN OF PENNSYLVANIA

Page 525, line 10, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$5,000,000) (increased by \$5,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 121 OFFERED BY MS. JAYAPAL OF WASHINGTON

Page 520, line 12, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$4,000,000)".

Page 520, line 12, after the dollar amount,

Page 520, line 12, after the dollar amount insert "(increased by \$4,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 124 OFFERED BY MR. LEVIN OF MICHIGAN

Page 488, line 10, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by 5,000,000) (reduced by 5,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 126 OFFERED BY MR. MORELLE OF NEW YORK

Page 494, line 20, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$5,000,000)(increased by \$5,000,000)"

AMENDMENT NO. 127 OFFERED BY MS. MORELLE OF NEW YORK

Page 500, line 23, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by 1,000,000) (increased by 1,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 129 OFFERED BY MS. OMAR OF MINNESOTA

Page 419, line 19, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$1,000,000)(increased by \$1,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 130 OFFERED BY MS. OMAR OF MINNESOTA

Page 425, line 19, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$1,000,000) (increased by \$1,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 132 OFFERED BY MR. QUIGLEY OF ILLINOIS

Add at the end of title VII of division D the following:

SEC. 7\_\_\_. None of the funds appropriated by this Act may be used in contravention of Executive Order 14076 (87 Fed. Reg 42053; relating to protecting access to reproductive healthcare services).

AMENDMENT NO. 138 OFFERED BY MS. WATERS OF CALIFORNIA

Page 427, line 24, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$336,420,000) (increased by \$336 420,000)"

AMENDMENT NO. 140 OFFERED BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS OF MASSACHUSETTS

Page 688, line 15, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$2,000,000)(increased by \$2,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 144 OFFERED BY MS. CASTOR OF FLORIDA

Page 689, line 9, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$80,000,000)(increased by \$80,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 146 OFFERED BY MS. ESCOBAR OF TEXAS

Page 616, line 13, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by 74,362,000) (reduced by 74,362,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 154 OFFERED BY MS. JACKSON LEE OF TEXAS

Page 689, line 9, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$5,000,000) (increased by \$5,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 162 OFFERED BY MS. OMAR OF MINNESOTA

Page 608, line 17, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$1,000,000) (increased by \$1,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 165 OFFERED BY MISS RICE OF NEW YORK

Page 628, line 13, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$1,000,000)".

Page 628, line 14, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$1,000,000)".

Page 629, line 3, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$1,000,000)".

Page 647, line 22, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$1,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 166 OFFERED BY MS. ROSS OF NORTH CAROLINA

At the end of division E (before the short title) insert the following:

None of the funds made available SEC. by this division may be used to enforce the Presidential Memorandum entitled "Memorandum on the Withdrawal of Certain Areas of the United States Outer Continental Shelf from Leasing Disposition" (issued September 8, 2020) or the Presidential Memorandum entitled "Presidential Determination on the Withdrawal of Certain Areas of the United States Outer Continental Shelf from Leasing Disposition" (issued September 25, 2020), (issued September 25, 2020), with respect to leasing activities pursuant to section 8(p)(1)(C) of the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act (43 U.S.C. 1337(p)(1)(C)) relating to the Mid Atlantic, South Atlantic, and Straits of Florida Planning Areas.

AMENDMENT NO. 169 OFFERED BY MR. DAVID SCOTT OF GEORGIA

Page 692, line 16, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$1,000,000) (increased by \$1,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 170 OFFERED BY MS. SHERRILL OF NEW JERSEY

Page 689, line 9, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$15,000,000) (increased by \$15,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 171 OFFERED BY MS. TLAIB OF MICHIGAN

Page 692, line 18, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$1,000,000) (increased by \$1,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 173 OFFERED BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS OF MASSACHUSETTS

Page 825, line 3, after the first dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$5,000,000)".

Page 825, line 3, after the first dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$5,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 176 OFFERED BY MS. ESCOBAR OF TEXAS

Page 785, line 14, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$997,425,000)(reduced by \$997,425,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 177 OFFERED BY MS. ESCOBAR OF TEXAS

Page 826, line 23, after the first dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$550,000,000) (reduced by \$550,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 178 OFFERED BY MS. ESCOBAR OF TEXAS

Page 816, line 20, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$1,000,000) (reduced by \$1,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 185 OFFERED BY MS. NORTON OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Page 816, line 20, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$1,000,000) (increased by \$1,000,000)".

The Acting CHAIR. Pursuant to House Resolution 1232, the gentle-woman from Connecticut (Ms. DELAURO) and the gentlewoman from Texas (Ms. GRANGER) each will control 15 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Connecticut.

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Chair, I yield myself 45 seconds. The en bloc includes a number of proposals offered by my Democratic colleagues. It reflects our shared values of investing in the American people to create good-paying jobs, to grow opportunity, and provide a lifeline to the vulnerable.

Mr. Chair, I urge my colleagues to support the important proposals contained in this amendment, and I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Chairman, I yield 10 minutes to the gentleman from Tennessee (Mr. Rose).

Mr. ROSE. Mr. Chair, I would urge my colleagues to support my amendment, amendment No. 133 of division D, a part of en bloc No. 5.

This amendment would prohibit the SEC from implementing provisions of its proposal entitled Enhancement and Standardization of Climate-Related Disclosures for Investors that mandate disclosure of Scope 3 emissions.

Scope 3 emissions include emissions from activities in an organization's supply chain. Public companies have no ownership—and little to no control—of these emissions.

Recently, I led a bipartisan letter with 118 Members of Congress expressing concern about the proposed rule's impact on farmers.

Mr. Chair, I include in the RECORD the letter.

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Washington, DC, May 25, 2022.

Hon. GARY GENSLER,

Chair, Securities and Exchange Commission, Washington, DC.

DEAR CHAIR GENSLER: We write to express significant concerns with the impact the Securities and Exchange Commission's (SEC) proposed rule on "Enhanced and Standardization of Climate-Related Disclosures for Investors" will have on the agricultural community.

It is our strong belief that this proposed rule, if promulgated, would be a significant and unworkable regulatory burden, and a considerable departure from the SEC's mission to protect investors, facilitate capital formation, and foster fair, orderly, and efficient markets. It is not within the purview of the SEC to regulate farmers and ranchers. which is what this rule would do by requiring public companies to disclose their Scope 3 greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions. To do business with public companies, small farms would be required to disclose a significant amount of climate-related information. But unlike large corporations, small farms do not have full-scale compliance departments. Imposing these additional reporting requirements could disqualify small, family-owned farms from doing business with companies which could lead to more consolidation in the agriculture industry.

Farmers are already regulated by agencies at the local, state, and federal levels. There are currently multiple programs at the federal level to help farmers implement conservation practices. Bureaucrats in Washington, D.C.—specifically unelected SEC staff—who have no jurisdiction over environmental policy and who have never stepped foot on a farm should not have such influence over how farmers take care of their land.

We also have concerns about the specific information from each farm that would have to be reported under this proposal. The time and energy put into complying with this new regulation will divert American farmers away from their primary goal of producing our nation's food, fuel, and fiber. As this rule is written, it is also unclear how farmers will be protected from privacy concerns as they, unlike corporations, live at their places of business where they would now have to disclose significant amounts of information. In American Farm Bureau Federation v. EPA, the 8th U.S. Circuit Court for Appeals affirmed that public disclosure of farmers' personal information would constitute a "substantial" and "clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy." Similarly, the SEC should consider how the disclosure of Scope 3 GHG emissions could have privacy implications for farmers and scrap this rule entirely to ensure their private property information would not end up on any public disclosures.

Finally, we are concerned that the comment period, although recently extended until June, is inadequate given the magnitude of this proposed rule, which totals 510 pages and has 1,068 technical footnotes. The Commission's use of abbreviated comment periods for complex rules like this as well as the lack of consistency across rulemakings is troubling, as it will result in less, muchneeded input from the public on these important issues.

We appreciate your attention to our concerns and request a response no later than June 24, 2022.

Sincerely.

John Rose, Member of Congress; Scott DesJarlais, M.D., Member of Congress; David Kustoff, Member of Congress; French Hill, Member of Congress; Glenn "GT" Thompson, Member of Congress; Mark E. Green, MD, Member of Congress; Elaine G. Luria, Member of Congress; Virginia Foxx, Member of Congress; Ron Estes, Member of Congress; Mariannette Miller-Meeks, M.D., Member of Congress; Mo Brooks, Member of Congress; Barry Moore, Member of Congress; Ben Cline, Member of Congress; Thomas Massie, Member of Congress; Jerry L. Carl, Member of Congress; Ted Budd, Member of Congress; Andy Biggs, Member of Congress; Mary E. Miller, Member of Congress.

Mike Carey, Member of Congress; Pete Sessions, Member of Congress; Lance Gooden, Member of Congress; Tracey Mann, Member of Congress; Jodey C. Arrington, Member of Congress; William R. Timmons IV, Member of Congress; Chris Jacobs, Member of Congress; Mike Rogers, Member of Congress; Kelly Armstrong, Member of Congress; Doug LaMalfa, Member of Congress.

David Rouzer, Member of Congress; Alex X. Mooney, Member of Congress; Troy Balderson, Member of Congress; Paul A. Gosar, D.D.S., Member of Congress; Beth Van Duyne, Member of Congress; Ken Buck, Member of Congress; Steven M. Palazzo, Member of Congress; Austin Scott, Member of Congress; Louie Gohmert, Member of Congress; Dan Bishop, Member of Congress.

Chip Roy, Member of Congress; Dan Crenshaw, Member of Congress; Rodney Davis, Member of Congress; Michael Guest, Member of Congress; Gary J. Palmer, Member of Congress; John Katko, Member of Congress; Rick W. Allen, Member of Congress; Richard Hudson, Member of Congress; Trent Kelly, Member of Congress; Kevin Brady, Member of Congress.

Yvette Herrell, Member of Congress; Jake Ellzey, Member of Congress; Michelle Fischbach, Member of Congress; Jackie Walorski, Member of Congress; Brett Guthrie, Member of Congress; Robert J. Wittman, Member of Congress; Bill Posey, Member of Congress; Michael Cloud, Member of Congress; Eric A. "Rick" Crawford, Member of Congress; Markwayne Mullin, Member of Congress;

Debbie Lesko, Member of Congress; James Comer, Member of Congress; Charles J. "'Chuck" Fleischmann, Member of Congress; Ann Wagner, Member of Congress; Harold Rogers, Member of Congress; Russ Fulcher, Member of Congress; A Drew Ferguson IV, Member of Congress; Jay Obernolte, Member of Congress; Mike Johnson, Member of Congress; Adrian Smith, Member of Congress.

Stephanie Bice, Member of Congress; Matthew Rosendale, Sr., Member of Congress; Daniel Meuser, Member of Congress; Lisa C. McClain, Member of Congress; Julia Letlow, Member of Congress; Dusty Johnson, Member of Congress; Greg Pence, Member of Congress; Darin LaHood, Member of Congress; Jake LaTurner, Member of Congress; Vicky Hartzler, Member of Congress.

Sam Graves, Member of Congress; Guy Reschenthaler, Member of Congress; Tim Walberg, Member of Congress; Tim Burchett, Member of Congress; James R. Baird, Member of Congress, Ranking Member, Research and Technology; Neal P. Dunn, Member of Congress; Mark E. Amodei, Member of Congress; Clay Higgins, Member of Congress; Pete Stauber, Member of Congress; Andrew S. Clyde, Member of Congress. Ashley Hinson, Member of Congress; Andy Barr, Member of Congress, Blaine Luetkemeyer, Member of Congress; Ralph Norman, Member of Congress; Mike Bost, Member of Congress; Anthony Gonzalez, Member of Congress; Diana Harshbarger, Member of Congress; Randy Feenstra, Member of Congress; Jack Bergman, Member of Congress; Gregory F. Murphy, M.D., Member of Congress.

Warren Davidson, Member of Congress; John R. Moolenaar, Member of Congress; Jim Jordan, Member of Congress; Roger Williams, Member of Congress; Jim Banks, Member of Congress; Troy E. Nehls, Member of Congress; Robert B. Aderholt, Member of Congress; Brad R. Wenstrup, D.P.M., Member of Congress; Brian Babin, D.D.S., Member of Congress; Elissa Slotkin, Member of Congress.

Bill Huizenga, Member of Congress; David G. Valadao, Member of Congress; Lee Zeldin, Member of Congress; Steve Westerman, Member of Congress; Steve Womack, Member of Congress; Bryan Steil, Member of Congress; Earl L. "Buddy" Carter, Member of Congress; Tom McClincock, Member of Congress; David P. Joyce, Member of Congress; W. Gregory Steube, Member of Congress.

Mr. ROSE. Mr. Chair, the proposal would drive capital away from smaller suppliers that may not have the resources to measure their greenhouse gas emissions. SEC Chair Gensler points to significant investor demand for requiring this type of information, but the demand is coming from large asset managers and climate activists, not retail investors.

Mr. Chair, I urge my colleagues to support my amendment.

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Chair, I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from Maryland (Mr. HOYER), the majority leader.

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Chair, this is a bill that has to pass if we are going to keep the government operating. The chair of this committee has worked very hard to get that done, and she has been successful, as chair, of moving most of our bills through this House.

The Senate has not yet moved any of its bills, as it did not last year. This is an important, critical part of our process to fund government and keep it operating and invest in the priorities of the American people. That is what we are doing today in these appropriation bills.

Mr. Chair, I thank Chairwoman Rosa Delauro and members of the staff of the Appropriations Committee for their hard work on this package.

Once again, our majority is passing appropriation bills in a timely manner. Sadly, as I said, the Senate has yet to bring any appropriation bills to the Senate floor.

Today's package funds about a quarter of the total expected discretionary funding for next year. It reflects the budget request from the Biden administration, and in some cases funds programs at levels we have determined should be increased.

It also includes Community Project Funding for investments in our communities that will help improve public safety, encourage economic growth, and fight poverty.

Bringing back Community Project Funding was an essential tool in helping to restore Congress' power of the purse. I add that it was done in a bipartisan way, and it was done—thanks to the chair—in a very transparent way. We wanted to make sure that more funding decisions are being made by the Members who know their districts best.

There is much to celebrate in this package, which is why I rise in support of this package. Many important and worthwhile investments in the American people, in our communities, in economic opportunity, and in so many areas—I am not going to go into all of them, they will be discussed.

I do want to highlight just a few of the important victories in this bill, particularly for the constituents and communities I represent in Maryland's Fifth District.

First, Mr. Chairman, this bill moves us a major step closer to realizing a new, badly needed, consolidated FBI Headquarters, a critical national security project that many of us have worked on for more than a decade.

In fact, I started working on this in 2009 when the director of the FBI said: This building is very out of date, does not accommodate the work that we need to do, and we must have a new building—and requested that there be a campus-like setting where all of the FBI could be consolidated from the almost 20 different locations that they were located in in the city.

This legislation will ensure that we can build a fully consolidated FBI Headquarters that meets the needs of the Bureau with a substantial payment of \$500 million toward that project. It limits the GSA to committing any of those funds only to one of the two sites in Maryland and one in Virginia. The GSA just recently adjudged all three of those sites to be eligible sites.

This project, first requested, as I said, by the FBI in 2009, is now ready for final site selection. This building, which had been delayed at a cost of giving the Bureau the tools and facilities necessary to fulfill its missions, can now be advanced in the timeframe I have understood from the administration, which is before the end of the fiscal year.

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In May of last year, the four Senators from Maryland and Virginia wrote to President Biden and urged his administration to move forward expeditiously. That was some 15 months ago. It is long past expeditiously, and I look forward to seeing this project realized.

Mr. Chair, I thank the chair and the chair of the subcommittee, Mr. QUIGLEY, for his help on this effort. It is an important one for our country.

Furthermore, this package would provide civilian Federal employees with a 4.6% cost-of-living adjustment—at parity with the raise

being provided to military personnel—and makes DREAMERS eligible to serve as Federal employees.

It increases the V.A. Health Care System's budget by nearly \$22 billion over last year, which will help provide high-quality care to 7.3 million veterans in our country.

And it provides the Army Corps of Engi-

And it provides the Army Corps of Engineers with \$3.5 million to further oyster recovery in the Chesapeake Bay.

In addition to these priorities for Maryland's Fifth District, there are other critical investments for which I have advocated for a long time.

These include \$400 million in Election Security Grants through the Election Assistance Commission, which was created under my Help America Vote Act Legislation in 2002.

It also funds a program I've championed to encourage college students to become non-partisan poll workers in their communities.

I was also glad to see the inclusion of \$100 million for the Technology Modernization Fund, which was launched under bipartisan legislation I led with Leader McCarthy.

This will help agencies upgrade technology systems so that they can serve americans more efficiently and securely.

Additionally, this package makes a strong investment in combatting hunger by providing W.I.C. funds to serve more than 6 million people and \$28.6 billion toward child-nutrition programs.

It will also ensure that S.N.A.P. does not run out of money in 2023 and can continue helping those with the lowest incomes put food on the table.

Mr. Chair, this is a very solid and robust funding package, and it is—as I said—a first step in our effort to continue funding government and delivering the priorities of the american people on time.

I urge the Senate to match our pace in the appropriations process so that we can continue governing responsibly 'for the people.'

Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Chair, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Chair, I rise in strong opposition to this en bloc package of amendments. These 29 amendments include excess funding and policies that expand the scope and reach of the Federal Government. They do this while also limiting our country's energy options and allowing funding for President Biden's executive order on abortion.

Again, Mr. Chair, I urge a "no" vote on this en bloc package, and I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Chair, I yield 2 minutes to the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. QUIGLEY), who is the chairman of the Financial Services and General Government Subcommittee.

Mr. QUIGLEY. Mr. Chair, last month, as the Appropriations Committee considered the FSGG funding bill, the Supreme Court took the unprecedented step of stripping American women of a constitutional right to decide their own reproductive destiny. Extremist Justices, inventing flimsy arguments against a right that Americans have enjoyed for nearly 50 years, opened the door for radical legislators to ban abortion.

This is a crisis, and a crisis means all hands are on deck. With my friends,

Representatives LEE, DEGETTE, and FRANKEL, I am offering an amendment to ensure that the FSGG bill is in the fight. This amendment prohibits any Federal funds from my bill from being used in contravention to President Biden's executive order on protecting access to reproductive healthcare.

This is not just about the executive order itself. It is about the policies and recommendations that will result from it. The interagency policymaking effort to address barriers to abortion access must include FSGG jurisdiction, and Federal agencies must all work to swiftly and fully implement solutions to these barriers.

In addition, FSGG has jurisdiction over the District of Columbia. Antiabortion extremists go so far as to try to tell D.C. taxpavers that they cannot make their own decisions about whether to support access to reproductive care. I am here to say that D.C. citizens shouldn't be bullied by extremists pushing an ideological agenda. The Federal Government's place must only be to improve access to care in D.C. never to tell the citizens of our Nation's Capital that members of a body to which they are not even permitted to send a voting representative say that they can't look after their own reproductive destinies.

President Biden called for a whole-ofgovernment effort to safeguard abortion access. As the branch of government charged with the purse strings of the United States, it is our duty to join that effort.

Mr. Chair, I urge my colleagues to support this amendment.

Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Chair, I yield back the balance of my time.

Ms. DELAURO, Mr. Chair, I yield 2 minutes to the gentleman from Massachusetts (Mr. Auchincloss).

Mr. AUCHINCLOSS. Mr. Chair, I rise today in support of the en bloc package, which includes my amendment to increase funding for the Department of Veterans Affairs' electronic records system.

One of the most insistent casework requests I receive is from veterans who are unable to receive care due to the Department's records request backlog. I have raised with the Department individual cases, and I have also been working with local veterans service organizations to advocate on behalf of their members. Yet, it still takes anywhere from 6 to 8 months to get anything back from the archives. That is not acceptable.

Digitizing veterans' records will expedite their requests and improve their experience.

Ī know first-hand what veterans experience while on Active Duty. It is our responsibility to ensure that they have access to the high-quality care and services promised to them when they swore an oath to protect and serve our country.

Mr. Chair, I urge support for my amendment.

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Chair. I vield 2 minutes to the gentlewoman from Texas (Ms. Jackson Lee).

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Chair, I thank the gentlewoman for her leadership, and the ranking member, as well.

Let me say that America is going to get not a payday but an investment.

Unlike how my colleagues like to characterize the hard work of the appropriators and our chairwoman, this is about good-paying jobs, \$90 billion in transportation.

This is about tackling hunger and agriculture, some \$27 million.

This is about helping Houston with its horrible and yearly confrontation with flooding.

Yes, this is about the issues of Energy. As well, with Financial Services, this is about helping our consumers. Of course, in Interior, I want to say that this is about helping the work that I am doing on the Emancipation Trail.

I am delighted that I also rise to support all the en blocs. I have amendments in all of them. Particularly, I want to emphasize the work that is being done through my amendments on oversight over the General Land Office that has tackled Houston, Harris County, and the region after Hurricane Harvey like they are at odds. Our Federal money, \$4 billion, was supposed to go to Harris County and Houston. Houston ultimately got zero amount at a certain stage, and they only gave Harris County \$800,000 when we are suffering with loss of housing and with major flooding.

My amendment will talk about major oversight over the GLO and their treatment of local jurisdictions. This plays across America when States get money, and they don't believe that it should go to the local communities.

Let me also indicate I am glad that my human trafficking victims bill is in. That provides for SNAP resources and to clarify that if you are educating a human trafficking victim that is not documented, you can clarify for them without looking like you are recruiting or selling SNAP to let them know that they are eligible for it, which is extremely important.

Also, I-45, the President of the United States issued an equity policy that whenever you do major infrastructure projects, you should look at how it impacts historic neighborhoods and how it impacts the minority neighborhoods and urban neighborhoods. I-45, a major Federal project, has not even perceived that to be important. My amendment indicates that that should be the case.

The Acting CHAIR. The time of the gentlewoman has expired.

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Chair, I yield the gentlewoman from Texas an additional 1 minute.

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Chair, I thank the gentlewoman for her graciousness.

That is an ongoing issue that we have in our community, where the communities are not taken into consideration when the houses are leveled and when the flooding is increased by an infrastructure project that we now have a title VI proceeding under that is funded by Federal dollars.

Let me also express my appreciation for amendments dealing with the Federal Railroad Administration. Everyone that knows it has trains. We know that it provides part of the supply chain. But in our communities, there are the crossings, there are the sounds, and there are the horns. All we want to do is work harmoniously in the oversight over the Federal Railroad Administration to deal with safety and operations in our communities. That is particularly important.

I also want to express appreciation for the work my amendments will do and that they have been accepted dealing with the issue of historic preservation, which will include places like Independence Freedmen's Town, Heights, and, of course, the historic Third Ward where Emancipation Park

Again, the underlying bill is a bill that will invest in America. I support this legislation and the good work of the Appropriations Committee.

Mr. Chair, I ask everyone to support that and the amendments included in the en bloc.

Mr. Chair, I rise to speak in a strong support of H.R. 8294, the Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, Agriculture, Rural Development, Energy and Water Development, Financial Services and General Government, Interior, Environment, Military Construction, and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Act.

H.R. 8294 makes key investments in rebuilding our nation's infrastructure, expanding research innovation, combating climate change, and honoring the sacrifice and commitment of our nation's veterans.

The diligent work that produced this comprehensive legislation will make a very positive impact on so many sectors and activities throughout American society.

Mr. Chair, I also want to voice my strong support for En Bloc Amendments No. 2, 3, 6, and 7, which incorporates Jackson Lee Amendments.

I thank the Rules Committee and Chairman McGovern for making these amendments in order and the Appropriations Committee and Chairwoman DELAURO for including it in this En Bloc Amendment.

The Jackson Lee amendments are in the following Divisions of the bill:

Division A-Transportation, Housing and Urban Development

Division B—Agriculture
Division E—Interior and the Environment

FN BLOC #2

Jackson Lee Amendment #46 supports the work of the National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA) by making a \$2,000,000 increase in funding to that office for the purpose of supporting agriculture research programs particularly at 1890s Institutions, which are land grant colleges at 28 Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs), as well as Hispanic-serving institutions, and other educational institutions that benefit underrepresented communities.

This amendment promotes NIFA's work with agricultural experiment stations, cooperative forestry, and other innovations to improve our nation's food production through agricultural research, economic analysis, extension, and higher education.

The NIFA was created at the time of the industrial revolution to ensure that the nation would have a sufficient number of working farms to provide a reliable supply of domestically produced food.

One of ways NIFA achieves its mission is by providing research grants to education institutions, which include 1890s institutions created by the Morrill Act of 1890.

Today, land-grant colleges and universities can be found in 18 states, the District of Columbia and the U.S. Virgin Islands. The list includes:

Alabama A&M University Alcorn State University Delaware State University Florida A&M University Fort Valley State University Kentucky State University Langston University Lincoln University North Carolina A&T State University Prairie View A&M University in Texas South Carolina State University Southern University System Tennessee State University Tuskegee University University of Arkansas Pine Bluff University of Maryland Eastern Shore University of the District of Columbia\* University of the Virgin Islands Virginia State University West Virginia State University

HBCUs annually enroll 40% of all African American students in 4-year colleges and universities. HBCUs are prominent among research institutions in fields such as:

animal sciences

sustainable agriculture and agriculture economics

toxicology and waste management conservation and environmental manage-

business and industrial development biomedical science

In particular, Jackson Lee Amendment #68 is necessary to make clear that providing victims of trafficking access to information about their eligibility to receive SNAP benefits does not constitute the type of SNAP recruitment activities or "advertising" of the SNAP program prohibited by the bill and by Section 4018 of the Agriculture Act of 2014 (Public Law No: 113–079).

Trafficking in humans, and especially domestic child trafficking, has no place in a civilized society. Those who engage in this illicit trade should be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law. This House made that clear again in 2021 when it passed H.R. 3530, the Justice for Victims of Trafficking Act, which contained my Sense of the Congress amendment added during the Judiciary Committee markup.

That means we need to ensure that state and local law enforcement agencies have the tools, resources, and training necessary to identify, apprehend, and prosecute criminals who ruthless traffic in children and young persons

And one of the most effective resources in bringing criminals to justice is the cooperation and assistance of their victims.

Perpetrators of crime know that they are more likely to evade detection and punishment when their victims refuse to assist or cooperate with law enforcement. That is why they make it a point to instill fear in their victims—for their own safety or that of family and loved

#### EN BLOC #3

Jackson Lee Amendment #19 increases and decreases HUD's Office of Inspector General account by \$1,000,000 with the intent to support the OIG's oversight of the Texas General Land Office to track the accounting of Emergency Supplemental Disaster Appropriations for Hurricane Harvey Mitigation and Recovery that Congress approved for the 2017 disaster.

food and nutrition plant and social sciences

international development
Agricultural research programs at HCBUs
assist people living in densely populated areas
to learn ways to eliminate food deserts, increase public education about farming, bolster
appreciation for our nation's farmers, and provide new avenues to careers for those graduating with degrees in agriculture who seek to
enter cutting-edge agricultural research.

This amendment promotes NIFA's work with agricultural experiment stations, cooperative forestry, and other innovations to improve our nation's food production through agricultural research, economic analysis, extension, and higher education.

The funds provided by the Jackson Lee amendment would support research and education for helping urban and suburban communities maximize their green space by turning it into productive farming resources to support access to affordable foods.

Jackson Lee Amendment #47 provides a straightforward, important contribution to the bill for a goal shared by every Member of this body: ending the scourge of human trafficking. This amendment provides that:

None of the funds made available by this Act for "DOMESTIC FOOD PROGRAMS—Food & Nutrition Service—Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program" may be used in contravention of section 107(b) of Division A of the Victims of Trafficking and Violence Protection Act of 2000 (22 U.S.C. 7105(b)).

The effect of this amendment will be to make clear that nothing in this bill restricts the authority of the Secretary of Agriculture or any federal agency head from providing assistance and benefits to victims of trafficking under current law as authorized by 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b) of the Victims of Trafficking and Violence Protection Act of 2000 (114 Stat. 1464, Pub. Law 106–386).

Jackson Lee Amendment #20 provides an increase of \$1,000,000 in assistance to address challenges faced by historically disadvantaged communities and areas impacted by persistent poverty not included in decision making when major highway construction threatens their homes, businesses, and culturally significant structures.

Jackson Lee Amendment #21 increases and decreases by \$1,000,000 the Community Development Fund and the Community Development Block Grant program to address the fairness in the use of Community Development Block Grant Disaster funding to repair or replace single family homes damaged during Hurricane Harvey to ensure that multigenerational homes can house families at documented pre-disaster capacity.

Jackson Lee Amendment #22 increases and decreases by \$1,000,000 the Federal Rail Administration Safety and Operation's account to

emphasize the need to provide dedicated funding to address community engagement on safety issues related to railroad crossings in urban areas.

Jackson Lee Amendment #23 prohibits the Department of Transportation from using funds for Section 106 Transportation construction projects in urban areas that have not been determined to meet the statutory and fiduciary obligations of the National Historic Preservation Act (54 USC 306108).

#### EN BLOC #6

Jackson Lee Amendment #57 increases and decreases funding for Environmental Programs and Management by \$5 million to highlight the need to support culturally competent federal, state, and local public health and environmental protection efforts to address cancer clusters impacting overburdened communities in the gulf coast region.

#### EN BLOC #7

Jackson Lee Amendment #56 increases and decreases funds for the Historic Preservation Fund by \$3,000,000 with the intent of enhancing activities for the preservation, restoration, and maintenance of nationally significant sites, artifacts, and structures through competitive grants at the local, state, and federal levels focusing on projects involving HBCUs, sites and stories linked to the Civil Rights movement, landmarks associated with communities that are historically underrepresented, and sites related to the histories of Indigenous peoples.

The Historic Preservation Fund is vital in working to preserve nationally significant sites, structures, and artifacts. We want the environment to be safe, but we want the historic environment to be preserved for those who are a valuable part of the historical story of America.

It is crucial to the Freedmen's Town community in Houston, but it is also crucial to the Tulsa story in Oklahoma, the story of Chicago, Savannah, New York, and many other States where we have systematically ignored the historic preservation of our Nation. Who will tell our children the story? I am fighting in Houston. Others are fighting elsewhere. This amendment is to create the historical record, the legislative record that we are committed to.

I urge all Members to vote in support of En Bloc #2, 3, 6, and 7, and the Jackson Lee Amendments.

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Chair, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. CARSON. Mr. Chair, I rise today in support of my amendment, co-authored with Congresswoman OMAR, in support of financial literacy education. The amendment increases and decreases the Treasury Salaries and Expenses account by \$500,000. This is to encourage Treasury to work with the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau to study the best models for financial literacy programming and assist schools, nonprofits, and localities in developing their own financial literacy programs for young people and families.

If the pandemic has shown us anything it is that our financial well-being is important in times of crisis. Therefore, I believe it is important to promote and establish financial literacy skills for students across our nation to establish habits that will last a lifetime. Studies have shown that 88 percent of Americans believe finance education should be taught in schools and 92 percent of K–12 teachers believe that financial education should be taught in school, but only 12 percent of teachers actually teach

the subject. Yet as of this year only 22.7 percent of U.S. high school students are guaranteed to receive a personal finance education.

According to the Government Accountability Office, giving Americans the information they need to make effective financial decisions can be key to their well-being and to the country's economic health. The global financial crisis, when many borrowers failed to fully understand the risks associated with certain financial products and currently, the economic hardships presented by the sudden disruptions caused by the spread of COVID-19, underscore the need to improve individuals' financial literacy and empower all Americans to make informed financial decisions. This is especially true for young people as they are earning their first paychecks, securing student aid, and establishing their financial independence.

I believe America should be leading the world with the best-educated students who will drive our economic innovation and success.

I urge my colleagues to vote in favor of this amendment.

Mr. LEVIN of Michigan. Mr. Chair, I rise today to urge support for my amendment to H.R. 8294, the fiscal year 2023 Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, Agriculture, Rural Development, Energy and Water Development, Financial Services and General Government, Interior, Environment, Military Construction, and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Act, to require funds for the Election Assistance Commission to be used to pay for the wages of election poll workers. I thank Chairs ROSA DELAURO and MIKE QUIGLEY for their support of this amendment.

We are at a crossroads in our nation. Efforts to undermine our democracy and perpetuate the Big Lie have made the workplace incredibility challenging for election workers. Despite these challenges, election workers continue to ensure that Americans can vote safely and securely. That is why we must ensure they are adequately paid for their contributions. Our system of democratic participation cannot function without them.

Last month, I introduced H.R. 8015, the Enhanced Pay for Election Workers Act alongside 40 colleagues. The bill creates a new grant program to provide states with funding to increase election worker wages. This amendment builds off that proposal to highlight the need for federal election funds to help pay election poll workers adequately. Election workers are chronically underpaid, and increased wages will help improve recruitment and morale. In turn, this will help all of us by ensuring the smooth administration of elections, which safeguards our democracy. I urge a yes vote on this amendment.

The Acting CHAIR. The question is on the amendments en bloc offered by the gentlewoman from Connecticut.

The question was taken; and the Acting Chair announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Chair, I demand a recorded vote.

The Acting CHAIR. Pursuant to clause 6 of rule XVIII, further proceedings on the amendments en bloc offered by the gentlewoman from Connecticut will be postponed.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE ACTING CHAIR

The Acting CHAIR. Pursuant clause 6 of rule XVIII, proceedings will now resume on those amendments

printed in part A of House Report 117-420 on which further proceedings were postponed, in the following order:

Amendments en bloc No. 1 by Ms. Delauro of Connecticut.

Amendments en bloc No. 2 by Ms. DELAURO of Connecticut.

Amendments en bloc No. 3 by Ms. DELAURO of Connecticut.

Amendments en bloc No. 4 by Ms. DELAURO of Connecticut.

Amendments en bloc No. 5 by Ms. DELAURO of Connecticut.

Amendments en bloc No. 6 by Ms. DELAURO of Connecticut.

The Chair will reduce to 5 minutes the minimum time for any electronic vote after the first vote in this series. AMENDMENTS EN BLOC NO. 1 OFFERED BY MS.

DELAURO OF CONNECTICUT

The Acting CHAIR. The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on amendments en bloc offered by the gentlewoman from Connecticut (Ms. DELAURO) on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the noes prevailed by voice vote.

The Clerk will redesignate amendments en bloc.

The Clerk redesignated the amendments en bloc.

## RECORDED VOTE

The Acting CHAIR. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 199, noes 229, not voting 8, as follows:

# [Roll No. 367]

# AYES-199

Donalds Aderholt Hinson Hollingsworth Duncan Amodei Dunn Hudson Armstrong Ellzey Huizenga Arrington Emmer **Bahin** Estes Jackson Johnson (LA) Bacon Fallon Feenstra Johnson (OH) Baird Balderson Ferguson Johnson (SD) Fischbach Banks Jordan Joyce (OH) Fitzgerald Bentz Fleischmann Jovce (PA) Bergman Flood Keller Kelly (MS) Bice (OK) Flores Biggs Foxx Kelly (PA) Franklin, C. Kim (CA) Bilirakis Bishop (NC) Scott Kustoff Fulcher LaHood Boebert Bost Gaetz LaMalfa Brady Gallagher Lamborn Brooks Garbarino Latta Buchanan Garcia (CA) LaTurner Buck Gibbs Lesko Bucshon Gimenez Letlow Budd Gohmert Long Loudermilk Gonzales, Tony Burgess Calvert González-Colón Luetkemever Cammack Good (VA) Gooden (TX) Carey Malliotakis Carl Gosar Mann Carter (GA) Granger Massie Graves (LA) Carter (TX) Mast McCarthy Chabot Graves (MO) Green (TN) Cheney McCaul Greene (GA) Cline McClain Cloud Griffith McClintock McHenry Clyde Grothman Cole Guest Meijer Guthrie Comer Meuser Harris Miller (IL) Conway Harshbarger Miller-Meeks Crawford Crenshaw Hern Moolenaar Curtis Herrell Mooney Moore (AL) Herrera Beutler Davidson Hice (GA) Moore (UT) Davis, Rodney Des.Jarlais Higgins (LA) Mullin

Diaz-Balart

Murphy (NC)

Newhouse Norman Obernolte Owens Palazzo Palmer Pence Perry Pfluger Posey Reschenthaler Rice (SC) Rodgers (WA) Rogers (AL) Rogers (KY) Rosendale Rouzer Rov

Axne

Bass

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Bush

Case

Chu

Crist

Crow

Garcia (TX)

Newman

Timmons Rutherford Salazar Scalise Schweikert Scott, Austin Simpson Smith (MO) Smith (NE) Smith (NJ) Smucker Spartz Stauber Stee1 Stefanik Steil Steube Stewart Taylor Tennev Tiffany

Turner Upton Valadao Van Drew Van Duvne Wagner Walberg Walorski Waltz Weber (TX) Webster (FL) Wenstrup Westerman Williams (TX) Wilson (SC) Wittman Womack Zeldin

Norcross

Norton

#### NOES-229

Adams Golden Aguilar Gomez Gonzalez (OH) Auchincloss Gonzalez, Vicente Barragán Gottheimer Green, Al (TX) Beatty Grijalva Harder (CA) Bever Hayes Bishop (GA) Higgins (NY) Blumenauer Blunt Rochester Horsford Houlahan Bonamici Bourdeaux Hoyer Bowman Huffman Boyle, Brendan Jackson Lee Jacobs (CA) Brown (MD) Jacobs (NY) Brown (OH) Jayapal Brownley Jeffries Johnson (GA) Bustos Johnson (TX) Butterfield Jones Kahele Carbajal Cárdenas Kaptur Carson Katko Carter (LA) Keating Kelly (IL) Cartwright Khanna. Casten Kildee Castor (FL) Kilmer Kim (N.I) Castro (TX) Cherfilus-Kind McCormick Kirkpatrick Krishnamoorthi Cicilline Kuster Lamb Clark (MA) Langevin Clarke (NY) Larsen (WA) Cleaver Clyburn Larson (CT) Cohen Lawrence Lawson (FL) Connolly Cooper Lee (CA) Correa Lee (NV) Costa Leger Fernandez Courtney Levin (CA) Levin (MI) Craig Lieu Lofgren Lowenthal Cuellar Davids (KS) Luria Davis, Danny K. Lynch Malinowski Dean DeFazio Maloney, Carolyn B. DeGette DeLauro Maloney, Sean DelBene Manning Demings Matsui DeSaulnier McBath McCollum Deutch Dingel1 McEachin McGovern Doggett Doyle, Michael McNerney Meeks Escobar Meng Eshoo Espaillat Mfume Moore (WI) Evans Morelle Fitzpatrick Moulton Fletcher Mrvan Murphy (FL) Foster Frankel, Lois Nadler Napolitano Gallego Garamendi García (IL) Neguse

O'Halleran Ocasio-Cortez Omar Pallone Panetta Pappas Pascrell Pavne Perlmutter Peters Phillips Pingree Plaskett Pocan Porter Pressley Price (NC) Quigley Raskin Rice (NY) Ross Roybal-Allard Ruiz Ruppersberger Rush Rvan Sablan San Nicolas Sánchez Sarbanes Scanlon Schakowsky Schiff Schneider Schrader Schrier Scott (VA) Scott, David Sessions Sewell. Sherman Sherrill Sires Slotkin Smith (WA) Soto Spanberger Speier Stansbury Stanton Stevens Strickland Suozzi Swalwell Takano Thompson (CA) Thompson (MS) Thompson (PA) Titus Tlaib Tonko Torres (CA)

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Schultz

Watson Coleman

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Wilson (FL) Welch Wexton Williams (GA) Yarmuth

NOT VOTING-8

Burchett Kinzinger Miller (WV) Cawthorn Radewagen Hartzler McKinley

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Messrs. GALLEGO, BLUMENAUER, AUCHINCLOSS, Mrs. WATSON COLE-MAN, Mr. KHANNA, Mrs. BUSTOS, Messrs. LYNCH, CLEAVER, Mses. BASS, JACKSON LEE, Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois, Mrs. CHERFILUS-McCORMICK, Ms. McCOLLUM, Mr. COURTNEY, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Ms. SPEIER, Mr. NEAL, Ms. BARRAGÁN, Messrs. LARSON of Connecticut, DOG-GETT, PETERS, CASTRO of Texas, HUFFMAN, Ms. LEGER FERNANDEZ, Messrs. KAHELE, BUTTERFIELD, LANGEVIN, Miss RICE of New York. Mses. SCANLON, SLOTKIN, Messrs. SEAN PATRICK MALONEY of New York, CICILLINE, Mrs. LEE of Nevada, SEWELL and WASSERMAN SCHULTZ changed their vote from "aye" to "no."

Messrs. BOST, FERGUSON, DUN-McCLINTOCK, CALVERT, CAN. ARRINGTON, MURPHY of North Carolina, NEWHOUSE, DUNN, MULLIN, STEUBE, STAUBER, and MEIJER changed their vote from "no" to "aye." So the en bloc amendments were re-

jected.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

### MEMBERS RECORDED PURSUANT TO HOUSE RESOLUTION 8, 117TH CONGRESS

Barragán	García (IL)	Porter (Neguse)
(Correa)	(Takano)	Reschenthaler
Bowman	Gohmert (Weber	(Keller)
(Neguse)	(TX))	Rice (SC)
Boyle, Brendan	Gosar (Weber	(Meijer)
F. (Beyer)	(TX))	Salazar (Waltz)
Brown (MD)	Grijalva (Correa)	San Nicolas
(Evans)	Houlahan	(Takano)
Carter (TX)	(Spanberger)	Sherrill
(Weber (TX))	Kahele (Correa)	(Pallone)
Castro (TX)	Kirkpatrick	Sires (Pallone)
(Correa)	(Pallone)	Smucker (Keller
Connolly (Beyer)	Lawson (FL)	Taylor
Crist	(Evans)	(McHenry)
(Wasserman	Leger Fernandez	Thompson (MS)
Schultz)	(Correa)	(Bishop (GA))
DeFazio	Meng (Kuster)	Walorski
(Pallone)	Mfume (Evans)	(Fischbach)
Demings (Kelly	Moore (WI)	Williams (GA)
(IL))	(Beyer)	(Neguse)
Escobar (Garcia	Newman (Beyer)	Wilson (FL)
(TX))	Pascrell	(Evans)
Foster	(Pallone)	Wilson (SC)
(Spanberger)	Pingree (Kuster)	(Norman)

## AMENDMENTS EN BLOC NO. 2 OFFERED BY MS. DELAURO OF CONNECTICUT

The Acting CHAIR. The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on amendments en bloc printed in part A of House Report 117-420 offered by the gentlewoman from Connecticut (Ms. DELAURO) on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the ayes prevailed by voice vote.

The Clerk will redesignate amendment.

The Clerk redesignated the amendment.

# RECORDED VOTE

The Acting CHAIR. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The Acting CHAIR. This will be a 5minute vote.

Dunn

Lee (CA)

Schrader

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 336, noes 90, not voting 10, as follows:

# [Roll No. 368]

# AYES-336

Adams Ellzey Lee (NV) Aderholt Emmer Leger Fernandez Aguilar Escobar Letlow Levin (CA) Eshoo Espaillat Amodei Levin (MI) Auchincloss Evans Lieu Feenstra Axne Lofgren Bacon Ferguson Lowenthal Fischbach Luetkemeyer Baird Fitzgerald Balderson Luria Barragán Fitzpatrick Lynch Fleischmann Malinowski Bass Beatty Fletcher Malliotakis Bentz Flood Maloney. Carolyn B. Bera Flores Foster Maloney, Sean Bergman Frankel, Lois Bever Manning Bice (OK) Gallagher Matsui Bilirakis Gallego McBath Bishop (GA) Garamendi McCarthy Blumenauer Garbarino McCaul Blunt Rochester García (IL) McCollum Bonamici Garcia (TX) McEachin Gibbs Bost McGovern Bourdeaux Gimenez McHenry Golden Bowman McNerney Boyle, Brendan Gomez Meeks Gonzales, Tony Meijer F. Brady Gonzalez (OH) Meng Brown (MD) Gonzalez, Mfume Brown (OH) Vicente Miller-Meeks González-Colón Moore (UT) Brownley Buchanan Gottheimer Moore (WI) Bucshon Granger Morelle Graves (LA) Moulton Bush Bustos Graves (MO) Mrvan Murphy (FL) Butterfield Green, A1 (TX) Calvert Grijalva Murphy (NC) Cammack Guthrie Nadler Harder (CA) Napolitano Carbajal Harshbarger Cárdenas Neal Carson Hayes Neguse Carter (GA) Herrera Beutler Newhouse Carter (LA) Higgins (LA) Newman Cartwright Higgins (NY) Norcross Hill Norton Case Casten Himes O'Halleran Castor (FL) Hinson Obernolte Hollingsworth Ocasio-Cortez Castro (TX) Cawthorn Horsford Omar Cheney Houlahan Owens Cherfilus-Palazzo Hoyer McCormick Hudson Pallone Chu Huffman Panetta Cicilline Pappas Issa Clark (MA) Jackson Lee Pascrell Clarke (NY) Jacobs (CA) Pavne Jacobs (NY) Cleaver Pence Clyburn Jayapal Perlmutter Cohen Jeffries Peters Cole Johnson (GA) Phillips Connolly Johnson (LA) Pingree Johnson (OH) Plaskett Conway Cooper Johnson (SD) Pocan Correa Johnson (TX) Porter Presslev Costa Jones Joyce (OH) Courtney Price (NC) Craig Kahele Quigley Crawford Kaptur Raskin Crenshaw Katko Reschenthaler Crist Keating Rice (NY) Crow Keller Rodgers (WA) Cuellar Kelly (IL) Rogers (AL) Curtis Kelly (PA) Rogers (KY) Rose Davids (KS) Khanna Davis, Danny K. Kildee Ross Davis, Rodney Kilmer Rouzer Kim (CA) Roybal-Allard Dean DeFazio Kim (NJ) Ruiz Ruppersberger DeGette Kind DeLauro Kirkpatrick Rush DelBene Krishnamoorthi Ryan Demings Kuster Sablan DeSaulnier LaHood San Nicolas DesJarlais Lamb Sánchez Langevin Deutch Sarbanes Diaz-Balart Larsen (WA) Scalise Dingell Larson (CT) Scanlon Schakowsky Doggett LaTurner Schiff Doyle, Michael Lawrence Lawson (FL) Schneider

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Upton Valadao Van Drew Vargas Veasev Velázquez Wagner Walorski Wasserman Schultz Waters Watson Coleman Welch Westerman Wexton Wild Williams (GA) Wilson (FL) Wilson (SC) Wittman Womack Yarmuth

Garcia (CA) Allen Armstrong Gohmert Arrington Good (VA) Babin Gooden (TX) Banks Gosar Barr Green (TN) Biggs Greene (GA) Bishop (NC) Griffith Boebert Grothman Brooks Guest Buck Harris Hern Budd Herrell Burgess Carey Hice (GA) Carl Huizenga Carter (TX) Jackson Chabot Jordan Cline Joyce (PA) Kelly (MS) Cloud Clyde Kustoff Comer La.Ma.lfa Davidson Lamborn Latta Donalds Duncan Lesko Estes Long Fallon Loudermilk Foxx Mace Franklin, C. Mann Scott Massie Fulcher Mast McClain Gaetz

McClintock Miller (IL) Moolenaar Moore (AL) Mullin Nehls Norman Palmer Perry Pfluger Posey Rice (SC) Rosendale Roy Rutherford Salazar Schweikert Steube Taylor Tennev Timmons Van Duvne Walberg Waltz Weber (TX) Webster (FL) Wenstrup Williams (TX) Zeldin

# NOT VOTING-10

McKinley Burchett Hartzler Meuser Miller (WV) Kinzinger Lucas Mooney

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Mr. COMER changed his vote from "aye" to "no."

So the en bloc amendments were agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

# MEMBERS RECORDED PURSUANT TO HOUSE RESOLUTION 8, 117TH CONGRESS

Barragán Foster (Spanberger) (Correa) García (IL) Bowman (Takano) (Neguse) Gohmert (Weber Boyle, Brendan (TX))F. (Bever) Gosar (Weber Brown (MD) (TX)) (Evans) Grijalva (Correa) Carter (TX) Houlahan (Weber (TX)) (Spanberger) Castro (TX) Kahele (Correa) (Correa) Kirkpatrick Cawthorn (Pallone) (Greene (GA)) Lawson (FL) Connolly (Beyer) (Evans) CristLeger Fernandez (Wasserman (Correa) Schultz) Meng (Kuster) DeFazio Mfume (Evans) Williams (GA) (Pallone) Moore (WI) (Neguse) Wilson (FL) Demings (Kelly (Beyer) (IL)) Newman (Beyer) (Evans) Escobar (Garcia Pascrell Wilson (SC) (TX)) (Pallone) (Norman)

Pingree (Kuster) Porter (Neguse) Reschenthaler (Keller) Rice (SC) (Meijer) Salazar (Waltz) San Nicolas (Takano) Sherrill (Pallone) Sires (Pallone) Smucker (Keller) Taylor (McHenry) Thompson (MS) (Bishop (GA)) Walorski (Fischbach)

### AMENDMENTS EN BLOC NO. 3 OFFERED BY MS. DELAURO OF CONNECTICUT

The Acting CHAIR (Ms. WILD). The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on amendments en bloc offered by the gentlewoman from Connecticut (Ms. DELAURO) on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the ayes prevailed by voice vote.

Clerk will redesignate The amendments en bloc.

The Clerk redesignated the amendments en bloc.

#### RECORDED VOTE

The Acting CHAIR. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The Acting CHAIR. This will be a 5minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 225, noes 201, not voting 10, as follows:

# [Roll No. 369]

#### AVES 225

AYES—225		
Adams	Eshoo	Maloney, Sean
Aguilar	Espaillat	Manning
Allred	Evans	Matsui
Auchineloss	Fitzpatrick	McBath
Axne	Fletcher	McCollum
Barragán	Foster	McEachin
Bass	Frankel, Lois	McGovern
Beatty Bera	Gallego Garamendi	McNerney Meeks
Beyer	García (IL)	Meng
Bishop (GA)	Garcia (TX)	Mfume
Blumenauer	Golden	Moore (WI)
Blunt Rochester	Gomez	Morelle
Bonamici	Gonzalez,	Moulton
Bourdeaux	Vicente	Mrvan
Bowman	González-Colón	Murphy (FL)
Boyle, Brendan	(PR)	Nadler
F.	Gottheimer	Napolitano
Brown (MD)	Green, Al (TX)	Neal
Brown (OH) Brownley	Grijalva Harder (CA)	Neguse Newman
Bush	Hayes	Norcross
Bustos	Higgins (NY)	Norton
Butterfield	Himes	O'Halleran
Carbajal	Horsford	Ocasio-Cortez
Cárdenas	Houlahan	Omar
Carson	Hoyer	Pallone
Carter (LA)	Huffman	Panetta
Cartwright	Jackson Lee	Pappas
Case	Jacobs (CA)	Pascrell
Casten (EL)	Jayapal	Payne
Castor (FL) Castro (TX)	Jeffries Johnson (GA)	Perlmutter Peters
Cherfilus-	Johnson (TX)	Phillips
McCormick	Jones	Pingree
Chu	Kahele	Plaskett
Cicilline	Kaptur	Pocan
Clark (MA)	Keating	Porter
Clarke (NY)	Kelly (IL)	Pressley
Cleaver	Khanna	Price (NC)
Clyburn	Kildee	Quigley
Cohen	Kilmer	Raskin
Connolly Cooper	Kim (NJ) Kind	Rice (NY) Ross
Correa	Kirkpatrick	Roybal-Allard
Costa	Krishnamoorthi	Ruiz
Courtney	Kuster	Ruppersberger
Craig	Lamb	Rush
Crist	Langevin	Ryan
Crow	Larsen (WA)	Sablan
Cuellar	Larson (CT)	San Nicolas
Davids (KS)	Lawrence	Sánchez
Davis, Danny K.	Lawson (FL)	Sarbanes
Dean DeFazio	Lee (CA) Lee (NV)	Scanlon Schakowsky
DeGette	Leger Fernandez	Schiff
DeLauro	Levin (CA)	Schneider
DelBene	Levin (MI)	Schrader
Demings	Lieu	Schrier
DeSaulnier	Lofgren	Scott (VA)
Deutch	Lowenthal	Scott, David
Dingell	Luria	Sewell
Doggett	Lynch	Sherman
Doyle, Michael	Malinowski	Sherrill
F. Escobar	Maloney, Carolyn B.	Sires Slotkin
PRODUCT	Carolyn B.	DIOUXIII

Smith (WA)	Thompson (MS)
Soto	Titus
Spanberger	Tlaib
Speier	Tonko
Stansbury	Torres (CA)
Stanton	Torres (NY)
Stevens	Trahan
Strickland	Trone
Suozzi	Underwood
Swalwell	Vargas
Takano	Veasey
Thompson (CA)	Velázquez

## Wasserman Schultz Waters Watson Coleman Welch Wexton Wild Williams (GA) Wilson (FL) Yarmuth

## NOES-201

Aderholt	Garcia (CA)	Mooney
Allen	Gibbs	Moore (AL)
Amodei	Gimenez	Moore (UT)
Armstrong	Gonzales, Tony	Mullin
Arrington	Gonzalez (OH)	Murphy (NC)
Babin	Good (VA)	Nehls
Bacon	Gooden (TX)	Newhouse
Baird	Granger	Norman
Balderson	Graves (LA)	Obernolte
Banks	Graves (MO)	Owens
Barr	Green (TN)	Palazzo
Bentz	Greene (GA)	
Bergman	Griffith	Palmer
Bice (OK)	Grothman	Pence
Biggs	Guest	Perry
		Pfluger
Bilirakis	Guthrie	Posey
Bishop (NC)	Harris	Reschenthaler
Boebert	Harshbarger	Rice (SC)
Bost	Hern	Rodgers (WA)
Brady	Herrell	Rogers (AL)
Brooks	Herrera Beutler	Rogers (KY)
Buchanan	Hice (GA)	Rose
Buck	Higgins (LA)	Rosendale
Bucshon	Hill	Rouzer
Budd	Hinson	Roy
Burgess	Hollingsworth	Rutherford
Calvert	Hudson	Salazar
Cammack	Huizenga	
Carey	Issa	Scalise
Carl	Jackson	Schweikert
Carter (GA)	Jacobs (NY)	Scott, Austin
Cawthorn	Johnson (LA)	Sessions
Chabot	Johnson (OH)	Simpson
Cheney	Johnson (SD)	Smith (MO)
Cline	Jordan	Smith (NE)
Cloud	Joyce (OH)	Smith (NJ)
Clyde	Joyce (PA)	Smucker
Cole	Katko	Spartz
Comer	Keller	Stauber
Conway	Kelly (MS)	Steel
Crawford	Kelly (PA)	Stefanik
		Steil
Crenshaw	Kim (CA)	Steube
Curtis	Kustoff LaHood	Stewart
Davidson		Taylor
Davis, Rodney	LaMalfa	
DesJarlais	Lamborn	Tenney
Diaz-Balart	Latta	Thompson (PA)
Donalds	LaTurner	Tiffany
Duncan	Lesko	Timmons
Dunn	Letlow	Turner
Ellzey	Long	Upton
Emmer	Loudermilk	Valadao
Estes	Luetkemeyer	Van Drew
Fallon	Mace	Van Duyne
Feenstra	Malliotakis	Wagner
Ferguson	Mann	Walberg
Fischbach	Massie	Walorski
Fitzgerald	Mast	Waltz
Fleischmann	McCarthy	Weber (TX)
Flood	McCaul	Webster (FL)
Flores	McClain	Wenstrup
Foxx	McClintock	Westerman
Franklin, C.	McHenry	Williams (TX)
Scott	Meijer	
Fulcher	Meuser	Wilson (SC)
Gaetz	Miller (IL)	Wittman
Gallagher	Miller-Meeks	Womack
Garbarino	Moolenaar	Zeldin
1	NOT VOTING_1	0

# NOT VOTING-10

Burchett	Hartzler	Miller (WV)
Carter (TX)	Kinzinger	Radewagen
Gohmert	Lucas	_
Gosar	McKinley	

# □ 1713

So the en bloc amendments were agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

#### MEMBERS RECORDED PURSUANT TO HOUSE RESOLUTION 8 117TH CONGRESS

RESOLUTION 0, IIII CONGRESS			
Barragán (Correa) Bowman (Neguse) Boyle, Brendan F. (Beyer) Brown (MD) (Evans) Castro (TX) (Correa) Cawthorn (Greene (GA)) Connolly (Beyer) Crist (Wasserman Schultz) DeFazio (Pallone) Demings (Kelly (IL)) Escobar (Garcia (TX))	Foster (Spanberger) García (IL) (Takano) Grijalva (Correa) Houlahan (Spanberger) Kahele (Correa) Kirkpatrick (Pallone) Lawson (FL) (Evans) Leger Fernandez (Correa) Meng (Kuster) Mfume (Evans) Moore (WI) (Beyer) Newman (Beyer) Pascrell (Pallone) Pingree (Kuster) Porter (Neguse)	Reschenthaler (Keller) Rice (SC) (Meijer) Salazar (Waltz) San Nicolas (Takano) Sherrill (Pallone) Sires (Pallone) Smucker (Keller) Taylor (McHenry) Thompson (MS) (Bishop (GA)) Walorski (Fischbach) Williams (GA) (Neguse) Wilson (FL) (Evans) Wilson (SC) (Norman)	

#### AMENDMENTS EN BLOC NO. 4 OFFERED BY MS. DELAURO OF CONNECTICUT

The Acting CHAIR. The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on amendments en bloc printed in part A of House Report 117-420 offered by the gentlewoman from Connecticut (Ms. DELAURO) on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the noes prevailed by voice vote.

The Clerk will redesignate amendment.

The Clerk redesignated the amendment.

### RECORDED VOTE

The Acting CHAIR. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The Acting CHAIR. This will be a 5minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 165, noes 264, not voting 7, as follows:

# [Roll No. 370]

# ΔVES\_165

	AYES-165	
Aderholt	Donalds	Higgins (LA)
Allen	Duncan	Hill
Amodei	Dunn	Hinson
Armstrong	Ellzey	Hollingsworth
Arrington	Estes	Hudson
Babin	Fallon	Huizenga
Baird	Ferguson	Jackson
Banks	Fischbach	Johnson (LA)
Barr	Fitzgerald	Johnson (SD)
Bentz	Fleischmann	Jordan
Bice (OK)	Flood	Joyce (PA)
Biggs	Flores	Keller
Bilirakis	Foxx	Kelly (MS)
Bishop (NC)	Franklin, C.	Kim (CA)
Boebert	Scott	Kustoff
Brady	Fulcher	LaMalfa
Brooks	Gaetz	Lamborn
Buchanan	Garcia (CA)	Latta
Buck	Gibbs	LaTurner
Budd	Gohmert	Lesko
Burgess	Gonzales, Tony	Letlow
Calvert	González-Colón	Long
Cammack	(PR)	Loudermilk
Carl	Good (VA)	Luetkemeyer
Carter (GA)	Gooden (TX)	Mace
Carter (TX)	Gosar	Mann
Cawthorn	Granger	Massie
Chabot	Graves (LA)	McCarthy
Cheney	Green (TN)	McCaul
Cline	Greene (GA)	McClain
Cloud	Griffith	McClintock
Clyde	Grothman	McHenry
Cole	Guest	Meijer
Comer	Guthrie	Miller (IL)
Conway	Harris	Moolenaar
Crawford	Harshbarger	Mooney
Crenshaw	Hern	Moore (AL)
Curtis	Herrell	Moore (UT)
Davidson	Herrera Beutler	Mullin

Hice (GA)

Murphy (NC)

DesJarlais

Norman

# CONGRESSIONAL RECORD—HOUSE

Nehls Rouzer Norman Rov Obernolte Rutherford Owens Scalise Palazzo Schweikert Palmer Scott, Austin Pence Sessions Smith (MO) Perry Smith (NE) Pfluger Posey Rice (SC) Smucker Spartz Rodgers (WA) Steel Rogers (AL) Steube Rogers (KY) Stewart Taylor Rose Thompson (PA) Rosendale NOES-264

Adams Foster Aguilar Frankel, Lois Allred Gallagher Auchincloss Gallego Garamendi Axne Bacon Garbarino García (IL) Balderson Barragán Garcia (TX) Bass Gimenez Beatty Golden Gomez Gonzalez (OH) Bera Bergman Gonzalez, Beyer Bishop (GA) Vicente Gottheimer Blumenauer Blunt Rochester Graves (MO) Bonamici Green, A1 (TX) Bost Grijalva Bourdeaux Harder (CA) Bowman Haves Boyle, Brendan Higgins (NY) Himes Brown (MD) Horsford Brown (OH) Houlahan Brownley Hoyer Bucshon Huffman Bush Bustos Jackson Lee Butterfield Jacobs (CA) Jacobs (NY) Carbajal Cárdenas Jayapal Jeffries Carev Johnson (GA) Carson Carter (LA) Johnson (OH) Cartwright Johnson (TX) Joyce (OH) Casten Castor (FL) Kahele Castro (TX) Kaptur Cherfilus-Katko McCormick Keating Chu Kelly (IL) Cicilline Kelly (PA) Clark (MA) Khanna Clarke (NY) Kildee Cleaver Kilmer Clyburn Kim (NJ) Cohen Kind Connolly Kirkpatrick Cooper Krishnamoorthi Kuster Correa LaHood Costa Courtney Lamb Craig Langevin Larsen (WA) Crist Larson (CT) Crow Cuellar Lawrence Davids (KS) Lawson (FL) Davis, Danny K. Lee (CA) Davis, Rodney Lee (NV) Leger Fernandez Dean DeFazio Levin (CA) DeGette Levin (MI) DeLauro Lieu DelBene Lofgren Lowenthal Demings DeSaulnier Luria Deutch Lynch Diaz-Balart Malinowski Malliotakis Dingell Maloney, Carolyn B. Doyle, Michael Maloney, Sean Emmer Manning Escobar Mast Eshoo Matsui Espaillat McBath McCollum Evans Feenstra McEachin Fitzpatrick McGovern

Tiffany Timmons Van Duyne Wagner Walberg Walorski Waltz Weber (TX) Webster (FL) Wenstrup Westerman Williams (TX) Wilson (SC) Wittman Womack

Meeks

Meng

Meuser

Mfume

Morelle

Moulton

Mrvan

Neguse

Newhouse

Newman

Norcross

O'Halleran

Ocasio-Cortez

Norton

Omar

Pallone

Panetta

Pascrell

Perlmutter

Pappas

Pavne

Peters

Phillips

Pingree

Pocan

Porter

Raskin

Ross

Rush

Ryan

Sablan

Salazar

Sánchez

Sarbanes

Scanlon

Schiff

San Nicolas

Schakowsky

Schneider

Scott (VA)

Scott, David

Schrader

Schrier

Sewell

Sherman

Sherrill

Simpson

Slotkin

Smith (NJ)

Smith (WA)

Spanberger

Stansbury

Sires

Soto

Speier

Stanton

Stauber

Stefanik

Stevens

Suozzi Swalwell

Takano

Tenney

Thompson (CA)

McNerney

Fletcher

Strickland

Steil

Plaskett

Pressley Price (NC)

Rice (NY)

Reschenthaler

Roybal-Allard

Ruppersberger

Miller-Meeks Moore (WI)

Murphy (FL)

Nadler Napolitano

Thompson (MS) Titus Tlaib Tonko Torres (CA) Torres (NY) Trahan Trone Turner Burchett

Underwood Waters Watson Coleman Upton Valadao Welch Van Drew Wexton Vargas Williams (GA) Veasev Velázquez Wilson (FL) Wasserman Yarmuth Schultz Zeldin NOT VOTING-7

Radewagen

Lucas Hartzler McKinley Miller (WV) Kinzinger

# □ 1724

Mr. LaHOOD changed his vote from "aye" to "no."

Mr. LATTA changed his vote from "no" to "aye."

So the en bloc amendments were re-

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

## MEMBERS RECORDED PURSUANT TO HOUSE RESOLUTION 8, 117TH CONGRESS

Pingree (Kuster) Barragán Foster (Spanberger) Porter (Neguse) (Correa) García (IL) Reschenthaler Bowman (Neguse) (Takano) (Keller) Gohmert (Weber Rice (SC) Boyle, Brendan (TX)) Gosar (Weber (Meijer) Salazar (Waltz) F. (Beyer) Brown (MD) (TX)) San Nicolas (Evans) Grijalva (Correa) (Takano) Carter (TX) Houlahan Sherrill (Weber (TX)) (Spanberger) (Pallone) Castro (TX) Kahele (Correa) Kirkpatrick Sires (Pallone) Smucker (Keller) Cawthorn (Pallone) (Greene (GA)) (McHenry) Lawson (FL) Connolly (Beyer) Thompson (MS) (Evans) Crist Leger Fernandez (Bishop (GA)) (Wasserman (Correa) Walorski Schultz) Meng (Kuster) (Fischbach) DeFazio Mfume (Evans) Williams (GA) (Pallone) Moore (WI) (Neguse) Wilson (FL) Demings (Kelly (Beyer) (IIJ)Newman (Beyer) (Evans) Escobar (Garcia Wilson (SC) Pascrel1 (Pallone) (TX)) (Norman)

# AMENDMENTS EN BLOC NO. 5 OFFERED BY MS. DELAURO OF CONNECTICUT

Acting CHAIR. The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on amendments en bloc printed in part A of House Report 117-420 offered by the gentlewoman from Connecticut (Ms. DELAURO) on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the noes prevailed by voice vote.

The Clerk will redesignate the amendment.

The Clerk redesignated the amendment.

# RECORDED VOTE

The Acting CHAIR. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The Acting CHAIR. This will be a 5-

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 197, noes 230, not voting 9, as follows:

# [Roll No. 371]

# AYES-197

Bergman Bice (OK) Aderholt Bucshon Allen Budd Amodei Biggs Burgess Armstrong Bilirakis Calvert Bishop (NC) Arrington Cammack Babin Boebert Carey Baird Bost Carl Brady Carter (GA) Balderson Carter (TX) Banks Brooks Barr Buchanan Cawthorn Chabot Buck Bentz

Chenev Cline Cloud Clyde Cole Comer Conway Crawford Crenshav Curtis Davidson Davis, Rodney DesJarlais Diaz-Balart Donalds Duncan Dunn Ellzey Emmei Estes Fallon Feenstra Ferguson Fischbach Fitzgerald Fleischmann Flood Flores Foxx Franklin, C. Scott Fulcher Gaetz Gallagher Garbarino Garcia (CA) Gibbs Gimenez Gohmert Gonzales, Tony González-Colón Good (VA) Gooden (TX) Gosar Granger Graves (LA) Graves (MO) Green (TN) Greene (GA) Griffith Grothman Guest Guthrie Harris Harshbarger

Hern Herrell Herrera Beutler Hice (GA) Higgins (LA) Hill Hinson Hudson Huizenga Issa Jackson Jacobs (NY) Johnson (LA) Johnson (OH) Johnson (SD) Jordan Joyce (OH) Joyce (PA) Keller Kelly (MS) Kelly (PA) Kim (CA) Kustoff LaHood LaMalfa Lamborn Latta. LaTurner Lesko Letlow Long Loudermilk Luetkemeyer Mace Malliotakis Mann Massie Mast McCarthy McCaul McClain McClintock McHenry Meijer Meuser Miller (IL) Miller-Meeks Moolenaar Mooney Moore (AL) Moore (UT) Mullin Murphy (NC) Nehls

Obernolte Owens Palazzo Palmer Pence Perry Pfluger Posey Reschenthaler Rice (SC) Rodgers (WA) Rogers (AL) Rogers (KY) Rose Rosendale Rouzer Roy Scalise Schweikert Scott, Austin Simpson Smith (MO) Smith (NE) Smith (NJ) Smucker Spartz Steel Stefanik Steil Steube Stewart Taylor Tenney Thompson (PA) Tiffany Timmons Turner Upton Valadao Van Duyne Wagner Walberg Walorski Waltz Weber (TX) Webster (FL) Wenstrup Westerman Williams (TX) Wilson (SC) Wittman Womack

# NOES-230

Newhouse

Clvburn Adams Aguilar Cohen Connolly Auchineloss Cooper Axne Correa Bacon Costa Barragán Courtney Bass Craig Beatty Crist Bera. Crow Beyer Cuellar Bishop (GA) Davids (KS) Blumenauer Davis, Danny K. Blunt Rochester Dean Bonamici DeFazio Bourdeaux DeGette Bowman DeLauro Boyle, Brendan DelBene F. Demings Brown (MD) DeSaulnier Brown (OH) Deutch Brownley Dingell Bush Doggett Bustos Dovle, Michael Butterfield Carbajal Escobai Cárdenas Eshoo Carson Espaillat Carter (LA) Evans Cartwright Fitzpatrick Case Fletcher Casten Foster Castor (FL) Frankel, Lois Castro (TX) Cherfilus-McCormick Gallego Garamendi Chu García (IL) Cicilline Garcia (TX) Clark (MA) Golden Clarke (NY) Gomez

Gonzalez, Vicente Gottheimer Green, Al (TX) Grijalva Harder (CA) Hayes Higgins (NY) Horsford Houlahan Hoyer Huffman Jackson Lee Jacobs (CA) Javapal Jeffries Johnson (GA) Johnson (TX) Jones Kahele Kaptur Katko Keating Kelly (IL) Khanna Kildee Kilmer Kim (NJ) Kind Kirkpatrick Krishnamoorthi Kuster Lamb Langevin Larsen (WA) Larson (CT) Lawrence Lawson (FL) Lee (CA)

Lee (NV)

Gonzalez (OH)

Cleaver

Leger Fernandez Panetta Levin (CA) Pappas Levin (MI) Pascrell Lieu Pavne Perlmutter Lofgren Peters Lowenthal Luria Phillips Lynch Pingree Malinowski Plaskett Maloney, Carolyn B. Pocan Porter Maloney, Sean Presslev Price (NC) Manning Quigley McBath Raskin McCollum Rice (NY) McEachin McGovern Roybal-Allard McNerney Ruiz Meeks Ruppersberger Meng Rush Mfume Ryan Moore (WI) Sablan Morelle Salazar Moulton San Nicolas Sánchez Mrvan Murphy (FL) Sarbanes Nadler Scanlon Napolitano Schakowsky Schiff Neal Schneider Neguse Newman Schrader Schrier Norcross Scott (VA) Norton O'Halleran Scott, David Ocasio-Cortez Sewell

Sires Slotkin Smith (WA) Soto Spanberger Speier Stansbury Stanton Stauber Stevens Strickland Suozzi Swalwell Takano Thompson (CA) Tlaib Tonko Torres (CA)

Thompson (MS) Torres (NY) Trahan Trone Underwood Van Drew Vargas Veasev Velázquez Wasserman Schultz Waters Watson Coleman Welch Wexton Wild Williams (GA)

Wilson (FL)

Yarmuth

Garcia (TX)

Aderholt

Amodei

Armstrong

Arrington

Allen

#### NOT VOTING-

Burchett Kinzinger Miller (WV) Hartzler Lucas Radewagen Hollingsworth McKinley Rutherford

Sherman

Sherrill

# □ 1732

So the en bloc amendments were re-

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

Stated for:

Omar

Pallone

Mr. RUTHERFORD. Madam Chair, had I been present. I would have voted "ave" on rollcall No. 371.

## MEMBERS RECORDED PURSUANT TO HOUSE RESOLUTION 8, 117TH CONGRESS

Barragán	Foster	Pingree (Kuster)
(Correa)	(Spanberger)	Porter (Neguse)
Bowman	García (IL)	Reschenthaler
(Neguse)	(Takano)	(Keller)
Boyle, Brendan	Gohmert (Weber	Rice (SC)
F. (Beyer)	(TX))	(Meijer)
Brown (MD)	Gosar (Weber	Salazar (Waltz)
(Evans)	(TX))	San Nicolas
Carter (TX)	Grijalva (Correa)	(Takano)
(Weber (TX))	Houlahan	Sherrill
	(Spanberger)	(Pallone)
Castro (TX)	Kahele (Correa)	Sires (Pallone)
(Correa)	Kirkpatrick	Smucker (Keller
Cawthorn	(Pallone)	Taylor
(Greene (GA))	Lawson (FL)	(McHenry)
Connolly (Beyer)	(Evans)	Thompson (MS)
Crist	Leger Fernandez	(Bishop (GA))
(Wasserman	(Correa)	Walorski
Schultz)	Meng (Kuster)	(Fischbach)
DeFazio	Mfume (Evans)	Williams (GA)
(Pallone)	Moore (WI)	(Neguse)
Demings (Kelly	(Beyer)	Wilson (FL)
(IL))	Newman (Beyer)	(Evans)
Escobar (Garcia	Pascrell	Wilson (SC)
(TX))	(Pallone)	(Norman)
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# AMENDMENTS EN BLOC NO. 6 OFFERED BY MS. DELAURO OF CONNECTICUT

The Acting CHAIR. The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on amendments en bloc offered by the gentlewoman from Connecticut (Ms. DELAURO) on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the ayes prevailed by voice vote.

The Clerk will redesignate amendments en bloc.

The Clerk redesignated the amendments en bloc.

#### RECORDED VOTE

The Acting CHAIR. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The Acting CHAIR. This will be a 5minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 224, noes 204, not voting 8, as follows:

# [Roll No. 372]

[Roll No. 372]		
	AYES—224	
A .d		O
Adams Aguilar	Golden Gomez	Ocasio-Cortez Omar
Allred	Gonzalez,	Pallone
Auchineloss	Vicente	Panetta
Axne	Gottheimer	Pappas
Barragán	Green, Al (TX)	Pascrell
Bass	Grijalva	Payne
Beatty	Harder (CA)	Perlmutter
Bera	Hayes	Peters
Beyer	Higgins (NY)	Phillips
Bishop (GA)	Himes	Pingree
Blumenauer	Horsford	Plaskett
Blunt Rochester	Houlahan	Pocan
Bonamici	Hoyer	Porter
Bourdeaux	Huffman	Pressley
Bowman Bowle Bronden	Jackson Lee	Price (NC)
Boyle, Brendan	Jacobs (CA)	Quigley
F. Brown (MD)	Jayapal Jeffries	Raskin
Brown (OH)	Johnson (GA)	Rice (NY)
Brownley	Johnson (TX)	Ross
Bush	Jones	Roybal-Allard
Bustos	Kahele	Ruiz
Butterfield	Kaptur	Ruppersberger
Carbajal	Keating	Rush
Cárdenas	Kelly (IL)	Ryan Sablan
Carson	Khanna	San Nicolas
Carter (LA)	Kildee	Sánchez
Cartwright	Kilmer	Sarbanes
Case	Kim (NJ)	Scanlon
Casten	Kind	Schakowsky
Castor (FL)	Kirkpatrick	Schiff
Castro (TX)	Krishnamoorthi	Schneider
Cherfilus-	Kuster	Schrader
McCormick	Lamb	Schrier
Chu	Langevin	Scott (VA)
Cicilline Clark (MA)	Larsen (WA) Larson (CT)	Scott, David
Clarke (NY)	Lawrence	Sewell
Cleaver	Lawrence Lawson (FL)	Sherman
Clyburn	Lee (CA)	Sherrill
Cohen	Lee (NV)	Sires
Connolly	Leger Fernandez	Slotkin
Cooper	Levin (CA)	Smith (WA)
Correa	Levin (MI)	Soto
Costa	Lieu	Spanberger
Courtney	Lofgren	Speier
Craig	Lowenthal	Stansbury
Crist	Luria	Stanton Stevens
Crow	Lynch	Strickland
Cuellar	Malinowski	Suozzi
Davids (KS)	Maloney,	Swalwell
Davis, Danny K.	Carolyn B.	Takano
Dean DeFazio	Maloney, Sean Manning	Thompson (CA)
DeGette	Matsui	Thompson (MS)
DeLauro	McBath	Titus
DelBene	McCollum	Tlaib
Demings	McEachin	Tonko
DeSaulnier	McGovern	Torres (CA)
Deutch	McNerney	Torres (NY)
Dingell	Meeks	Trahan
Doggett	Meng	Trone
Doyle, Michael	Mfume	Underwood
F.	Moore (WI)	Vargas
Escobar	Morelle	Veasey
Eshoo	Moulton	Velázquez
Espaillat	Mrvan	Wasserman
Evans	Murphy (FL)	Schultz
Fitzpatrick		
Til o to also on	Nadler	Waters
Fletcher	Nadler Napolitano	Watson Coleman
Foster	Nadler Napolitano Neal	Watson Coleman Welch
Foster Frankel, Lois	Nadler Napolitano Neal Neguse	Watson Coleman Welch Wexton
Foster Frankel, Lois Gallego	Nadler Napolitano Neal Neguse Newman	Watson Coleman Welch Wexton Wild
Foster Frankel, Lois	Nadler Napolitano Neal Neguse	Watson Coleman Welch Wexton

# NOES-204

O'Halleran

Babin Barr Bentz Bacon Baird Bergman Balderson Bice (OK) Banks Biggs

Yarmuth

Bishop (NC) Boebert Bost Brady Brooks Buchanan Buck Bucshon Budd Burgess Calvert Cammack Carey Carl Carter (GA) Carter (TX) Cawthorn Chabot Cheney Cline Cloud Clyde Cole Comer Conway Crawford Crenshaw Curtis Davidson Davis, Rodney Des Jarlais Diaz-Balart Donalds Duncan Dunn Ellzey Emmer Estes Fallon Feenstra Ferguson Fischbach Fitzgerald Fleischmann Flood Flores Foxx Franklin, C. Scott Fulcher Gaetz Gallagher Garbarino Garcia (CA) Gibbs Gimenez Gohmert Gonzales, Tony Gonzalez (OH) González-Colón Good (VA)

Gosar

Murphy (NC) Bilirakis Granger Graves (LA) Graves (MO) Green (TN) Greene (GA) Griffith Grothman Guest Guthrie Harris Harshbarger Hern Herrell Herrera Beutler Hice (GA) Higgins (LA) Hinson Hudson Huizenga Tssa. Jackson Jacobs (NY) Johnson (LA) Johnson (OH) Johnson (SD) Jordan Joyce (OH) Joyce (PA) Katko Keller Kelly (MS) Kelly (PA) Kim (CA) Kustoff LaHood LaMalfa Lamborn Latta LaTurner Lesko Letlow Long Loudermilk Luetkemeyer Mace Malliotakis Mann Massie Mast McCarthy McCaul McClain McClintock McHenry Meijer Meuser Miller (IL) Miller-Meeks Moolenaar Mooney Moore (AL) Gooden (TX) Moore (UT) Womack

Nehls Newhouse Norman Obernolte Owens Palazzo Palmer Pence Perry Pfluger Posey Reschenthaler Rice (SC) Rodgers (WA) Rogers (AL) Rogers (KY) Rose Rosendale Rouzer Roy Rutherford Salazar Scalise Schweikert Scott, Austin Sessions Simpson Smith (MO) Smith (NE) Smith (NJ) Smucker Spartz Stauber Steel Stefanik Steil Steube Stewart Taylor Tennev Thompson (PA) Tiffany Timmons Turner Upton Valadao Van Drew Van Duyne Wagner Walberg Walorski Waltz Weber (TX) Webster (FL) Wenstrup Westerman Williams (TX) Wilson (SC) Wittman

# NOT VOTING-

Zeldin

Burchett Kinzinger Miller (WV) Hartzler Lucas Radewagen McKinley Hollingsworth

Mullin

# □ 1743

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi and Ms. WATERS changed their vote from "no" to "aye."

So the en bloc amendments were agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

# MEMBERS RECORDED PURSUANT TO HOUSE RESOLUTION 8, 117TH CONGRESS

Barragán	Crist	Gosar (Weber
(Correa)	(Wasserman	(TX))
Bowman	Schultz)	Grijalva (Correa)
(Neguse)	DeFazio	Houlahan
Boyle, Brendan	(Pallone)	(Spanberger)
F. (Bever)	Demings (Kelly	Kahele (Correa)
Brown (MD)	(IL))	Kirkpatrick
(Evans)	Escobar (Garcia	(Pallone)
Carter (TX)	(TX))	Lawson (FL)
(Weber (TX))	Foster	(Evans)
Castro (TX)	(Spanberger)	Leger Fernandez
(Correa)	García (IL)	(Correa)
Cawthorn	(Takano)	Meng (Kuster)
(Greene (GA))	Gohmert (Weber	Mfume (Evans)
	(TX))	Moore (WI)
Connolly (Beyer)	(1A))	(Beyer)

Rogers (KY)

Johnson (TX)

Joyce (OH)

Jones

Kahele

Kaptur

Katko

Keating

Khanna

Kildee

Kilmer

Kind

Kim (N.I)

Kinzinger

 ${\bf Kuster}$ 

Langevin

Lawrence

Lee (CA)

Lee (NV)

Levin (CA)

Levin (MI)

Lowenthal

Malinowski

Malliotakis

Carolyn B.

Maloney, Sean

Maloney,

Manning

Mast

Matsui

McBath

McCollum

McEachin

McGovern

McNerney

Meeks

Meijer

Meng

Meuser

Mfume

Miller-Meeks

Moore (UT)

Moore (WI)

Murphy (FL)

Nadler Napolitano

Morelle

Moulton

Mrvan

Neal

Neguse

Newhouse

Newman

Norcross

O'Halleran

Obernolte

Omar

Owens

Pallone

Panetta

Pappas

Pascrell

Payne

Pelosi

Perlmutter

Ocasio-Cortez

Lieu

Lofgren

Luria

Lvnch

Mace

Larsen (WA)

Larson (CT)

Lawson (FL)

Leger Fernandez

Lamb

Kirkpatrick

Krishnamoorthi

Kelly (IL)

Perry

Peters

Phillips

Pingree

Pocan

Porter

Presslev

Quigley

Raskin

Ross

Ruiz

Rush

Ryan

Salazar

Sánchez

Sarbanes

Scanlon

Schneider

Schrader

Scott (VA)

Scott, David

Schrier

Sewell.

Sherman

Sherrill

Simpson

Slotkin

Smith (WA)

Spanberger

Stansbury

Stanton

Stefanik

Stevens

Stewart

Suozzi

Swalwell

Takano

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Tlaib Tonko

Trahan

Trone

Turner

Upton

Valadao

Vargas

Veasev

Wagner

Waltz

Waters

Welch

Wild

Wexton

Van Drew

Velázguez

Wasserman

Schultz

Watson Coleman

Williams (GA)

Wilson (FL)

Yarmuth

Zeldin

Torres (CA)

Torres (NY)

Underwood

Strickland

Thompson (CA)

Thompson (MS)

Steil

Sires

Soto

Speier

Schiff

Schakowsky

Price (NC)

Rice (NY)

Rice (SC)

Roybal-Allard

Ruppersberger

Newman (Beyer) San Nicolas Pascrell (Takano) (Pallone) Sherrill Pingree (Kuster) (Pallone) Porter (Neguse) Sires (Pallone) Reschenthaler Smucker (Keller) (Keller) Taylor (McHenry) Rice (SC) (Meijer)  $Thompson\ (MS)$ Salazar (Waltz) (Bishop (GA))

Walorski (Fischbach) Williams (GA) (Neguse) Wilson (FL) (Evans) Wilson (SC) (Norman)

Ms. DELAURO. Madam Chairman, I move that the Committee do now rise. The motion was agreed to.

Accordingly, the Committee rose; and the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. Torres of New York) having assumed the chair, Ms. WILD, Acting Chair of the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, reported that that Committee, having had under consideration the bill (H.R. 8294) making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2023, and for other purposes, and has come to no resolution thereon.

# ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Proceedings will resume on questions previously postponed.

Votes will be taken in the following order:

Passage of H.R. 8404; and

Motions to suspend the rules with respect to the following:

En bloc consideration of H.R. 1286, H.R. 2024, H.R. 3222, H.R. 6337, and H.R. 7002; to be followed by:

S. 144;

H.R. 4404;

H.R. 7025; and

H.R. 7693.

Pursuant to clause 9 of rule XX, each vote will be conducted as a 5-minute vote.

# RESPECT FOR MARRIAGE ACT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the unfinished business is the vote on passage of the bill (H.R. 8404) to repeal the Defense of Marriage Act and ensure respect for State regulation of marriage, and for other purposes, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the bill. The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the passage of the bill.

This is a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 267, nays 157, not voting 7, as follows:

# [Roll No. 373] YEAS-267

Adams	Beyer	Bush
Aguilar	Bishop (GA)	Bustos
Allred	Blumenauer	Butterfield
Armstrong	Blunt Rochester	Calvert
Auchincloss	Bonamici	Cammack
Axne	Bourdeaux	Carbajal
Bacon	Bowman	Cárdenas
Barragán	Boyle, Brendan	Carey
Bass	F.	Carson
Beatty	Brown (MD)	Carter (LA)
Bentz	Brown (OH)	Cartwright
Bera	Brownley	Case

Casten Castor (FL) Castro (TX) Cheney Cherfilus-McCormick Chu Cicilline Clark (MA) Clarke (NY) Cleaver Clyburn Cohen Connolly Cooper Correa Costa Courtney Craig Crow Cuellar Davids (KS) Davis, Danny K. Davis, Rodney Dean DeFazio DeGette DeLauro DelBene Demings DeSaulnier Deutch Diaz-Balart Dingell Doggett Doyle, Michael F. Emmer Escobar Eshoo Espaillat Evans Fitzpatrick Fletcher Foster Frankel, Lois Gallego Garamendi Garbarino Garcia (CA) García (II.) Garcia (TX) Gimenez Golden Gomez Gonzales, Tony Gonzalez (OH) Gonzalez. Vicente Gottheimer Green, Al (TX) Grijalva Harder (CA)

Hayes Higgins (NY) Himes Hinson Horsford Houlahan Hoyer Huffman Issa Jackson Lee Jacobs (CA) Jacobs (NY) Jayapal Jeffries.

Aderholt

Allen

Amodei

Arrington Baird

Balderson

Bergman Bice (OK)

Biggs Bilirakis

Bishop (NC) Boebert

Banks

 $\operatorname{Barr}$ 

Bost

Brady

Brooks

Buchanan

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Buck	DesJarlais
Bucshon	Donalds
Budd	Duncan
Burgess	Dunn
Carl	Ellzey
Carter (GA)	Estes
Carter (TX)	Fallon
Cawthorn	Feenstra
Chabot	Ferguson
Cline	Fischbach
Cloud	Fitzgerald
Clyde	Fleischmann
Cole	Flood
Comer	Flores
Conway	Foxx
Crawford	Franklin, C.
Crenshaw	Scott
Davidson	Fulcher

Gallagher Gibbs Gohmert Good (VA) Gooden (TX) Gosar Granger Graves (LA) Graves (MO) Green (TN) Greene (GA) Griffith Grothman Guest. Guthrie Harris Harshbarger Hern Herrell Herrera Beutler Hice (GA) Higgins (LA) Hill Hudson Huizenga Jackson Johnson (LA) Johnson (OH) Johnson (SD) Jordan Joyce (PA) Keller Kelly (MS) Kelly (PA) Babin Burchett Hartzler

Kim (CA) Kustoff LaHood LaMalfa Lamborn Latta LaTurner Lesko Letlow Long Loudermilk Luetkemever Mann Massie McCarthy McCaul McClain McClintock McHenry Miller (IL) Moolenaar Mooney Moore (AL) Mullin Murphy (NC) Nehls Norman Palazzo Palmer Pence Pfluger Posey Reschenthaler Rodgers (WA) Rogers (AL) NOT VOTING-Hollingsworth Lucas McKinley

Rose Rosendale Rouzer Roy Rutherford Scalise Schweikert Scott, Austin Sessions Smith (MO) Smith (NE) Smith (NJ) Smucker Spartz Stauber Steel Steube Taylor Tenney Thompson (PA) Timmons Van Duvne Walberg Walorski Weber (TX) Webster (FL) Wenstrup Westerman Williams (TX) Wilson (SC) Wittman Womack

Miller (WV)

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So the bill was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### MEMBERS RECORDED PURSUANT TO HOUSE RESOLUTION 8, 117TH CONGRESS

Barragán Foster Newman (Beyer) (Spanberger) (Correa) Pascrell Bowman García (IL) (Neguse) (Takano) Boyle, Brendan Gohmert (Weber F. (Beyer) (TX)) Gosar (Weber Brown (MD) (Evans) (TX)) Grijalva (Correa) Carter (TX) Houlahan (Weber (TX)) Sherrill Castro (TX) (Spanberger) Kahele (Correa) (Correa) Cawthorn Kinzinger (Herrera (Greene (GA)) Taylor Beutler) Connolly (Beyer) Kirkpatrick Crist (Wasserman (Pallone) Lawson (FL) Schultz) (Evans) DeFazio Leger Fernandez (Pallone) (Correa) Demings (Kelly Meng (Kuster) (IL)) Wilson (FL) Mfume (Evans) (Evans) Escobar (Garcia Moore (WI) Wilson (SC) (TX))(Beyer) (Norman)

(Pallone) Pingree (Kuster) Porter (Neguse) Reschenthaler (Keller) Rice (SC) (Meijer) Salazar (Waltz) (Pallone) Sires (Pallone) Smucker (Keller) (McHenry) Thompson (MS) (Bishop (GA)) Walorski (Fischbach) Williams (GA) (Neguse)

# MOTION TO SUSPEND THE RULES AND PASS CERTAIN BILLS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the unfinished business is the vote on the motion of the gentlewoman from Connecticut (Ms. DELAURO) to suspend the rules and pass the following bills: H.R. 1286, H.R. 2024, H.R. 3222, H.R. 6337, and H.R. 7002 on which the yeas and nays are ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the bills. The text of the bills are as follows: