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Making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JULY 31, 2025

Mrs. CAPITO, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported the following original bill; which was read twice and placed on the calendar

A BILL

Making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 That the following sums are appropriated, out of any
4 money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the
5 Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and

1 Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending
2 September 30, 2026, and for other purposes, namely:

3 TITLE I

4 DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

5 EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING ADMINISTRATION

6 TRAINING AND EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

7 For necessary expenses of the Workforce Innovation
8 and Opportunity Act (referred to in this Act as “WIOA”)
9 and the National Apprenticeship Act, \$3,977,088,000 plus
10 reimbursements, shall be available. Of the amounts pro-
11 vided:

12 (1) for grants to States for adult employment
13 and training activities, youth activities, and dis-
14 located worker employment and training activities,
15 \$2,919,332,000 as follows:

16 (A) \$875,649,000 for adult employment
17 and training activities, of which \$163,649,000
18 shall be available for the period July 1, 2026
19 through June 30, 2027, and of which
20 \$712,000,000 shall be available for the period
21 October 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027;

22 (B) \$948,130,000 for youth activities,
23 which shall be available for the period April 1,
24 2026 through June 30, 2027; and

1 (C) \$1,095,553,000 for dislocated worker
2 employment and training activities, of which
3 \$235,553,000 shall be available for the period
4 July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027, and of
5 which \$860,000,000 shall be available for the
6 period October 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027:
7 *Provided*, That the funds available for allotment to
8 outlying areas to carry out subtitle B of title I of the
9 WIOA shall not be subject to the requirements of
10 section 127(b)(1)(B)(ii) of such Act: *Provided fur-*
11 *ther*, That notwithstanding the requirements of
12 WIOA, outlying areas may submit a single applica-
13 tion for a consolidated grant that awards funds that
14 would otherwise be available to such areas to carry
15 out the activities described in subtitle B of title I of
16 the WIOA: *Provided further*, That such application
17 shall be submitted to the Secretary of Labor (re-
18 ferred to in this title as “Secretary”), at such time,
19 in such manner, and containing such information as
20 the Secretary may require: *Provided further*, That
21 outlying areas awarded a consolidated grant de-
22 scribed in the preceding provisos may use the funds
23 for any of the programs and activities authorized
24 under such subtitle B of title I of the WIOA subject

1 to approval of the application and such reporting re-
2 quirements issued by the Secretary; and

3 (2) for national programs, \$1,057,756,000 as
4 follows:

5 (A) \$300,859,000 for the dislocated work-
6 ers assistance national reserve, of which
7 \$100,859,000 shall be available for the period
8 July 1, 2026 through September 30, 2027, and
9 of which \$200,000,000 shall be available for the
10 period October 1, 2026 through September 30,
11 2027: *Provided*, That funds provided to carry
12 out section 132(a)(2)(A) of the WIOA may be
13 used to provide assistance to a State for state-
14 wide or local use in order to address cases
15 where there have been worker dislocations
16 across multiple sectors or across multiple local
17 areas and such workers remain dislocated; co-
18 ordinate the State workforce development plan
19 with emerging economic development needs; and
20 train such eligible dislocated workers: *Provided*
21 *further*, That funds provided to carry out sec-
22 tions 168(b) and 169(c) of the WIOA may be
23 used for technical assistance and demonstration
24 projects, respectively, that provide assistance to
25 new entrants in the workforce and incumbent

1 workers: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding
2 section 168(b) of the WIOA, of the funds pro-
3 vided under this subparagraph, the Secretary
4 may reserve not more than 10 percent of such
5 funds to provide technical assistance and carry
6 out additional activities related to the transition
7 to the WIOA: *Provided further*, That of the
8 funds provided under this subparagraph,
9 \$115,000,000 shall be for training and employ-
10 ment assistance under sections 168(b), 169(c)
11 (notwithstanding the 10 percent limitation in
12 such section) and 170 of the WIOA as follows:

13 (i) \$50,000,000 shall be for workers
14 in the Appalachian region, as defined by
15 40 U.S.C. 14102(a)(1), workers in the
16 Lower Mississippi, as defined in section
17 4(2) of the Delta Development Act (Public
18 Law 100–460, 102 Stat. 2246; 7 U.S.C.
19 2009aa(2)), and workers in the region
20 served by the Northern Border Regional
21 Commission, as defined by 40 U.S.C.
22 15733; and

23 (ii) \$65,000,000 shall be for the pur-
24 pose of developing, offering, or improving
25 educational or career training programs at

1 community colleges, defined as public insti-
2 tutions of higher education, as described in
3 section 101(a) of the Higher Education
4 Act of 1965 and at which the associate's
5 degree is primarily the highest degree
6 awarded, with other eligible institutions of
7 higher education, as defined in section
8 101(a) of the Higher Education Act of
9 1965, eligible to participate through con-
10 sortia, with community colleges as the lead
11 grantee: *Provided*, That the Secretary shall
12 follow the requirements for the program in
13 House Report 116–62: *Provided further*,
14 That any grant funds used for apprentice-
15 ships shall be used to support only appren-
16 ticeship programs registered under the Na-
17 tional Apprenticeship Act and as referred
18 to in section 3(7)(B) of the WIOA;

19 (B) \$60,000,000 for Native American pro-
20 grams under section 166 of the WIOA, which
21 shall be available for the period July 1, 2026
22 through June 30, 2027;

23 (C) \$97,396,000 for migrant and seasonal
24 farmworker programs under section 167 of the
25 WIOA, including \$90,134,000 for formula

1 grants (of which not less than 70 percent shall
2 be for employment and training services),
3 \$6,591,000 for migrant and seasonal housing
4 (of which not less than 70 percent shall be for
5 permanent housing), and \$671,000 for other
6 discretionary purposes, which shall be available
7 for the period April 1, 2026 through June 30,
8 2027: *Provided*, That notwithstanding any
9 other provision of law or related regulation, the
10 Department of Labor shall take no action lim-
11 iting the number or proportion of eligible par-
12 ticipants receiving related assistance services or
13 discouraging grantees from providing such serv-
14 ices: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding the
15 definition of “eligible seasonal farmworker” in
16 section 167(i)(3)(A) of the WIOA relating to an
17 individual being “low-income”, an individual is
18 eligible for migrant and seasonal farmworker
19 programs under section 167 of the WIOA under
20 that definition if, in addition to meeting the re-
21 quirements of clauses (i) and (ii) of section
22 167(i)(3)(A), such individual is a member of a
23 family with a total family income equal to or
24 less than 150 percent of the poverty line;

1 (D) \$105,000,000 for YouthBuild activi-
2 ties as described in section 171 of the WIOA,
3 which shall be available for the period April 1,
4 2026 through June 30, 2027;

5 (E) \$110,000,000 for ex-offender activi-
6 ties, under the authority of section 169 of the
7 WIOA, which shall be available for the period
8 April 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027: *Provided,*
9 That of this amount, \$30,000,000 shall be for
10 competitive grants to national and regional
11 intermediaries for activities that prepare for
12 employment young adults with criminal legal
13 histories, young adults who have been justice
14 system-involved, or young adults who have
15 dropped out of school or other educational pro-
16 grams, with a priority for projects serving high-
17 crime, high-poverty areas;

18 (F) \$6,000,000 for the Workforce Data
19 Quality Initiative, under the authority of section
20 169 of the WIOA, which shall be available for
21 the period July 1, 2026 through June 30,
22 2027;

23 (G) \$285,000,000 to expand opportunities
24 through apprenticeships only registered under
25 the National Apprenticeship Act and as referred

1 to in section 3(7)(B) of the WIOA, to be avail-
2 able to the Secretary to carry out activities
3 through grants, cooperative agreements, con-
4 tracts and other arrangements, with States and
5 other appropriate entities, including equity
6 intermediaries and business and labor industry
7 partner intermediaries, which shall be available
8 for the period July 1, 2026 through June 30,
9 2027; and

10 (H) \$93,501,000 for carrying out Dem-
11 onstration and Pilot projects under section
12 169(c) of the WIOA, which shall be available
13 for the period April 1, 2026 through June 30,
14 2027, in addition to funds available for such ac-
15 tivities under subparagraph (A) for the
16 projects, and in the amounts, specified in the
17 table titled “Congressionally Directed Spend-
18 ing” included in the report accompanying this
19 Act: *Provided*, That such funds may be used for
20 projects that are related to the employment and
21 training needs of dislocated workers, other
22 adults, or youth: *Provided further*, That the 10
23 percent funding limitation under such section of
24 the WIOA shall not apply to such funds: *Pro-*
25 *vided further*, That section 169(b)(6)(C) of the

1 WIOA shall not apply to such funds: *Provided*
2 *further*, That sections 102 and 107 of this Act
3 shall not apply to such funds.

4 JOB CORPS

5 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

6 To carry out subtitle C of title I of the WIOA, includ-
7 ing Federal administrative expenses, the purchase and
8 hire of passenger motor vehicles, the construction, alter-
9 ation, and repairs of buildings and other facilities, and the
10 purchase of real property for training centers as author-
11 ized by the WIOA, \$1,760,155,000, plus reimbursements,
12 as follows:

13 (1) \$1,603,325,000 for Job Corps Operations,
14 which shall be available for the period July 1, 2026
15 through June 30, 2027;

16 (2) \$123,000,000 for construction, rehabilita-
17 tion and acquisition of Job Corps Centers, which
18 shall be available for the period July 1, 2026
19 through June 30, 2029, and which may include the
20 acquisition, maintenance, and repair of major items
21 of equipment: *Provided*, That the Secretary may
22 transfer up to 15 percent of such funds to meet the
23 operational needs of such centers or to achieve ad-
24 ministrative efficiencies: *Provided further*, That any
25 funds transferred pursuant to the preceding proviso

1 shall not be available for obligation after June 30,
 2 2027: *Provided further*, That the Committees on Ap-
 3 propriations of the House of Representatives and the
 4 Senate are notified at least 15 days in advance of
 5 any transfer; and

6 (3) \$33,830,000 for necessary expenses of Job
 7 Corps, which shall be available for obligation for the
 8 period October 1, 2025 through September 30,
 9 2026:

10 *Provided*, That no funds from any other appropriation
 11 shall be used to provide meal services at or for Job Corps
 12 Centers.

13 COMMUNITY SERVICE EMPLOYMENT FOR OLDER

14 AMERICANS

15 To carry out title V of the Older Americans Act of
 16 1965 (referred to in this Act as “OAA”), \$395,000,000,
 17 which shall be available for the period April 1, 2026
 18 through June 30, 2027, and may be recaptured and reobli-
 19 gated in accordance with section 517(c) of the OAA.

20 FEDERAL UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS AND ALLOWANCES

21 For payments during fiscal year 2026 of trade ad-
 22 justment benefit payments and allowances under part I
 23 of subchapter B of chapter 2 of title II of the Trade Act
 24 of 1974, and section 246 of that Act; and for training,
 25 employment and case management services, allowances for

1 job search and relocation, and related State administrative
 2 expenses under part II of subchapter B of chapter 2 of
 3 title II of the Trade Act of 1974, and including benefit
 4 payments, allowances, training, employment and case
 5 management services, and related State administration
 6 provided pursuant to section 231(a) of the Trade Adjust-
 7 ment Assistance Extension Act of 2011, sections 405(a)
 8 and 406 of the Trade Preferences Extension Act of 2015,
 9 and section 285(a) of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended,
 10 \$50,300,000 together with such amounts as may be nec-
 11 essary to be charged to the subsequent appropriation for
 12 payments for any period subsequent to September 15,
 13 2026: *Provided*, That notwithstanding section 502 of this
 14 Act, any part of the appropriation provided under this
 15 heading may remain available for obligation beyond the
 16 current fiscal year pursuant to the authorities of section
 17 245(c) of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2317(c)).

18 STATE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE AND EMPLOYMENT

19 SERVICE OPERATIONS

20 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

21 For authorized administrative expenses,
 22 \$79,066,000, together with not to exceed \$4,002,084,000
 23 which may be expended from the Employment Security
 24 Administration Account in the Unemployment Trust Fund
 25 (“the Trust Fund”), of which—

1 (1) \$3,226,635,000 from the Trust Fund is for
2 grants to States for the administration of State un-
3 employment insurance laws as authorized under title
4 III of the Social Security Act (including not less
5 than \$467,000,000 to carry out reemployment serv-
6 ices and eligibility assessments under section 306 of
7 such Act, any claimants of regular compensation, as
8 defined in such section, including those who are
9 profiled as most likely to exhaust their benefits, may
10 be eligible for such services and assessments: *Pro-*
11 *vided*, That of such amount, \$117,000,000 is speci-
12 fied for grants under section 306 of the Social Secu-
13 rity Act and is provided to meet the terms of a con-
14 current resolution on the budget and \$350,000,000
15 is additional new budget authority specified for pur-
16 poses of a concurrent resolution on the budget; and
17 \$9,000,000 for continued support of the Unemploy-
18 ment Insurance Integrity Center of Excellence), the
19 administration of unemployment insurance for Fed-
20 eral employees and for ex-service members as au-
21 thorized under 5 U.S.C. 8501–8523, and the admin-
22 istration of trade readjustment allowances, reem-
23 ployment trade adjustment assistance, and alter-
24 native trade adjustment assistance under the Trade
25 Act of 1974 and under section 231(a) of the Trade

1 Adjustment Assistance Extension Act of 2011, sec-
2 tions 405(a) and 406 of the Trade Preferences Ex-
3 tension Act of 2015, and section 285(a) of the
4 Trade Act of 1974, as amended, and shall be avail-
5 able for obligation by the States through December
6 31, 2026, except that funds used for automation
7 shall be available for Federal obligation through De-
8 cember 31, 2026, and for State obligation through
9 September 30, 2028, or, if the automation is being
10 carried out through consortia of States, for State ob-
11 ligation through September 30, 2032, and for ex-
12 penditure through September 30, 2033, and funds
13 for competitive grants awarded to States for im-
14 proved operations and to conduct in-person reem-
15 ployment and eligibility assessments and unemploy-
16 ment insurance improper payment reviews and pro-
17 vide reemployment services and referrals to training,
18 as appropriate, shall be available for Federal obliga-
19 tion through December 31, 2026 (except that funds
20 for outcome payments pursuant to section 306(f)(2)
21 of the Social Security Act shall be available for Fed-
22 eral obligation through March 31, 2027), and for ob-
23 ligation by the States through September 30, 2028,
24 and funds for the Unemployment Insurance Integ-
25 rity Center of Excellence shall be available for obli-

1 gation by the State through September 30, 2027,
2 and funds used for unemployment insurance work-
3 loads experienced through September 30, 2026 shall
4 be available for Federal obligation through Decem-
5 ber 31, 2026;

6 (2) \$18,000,000 from the Trust Fund is for na-
7 tional activities necessary to support the administra-
8 tion of the Federal-State unemployment insurance
9 system;

10 (3) \$653,639,000 from the Trust Fund, to-
11 gether with \$21,413,000 from the General Fund of
12 the Treasury, is for grants to States in accordance
13 with section 6 of the Wagner-Peyser Act, and shall
14 be available for Federal obligation for the period
15 July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027;

16 (4) \$20,000,000 from the Trust Fund is for na-
17 tional activities of the Employment Service, includ-
18 ing administration of the work opportunity tax cred-
19 it under section 51 of the Internal Revenue Code of
20 1986 (including assisting States in adopting or mod-
21 ernizing information technology for use in the proc-
22 essing of certification requests), and the provision of
23 technical assistance and staff training under the
24 Wagner-Peyser Act;

1 (5) \$83,810,000 from the Trust Fund is for the
2 administration of foreign labor certifications and re-
3 lated activities under the Immigration and Nation-
4 ality Act and related laws, of which \$60,528,000
5 shall be available for the Federal administration of
6 such activities, and \$23,282,000 shall be available
7 for grants to States for the administration of such
8 activities; and

9 (6) \$57,653,000 from the General Fund is to
10 provide workforce information, national electronic
11 tools, and one-stop system building under the Wag-
12 ner-Peyser Act and shall be available for Federal ob-
13 ligation for the period July 1, 2026 through June
14 30, 2027, of which up to \$9,800,000 may be used
15 to carry out research and demonstration projects re-
16 lated to testing effective ways to promote greater
17 labor force participation of people with disabilities:
18 *Provided*, That the Secretary may transfer amounts
19 made available for research and demonstration
20 projects under this paragraph to the “Office of Dis-
21 ability Employment Policy” account for such pur-
22 poses:
23 *Provided*, That to the extent that the Average Weekly In-
24 sured Unemployment (“AWIU”) for fiscal year 2026 is
25 projected by the Department of Labor to exceed

1 3,075,000, an additional \$28,600,000 from the Trust
2 Fund shall be available for obligation for every 100,000
3 increase in the AWIU level (including a pro rata amount
4 for any increment less than 100,000) to carry out title
5 III of the Social Security Act: *Provided further*, That
6 funds appropriated in this Act that are allotted to a State
7 to carry out activities under title III of the Social Security
8 Act may be used by such State to assist other States in
9 carrying out activities under such title III if the other
10 States include areas that have suffered a major disaster
11 declared by the President under the Robert T. Stafford
12 Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act: *Provided*
13 *further*, That the Secretary may use funds appropriated
14 for grants to States under title III of the Social Security
15 Act to make payments on behalf of States for the use of
16 the National Directory of New Hires under section
17 453(j)(8) of such Act: *Provided further*, That the Sec-
18 retary may use funds appropriated for grants to States
19 under title III of the Social Security Act to make pay-
20 ments on behalf of States to the entity operating the State
21 Information Data Exchange System: *Provided further*,
22 That funds appropriated in this Act which are used to es-
23 tablish a national one-stop career center system, or which
24 are used to support the national activities of the Federal-
25 State unemployment insurance, employment service, or

1 immigration programs, may be obligated in contracts,
2 grants, or agreements with States and non-State entities:
3 *Provided further*, That States awarded competitive grants
4 for improved operations under title III of the Social Secu-
5 rity Act, or awarded grants to support the national activi-
6 ties of the Federal-State unemployment insurance system,
7 may award subgrants to other States and non-State enti-
8 ties under such grants, subject to the conditions applicable
9 to the grants: *Provided further*, That funds appropriated
10 under this Act for activities authorized under title III of
11 the Social Security Act and the Wagner-Peyser Act may
12 be used by States to fund integrated Unemployment In-
13 surance and Employment Service automation efforts, not-
14 withstanding cost allocation principles prescribed under
15 the final rule entitled “Uniform Administrative Require-
16 ments, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Fed-
17 eral Awards” at part 200 of title 2, Code of Federal Regu-
18 lations: *Provided further*, That the Secretary, at the re-
19 quest of a State participating in a consortium with other
20 States, may reallocate funds allotted to such State under title
21 III of the Social Security Act to other States participating
22 in the consortium or to the entity operating the Unemploy-
23 ment Insurance Information Technology Support Center
24 in order to carry out activities that benefit the administra-
25 tion of the unemployment compensation law of the State

1 making the request: *Provided further*, That the Secretary
 2 may collect fees for the costs associated with additional
 3 data collection, analyses, and reporting services relating
 4 to the National Agricultural Workers Survey requested by
 5 State and local governments, public and private institu-
 6 tions of higher education, and nonprofit organizations and
 7 may utilize such sums, in accordance with the provisions
 8 of 29 U.S.C. 9a, for the National Agricultural Workers
 9 Survey infrastructure, methodology, and data to meet the
 10 information collection and reporting needs of such entities,
 11 which shall be credited to this appropriation and shall re-
 12 main available until September 30, 2027, for such pur-
 13 poses.

14 ADVANCES TO THE UNEMPLOYMENT TRUST FUND AND
 15 OTHER FUNDS

16 For repayable advances to the Unemployment Trust
 17 Fund as authorized by sections 905(d) and 1203 of the
 18 Social Security Act, and to the Black Lung Disability
 19 Trust Fund as authorized by section 9501(c)(1) of the In-
 20 ternal Revenue Code of 1986; and for nonrepayable ad-
 21 vances to the revolving fund established by section 901(e)
 22 of the Social Security Act, to the Unemployment Trust
 23 Fund as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 8509, and to the “Federal
 24 Unemployment Benefits and Allowances” account, such

1 sums as may be necessary, which shall be available for
2 obligation through September 30, 2027.

3 PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION

4 For expenses of administering employment and train-
5 ing programs, \$104,527,000, together with not to exceed
6 \$53,906,000 which shall be available from the Employ-
7 ment Security Administration Account in the Unemploy-
8 ment Trust Fund.

9 VETERANS' EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING

10 Not to exceed \$269,841,000 may be derived from the
11 Employment Security Administration account in the Un-
12 employment Trust Fund to carry out the provisions of
13 chapters 41, 42, and 43 of title 38, United States Code,
14 of which—

15 (1) \$185,000,000 is for Jobs for Veterans State
16 grants under 38 U.S.C. 4102A(b)(5) to support dis-
17 abled veterans' outreach program specialists under
18 section 4103A of such title and local veterans' em-
19 ployment representatives under section 4104(b) of
20 such title, and for the expenses described in section
21 4102A(b)(5)(C), which shall be available for expend-
22 iture by the States through September 30, 2028,
23 and not to exceed 3 percent for the necessary Fed-
24 eral expenditures for data systems and contract sup-
25 port to allow for the tracking of participant and per-

1 formance information: *Provided*, That, in addition,
2 such funds may be used to support such specialists
3 and representatives in the provision of services to
4 transitioning members of the Armed Forces who
5 have participated in the Transition Assistance Pro-
6 gram and have been identified as in need of inten-
7 sive services, to members of the Armed Forces who
8 are wounded, ill, or injured and receiving treatment
9 in military treatment facilities or warrior transition
10 units, to the spouses or other family caregivers of
11 such wounded, ill, or injured members, and to sur-
12 viving spouses of individuals who died while serving
13 as members of the Armed Forces or as a result of
14 a service-connected disability;

15 (2) \$34,379,000 is for carrying out the Transi-
16 tion Assistance Program under 38 U.S.C. 4113 and
17 10 U.S.C. 1144;

18 (3) \$47,048,000 is for Federal administration
19 of chapters 41, 42, and 43 of title 38, and sections
20 2021, 2021A and 2023 of title 38, United States
21 Code: *Provided*, That up to \$500,000 may be used
22 to carry out the Hire VETS Act (division O of Pub-
23 lic Law 115–31); and

1 (4) \$3,414,000 is for the National Veterans'
2 Employment and Training Services Institute under
3 38 U.S.C. 4109:

4 *Provided*, That the Secretary may reallocate among the
5 appropriations provided under paragraphs (1) through (4)
6 above an amount not to exceed 3 percent of the appropria-
7 tion from which such reallocation is made.

8 In addition, from the General Fund of the Treasury,
9 \$65,500,000 is for carrying out programs to assist home-
10 less veterans and veterans at risk of homelessness who are
11 transitioning from certain institutions under sections
12 2021, 2021A, and 2023 of title 38, United States Code:
13 *Provided*, That notwithstanding subsections (c)(3) and (d)
14 of section 2023, the Secretary may award grants through
15 September 30, 2026, to provide services under such sec-
16 tion: *Provided further*, That services provided under sec-
17 tions 2021 or under 2021A may include, in addition to
18 services to homeless veterans described in section
19 2002(a)(1), services to veterans who were homeless at
20 some point within the 60 days prior to program entry or
21 veterans who are at risk of homelessness within the next
22 60 days, and that services provided under section 2023
23 may include, in addition to services to the individuals de-
24 scribed in subsection (e) of such section, services to vet-
25 erans recently released from incarceration who are at risk

1 of homelessness: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding
2 paragraph (3) under this heading, funds appropriated in
3 this paragraph may be used for data systems and contract
4 support to allow for the tracking of participant and per-
5 formance information: *Provided further*, That notwith-
6 standing sections 2021(e)(2) and 2021A(f)(2) of title 38,
7 United States Code, such funds shall be available for ex-
8 penditure pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1553.

9 In addition, fees may be assessed and deposited in
10 the HIRE Vets Medallion Award Fund pursuant to sec-
11 tion 5(b) of the HIRE Vets Act, and such amounts shall
12 be available to the Secretary to carry out the HIRE Vets
13 Medallion Award Program, as authorized by such Act, and
14 shall remain available until expended: *Provided*, That such
15 sums shall be in addition to any other funds available for
16 such purposes, including funds available under paragraph
17 (3) of this heading: *Provided further*, That section 2(d)
18 of division O of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2017
19 (Public Law 115–31; 38 U.S.C. 4100 note) shall not
20 apply.

21 EMPLOYEE BENEFITS SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

22 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

23 For necessary expenses for the Employee Benefits
24 Security Administration, \$191,100,000, of which up to
25 \$3,000,000 shall be made available through September 30,

1 2027, for the procurement of expert witnesses for enforce-
2 ment litigation.

3 PENSION BENEFIT GUARANTY CORPORATION

4 PENSION BENEFIT GUARANTY CORPORATION FUND

5 The Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation (“Cor-
6 poration”) is authorized to make such expenditures, in-
7 cluding financial assistance authorized by subtitle E of
8 title IV of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act
9 of 1974, within limits of funds and borrowing authority
10 available to the Corporation, and in accord with law, and
11 to make such contracts and commitments without regard
12 to fiscal year limitations, as provided by 31 U.S.C. 9104,
13 as may be necessary in carrying out the program, includ-
14 ing associated administrative expenses, through Sep-
15 tember 30, 2026, for the Corporation: *Provided*, That
16 none of the funds available to the Corporation for fiscal
17 year 2026 shall be available for obligations for administra-
18 tive expenses in excess of \$494,264,000: *Provided further*,
19 That of the amount made available under this heading,
20 not less than \$7,588,000 shall be for necessary expenses
21 of the Office of Inspector General: *Provided further*, That
22 to the extent that the number of new plan participants
23 in plans terminated by the Corporation exceeds 100,000
24 in fiscal year 2026, an amount not to exceed an additional
25 \$9,200,000 shall be available through September 30,

1 2030, for obligations for administrative expenses for every
2 20,000 additional terminated participants: *Provided fur-*
3 *ther*, That obligations in excess of the amounts provided
4 for administrative expenses in this paragraph may be in-
5 curred and shall be available through September 30, 2030
6 for obligation for unforeseen and extraordinary pre-termi-
7 nation or termination expenses or extraordinary multiem-
8 ployer program related expenses after approval by the Of-
9 fice of Management and Budget and notification of the
10 Committees on Appropriations of the House of Represent-
11 atives and the Senate: *Provided further*, That an addi-
12 tional amount shall be available for obligation through
13 September 30, 2030 to the extent the Corporation's costs
14 exceed \$250,000 for the provision of credit or identity
15 monitoring to affected individuals upon suffering a secu-
16 rity incident or privacy breach, not to exceed an additional
17 \$100 per affected individual.

18 WAGE AND HOUR DIVISION

19 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

20 For necessary expenses for the Wage and Hour Divi-
21 sion, including reimbursement to State, Federal, and local
22 agencies and their employees for inspection services ren-
23 dered, \$260,000,000.

1 OFFICE OF LABOR-MANAGEMENT STANDARDS

2 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

3 For necessary expenses for the Office of Labor-Man-
4 agement Standards, \$48,515,000.

5 OFFICE OF FEDERAL CONTRACT COMPLIANCE

6 PROGRAMS

7 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

8 For necessary expenses for the Office of Federal Con-
9 tract Compliance Programs, \$105,976,000.

10 OFFICE OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION PROGRAMS

11 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

12 For necessary expenses for the Office of Workers'
13 Compensation Programs, \$120,500,000, together with
14 \$2,205,000 which may be expended from the Special Fund
15 in accordance with sections 39(c), 44(d), and 44(j) of the
16 Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act.

17 SPECIAL BENEFITS

18 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

19 For the payment of compensation, benefits, and ex-
20 penses (except administrative expenses not otherwise au-
21 thorized) accruing during the current or any prior fiscal
22 year authorized by 5 U.S.C. 81; continuation of benefits
23 as provided for under the heading "Civilian War Benefits"
24 in the Federal Security Agency Appropriation Act, 1947;
25 the Employees' Compensation Commission Appropriation

1 Act, 1944; section 5(f) of the War Claims Act (50 U.S.C.
2 App. 2012); obligations incurred under the War Hazards
3 Compensation Act (42 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.); and 50 per-
4 cent of the additional compensation and benefits required
5 by section 10(h) of the Longshore and Harbor Workers'
6 Compensation Act, \$1,298,385,000, together with such
7 amounts as may be necessary to be charged to the subse-
8 quent year appropriation for the payment of compensation
9 and other benefits for any period subsequent to August
10 15 of the current year, for deposit into and to assume
11 the attributes of the Employees' Compensation Fund es-
12 tablished under 5 U.S.C. 8147(a): *Provided*, That
13 amounts appropriated may be used under 5 U.S.C. 8104
14 by the Secretary to reimburse an employer, who is not the
15 employer at the time of injury, for portions of the salary
16 of a re-employed, disabled beneficiary: *Provided further*,
17 That balances of reimbursements unobligated on Sep-
18 tember 30, 2025, shall remain available until expended for
19 the payment of compensation, benefits, and expenses: *Pro-*
20 *vided further*, That in addition there shall be transferred
21 to this appropriation from the Postal Service and from
22 any other corporation or instrumentality required under
23 5 U.S.C. 8147(c) to pay an amount for its fair share of
24 the cost of administration, such sums as the Secretary de-
25 termines to be the cost of administration for employees

1 of such fair share entities through September 30, 2026:
2 *Provided further*, That of those funds transferred to this
3 account from the fair share entities to pay the cost of ad-
4 ministration of the Federal Employees' Compensation Act,
5 \$81,808,000 shall be made available to the Secretary as
6 follows:

7 (1) For enhancement and maintenance of auto-
8 mated data processing systems operations and tele-
9 communications systems, \$27,549,000;

10 (2) For automated workload processing oper-
11 ations, including document imaging, centralized mail
12 intake, and medical bill processing, \$25,956,000;

13 (3) For periodic roll disability management and
14 medical review, \$25,957,000;

15 (4) For program integrity, \$2,346,000; and

16 (5) The remaining funds shall be paid into the
17 Treasury as miscellaneous receipts:

18 *Provided further*, That the Secretary may require that any
19 person filing a notice of injury or a claim for benefits
20 under 5 U.S.C. 81, or the Longshore and Harbor Work-
21 ers' Compensation Act, provide as part of such notice and
22 claim, such identifying information (including Social Secu-
23 rity account number) as such regulations may prescribe.

1 SPECIAL BENEFITS FOR DISABLED COAL MINERS

2 For carrying out title IV of the Federal Mine Safety
3 and Health Act of 1977, as amended by Public Law 107–
4 275, \$24,585,000, to remain available until expended.

5 For making after July 31 of the current fiscal year,
6 benefit payments to individuals under title IV of such Act,
7 for costs incurred in the current fiscal year, such amounts
8 as may be necessary.

9 For making benefit payments under title IV for the
10 first quarter of fiscal year 2027, \$5,900,000, to remain
11 available until expended.

12 ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES, ENERGY EMPLOYEES

13 OCCUPATIONAL ILLNESS COMPENSATION FUND

14 For necessary expenses to administer the Energy
15 Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program
16 Act, \$68,148,000, to remain available until expended: *Pro-*
17 *vided*, That the Secretary may require that any person fil-
18 ing a claim for benefits under the Act provide as part of
19 such claim such identifying information (including Social
20 Security account number) as may be prescribed.

21 BLACK LUNG DISABILITY TRUST FUND

22 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

23 Such sums as may be necessary from the Black Lung
24 Disability Trust Fund (the “Fund”), to remain available
25 until expended, for payment of all benefits authorized by

1 section 9501(d)(1), (2), (6), and (7) of the Internal Rev-
2 enue Code of 1986; and repayment of, and payment of
3 interest on advances, as authorized by section 9501(d)(4)
4 of that Act. In addition, the following amounts may be
5 expended from the Fund for fiscal year 2026 for expenses
6 of operation and administration of the Black Lung Bene-
7 fits program, as authorized by section 9501(d)(5): not to
8 exceed \$50,684,000 for transfer to the Office of Workers'
9 Compensation Programs, "Salaries and Expenses"; not to
10 exceed \$39,086,000 for transfer to Departmental Manage-
11 ment, "Salaries and Expenses"; not to exceed \$373,000
12 for transfer to Departmental Management, "Office of In-
13 spector General"; and not to exceed \$356,000 for pay-
14 ments into miscellaneous receipts for the expenses of the
15 Department of the Treasury.

16 OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH ADMINISTRATION
17 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

18 For necessary expenses for the Occupational Safety
19 and Health Administration, \$632,309,000, which shall be
20 for the purposes and in the amounts specified in the
21 "Committee Recommendation" column for Occupational
22 Safety and Health Administration in the "Amounts Rec-
23 ommended in the Bill for Fiscal Year 2026" table in the
24 report accompanying this Act, of which amounts made
25 available for State Programs shall be the maximum

1 amount available for grants to States under section 23(g)
2 of the Occupational Safety and Health Act (the “Act”)
3 and such grants shall be no less than 50 percent of the
4 costs of State occupational safety and health programs re-
5 quired to be incurred under plans approved by the Sec-
6 retary under section 18 of the Act; and, in addition, not-
7 withstanding 31 U.S.C. 3302, the Occupational Safety
8 and Health Administration may retain up to \$499,000 per
9 fiscal year of training institute course tuition and fees,
10 otherwise authorized by law to be collected, and may uti-
11 lize such sums for occupational safety and health training
12 and education: *Provided*, That notwithstanding 31 U.S.C.
13 3302, the Secretary is authorized, during the fiscal year
14 ending September 30, 2026, to collect and retain fees for
15 services provided to Nationally Recognized Testing Lab-
16 oratories, and may utilize such sums, in accordance with
17 the provisions of 29 U.S.C. 9a, to administer national and
18 international laboratory recognition programs that ensure
19 the safety of equipment and products used by workers in
20 the workplace: *Provided further*, That none of the funds
21 appropriated under this paragraph shall be obligated or
22 expended to prescribe, issue, administer, or enforce any
23 standard, rule, regulation, or order under the Act which
24 is applicable to any person who is engaged in a farming
25 operation which does not maintain a temporary labor

1 camp and employs 10 or fewer employees: *Provided fur-*
2 *ther*, That no funds appropriated under this paragraph
3 shall be obligated or expended to administer or enforce
4 any standard, rule, regulation, or order under the Act with
5 respect to any employer of 10 or fewer employees who is
6 included within a category having a Days Away, Re-
7 stricted, or Transferred (“DART”) occupational injury
8 and illness rate, at the most precise industrial classifica-
9 tion code for which such data are published, less than the
10 national average rate as such rates are most recently pub-
11 lished by the Secretary, acting through the Bureau of
12 Labor Statistics, in accordance with section 24 of the Act,
13 except—

14 (1) to provide, as authorized by the Act, con-
15 sultation, technical assistance, educational and train-
16 ing services, and to conduct surveys and studies;

17 (2) to conduct an inspection or investigation in
18 response to an employee complaint, to issue a cita-
19 tion for violations found during such inspection, and
20 to assess a penalty for violations which are not cor-
21 rected within a reasonable abatement period and for
22 any willful violations found;

23 (3) to take any action authorized by the Act
24 with respect to imminent dangers;

1 (4) to take any action authorized by the Act
2 with respect to health hazards;

3 (5) to take any action authorized by the Act
4 with respect to a report of an employment accident
5 which is fatal to one or more employees or which re-
6 sults in hospitalization of two or more employees,
7 and to take any action pursuant to such investiga-
8 tion authorized by the Act; and

9 (6) to take any action authorized by the Act
10 with respect to complaints of discrimination against
11 employees for exercising rights under the Act:

12 *Provided further*, That the foregoing proviso shall not
13 apply to any person who is engaged in a farming operation
14 which does not maintain a temporary labor camp and em-
15 ploys 10 or fewer employees: *Provided further*, That not
16 less than \$3,500,000 of the amounts made available for
17 Federal Assistance shall be for Voluntary Protection Pro-
18 grams.

19 MINE SAFETY AND HEALTH ADMINISTRATION

20 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

21 For necessary expenses for the Mine Safety and
22 Health Administration, including purchase and bestowal
23 of certificates and trophies in connection with mine rescue
24 and first-aid work, and the hire of passenger motor vehi-
25 cles, \$387,816,000, which shall be for the purposes and

1 in the amounts specified in the “Committee Recommenda-
2 tion” column for Mine Safety and Health Administration
3 in the “Amounts Recommended in the Bill for Fiscal Year
4 2026” table in the report accompanying this Act, of which
5 up to \$2,000,000 of the amounts made available for Tech-
6 nical Support shall be for mine rescue and recovery activi-
7 ties and not less than \$10,537,000 of the amounts made
8 available for Educational Policy and Development shall be
9 for State assistance grants: *Provided*, That notwith-
10 standing 31 U.S.C. 3302, not to exceed \$750,000 may be
11 collected by the National Mine Health and Safety Acad-
12 emy for room, board, tuition, and the sale of training ma-
13 terials, otherwise authorized by law to be collected, to be
14 available for mine safety and health education and train-
15 ing activities: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding 31
16 U.S.C. 3302, the Mine Safety and Health Administration
17 is authorized to collect and retain up to \$2,499,000 from
18 fees collected for the approval and certification of equip-
19 ment, materials, and explosives for use in mines, and may
20 utilize such sums for such activities: *Provided further*,
21 That the Secretary is authorized to accept lands, build-
22 ings, equipment, and other contributions from public and
23 private sources and to prosecute projects in cooperation
24 with other agencies, Federal, State, or private: *Provided*
25 *further*, That the Mine Safety and Health Administration

1 is authorized to promote health and safety education and
2 training in the mining community through cooperative
3 programs with States, industry, and safety associations:
4 *Provided further*, That the Secretary is authorized to rec-
5 ognize the Joseph A. Holmes Safety Association as a prin-
6 cipal safety association and, notwithstanding any other
7 provision of law, may provide funds and, with or without
8 reimbursement, personnel, including service of Mine Safe-
9 ty and Health Administration officials as officers in local
10 chapters or in the national organization: *Provided further*,
11 That any funds available to the Department of Labor may
12 be used, with the approval of the Secretary, to provide
13 for the costs of mine rescue and survival operations in the
14 event of a major disaster.

15 BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS

16 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

17 For necessary expenses for the Bureau of Labor Sta-
18 tistics, including advances or reimbursements to State,
19 Federal, and local agencies and their employees for serv-
20 ices rendered, \$635,952,000, together with not to exceed
21 \$68,000,000 which may be expended from the Employ-
22 ment Security Administration account in the Unemploy-
23 ment Trust Fund.

1 OFFICE OF DISABILITY EMPLOYMENT POLICY
2 SALARIES AND EXPENSES
3 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

4 For necessary expenses for the Office of Disability
5 Employment Policy to provide leadership, develop policy
6 and initiatives, and award grants, cooperative agreements,
7 and contracts furthering the objective of eliminating bar-
8 riers to the training and employment of people with dis-
9 abilities, \$43,000,000, of which not less than \$9,000,000
10 shall be for research and demonstration projects related
11 to testing effective ways to promote greater labor force
12 participation of people with disabilities: *Provided*, That the
13 Secretary may transfer amounts made available under this
14 heading for research and demonstration projects to the
15 “State Unemployment Insurance and Employment Service
16 Operations” account for such purposes.

17 DEPARTMENTAL MANAGEMENT
18 SALARIES AND EXPENSES
19 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

20 For necessary expenses for Departmental Manage-
21 ment, including the hire of three passenger motor vehicles,
22 \$363,535,000, together with not to exceed \$308,000,
23 which may be expended from the Employment Security
24 Administration account in the Unemployment Trust
25 Fund: *Provided*, That \$111,125,000 shall be for the Bu-

1 reau of International Labor Affairs, of which \$76,725,000
2 shall be available for obligation through December 31,
3 2026: *Provided further*, That funds available to the Bu-
4 reau of International Labor Affairs may be used to admin-
5 ister or operate international labor activities, bilateral and
6 multilateral technical assistance, and microfinance pro-
7 grams, by or through contracts, grants, subgrants and
8 other arrangements: *Provided further*, That not less than
9 \$30,175,000 shall be for programs to combat exploitative
10 child labor internationally and not less than \$30,175,000
11 shall be used to implement model programs that address
12 worker rights issues through technical assistance in coun-
13 tries with which the United States has free trade agree-
14 ments or trade preference programs: *Provided further*,
15 That \$4,281,000 shall be used for program evaluation and
16 shall be available for obligation through September 30,
17 2027: *Provided further*, That funds available for program
18 evaluation may be used to administer grants for the pur-
19 pose of evaluation: *Provided further*, That grants made for
20 the purpose of evaluation shall be awarded through fair
21 and open competition: *Provided further*, That funds avail-
22 able for program evaluation may be transferred to any
23 other appropriate account in the Department for such pur-
24 pose: *Provided further*, That the Committees on Appro-
25 priations of the House of Representatives and the Senate

1 are notified at least 15 days in advance of any transfer:
2 *Provided further*, That \$23,000,000 shall be for the Wom-
3 en's Bureau and may be used for grants to serve and pro-
4 mote the interests of women in the workforce: *Provided*
5 *further*, That of the amounts made available to the Wom-
6 en's Bureau, not less than \$5,000,000 shall be used for
7 grants authorized by the Women in Apprenticeship and
8 Nontraditional Occupations Act: *Provided further*, That
9 the Department of Labor shall support staffing levels nec-
10 essary to fulfill its statutory responsibilities including car-
11 rying out programs, projects, and activities funded in this
12 title of this Act in a timely manner.

13 IT MODERNIZATION

14 For necessary expenses for Department of Labor cen-
15 tralized infrastructure technology investment activities re-
16 lated to support systems, \$6,889,000, which shall be avail-
17 able through September 30, 2027.

18 OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

19 For salaries and expenses of the Office of Inspector
20 General in carrying out the provisions of the Inspector
21 General Act of 1978, \$91,187,000, together with not to
22 exceed \$5,841,000 which may be expended from the Em-
23 ployment Security Administration account in the Unem-
24 ployment Trust Fund: *Provided*, That not more than

1 \$2,000,000 of the total amount provided under this head-
2 ing may be available until expended.

3 GENERAL PROVISIONS

4 SEC. 101. None of the funds appropriated by this Act
5 for the Job Corps shall be used to pay the salary and bo-
6 nuses of an individual, either as direct costs or any prora-
7 tion as an indirect cost, at a rate in excess of Executive
8 Level II.

9 (TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

10 SEC. 102. Not to exceed 1 percent of any discre-
11 tionary funds (pursuant to the Balanced Budget and
12 Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985) which are appro-
13 priated for the current fiscal year for the Department of
14 Labor in this Act may be transferred between a program,
15 project, or activity, but no such program, project, or activ-
16 ity shall be increased by more than 3 percent by any such
17 transfer: *Provided*, That the transfer authority granted by
18 this section shall not be used to create any new program
19 or to fund any project or activity for which no funds are
20 provided in this Act: *Provided further*, That the Commit-
21 tees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives
22 and the Senate are notified at least 15 days in advance
23 of any transfer.

24 SEC. 103. In accordance with Executive Order
25 13126, none of the funds appropriated or otherwise made

1 available pursuant to this Act shall be obligated or ex-
2 pended for the procurement of goods mined, produced,
3 manufactured, or harvested or services rendered, in whole
4 or in part, by forced or indentured child labor in industries
5 and host countries already identified by the United States
6 Department of Labor prior to enactment of this Act.

7 SEC. 104. Except as otherwise provided in this sec-
8 tion, none of the funds made available to the Department
9 of Labor for grants under section 414(c) of the American
10 Competitiveness and Workforce Improvement Act of 1998
11 (29 U.S.C. 2916a) may be used for any purpose other
12 than competitive grants for training individuals who are
13 older than 16 years of age and are not currently enrolled
14 in school within a local educational agency in the occupa-
15 tions and industries for which employers are using H-1B
16 visas to hire foreign workers, and the related activities
17 necessary to support such training.

18 SEC. 105. None of the funds made available by this
19 Act under the heading “Employment and Training Ad-
20 ministration” shall be used by a recipient or subrecipient
21 of such funds to pay the salary and bonuses of an indi-
22 vidual, either as direct costs or indirect costs, at a rate
23 in excess of Executive Level II. This limitation shall not
24 apply to vendors providing goods and services as defined
25 in Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133.

1 Where States are recipients of such funds, States may es-
2 tablish a lower limit for salaries and bonuses of those re-
3 ceiving salaries and bonuses from subrecipients of such
4 funds, taking into account factors including the relative
5 cost-of-living in the State, the compensation levels for
6 comparable State or local government employees, and the
7 size of the organizations that administer Federal pro-
8 grams involved including Employment and Training Ad-
9 ministration programs.

10 (TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

11 SEC. 106. (a) Notwithstanding section 102, the Sec-
12 retary may transfer funds made available to the Employ-
13 ment and Training Administration by this Act, either di-
14 rectly or through a set-aside, for technical assistance serv-
15 ices to grantees to “Program Administration” when it is
16 determined that those services will be more efficiently per-
17 formed by Federal employees: *Provided*, That this section
18 shall not apply to section 171 of the WIOA.

19 (b) Notwithstanding section 102, the Secretary may
20 transfer not more than 0.5 percent of each discretionary
21 appropriation made available to the Employment and
22 Training Administration by this Act to “Program Admin-
23 istration” in order to carry out program integrity activities
24 relating to any of the programs or activities that are fund-
25 ed under any such discretionary appropriations: *Provided*,

1 That notwithstanding section 102 and the preceding pro-
2 viso, the Secretary may transfer not more than 0.5 percent
3 of funds made available in paragraphs (1) and (2) of the
4 “Office of Job Corps” account to paragraph (3) of such
5 account to carry out program integrity activities related
6 to the Job Corps program: *Provided further*, That funds
7 transferred under this subsection shall be available to the
8 Secretary to carry out program integrity activities directly
9 or through grants, cooperative agreements, contracts and
10 other arrangements with States and other appropriate en-
11 tities: *Provided further*, That funds transferred under the
12 authority provided by this subsection shall be available for
13 obligation through September 30, 2027.

14 (TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

15 SEC. 107. (a) The Secretary may reserve not more
16 than 0.75 percent from each appropriation made available
17 in this Act identified in subsection (b) in order to carry
18 out evaluations of any of the programs or activities that
19 are funded under such accounts. Any funds reserved under
20 this section shall be transferred to “Departmental Man-
21 agement” for use by the Office of the Chief Evaluation
22 Officer within the Department of Labor, and shall be
23 available for obligation through September 30, 2027: *Pro-*
24 *vided*, That such funds shall only be available if the Chief
25 Evaluation Officer of the Department of Labor submits

1 a plan to the Committees on Appropriations of the House
2 of Representatives and the Senate describing the evalua-
3 tions to be carried out 15 days in advance of any transfer.

4 (b) The accounts referred to in subsection (a) are:
5 “Training and Employment Services”, “Job Corps”,
6 “Community Service Employment for Older Americans”,
7 “State Unemployment Insurance and Employment Service
8 Operations”, “Employee Benefits Security Administra-
9 tion”, “Office of Workers’ Compensation Programs”,
10 “Wage and Hour Division”, “Office of Federal Contract
11 Compliance Programs”, “Office of Labor Management
12 Standards”, “Occupational Safety and Health Adminis-
13 tration”, “Mine Safety and Health Administration”, “Of-
14 fice of Disability Employment Policy”, funding made
15 available to the “Bureau of International Labor Affairs”
16 and “Women’s Bureau” within the “Departmental Man-
17 agement, Salaries and Expenses” account, and “Veterans’
18 Employment and Training”.

19 SEC. 108. (a) Section 7 of the Fair Labor Standards
20 Act of 1938 (29 U.S.C. 207) shall be applied as if the
21 following text is part of such section:

22 “(s)(1) The provisions of this section shall not apply
23 for a period of 2 years after the occurrence of a major
24 disaster to any employee—

1 “(A) employed to adjust or evaluate claims re-
2 sulting from or relating to such major disaster, by
3 an employer not engaged, directly or through an af-
4 filiate, in underwriting, selling, or marketing prop-
5 erty, casualty, or liability insurance policies or con-
6 tracts;

7 “(B) who receives from such employer on aver-
8 age weekly compensation of not less than \$591.00
9 per week or any minimum weekly amount estab-
10 lished by the Secretary, whichever is greater, for the
11 number of weeks such employee is engaged in any
12 of the activities described in subparagraph (C); and

13 “(C) whose duties include any of the following:

14 “(i) interviewing insured individuals, indi-
15 viduals who suffered injuries or other damages
16 or losses arising from or relating to a disaster,
17 witnesses, or physicians;

18 “(ii) inspecting property damage or review-
19 ing factual information to prepare damage esti-
20 mates;

21 “(iii) evaluating and making recommenda-
22 tions regarding coverage or compensability of
23 claims or determining liability or value aspects
24 of claims;

25 “(iv) negotiating settlements; or

1 “(v) making recommendations regarding
2 litigation.

3 “(2) The exemption in this subsection shall not affect
4 the exemption provided by section 13(a)(1).

5 “(3) For purposes of this subsection—

6 “(A) the term ‘major disaster’ means any dis-
7 aster or catastrophe declared or designated by any
8 State or Federal agency or department;

9 “(B) the term ‘employee employed to adjust or
10 evaluate claims resulting from or relating to such
11 major disaster’ means an individual who timely se-
12 cured or secures a license required by applicable law
13 to engage in and perform the activities described in
14 clauses (i) through (v) of paragraph (1)(C) relating
15 to a major disaster, and is employed by an employer
16 that maintains worker compensation insurance cov-
17 erage or protection for its employees, if required by
18 applicable law, and withholds applicable Federal,
19 State, and local income and payroll taxes from the
20 wages, salaries and any benefits of such employees;
21 and

22 “(C) the term ‘affiliate’ means a company that,
23 by reason of ownership or control of 25 percent or
24 more of the outstanding shares of any class of voting
25 securities of one or more companies, directly or indi-

1 rectly, controls, is controlled by, or is under common
2 control with, another company.”.

3 (b) This section shall be effective on the date of en-
4 actment of this Act.

5 SEC. 109. (a) FLEXIBILITY WITH RESPECT TO THE
6 CROSSING OF H-2B NONIMMIGRANTS WORKING IN THE
7 SEAFOOD INDUSTRY.—

8 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (2), if
9 a petition for H-2B nonimmigrants filed by an em-
10 ployer in the seafood industry is granted, the em-
11 ployer may bring the nonimmigrants described in
12 the petition into the United States at any time dur-
13 ing the 120-day period beginning on the start date
14 for which the employer is seeking the services of the
15 nonimmigrants without filing another petition.

16 (2) REQUIREMENTS FOR CROSSINGS AFTER
17 90TH DAY.—An employer in the seafood industry
18 may not bring H-2B nonimmigrants into the United
19 States after the date that is 90 days after the start
20 date for which the employer is seeking the services
21 of the nonimmigrants unless the employer—

22 (A) completes a new assessment of the
23 local labor market by—

24 (i) listing job orders in local news-
25 papers on 2 separate Sundays; and

1 (ii) posting the job opportunity on the
2 appropriate Department of Labor Elec-
3 tronic Job Registry and at the employer's
4 place of employment; and

5 (B) offers the job to an equally or better
6 qualified United States worker who—

7 (i) applies for the job; and

8 (ii) will be available at the time and
9 place of need.

10 (3) EXEMPTION FROM RULES WITH RESPECT
11 TO STAGGERING.—The Secretary of Labor shall not
12 consider an employer in the seafood industry who
13 brings H-2B nonimmigrants into the United States
14 during the 120-day period specified in paragraph (1)
15 to be staggering the date of need in violation of sec-
16 tion 655.20(d) of title 20, Code of Federal Regula-
17 tions, or any other applicable provision of law.

18 (b) H-2B NONIMMIGRANTS DEFINED.—In this sec-
19 tion, the term “H-2B nonimmigrants” means aliens ad-
20 mitted to the United States pursuant to section
21 101(a)(15)(H)(ii)(B) of the Immigration and Nationality
22 Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)(15)(H)(ii)(B)).

23 SEC. 110. The determination of prevailing wage for
24 the purposes of the H-2B program shall be the greater
25 of—(1) the actual wage level paid by the employer to other

1 employees with similar experience and qualifications for
2 such position in the same location; or (2) the prevailing
3 wage level for the occupational classification of the posi-
4 tion in the geographic area in which the H-2B non-
5 immigrant will be employed, based on the best information
6 available at the time of filing the petition. In the deter-
7 mination of prevailing wage for the purposes of the H-
8 2B program, the Secretary shall accept private wage sur-
9 veys even in instances where Occupational Employment
10 Statistics survey data are available unless the Secretary
11 determines that the methodology and data in the provided
12 survey are not statistically supported.

13 SEC. 111. None of the funds in this Act shall be used
14 to enforce the definition of corresponding employment
15 found in 20 CFR 655.5 or the three-fourths guarantee
16 rule definition found in 20 CFR 655.20, or any references
17 thereto. Further, for the purpose of regulating admission
18 of temporary workers under the H-2B program, the defi-
19 nition of temporary need shall be that provided in 8 CFR
20 214.2(h)(6)(ii)(B).

21 SEC. 112. Notwithstanding any other provision of
22 law, the Secretary may furnish through grants, coopera-
23 tive agreements, contracts, and other arrangements, not
24 more than \$450,000 of excess personal property, at a
25 value determined by the Secretary, to apprenticeship pro-

1 grams for the purpose of training apprentices in those pro-
2 grams.

3 SEC. 113. (a) The Act entitled “An Act to create a
4 Department of Labor”, approved March 4, 1913 (37 Stat.
5 736, chapter 141) is amended by adding at the end the
6 following new section:

7 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Labor is au-
8 thorized to employ law enforcement officers or special
9 agents to—

10 “(1) provide protection for the Secretary of
11 Labor during the workday of the Secretary and dur-
12 ing any activity that is preliminary or postliminary
13 to the performance of official duties by the Sec-
14 retary;

15 “(2) provide protection, incidental to the protec-
16 tion provided to the Secretary, to a member of the
17 immediate family of the Secretary who is partici-
18 pating in an activity or event relating to the official
19 duties of the Secretary;

20 “(3) provide continuous protection to the Sec-
21 retary (including during periods not described in
22 paragraph (1)) and to the members of the imme-
23 diate family of the Secretary if there is a unique and
24 articulable threat of physical harm, in accordance
25 with guidelines established by the Secretary; and

1 “(4) provide protection to the Deputy Secretary
2 of Labor or another senior officer representing the
3 Secretary of Labor at a public event if there is a
4 unique and articulable threat of physical harm, in
5 accordance with guidelines established by the Sec-
6 retary.

7 “(b) AUTHORITIES.—The Secretary of Labor may
8 authorize a law enforcement officer or special agent em-
9 ployed under subsection (a), for the purpose of performing
10 the duties authorized under subsection (a), to—

11 “(1) carry firearms;

12 “(2) make arrests without a warrant for any of-
13 fense against the United States committed in the
14 presence of such officer or special agent;

15 “(3) perform protective intelligence work, in-
16 cluding identifying and mitigating potential threats
17 and conducting advance work to review security mat-
18 ters relating to sites and events;

19 “(4) coordinate with local law enforcement
20 agencies; and

21 “(5) initiate criminal and other investigations
22 into potential threats to the security of the Sec-
23 retary, in coordination with the Inspector General of
24 the Department of Labor.

1 “(c) COMPLIANCE WITH GUIDELINES.—A law en-
2 forcement officer or special agent employed under sub-
3 section (a) shall exercise any authority provided under this
4 section in accordance with any—

5 “(1) guidelines issued by the Attorney General;
6 and

7 “(2) guidelines prescribed by the Secretary of
8 Labor.”.

9 (b) This section shall be effective on the date of en-
10 actment of this Act.

11 SEC. 114. The Secretary is authorized to dispose of
12 or divest, by any means the Secretary determines appro-
13 priate, including an agreement or partnership to construct
14 a new Job Corps center, all or a portion of the real prop-
15 erty on which the Treasure Island Job Corps Center and
16 the Gary Job Corps Center are situated. Any sale or other
17 disposition, to include any associated construction project,
18 will not be subject to any requirement of any Federal law
19 or regulation relating to the disposition of Federal real
20 property or relating to Federal procurement, including but
21 not limited to subchapter III of chapter 5 of title 40 of
22 the United States Code, subchapter V of chapter 119 of
23 title 42 of the United States Code, and chapter 33 of divi-
24 sion C of subtitle I of title 41 of the United States Code.
25 The net proceeds of such a sale shall be transferred to

1 the Secretary, which shall be available until expended for
2 such project to carry out the Job Corps Program on
3 Treasure Island and the Job Corps Program in and
4 around San Marcos, Texas, respectively.

5 SEC. 115. None of the funds made available by this
6 Act may be used to—

7 (1) alter or terminate the Interagency Agree-
8 ment between the United States Department of
9 Labor and the United States Department of Agri-
10 culture;

11 (2) close any of the Civilian Conservation Cen-
12 ters, except if such closure is necessary to prevent
13 the endangerment of the health and safety of the
14 students, the capacity of the program is retained,
15 and the requirements of section 159(j) of the WIOA
16 are met; or

17 (3) close any Job Corps Centers, except if such
18 closure meets the criterion entitled “Long-Term
19 Center Performance” or the criterion entitled “Eval-
20 uation of Continuing Center Operations” established
21 by 81 FR 12529, the capacity of the program is re-
22 tained, and the requirements of section 159(j) of the
23 WIOA are met.

1 (RESCISSION)

2 SEC. 116. Of the unobligated funds available under
3 section 286(s)(2) of the Immigration and Nationality Act
4 (8 U.S.C. 1356(s)(2)), \$200,000,000 are hereby perma-
5 nently rescinded not later than September 30, 2026.

6 (RESCISSION)

7 SEC. 117. Of the funds made available under the
8 heading “Employment and Training Administration–
9 Training and Employment Services” pursuant to section
10 1112 of the Full-Year Continuing Appropriations Act,
11 2025 (division A of Public Law 119–4), \$75,000,000 are
12 hereby permanently rescinded from amounts made avail-
13 able for the dislocated workers assistance national reserve
14 for the period October 1, 2025, through September 30,
15 2026.

16 This title may be cited as the “Department of Labor
17 Appropriations Act, 2026”.

1 TITLE II
2 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN
3 SERVICES
4 HEALTH RESOURCES AND SERVICES ADMINISTRATION
5 PRIMARY HEALTH CARE

6 For carrying out titles II and III of the Public Health
7 Service Act (referred to in this Act as the “PHS Act”) *Pro-*
8 with respect to primary health care and the Native Hawai-
9 ian Health Care Act of 1988, \$1,858,772,000: *Provided,*
10 That the Secretary shall make continuation awards no
11 later than the day following the expiration of the period
12 of performance: *Provided further,* That no more than
13 \$1,000,000 shall be available until expended for carrying
14 out the provisions of section 224(o) of the PHS Act: *Pro-*
15 *vided further,* That no more than \$120,000,000 shall be
16 available until expended for carrying out subsections (g)
17 through (n) and (q) of section 224 of the PHS Act, and
18 for expenses incurred by the Department of Health and
19 Human Services (referred to in this Act as “HHS”) per-
20 taining to administrative claims made under such law:
21 *Provided further,* That the budget activities specified in
22 the table under this heading in the report accompanying
23 this Act shall be funded in the amounts specified in such
24 table.

HEALTH WORKFORCE

1
2 For carrying out titles III, VII, and VIII of the PHS
3 Act with respect to the health workforce, sections 1128E
4 and 1921 of the Social Security Act, and the Health Care
5 Quality Improvement Act of 1986, \$1,383,376,000, which
6 shall be for the purposes and in the amounts specified in
7 the “Committee Recommendation” column for Health
8 Workforce in the “Amounts Recommended in the Bill for
9 Fiscal Year 2026” table in the report accompanying this
10 Act: *Provided*, That section 751(j)(2) of the PHS Act and
11 the proportional funding amounts in paragraphs (1)
12 through (4) of section 756(f) of the PHS Act shall not
13 apply to funds made available under this heading: *Pro-*
14 *vided further*, That for any program operating under sec-
15 tion 751 of the PHS Act on or before January 1, 2009,
16 the Secretary of Health and Human Services (referred to
17 in this title as the “Secretary”) may hereafter waive any
18 of the requirements contained in sections 751(d)(2)(A)
19 and 751(d)(2)(B) of such Act for the full project period
20 of a grant under such section: *Provided further*, That sec-
21 tion 756(c) of the PHS Act shall apply to paragraphs (1)
22 through (4) of section 756(a) of such Act: *Provided fur-*
23 *ther*, That no funds shall be available for section 340G–
24 1 of the PHS Act: *Provided further*, That fees collected
25 for the disclosure of information under section 427(b) of

1 the Health Care Quality Improvement Act of 1986 and
2 sections 1128E(d)(2) and 1921 of the Social Security Act
3 shall be sufficient to recover the full costs of operating
4 the programs authorized by such sections and shall remain
5 available until expended for the National Practitioner
6 Data Bank: *Provided further*, That funds transferred to
7 this account to carry out section 846 and subpart 3 of
8 part D of title III of the PHS Act may be used to make
9 prior year adjustments to awards made under such section
10 and subpart: *Provided further*, That amounts made avail-
11 able for the National Health Service Corps (“NHSC”)
12 shall remain available until expended for the purposes of
13 providing primary health services, assigning National
14 Health Service Corps participants to expand the delivery
15 of substance use disorder treatment services, notwith-
16 standing the assignment priorities and limitations under
17 sections 333(a)(1)(D), 333(b), and 333A(a)(1)(B)(ii) of
18 the PHS Act, and making payments under the NHSC
19 Loan Repayment Program under section 338B of such
20 Act: *Provided further*, That, within the amount made
21 available in the previous proviso, \$24,000,000 shall re-
22 main available until expended for the purposes of making
23 payments under the NHSC Loan Repayment Program
24 under section 338B of the PHS Act, of which \$16,000,000
25 shall be for payments to individuals participating in such

1 program who provide primary health services in Indian
2 Health Service facilities, Tribally-Operated 638 Health
3 Programs, and Urban Indian Health Programs (as those
4 terms are defined by the Secretary) and \$8,000,000 shall
5 be for payments to individuals participating in such pro-
6 gram who provide primary health services in Maternity
7 Care Health Professional Target Areas, as determined by
8 the Secretary, notwithstanding the assignment priorities
9 and limitations under section 333(b) of such Act: *Provided*
10 *further*, That for purposes of the previous two provisos,
11 section 331(a)(3)(D) of the PHS Act shall be applied as
12 if the term “primary health services” includes clinical sub-
13 stance use disorder treatment services, including those
14 provided by masters level, licensed substance use disorder
15 treatment counselors: *Provided further*, That amounts
16 made available for the Nurse Practitioner Optional Fel-
17 lowship Program shall be available to make grants to es-
18 tablish, expand, or maintain optional community-based
19 nurse practitioner fellowship programs that are accredited
20 or in the accreditation process, with a preference for those
21 in Federally Qualified Health Centers, for practicing post-
22 graduate nurse practitioners in primary care or behavioral
23 health: *Provided further*, That amounts made available for
24 Pediatric Specialty Loan Repayment shall remain avail-
25 able until expended for activities under section 775 of the

1 PHS Act: *Provided further*, That the United States may
2 recover liquidated damages in an amount determined by
3 the formula under section 338E(c)(1) of the PHS Act if
4 an individual either fails to begin or complete the service
5 obligated by a contract under section 775(b) of the PHS
6 Act: *Provided further*, That for purposes of section
7 775(c)(1) of the PHS Act, the Secretary may include
8 other mental and behavioral health disciplines as the Sec-
9 retary deems appropriate: *Provided further*, That the Sec-
10 retary may terminate a contract entered into under section
11 775 of the PHS Act in the same manner articulated in
12 section 206 of this title for fiscal year 2026 contracts en-
13 tered into under section 338B of the PHS Act.

14 Amounts made available for Medical Student Edu-
15 cation shall remain available until expended for grants to
16 public institutions of higher education to expand or sup-
17 port graduate education for physicians provided by such
18 institutions, including funding for infrastructure develop-
19 ment, maintenance, equipment, and minor renovations or
20 alterations: *Provided*, That, in awarding such grants, the
21 Secretary shall give priority to public institutions of higher
22 education located in States with a projected primary care
23 provider shortage, as determined by the Secretary: *Pro-*
24 *vided further*, That grants so awarded are limited to such
25 public institutions of higher education in States in the top

1 half of States with a projected primary care provider
2 shortage, as determined by the Secretary: *Provided fur-*
3 *ther*, That the minimum amount of a grant so awarded
4 to such an institution shall be not less than \$1,000,000
5 per year: *Provided further*, That such a grant may be
6 awarded for a period not to exceed 5 years: *Provided fur-*
7 *ther*, That such a grant awarded with respect to a year
8 to such an institution shall be subject to a matching re-
9 quirement of non-Federal funds in an amount that is not
10 more than 10 percent of the total amount of Federal funds
11 provided in the grant to such institution with respect to
12 such year.

13 MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH

14 For carrying out titles III, XI, XII, and XIX of the
15 PHS Act with respect to maternal and child health and
16 title V of the Social Security Act, \$1,160,680,000, which
17 shall be for the purposes and in the amounts specified in
18 the “Committee Recommendation” column for Maternal
19 and Child Health in the “Amounts Recommended in the
20 Bill for Fiscal Year 2026” table in the report accom-
21 panying this Act: *Provided*, That notwithstanding sections
22 502(a)(1) and 502(b)(1) of the Social Security Act,
23 amounts made available for Special Projects of Regional
24 and National Significance shall be available for carrying
25 out special projects of regional and national significance

1 pursuant to section 501(a)(2) of such Act and
2 \$10,276,000 shall be available for projects described in
3 subparagraphs (A) through (F) of section 501(a)(3) of
4 such Act, and the budget activities specified in the table
5 under this heading in the report accompanying this Act
6 shall be funded in the amounts specified in such table.

7 RYAN WHITE HIV/AIDS PROGRAM

8 For carrying out title XXVI of the PHS Act with
9 respect to the Ryan White HIV/AIDS program,
10 \$2,571,041,000, which shall be for the purposes and in
11 the amounts specified in the “Committee Recommenda-
12 tion” column for Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program in the
13 “Amounts Recommended in the Bill for Fiscal Year 2026”
14 table in the report accompanying this Act, of which the
15 amounts made available for Emergency Assistance (Part
16 A) and Comprehensive Care Programs (Part B) shall re-
17 main available to the Secretary through September 30,
18 2028, for parts A and B of title XXVI of the PHS Act,
19 and of which the amounts made available for the AIDS
20 Drug Assistance Program (ADAP) shall be for State
21 AIDS Drug Assistance Programs under the authority of
22 section 2616 or 311(c) of such Act; and of which the
23 amounts made available for Ending the HIV/AIDS Epi-
24 demic Initiative shall remain available until expended and
25 shall be available to the Secretary for carrying out a pro-

1 gram of grants and contracts under title XXVI or section
2 311(c) of such Act focused on ending the nationwide HIV/
3 AIDS epidemic, with any grants issued under such section
4 311(c) administered in conjunction with title XXVI of the
5 PHS Act, including the limitation on administrative ex-
6 penses.

7 HEALTH SYSTEMS

8 For carrying out titles III and XII of the PHS Act
9 with respect to health care systems, and the Stem Cell
10 Therapeutic and Research Act of 2005, \$127,009,000,
11 which shall be for the purposes and in the amounts speci-
12 fied in the “Committee Recommendation” column for
13 Health Systems in the “Amounts Recommended in the
14 Bill for Fiscal Year 2026” table in the report accom-
15 panying this Act, of which the amounts made available
16 for Hansen’s Disease Program – Buildings and Facilities
17 shall be available until expended for facility renovations
18 and other facilities-related expenses: *Provided*, That dur-
19 ing the period covered by this Act, the Secretary of Health
20 and Human Services may collect registration fees from
21 members of the Organ Procurement and Transplantation
22 Network (in this title referred to as “OPTN”), authorized
23 under section 372 of the PHS Act, for each transplant
24 candidate such members place on the list described in sub-
25 section (b)(2)(A)(i) of such section, including directly or

1 through awards made under subsection (b)(1)(A) of such
2 section: *Provided further*, That such fees may be credited
3 to this account, to remain available until expended, to sup-
4 port the operation of the OPTN: *Provided further*, That
5 the Secretary may distribute fees collected pursuant to the
6 first proviso under this heading among the awardee or
7 awardees described in subsection (b)(1)(A) of section 372
8 of the PHS Act as the Secretary determines appropriate.

9 RURAL HEALTH

10 For carrying out titles III and IV of the PHS Act
11 with respect to rural health, section 427(a) of the Federal
12 Coal Mine Health and Safety Act of 1969, and sections
13 711 and 1820 of the Social Security Act, \$373,907,000,
14 which shall be for the purposes and in the amounts speci-
15 fied in the “Committee Recommendation” column for
16 Rural Health in the “Amounts Recommended in the Bill
17 for Fiscal Year 2026” table in the report accompanying
18 this Act, of which the amounts made available for Rural
19 Hospital Flexibility Grants shall come from general reve-
20 nues, notwithstanding section 1820(j) of the Social Secu-
21 rity Act: *Provided*, That of the funds made available under
22 this heading for Rural Hospital Flexibility Grants, up to
23 \$21,942,000 shall be available for the Small Rural Hos-
24 pital Improvement Grant Program for quality improve-
25 ment and adoption of health information technology, no

1 less than \$5,000,000 shall be available to award grants
2 to public or non-profit private entities for the Rural Emer-
3 gency Hospital Technical Assistance Program, and up to
4 \$1,000,000 shall be to carry out section 1820(g)(6) of the
5 Social Security Act, with funds provided for grants under
6 section 1820(g)(6) available for the purchase and imple-
7 mentation of telehealth services and other efforts to im-
8 prove health care coordination for rural veterans between
9 rural providers and the Department of Veterans Affairs:
10 *Provided further*, That the amounts made available for
11 State Offices of Rural Health shall be available notwith-
12 standing section 338J(k) of the PHS Act: *Provided fur-*
13 *ther*, That the amounts for Rural Residency Planning and
14 Development Program shall remain available through Sep-
15 tember 30, 2028.

16 FAMILY PLANNING

17 For carrying out the program under title X of the
18 PHS Act to provide for voluntary family planning
19 projects, \$286,479,000: *Provided*, That amounts provided
20 to said projects under such title shall not be expended for
21 abortions, that all pregnancy counseling shall be nondirec-
22 tive, and that such amounts shall not be expended for any
23 activity (including the publication or distribution of lit-
24 erature) that in any way tends to promote public support

1 or opposition to any legislative proposal or candidate for
2 public office.

3 HRSA-WIDE ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAM SUPPORT

4 For carrying out title III of the Public Health Service
5 Act and for cross-cutting activities and program support
6 for activities funded in other appropriations included in
7 this Act for the Health Resources and Services Adminis-
8 tration, \$1,078,036,000, of which \$42,050,000 shall be
9 for expenses necessary for the Office for the Advancement
10 of Telehealth, including grants, contracts, and cooperative
11 agreements for the advancement of telehealth activities:
12 *Provided*, That funds made available under this heading
13 may be used to supplement program support funding pro-
14 vided under the headings “Primary Health Care”,
15 “Health Workforce”, “Maternal and Child Health”,
16 “Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program”, “Health Systems”,
17 and “Rural Health”: *Provided further*, That of the amount
18 made available under this heading, \$873,748,000 shall be
19 used for the projects financing the construction and ren-
20 ovation (including equipment) of health care and other fa-
21 cilities, and for the projects financing one-time grants that
22 support health-related activities, including training and in-
23 formation technology, and in the amounts specified in the
24 table titled “Congressionally Directed Spending” included
25 in the report accompanying this Act: *Provided further*,

1 That none of the funds made available for projects de-
 2 scribed in the preceding proviso shall be subject to section
 3 241 of the PHS Act or section 205 of this Act.

4 VACCINE INJURY COMPENSATION PROGRAM TRUST FUND

5 For payments from the Vaccine Injury Compensation
 6 Program Trust Fund (the “Trust Fund”), such sums as
 7 may be necessary for claims associated with vaccine-re-
 8 lated injury or death with respect to vaccines administered
 9 after September 30, 1988, pursuant to subtitle 2 of title
 10 XXI of the PHS Act, to remain available until expended:
 11 *Provided*, That for necessary administrative expenses, not
 12 to exceed \$15,200,000 shall be available from the Trust
 13 Fund to the Secretary.

14 COVERED COUNTERMEASURES PROCESS FUND

15 For carrying out section 319F–4 of the PHS Act,
 16 \$7,000,000, to remain available until expended.

17 CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION

18 IMMUNIZATION AND RESPIRATORY DISEASES

19 For carrying out titles II, III, XVII, and XXI, and
 20 section 2821 of the PHS Act, and titles II and IV of the
 21 Immigration and Nationality Act, with respect to immuni-
 22 zation and respiratory diseases, \$358,333,000, which shall
 23 be for the purposes and in the amounts specified as appro-
 24 priations in the table under this heading in the report ac-
 25 companying this Act.

1 HIV/AIDS, VIRAL HEPATITIS, SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED
2 DISEASES, AND TUBERCULOSIS PREVENTION

3 For carrying out titles II, III, XVII, and XXIII of
4 the PHS Act with respect to HIV/AIDS, viral hepatitis,
5 sexually transmitted diseases, and tuberculosis prevention,
6 \$1,381,056,000, which shall be for the purposes and in
7 the amounts specified in the table under this heading in
8 the report accompanying this Act.

9 EMERGING AND ZOOONOTIC INFECTIOUS DISEASES

10 For carrying out titles II, III, and XVII, and section
11 2821 of the PHS Act, and titles II and IV of the Immigra-
12 tion and Nationality Act, with respect to emerging and
13 zoonotic infectious diseases, \$711,272,000, which shall be
14 for the purposes and in the amounts specified as appro-
15 priations in table under this heading in the report accom-
16 panying this Act: *Provided*, That of the amounts made
17 available under this heading, up to \$1,000,000 from
18 amounts made available for Quarantine appropriations
19 shall remain available until expended to pay for the trans-
20 portation, medical care, treatment, and other related costs
21 of persons quarantined or isolated under Federal or State
22 quarantine law.

1 informatics, and workforce development, \$546,553,000,
2 which shall be for the purposes and in the amounts speci-
3 fied as appropriations in the table under this heading in
4 the report accompanying this Act: *Provided*, That in addi-
5 tion to amounts provided herein, \$42,944,000 shall be
6 from funds available under section 241 of the PHS Act
7 for health statistics.

8 ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

9 For carrying out titles II, III, and XVII of the PHS
10 Act with respect to environmental health, \$191,850,000,
11 which shall be for the purposes and in the amounts speci-
12 fied as appropriations in the table under this heading in
13 the report accompanying this Act.

14 INJURY PREVENTION AND CONTROL

15 For carrying out titles II, III, and XVII of the PHS
16 Act with respect to injury prevention and control,
17 \$761,379,000, which shall be for the purposes and in the
18 amounts specified in the table under this heading in the
19 report accompanying this Act.

20 NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND
21 HEALTH

22 For carrying out titles II, III, and XVII of the PHS
23 Act, sections 101, 102, 103, 201, 202, 203, 301, and 501
24 of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act, section 13
25 of the Mine Improvement and New Emergency Response

1 Act, and sections 20, 21, and 22 of the Occupational Safe-
2 ty and Health Act, with respect to occupational safety and
3 health, \$363,800,000, which shall be for the purposes and
4 in the amounts specified in the table under this heading
5 in the report accompanying this Act.

6 ENERGY EMPLOYEES OCCUPATIONAL ILLNESS

7 COMPENSATION PROGRAM

8 For necessary expenses to administer the Energy
9 Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program
10 Act, \$55,358,000, to remain available until expended: *Pro-*
11 *vided*, That this amount shall be available consistent with
12 the provision regarding administrative expenses in section
13 151(b) of division B, title I of Public Law 106–554.

14 GLOBAL HEALTH

15 For carrying out titles II, III, and XVII of the PHS
16 Act with respect to global health, \$692,843,000, which
17 shall be for the purposes and in the amounts specified in
18 the table under this heading in the report accompanying
19 this Act, of which: (1) the amounts made available for the
20 Global HIV/AIDS Program shall remain available through
21 September 30, 2027; and (2) the amounts made available
22 for the Global Public Health Protection shall remain avail-
23 able through September 30, 2028: *Provided*, That funds
24 may be used for purchase and insurance of official motor
25 vehicles in foreign countries.

1 PUBLIC HEALTH PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE

2 For carrying out titles II, III, XVII, and XXVIII of
3 the PHS Act with respect to public health preparedness
4 and response, and for expenses necessary to support ac-
5 tivities related to countering potential biological, nuclear,
6 radiological, and chemical threats to civilian populations,
7 \$933,200,000, which shall be for the purposes and in the
8 amounts specified in the table under this heading in the
9 report accompanying this Act: *Provided*, That the Director
10 of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (re-
11 ferred to in this title as “CDC”) or the Administrator of
12 the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry
13 may detail staff without reimbursement to support an acti-
14 vation of the CDC Emergency Operations Center, so long
15 as the Director or Administrator, as applicable, provides
16 a notice to the Committees on Appropriations of the
17 House of Representatives and the Senate within 15 days
18 of the use of this authority, a full report within 30 days
19 after use of this authority which includes the number of
20 staff and funding level broken down by the originating
21 center and number of days detailed, and an update of such
22 report every 180 days until staff are no longer on detail
23 without reimbursement to the CDC Emergency Oper-
24 ations Center.

1 BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES

2 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

3 For acquisition of real property, equipment, construc-
4 tion, installation, demolition, and renovation of facilities,
5 \$40,000,000, which shall remain available until expended:
6 *Provided*, That funds made available to this account in
7 this or any prior Act that are available for the acquisition
8 of real property or for construction or improvement of fa-
9 cilities shall be available to make improvements on non-
10 federally owned property, provided that any improvements
11 that are not adjacent to federally owned property do not
12 exceed \$2,500,000, and that the primary benefit of such
13 improvements accrues to CDC: *Provided further*, That
14 funds previously set-aside by CDC for repair and upgrade
15 of the Lake Lynn Experimental Mine and Laboratory
16 shall be used to acquire a replacement mine safety re-
17 search facility: *Provided further*, That funds made avail-
18 able to this account in this or any prior Act that are avail-
19 able for the acquisition of real property or for construction
20 or improvement of facilities in conjunction with the new
21 replacement mine safety research facility shall be available
22 to make improvements on non-federally owned property,
23 provided that any improvements that are not adjacent to
24 federally owned property do not exceed \$5,000,000: *Pro-*
25 *vided further*, That in addition, the prior year unobligated

1 balance of any amounts assigned to former employees in
2 accounts of CDC made available for Individual Learning
3 Accounts shall be credited to and merged with the
4 amounts made available under this heading to support the
5 replacement of the mine safety research facility.

6 CDC-WIDE ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAM SUPPORT

7 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

8 For carrying out titles II, III, XVII and XIX, and
9 section 2821 of the PHS Act and for cross-cutting activi-
10 ties and program support for activities funded in other
11 appropriations included in this Act for the Centers for
12 Disease Control and Prevention, \$381,570,000, which
13 shall be for the purposes and in the amounts specified as
14 appropriations in the table under this heading in the re-
15 port accompanying this Act, of which the amounts made
16 available for Public Health Infrastructure and Capacity
17 appropriations shall remain available through September
18 30, 2027: *Provided*, That paragraphs (1) through (3) of
19 subsection (b) of section 2821 of the PHS Act shall not
20 apply to funds appropriated under this heading and in all
21 other accounts of the CDC: *Provided further*, That the
22 amounts made available for Infectious Diseases Rapid Re-
23 sponse Reserve Fund appropriations shall remain avail-
24 able until expended and shall be available to the Director
25 of the CDC for deposit in the Infectious Diseases Rapid

1 Response Reserve Fund established by section 231 of divi-
2 sion B of Public Law 115–245: *Provided further*, That
3 funds appropriated under this heading may be used to
4 support a contract for the operation and maintenance of
5 an aircraft in direct support of activities throughout CDC
6 to ensure the agency is prepared to address public health
7 preparedness emergencies: *Provided further*, That employ-
8 ees of CDC or the Public Health Service, both civilian and
9 commissioned officers, detailed to States, municipalities,
10 or other organizations under authority of section 214 of
11 the PHS Act, or in overseas assignments, shall be treated
12 as non-Federal employees for reporting purposes only and
13 shall not be included within any personnel ceiling applica-
14 ble to the Agency, Service, or HHS during the period of
15 detail or assignment: *Provided further*, That CDC may use
16 up to \$10,000 from amounts appropriated to CDC in this
17 Act for official reception and representation expenses
18 when specifically approved by the Director of CDC: *Pro-*
19 *vided further*, That in addition, such sums as may be de-
20 rived from authorized user fees, which shall be credited
21 to the appropriation charged with the cost thereof: *Pro-*
22 *vided further*, That with respect to the previous proviso,
23 authorized user fees from the Vessel Sanitation Program
24 and the Respirator Certification Program shall be avail-
25 able through September 30, 2027.

1 NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH

2 NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE

3 For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS
4 Act with respect to cancer, \$7,374,159,000, of which up
5 to \$30,000,000 may be used for facilities repairs and im-
6 provements at the National Cancer Institute—Frederick
7 Federally Funded Research and Development Center in
8 Frederick, Maryland: *Provided*, That not less than
9 \$28,000,000 is provided for implementation of the Child-
10 hood Cancer Survivorship, Treatment, Access, Research
11 (STAR) Act, and shall remain available until expended:
12 *Provided further*, That not less than \$50,000,000 is pro-
13 vided for the Childhood Cancer Data Initiative.

14 NATIONAL HEART, LUNG, AND BLOOD INSTITUTE

15 For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS
16 Act with respect to cardiovascular, lung, and blood dis-
17 eases, and blood and blood products, \$3,982,345,000.

18 NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF DENTAL AND CRANIOFACIAL

19 RESEARCH

20 For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS
21 Act with respect to dental and craniofacial diseases,
22 \$520,163,000.

1 NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF DIABETES AND DIGESTIVE AND
2 KIDNEY DISEASES

3 For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS
4 Act with respect to diabetes and digestive and kidney dis-
5 ease, \$2,320,721,000.

6 NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF NEUROLOGICAL DISORDERS
7 AND STROKE

8 For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS
9 Act with respect to neurological disorders and stroke,
10 \$2,773,925,000: *Provided*, That, in addition to amounts
11 available for such purpose in the appropriations provided
12 to the National Institute on Drug Abuse in this Act, not
13 less than \$285,295,000 is provided for the Helping to End
14 Addiction Long-term (HEAL) Initiative: *Provided further*,
15 That not less than \$18,000,000 is provided for the
16 Undiagnosed Diseases Network: *Provided further*, That
17 not less than \$100,000,000 is provided for expanded ac-
18 cess grants as authorized by section 2 of the Accelerating
19 Access to Critical Therapies for ALS Act: *Provided fur-*
20 *ther*, That any amounts provided in the previous proviso
21 and remaining after carrying out the expanded access
22 grant program described in such proviso shall be used to
23 support public-private research partnerships as authorized
24 by section 3 of the Accelerating Access to Critical Thera-
25 pies for ALS Act: *Provided further*, That any amounts pro-

1 vided in the third proviso under this heading and remain-
 2 ing after carrying out the public-private research partner-
 3 ships described in the previous proviso shall be used for
 4 other ALS research identified by the National Institutes
 5 of Health (referred to in this title as “NIH”) ALS Stra-
 6 tegic Priorities: *Provided further*, That, in addition to
 7 amounts available for such purpose in the appropriations
 8 provided to the National Institute of Mental Health in this
 9 Act and amounts available for such purposes under the
 10 heading “NIH Innovation Account, Cures Act” in this
 11 Act, not less than \$69,890,000 is provided for the BRAIN
 12 Initiative.

13 NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF ALLERGY AND INFECTIOUS
 14 DISEASES

15 For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS
 16 Act with respect to allergy and infectious diseases,
 17 \$6,592,279,000: *Provided*, That not less than
 18 \$565,000,000 is provided for research on antimicrobial re-
 19 sistance: *Provided further*, That not less than
 20 \$270,000,000 is provided for research to develop universal
 21 flu vaccines: *Provided further*, That not less than
 22 \$110,000,000 is provided for research on Lyme disease
 23 and related tick-borne illnesses: *Provided further*, That not
 24 less than \$52,000,000 is provided for regional biocontain-
 25 ment laboratories.

1 NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF GENERAL MEDICAL SCIENCES

2 For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS
3 Act with respect to general medical sciences,
4 \$3,244,679,000, of which \$1,412,482,000 shall be from
5 funds available under section 241 of the PHS Act: *Pro-*
6 *vided*, That not less than \$430,956,000 is provided for the
7 Institutional Development Awards program.

8 EUNICE KENNEDY SHRIVER NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF
9 CHILD HEALTH AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

10 For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS
11 Act with respect to child health and human development,
12 \$1,779,078,000: *Provided*, That not less than
13 \$73,400,000 is provided for the Implementing a Maternal
14 health and Pregnancy Outcomes Vision for Everyone (IM-
15 PROVE) Initiative: *Provided further*, That not less than
16 \$1,300,000 is provided for the Safe to Sleep Campaign.

17 NATIONAL EYE INSTITUTE

18 For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS
19 Act with respect to eye diseases and visual disorders,
20 \$896,549,000.

21 NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH
22 SCIENCES

23 For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS
24 Act with respect to environmental health sciences,
25 \$913,979,000.

1 NATIONAL INSTITUTE ON AGING

2 For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS
3 Act with respect to aging, \$4,557,623,000: *Provided*, That
4 not less than \$12,000,000 is provided to support a na-
5 tional Consortium for Palliative Care Research Across the
6 Lifespan.

7 NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF ARTHRITIS AND

8 MUSCULOSKELETAL AND SKIN DISEASES

9 For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS
10 Act with respect to arthritis and musculoskeletal and skin
11 diseases, \$685,465,000.

12 NATIONAL INSTITUTE ON DEAFNESS AND OTHER

13 COMMUNICATION DISORDERS

14 For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS
15 Act with respect to deafness and other communication dis-
16 orders, \$534,333,000.

17 NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF NURSING RESEARCH

18 For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS
19 Act with respect to nursing research, \$197,693,000.

20 NATIONAL INSTITUTE ON ALCOHOL ABUSE AND

21 ALCOHOLISM

22 For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS
23 Act with respect to alcohol abuse and alcoholism,
24 \$595,318,000.

1 NATIONAL INSTITUTE ON DRUG ABUSE

2 For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS
3 Act with respect to drug abuse, \$1,662,695,000: *Provided,*
4 That, in addition to amounts available for such purpose
5 in the appropriations provided to the National Institute
6 of Neurological Disorders and Stroke in this Act, not less
7 than \$365,295,000 is provided for the Helping to End Ad-
8 diction Long-term (HEAL) Initiative.

9 NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF MENTAL HEALTH

10 For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS
11 Act with respect to mental health, \$2,193,843,000: *Pro-*
12 *vided further,* That, in addition to amounts available for
13 such purpose in the appropriations provided to the Na-
14 tional Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke in
15 this Act and amounts available for such purposes under
16 the heading “NIH Innovation Account, Cures Act” in this
17 Act, not less than \$70,028,000 is provided for the BRAIN
18 Initiative.

19 NATIONAL HUMAN GENOME RESEARCH INSTITUTE

20 For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS
21 Act with respect to human genome research,
22 \$663,200,000.

1 NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF BIOMEDICAL IMAGING AND
2 BIOENGINEERING

3 For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS
4 Act with respect to biomedical imaging and bioengineering
5 research, \$440,627,000.

6 NATIONAL CENTER FOR COMPLEMENTARY AND
7 INTEGRATIVE HEALTH

8 For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS
9 Act with respect to complementary and integrative health,
10 \$170,384,000.

11 NATIONAL INSTITUTE ON MINORITY HEALTH AND
12 HEALTH DISPARITIES

13 For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS
14 Act with respect to minority health and health disparities
15 research, \$534,395,000: *Provided*, That \$6,000,000 is
16 provided for the Initiative for Improving Native American
17 Cancer Outcomes: *Provided further*, That \$4,000,000 is
18 provided for a Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Health
19 Research Office: *Provided further*, That not less than
20 \$12,000,000 is provided for the John Lewis Research En-
21 dowment Program.

22 JOHN E. FOGARTY INTERNATIONAL CENTER

23 For carrying out the activities of the John E. Fogarty
24 International Center (described in subpart 2 of part E of
25 title IV of the PHS Act), \$95,162,000.

1 NATIONAL LIBRARY OF MEDICINE

2 For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS
3 Act with respect to health information communications,
4 \$497,548,000: *Provided*, That of the amounts available for
5 improvement of information systems, \$4,000,000 shall be
6 available until September 30, 2027: *Provided further*, That
7 in fiscal year 2026, the National Library of Medicine may
8 enter into personal services contracts for the provision of
9 services in facilities owned, operated, or constructed under
10 the jurisdiction of the NIH.

11 NATIONAL CENTER FOR ADVANCING TRANSLATIONAL
12 SCIENCES

13 For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS
14 Act with respect to translational sciences, \$938,323,000:
15 *Provided*, That \$75,000,000 shall be available to imple-
16 ment section 480 of the PHS Act, relating to the Cures
17 Acceleration Network: *Provided further*, That at least
18 \$629,560,000 is provided to the Clinical and Translational
19 Sciences Awards program.

20 OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

21 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

22 For carrying out the responsibilities of the Office of
23 the Director, NIH, \$2,447,914,000: *Provided*, That fund-
24 ing shall be available for the purchase of not to exceed
25 29 passenger motor vehicles for replacement only: *Pro-*

1 *vided further*, That all funds credited to the NIH Manage-
2 ment Fund shall remain available for one fiscal year after
3 the fiscal year in which they are deposited: *Provided fur-*
4 *ther*, That \$180,000,000 shall be for the Environmental
5 Influences on Child Health Outcomes study: *Provided fur-*
6 *ther*, That \$572,401,000 shall be available for the Com-
7 mon Fund established under section 402A(c)(1) of the
8 PHS Act: *Provided further*, That of the funds provided,
9 \$90,000,000 is for the INCLUDE Initiative: *Provided fur-*
10 *ther*, That of the funds provided, \$10,000 shall be for offi-
11 cial reception and representation expenses when specifi-
12 cally approved by the Director of the NIH: *Provided fur-*
13 *ther*, That the Office of AIDS Research within the Office
14 of the Director of the NIH may spend up to \$8,000,000
15 to make grants for construction or renovation of facilities
16 as provided for in section 2354(a)(5)(B) of the PHS Act:
17 *Provided further*, That \$80,000,000 shall be used to carry
18 out section 404I of the PHS Act (42 U.S.C. 283k), relat-
19 ing to biomedical and behavioral research facilities: *Pro-*
20 *vided further*, That \$5,000,000 shall be transferred to and
21 merged with the appropriation for the “Office of Inspector
22 General” for oversight of grant programs and operations
23 of the NIH, including agency efforts to ensure the integ-
24 rity of its grant application evaluation and selection proc-
25 esses, and shall be in addition to funds otherwise made

1 available for oversight of the NIH: *Provided further*, That
2 amounts made available under this heading are also avail-
3 able to establish, operate, and support the Research Policy
4 Board authorized by section 2034(f) of the 21st Century
5 Cures Act: *Provided further*, That not less than
6 \$106,480,000 is provided for the Office of Research on
7 Women’s Health and such funds shall also be available
8 for making grants to serve and promote the interests of
9 women in research, and the Director of such Office may,
10 in making such grants, use the authorities available to
11 NIH Institutes and Centers: *Provided further*, That not
12 less than \$10,000,000 of the amount provided in the pre-
13 vious proviso shall be made available to support the Build-
14 ing Interdisciplinary Research Careers in Women’s Health
15 program: *Provided further*, That not less than
16 \$12,500,000 is provided for firearm injury and mortality
17 prevention research.

18 In addition to other funds appropriated for the Com-
19 mon Fund established under section 402A(c) of the PHS
20 Act, \$12,600,000 is appropriated to the Common Fund
21 from the 10-year Pediatric Research Initiative Fund de-
22 scribed in section 9008 of the Internal Revenue Code of
23 1986 (26 U.S.C. 9008), for the purpose of carrying out
24 section 402(b)(7)(B)(ii) of the PHS Act (relating to pedi-

1 atric research), as authorized in the Gabriella Miller Kids
2 First Research Act.

3 BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES

4 For the study of, construction of, demolition of, ren-
5 ovation of, and acquisition of equipment for, facilities of
6 or used by NIH, including the acquisition of real property,
7 \$350,000,000, to remain available until expended.

8 NIH INNOVATION ACCOUNT, CURES ACT

9 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

10 For necessary expenses to carry out the purposes de-
11 scribed in section 1001(b)(4) of the 21st Century Cures
12 Act, in addition to amounts available for such purposes
13 in the appropriations provided to the NIH in this Act,
14 \$226,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Pro-*
15 *vided*, That such amounts are appropriated pursuant to
16 section 1001(b)(3) of such Act, are to be derived from
17 amounts transferred under section 1001(b)(2)(A) of such
18 Act, and may be transferred by the Director of the Na-
19 tional Institutes of Health to other accounts of the Na-
20 tional Institutes of Health solely for the purposes provided
21 in such Act: *Provided further*, That upon a determination
22 by the Director that funds transferred pursuant to the
23 previous proviso are not necessary for the purposes pro-
24 vided, such amounts may be transferred back to the Ac-
25 count: *Provided further*, That the transfer authority pro-

1 vided under this heading is in addition to any other trans-
 2 fer authority provided by law.

3 ADVANCED RESEARCH PROJECTS AGENCY FOR HEALTH

4 For carrying out section 301 and part J of title IV
 5 of the PHS Act with respect to advanced research projects
 6 for health, \$1,500,000,000, to remain available through
 7 September 30, 2028.

8 SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

9 ADMINISTRATION

10 MENTAL HEALTH

11 For carrying out titles III, V, and XIX of the PHS
 12 Act with respect to mental health, the Protection and Ad-
 13 vocacy for Individuals with Mental Illness Act, and the
 14 SUPPORT for Patients and Communities Act,
 15 \$2,767,407,000: *Provided*, That of the funds made avail-
 16 able under this heading, \$98,887,000 shall be for the Na-
 17 tional Child Traumatic Stress Initiative: *Provided further*,
 18 That of the funds made available under this heading,
 19 \$986,532,000 shall be for the Mental Health Block Grant:
 20 *Provided further*, That of the funds made available under
 21 this heading, \$130,000,000 shall be for Children’s Mental
 22 Health Services: *Provided further*, That of the funds made
 23 available under this heading, \$66,635,000 shall be for
 24 Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness:
 25 *Provided further*, That of the funds made available under

1 this heading, \$40,000,000 shall be for Protection and Ad-
2 vocacy for Individuals with Mental Illness: *Provided fur-*
3 *ther*, That notwithstanding section 520A(f)(2) of the PHS
4 Act, no funds appropriated for carrying out section 520A
5 shall be available for carrying out section 1971 of the PHS
6 Act: *Provided further*, That in addition to amounts pro-
7 vided herein, \$21,039,000 shall be available under section
8 241 of the PHS Act to carry out subpart I of part B of
9 title XIX of the PHS Act to fund section 1920(b) tech-
10 nical assistance, national data, data collection and evalua-
11 tion activities, and further that the total available under
12 this Act for section 1920(b) activities shall not exceed 5
13 percent of the amounts appropriated for subpart I of part
14 B of title XIX: *Provided further*, That of the funds made
15 available under this heading for subpart I of part B of
16 title XIX of the PHS Act, at least 5 percent shall be avail-
17 able to support evidence-based crisis systems: *Provided*
18 *further*, That up to 10 percent of the amounts made avail-
19 able to carry out the Children’s Mental Health Services
20 program may be used to carry out demonstration grants
21 or contracts for early interventions with persons not more
22 than 25 years of age at clinical high risk of developing
23 a first episode of psychosis: *Provided further*, That section
24 520E(b)(2) of the PHS Act shall not apply to funds ap-
25 propriated in this Act for fiscal year 2026: *Provided fur-*

1 *ther*, That \$385,500,000 shall be available until Sep-
2 tember 30, 2028 for grants to communities and commu-
3 nity organizations who meet criteria for Certified Commu-
4 nity Behavioral Health Clinics pursuant to section 223(a)
5 of Public Law 113–93: *Provided further*, That none of the
6 funds provided for section 1911 of the PHS Act shall be
7 subject to section 241 of such Act: *Provided further*, That
8 the budget activities specified in the table under this head-
9 ing in the report accompanying this Act shall be funded
10 in the amounts specified as appropriations in such table:
11 *Provided further*, That amounts made available for 988
12 Lifeline appropriations shall be for the purposes described
13 in the report accompanying this Act: *Provided further*,
14 That amounts made available for Assisted Outpatient
15 Treatment appropriations shall be to carry out section 224
16 of the Protecting Access to Medicare Act of 2014 (Public
17 Law 113–93; 42 U.S.C. 290aa 22 note).

18 SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT

19 For carrying out titles III and V of the PHS Act
20 with respect to substance abuse treatment and title XIX
21 of such Act with respect to substance abuse treatment and
22 prevention, section 1003 of the 21st Century Cures Act,
23 and the SUPPORT for Patients and Communities Act,
24 \$4,103,098,000: *Provided*, That \$1,595,000,000 shall be
25 for carrying out section 1003 of the 21st Century Cures

1 Act: *Provided further*, That of such amount in the pre-
2 ceding proviso not less than 4 percent shall be made avail-
3 able to Indian Tribes or tribal organizations: *Provided fur-*
4 *ther*, That \$1,948,879,000 shall be for the Substance Use
5 Prevention, Treatment, and Recovery Services Block
6 Grant: *Provided further*, That in addition to amounts pro-
7 vided herein, the following amounts shall be available
8 under section 241 of the PHS Act: (1) \$79,200,000 to
9 carry out subpart II of part B of title XIX of the PHS
10 Act to fund section 1935(b) technical assistance, national
11 data, data collection and evaluation activities, and further
12 that the total available under this Act for section 1935(b)
13 activities shall not exceed 5 percent of the amounts appro-
14 priated for subpart II of part B of title XIX; and (2)
15 \$2,000,000 to evaluate substance abuse treatment pro-
16 grams: *Provided further*, That \$559,219,000 shall be for
17 programs of regional and national significance, which shall
18 be for the purposes and in the amounts specified in the
19 table under this heading in the report accompanying this
20 Act, other than amounts specified in such table as PHS
21 Evaluation Funds: *Provided further*, That none of the
22 funds provided for section 1921 of the PHS Act or State
23 Opioid Response Grants shall be subject to section 241
24 of such Act.

1 SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION

2 For carrying out titles III and V of the PHS Act
3 with respect to substance abuse prevention, \$236,879,000,
4 which shall be for the purposes and in the amounts speci-
5 fied in the table under this heading in the report accom-
6 panying this Act.

7 HEALTH SURVEILLANCE AND PROGRAM SUPPORT

8 For program support and cross-cutting activities that
9 supplement activities funded under the headings “Mental
10 Health”, “Substance Abuse Treatment”, and “Substance
11 Abuse Prevention” in carrying out titles III, V, and XIX
12 of the PHS Act and the Protection and Advocacy for Indi-
13 viduals with Mental Illness Act in the Substance Abuse
14 and Mental Health Services Administration,
15 \$175,866,000, which shall be for the purposes and in the
16 amounts specified in the table under this heading in the
17 report accompanying this Act, other than amounts speci-
18 fied in such table as PHS Evaluation Funds: *Provided*,
19 That the amounts made available for Congressionally Di-
20 rected Spending shall be used for the projects, and in the
21 amounts, specified for this account in the table titled
22 “Congressionally Directed Spending” included in the re-
23 port accompanying this Act: *Provided further*, That none
24 of the funds made available for projects described in the
25 preceding proviso shall be subject to section 241 of the

1 PHS Act or section 205 of this Act: *Provided further*, That
2 in addition to amounts provided herein, \$31,428,000 shall
3 be available under section 241 of the PHS Act to supple-
4 ment funds available to carry out national surveys on drug
5 abuse and mental health, to collect and analyze program
6 data, and to conduct public awareness and technical as-
7 sistance activities: *Provided further*, That, in addition, fees
8 may be collected for the costs of publications, data, data
9 tabulations, and data analysis completed under title V of
10 the PHS Act and provided to a public or private entity
11 upon request, which shall be credited to this appropriation
12 and shall remain available until expended for such pur-
13 poses: *Provided further*, That amounts made available in
14 this Act for carrying out section 501(o) of the PHS Act
15 shall remain available through September 30, 2027: *Pro-
16 vided further*, That funds made available under this head-
17 ing (other than amounts specified in the first proviso
18 under this heading) may be used to supplement program
19 support funding provided under the headings “Mental
20 Health”, “Substance Abuse Treatment”, and “Substance
21 Abuse Prevention”.

22 AGENCY FOR HEALTHCARE RESEARCH AND QUALITY
23 HEALTHCARE RESEARCH AND QUALITY

24 For carrying out titles III and IX of the PHS Act,
25 part A of title XI of the Social Security Act, and section

1 1013 of the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement,
2 and Modernization Act of 2003, \$345,380,000, which
3 shall be for the purposes and in the amounts specified in
4 the table under this heading in the report accompanying
5 this Act: *Provided*, That section 947(c) of the PHS Act
6 shall not apply in fiscal year 2026: *Provided further*, That
7 in addition, amounts received from Freedom of Informa-
8 tion Act fees, reimbursable and interagency agreements,
9 and the sale of data shall be credited to this appropriation
10 and shall remain available until September 30, 2027.

11 CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES

12 GRANTS TO STATES FOR MEDICAID

13 For carrying out, except as otherwise provided, titles
14 XI and XIX of the Social Security Act, \$508,148,791,000,
15 to remain available until expended.

16 In addition, for carrying out such titles after May 31,
17 2026, for the last quarter of fiscal year 2026 for unantici-
18 pated costs incurred for the current fiscal year, such sums
19 as may be necessary, to remain available until expended.

20 In addition, for carrying out such titles for the first
21 quarter of fiscal year 2027, \$316,514,725,000, to remain
22 available until expended.

23 Payment under such title XIX may be made for any
24 quarter with respect to a State plan or plan amendment
25 in effect during such quarter, if submitted in or prior to

1 such quarter and approved in that or any subsequent
2 quarter.

3 PAYMENTS TO THE HEALTH CARE TRUST FUNDS

4 For payment to the Federal Hospital Insurance
5 Trust Fund and the Federal Supplementary Medical In-
6 surance Trust Fund, as provided under sections 217(g),
7 1844, and 1860D–16 of the Social Security Act, sections
8 103(c) and 111(d) of the Social Security Amendments of
9 1965, section 278(d)(3) of Public Law 97–248, and for
10 administrative expenses incurred pursuant to section
11 201(g) of the Social Security Act, \$593,817,000,000.

12 In addition, for making matching payments under
13 section 1844 and benefit payments under section 1860D–
14 16 of the Social Security Act that were not anticipated
15 in budget estimates, such sums as may be necessary.

16 PROGRAM MANAGEMENT

17 For carrying out, except as otherwise provided, titles
18 XI, XVIII, XIX, and XXI of the Social Security Act, titles
19 XIII and XXVII of the PHS Act, the Clinical Laboratory
20 Improvement Amendments of 1988, and other responsibil-
21 ities of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, not
22 to exceed \$3,669,744,000 to be transferred from the Fed-
23 eral Hospital Insurance Trust Fund and the Federal Sup-
24 plementary Medical Insurance Trust Fund, as authorized
25 by section 201(g) of the Social Security Act; together with

1 all funds collected in accordance with section 353 of the
2 PHS Act and section 1857(e)(2) of the Social Security
3 Act, funds retained by the Secretary pursuant to section
4 1893(h) of the Social Security Act, and such sums as may
5 be collected from authorized user fees and the sale of data,
6 which shall be credited to this account and remain avail-
7 able until expended: *Provided*, That all funds derived in
8 accordance with 31 U.S.C. 9701 from organizations estab-
9 lished under title XIII of the PHS Act shall be credited
10 to and available for carrying out the purposes of this ap-
11 propriation: *Provided further*, That the Secretary is di-
12 rected to collect fees in fiscal year 2026 from Medicare
13 Advantage organizations pursuant to section 1857(e)(2)
14 of the Social Security Act and from eligible organizations
15 with risk-sharing contracts under section 1876 of that Act
16 pursuant to section 1876(k)(4)(D) of that Act: *Provided*
17 *further*, That of the amount made available under this
18 heading, \$397,334,000 shall remain available until Sep-
19 tember 30, 2027, and shall be available for the Survey
20 and Certification Program: *Provided further*, That
21 amounts available under this heading to support quality
22 improvement organizations (as defined in section 1152 of
23 the Social Security Act) shall not exceed the amount spe-
24 cifically provided for such purpose under this heading in

1 division H of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2018
2 (Public Law 115–141).

3 HEALTH CARE FRAUD AND ABUSE CONTROL ACCOUNT

4 In addition to amounts otherwise available for pro-
5 gram integrity and program management, \$941,000,000,
6 to remain available through September 30, 2027, to be
7 transferred from the Federal Hospital Insurance Trust
8 Fund and the Federal Supplementary Medical Insurance
9 Trust Fund, as authorized by section 201(g) of the Social
10 Security Act, of which \$699,058,000 shall be for the Cen-
11 ters for Medicare & Medicaid Services program integrity
12 activities, of which \$108,735,000 shall be for the Depart-
13 ment of Health and Human Services Office of Inspector
14 General to carry out fraud and abuse activities authorized
15 by section 1817(k)(3) of such Act, and of which
16 \$133,207,000 shall be for the Department of Justice to
17 carry out fraud and abuse activities authorized by section
18 1817(k)(3) of such Act: *Provided*, That the report re-
19 quired by section 1817(k)(5) of the Social Security Act
20 for fiscal year 2026 shall include measures of the oper-
21 ational efficiency and impact on fraud, waste, and abuse
22 in the Medicare, Medicaid, and CHIP programs for the
23 funds provided by this appropriation: *Provided further*,
24 That of the amount provided under this heading,
25 \$311,000,000 is provided to meet the terms of a concur-

1 rent resolution on the budget, and \$630,000,000 is addi-
2 tional new budget authority specified for purposes of a
3 concurrent resolution on the budget for additional health
4 care fraud and abuse control activities: *Provided further*,
5 That the Secretary shall provide not less than
6 \$35,000,000 from amounts made available under this
7 heading and amounts made available for fiscal year 2026
8 under section 1817(k)(3)(A) of the Social Security Act for
9 the Senior Medicare Patrol program to combat health care
10 fraud and abuse.

11 ADMINISTRATION FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

12 PAYMENTS TO STATES FOR CHILD SUPPORT

13 ENFORCEMENT AND FAMILY SUPPORT PROGRAMS

14 For carrying out, except as otherwise provided, titles
15 I, IV–D, X, XI, XIV, and XVI of the Social Security Act
16 and the Act of July 5, 1960, \$4,147,000,000, to remain
17 available until expended; and for such purposes for the
18 first quarter of fiscal year 2027, \$1,800,000,000, to re-
19 main available until expended.

20 For carrying out, after May 31 of the current fiscal
21 year, except as otherwise provided, titles I, IV–D, X, XI,
22 XIV, and XVI of the Social Security Act and the Act of
23 July 5, 1960, for the last 3 months of the current fiscal
24 year for unanticipated costs, incurred for the current fiscal
25 year, such sums as may be necessary.

1 LOW INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE

2 For making payments under subsections (b) and (d)
3 of section 2602 of the Low-Income Home Energy Assist-
4 ance Act of 1981 (42 U.S.C. 8621 et seq.),
5 \$4,045,000,000: *Provided*, That notwithstanding section
6 2609A(a) of such Act, not more than \$9,600,000 may be
7 reserved by the Secretary for technical assistance, train-
8 ing, and monitoring of program activities for compliance
9 with internal controls, policies and procedures, and to sup-
10 plement funding otherwise available for necessary admin-
11 istrative expenses to carry out such Act, and the Secretary
12 may, in addition to the authorities provided in section
13 2609A(a)(1), use such funds through contracts with pri-
14 vate entities that do not qualify as nonprofit organiza-
15 tions: *Provided further*, That all but \$907,348,000 of the
16 amount appropriated under this heading shall be allocated
17 as though the total appropriation for such payments for
18 fiscal year 2026 was less than \$1,975,000,000: *Provided*
19 *further*, That, after applying all applicable provisions of
20 section 2604 of such Act and the previous proviso, each
21 State or territory that would otherwise receive an alloca-
22 tion that is less than 97 percent of the amount that it
23 received under this heading for fiscal year 2025 from
24 amounts appropriated pursuant to section 1101(a)(8) of
25 division A of Public Law 119–4 shall have its allocation

1 increased to that 97 percent level, with the portions of
2 other States' and territories' allocations that would exceed
3 100 percent of the amounts they respectively received in
4 such fashion for fiscal year 2025 being ratably reduced:
5 *Provided further*, That by November 1 of the current year,
6 the Secretary shall award to each State no less than 90
7 percent of its total allotment, as calculated pursuant to
8 the preceding two provisos.

9 REFUGEE AND ENTRANT ASSISTANCE

10 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

11 For necessary expenses for refugee and entrant as-
12 sistance activities authorized by section 414 of the Immi-
13 gration and Nationality Act and section 501 of the Ref-
14 ugee Education Assistance Act of 1980, and for carrying
15 out section 462 of the Homeland Security Act of 2002,
16 section 235 of the William Wilberforce Trafficking Victims
17 Protection Reauthorization Act of 2008, the Trafficking
18 Victims Protection Act of 2000 ("TVPA"), and the Tor-
19 ture Victims Relief Act of 1998, \$5,691,033,000, of which
20 \$5,641,278,000 shall remain available through September
21 30, 2028 for carrying out such sections 414, 501, 462,
22 and 235: *Provided*, That amounts available under this
23 heading to carry out the TVPA shall also be available for
24 research and evaluation with respect to activities under
25 such Act: *Provided further*, That the limitation in section

1 205 of this Act regarding transfers increasing any appro-
2 priation shall apply to transfers to appropriations under
3 this heading by substituting “15 percent” for “3 percent”:
4 *Provided further*, That the contribution of funds require-
5 ment under section 235(e)(6)(C)(iii) of the William Wil-
6 berforce Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization
7 Act of 2008 shall not apply to funds made available under
8 this heading: *Provided further*, That for any month in fis-
9 cal year 2026 that the number of unaccompanied children
10 referred to the Department of Health and Human Serv-
11 ices pursuant to section 462 of the Homeland Security Act
12 of 2002 and section 235 of the William Wilberforce Traf-
13 ficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act of 2008
14 exceeds 16,000, as determined by the Secretary of Health
15 and Human Services, an additional \$15,000,000, to re-
16 main available until September 30, 2027, shall be made
17 available for obligation for every 500 unaccompanied chil-
18 dren above that level (including a pro rata amount for any
19 increment less than 500), for carrying out such sections
20 462 and 235.

21 PAYMENTS TO STATES FOR THE CHILD CARE AND

22 DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT

23 For carrying out the Child Care and Development
24 Block Grant Act of 1990 (“CCDBG Act”),
25 \$8,831,387,000 shall be used to supplement, not supplant

1 State general revenue funds for child care assistance for
2 low-income families: *Provided*, That technical assistance
3 under section 658I(a)(3) of such Act may be provided di-
4 rectly, or through the use of contracts, grants, cooperative
5 agreements, or interagency agreements: *Provided further*,
6 That all funds made available to carry out section 418
7 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 618), including
8 funds appropriated for that purpose in such section 418
9 or any other provision of law, shall be subject to the res-
10 ervation of funds authority in paragraphs (4) and (5) of
11 section 658O(a) of the CCDBG Act: *Provided further*,
12 That in addition to the amounts required to be reserved
13 by the Secretary under section 658O(a)(2)(A) of such Act,
14 \$238,446,000 shall be for Indian tribes and tribal organi-
15 zations: *Provided further*, That of the amounts made avail-
16 able under this heading, the Secretary may reserve up to
17 0.5 percent for Federal administrative expenses: *Provided*
18 *further*, That the Secretary shall award to each State its
19 allotted amount within 30 days of enactment of this Act
20 and no less than quarterly thereafter.

21 SOCIAL SERVICES BLOCK GRANT

22 For making grants to States pursuant to section
23 2002 of the Social Security Act, \$1,700,000,000: *Pro-*
24 *vided*, That notwithstanding subparagraph (B) of section
25 404(d)(2) of such Act, the applicable percent specified

1 under such subparagraph for a State to carry out State
2 programs pursuant to title XX–A of such Act shall be 10
3 percent.

4 CHILDREN AND FAMILIES SERVICES PROGRAMS

5 For carrying out, except as otherwise provided, the
6 Runaway and Homeless Youth Act, the Head Start Act,
7 the Every Student Succeeds Act, the Child Abuse Preven-
8 tion and Treatment Act, sections 303 and 313 of the
9 Family Violence Prevention and Services Act, the Native
10 American Programs Act of 1974, title II of the Child
11 Abuse Prevention and Treatment and Adoption Reform
12 Act of 1978 (adoption opportunities), part B–1 of title IV
13 and sections 429, 473A, 477(i), 1110, 1114A, and 1115
14 of the Social Security Act, and the Community Services
15 Block Grant Act (“CSBG Act”); and for necessary admin-
16 istrative expenses to carry out titles I, IV, V, X, XI, XIV,
17 XVI, and XX–A of the Social Security Act, the Act of
18 July 5, 1960, and the Low-Income Home Energy Assist-
19 ance Act of 1981, \$14,900,140,000, which shall be for the
20 purposes and in the amounts specified in the table under
21 this heading in the report accompanying this Act, of which
22 the amounts for Adoption Incentives shall remain available
23 through September 30, 2027, and shall be for grants to
24 States for adoption and legal guardianship incentive pay-
25 ments, as defined by section 473A of the Social Security

1 Act and may be made for adoptions and legal
2 guardianships completed before September 30, 2026: *Pro-*
3 *vided*, That the amounts made available for Head Start
4 shall be for making payments under the Head Start Act,
5 including for Early Head Start–Child Care Partnerships,
6 and, of which, notwithstanding section 640 of such Act:

7 (1) \$77,000,000 shall be available for a cost of
8 living adjustment, and with respect to any con-
9 tinuing appropriations act, funding available for a
10 cost of living adjustment shall not be construed as
11 an authority or condition under this Act;

12 (2) \$25,000,000 shall be available for allocation
13 by the Secretary to supplement activities described
14 in paragraphs (7)(B) and (9) of section 641(c) of
15 the Head Start Act under the Designation Renewal
16 System, established under the authority of sections
17 641(c)(7), 645A(b)(12), and 645A(d) of such Act,
18 and such funds shall not be included in the calcula-
19 tion of “base grant” in subsequent fiscal years, as
20 such term is used in section 640(a)(7)(A) of such
21 Act;

22 (3) \$8,000,000 shall be available for the Tribal
23 Colleges and Universities Head Start Partnership
24 Program consistent with section 648(g) of such Act;

1 (4) Not to exceed \$8,000,000 shall be available
2 until September 30, 2027 for the Marshall Islands
3 and Micronesia for the start-up and operation of
4 Head Start services and for the provision of training
5 and technical assistance: Provided, That an agency
6 awarded these funds shall not be subject to the re-
7 quirements of the system for designation renewal as
8 defined by section 641 of the Head Start Act, for
9 this award only, prior to 24 months after the date
10 of such award; and

11 (5) \$21,000,000 shall be available to supple-
12 ment funding otherwise available for research, eval-
13 uation, and Federal administrative costs:

14 *Provided further*, That the Secretary may reduce the res-
15 ervation of funds under section 640(a)(2)(C) of such Act
16 in lieu of reducing the reservation of funds under sections
17 640(a)(2)(B), 640(a)(2)(D), and 640(a)(2)(E) of such
18 Act: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall award
19 funding for continuation awards and new award cycles
20 that continue previous activities under existing awards no
21 later than the day following the expiration of the period
22 of performance: *Provided further*, That the amounts made
23 available for Preschool Development Grants shall be avail-
24 able until December 31, 2026 for carrying out sections
25 9212 and 9213 of the Every Student Succeeds Act: *Pro-*

1 *vided further*, That up to 3 percent of the funds in the
2 preceding proviso shall be available for technical assist-
3 ance and evaluation related to grants awarded under such
4 section 9212: *Provided further*, That for services furnished
5 under the CSBG Act with funds made available for such
6 purpose in this fiscal year and in fiscal year 2025, States
7 may apply the last sentence of section 673(2) of the CSBG
8 Act by substituting “200 percent” for “125 percent”: *Pro-*
9 *vided further*, That the amounts made available for Com-
10 munity Economic Development and Rural Community Fa-
11 cilities shall be for section 680 of the CSBG Act, of which
12 the amounts made available for Community Economic De-
13 velopment shall be for section 680(a)(2) and the amounts
14 made available for Rural Community Facilities shall be
15 for section 680(a)(3)(B) of such Act: *Provided further*,
16 That, notwithstanding section 675C(a)(3) of the CSBG
17 Act, to the extent Community Services Block Grant funds
18 are distributed as grant funds by a State to an eligible
19 entity as provided under such Act, and have not been ex-
20 pended by such entity, they shall remain with such entity
21 for carryover into the next fiscal year for expenditure by
22 such entity consistent with program purposes: *Provided*
23 *further*, That the Secretary shall establish procedures re-
24 garding the disposition of intangible assets and program
25 income that permit such assets acquired with, and pro-

1 gram income derived from, grant funds authorized under
2 section 680 of the CSBG Act to become the sole property
3 of such grantees after a period of not more than 12 years
4 after the end of the grant period for any activity consistent
5 with section 680(a)(2)(A) of the CSBG Act: *Provided fur-*
6 *ther*, That intangible assets in the form of loans, equity
7 investments and other debt instruments, and program in-
8 come may be used by grantees for any eligible purpose
9 consistent with section 680(a)(2)(A) of the CSBG Act:
10 *Provided further*, That these procedures shall apply to
11 such grant funds made available after November 29, 1999:
12 *Provided further*, That funds appropriated for section
13 680(a)(2) of the CSBG Act shall be available for financing
14 construction and rehabilitation and loans or investments
15 in private business enterprises owned by community devel-
16 opment corporations: *Provided further*, That the amounts
17 made available for Family Violence Prevention and Serv-
18 ices shall be for carrying out section 303(a) of the Family
19 Violence Prevention and Services Act, of which
20 \$7,000,000 shall be allocated notwithstanding section
21 303(a)(2) of such Act for carrying out section 309 of such
22 Act: *Provided further*, That the percentages specified in
23 section 112(a)(2) of the Child Abuse Prevention and
24 Treatment Act shall not apply to funds appropriated
25 under this heading: *Provided further*, That the amounts

1 made available for Disaster Human Services Case Man-
2 agement shall be for a human services case management
3 system for federally declared disasters, to include a com-
4 prehensive national case management contract and Fed-
5 eral costs of administering the system: *Provided further,*
6 That up to \$2,000,000 of the amounts made available for
7 Program Direction shall be for improving the Public As-
8 sistance Reporting Information System, including grants
9 to States to support data collection for a study of the sys-
10 tem’s effectiveness: *Provided further,* That the amounts
11 made available for Congressionally Directed Spending
12 shall be used for the projects, and in the amounts, speci-
13 fied for this account in the table titled “Congressionally
14 Directed Spending” included in the report accompanying
15 this Act: *Provided further,* That none of the funds made
16 available for projects described in the preceding proviso
17 shall be subject to section 241 of the PHS Act or section
18 205 of this Act.

19 PROMOTING SAFE AND STABLE FAMILIES

20 For carrying out, except as otherwise provided, sec-
21 tion 436 of the Social Security Act, \$420,000,000 and,
22 for carrying out, except as otherwise provided, section 437
23 of such Act, \$62,515,000: *Provided,* That of the funds
24 available to carry out section 437, \$62,515 ,000 shall be
25 allocated consistent with subsections (b) through (d) of

1 such section: *Provided further*, That of the funds available
2 to carry out section 437, \$2,750,000, in addition to funds
3 otherwise appropriated in section 476 for such purposes,
4 shall be for the Family First Clearinghouse and to support
5 evaluation and technical assistance relating to the evalua-
6 tion of child and family services: *Provided further*, That
7 section 437(b)(1) shall be applied to amounts in the pre-
8 vious proviso by substituting “5 percent” for “3.3 per-
9 cent”, and notwithstanding section 436(b)(1), such re-
10 served amounts may be used for identifying, establishing,
11 and disseminating practices to meet the criteria specified
12 in section 471(e)(4)(C): *Provided further*, That the res-
13 ervation in section 437(b)(2) and the limitations in section
14 437(d) shall not apply to funds specified in the second
15 proviso.

16 PAYMENTS FOR FOSTER CARE AND PERMANENCY

17 For carrying out, except as otherwise provided, title
18 IV–E of the Social Security Act, \$6,843,000,000.

19 For carrying out, except as otherwise provided, title
20 IV–E of the Social Security Act, for the first quarter of
21 fiscal year 2027, \$3,800,000,000.

22 For carrying out, after May 31 of the current fiscal
23 year, except as otherwise provided, section 474 of title IV–
24 E of the Social Security Act, for the last 3 months of the

1 current fiscal year for unanticipated costs, incurred for the
2 current fiscal year, such sums as may be necessary.

3 ADMINISTRATION FOR COMMUNITY LIVING
4 AGING AND DISABILITY SERVICES PROGRAMS
5 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

6 For carrying out, to the extent not otherwise pro-
7 vided, the Older Americans Act of 1965 (“OAA”), the
8 RAISE Family Caregivers Act, the Supporting Grand-
9 parents Raising Grandchildren Act, titles III and XXIX
10 of the PHS Act, sections 1252 and 1253 of the PHS Act,
11 section 119 of the Medicare Improvements for Patients
12 and Providers Act of 2008, title XX–B of the Social Secu-
13 rity Act, the Developmental Disabilities Assistance and
14 Bill of Rights Act of 2000, parts 2 and 5 of subtitle D
15 of title II of the Help America Vote Act of 2002, the As-
16 sistive Technology Act of 1998, titles II and VII (and sec-
17 tion 14 with respect to such titles) of the Rehabilitation
18 Act of 1973, and for Department-wide coordination of pol-
19 icy and program activities that assist individuals with dis-
20 abilities, \$2,445,737,000, which shall be for the purposes
21 and in the amounts specified in the “Committee Rec-
22 ommendation” column for Administration for Community
23 Living in the “Amounts Recommended in the Bill for Fis-
24 cal Year 2026” table in the report accompanying this Act,
25 other than amounts specified for Prevention and Public

1 Health Fund or for State Health Insurance Assistance
2 Program (SHIP), of which the amounts made available
3 for Congressionally Directed Spending shall be used for
4 the projects, and in the amounts, specified for this account
5 in the table titled “Congressionally Directed Spending” in-
6 cluded in the report accompanying this Act, together with
7 \$55,242,000 to be transferred from the Federal Hospital
8 Insurance Trust Fund and the Federal Supplementary
9 Medical Insurance Trust Fund to carry out section 4360
10 of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1990: *Pro-*
11 *vided*, That of amounts made available under this heading
12 to carry out sections 311, 331, and 336 of the OAA, up
13 to one percent of such amounts shall be available for devel-
14 oping and implementing evidence-based practices for en-
15 hancing senior nutrition, including medically-tailored
16 meals: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding any other
17 provision of this Act, funds made available under this
18 heading to carry out section 311 of the OAA may be trans-
19 ferred to the Secretary of Agriculture in accordance with
20 such section: *Provided further*, That up to 5 percent of
21 the funds provided for adult protective services grants
22 under section 2042 of title XX of the Social Security Act
23 may be used to make grants to Tribes and tribal organiza-
24 tions: *Provided further*, That none of the funds made avail-
25 able under this heading may be used by an eligible system

1 (as defined in section 102 of the Protection and Advocacy
2 for Individuals with Mental Illness Act (42 U.S.C. 10802))
3 to continue to pursue any legal action in a Federal or
4 State court on behalf of an individual or group of individ-
5 uals with a developmental disability (as defined in section
6 102(8)(A) of the Developmental Disabilities and Assist-
7 ance and Bill of Rights Act of 2000 (20 U.S.C.
8 15002(8)(A)) that is attributable to a mental impairment
9 (or a combination of mental and physical impairments),
10 that has as the requested remedy the closure of State op-
11 erated intermediate care facilities for people with intellec-
12 tual or developmental disabilities, unless reasonable public
13 notice of the action has been provided to such individuals
14 (or, in the case of mental incapacitation, the legal guard-
15 ians who have been specifically awarded authority by the
16 courts to make healthcare and residential decisions on be-
17 half of such individuals) who are affected by such action,
18 within 90 days of instituting such legal action, which in-
19 forms such individuals (or such legal guardians) of their
20 legal rights and how to exercise such rights consistent with
21 current Federal Rules of Civil Procedure: *Provided further,*
22 That the limitations in the immediately preceding proviso
23 shall not apply in the case of an individual who is neither
24 competent to consent nor has a legal guardian, nor shall
25 the proviso apply in the case of individuals who are a ward

1 of the State or subject to public guardianship: *Provided*
2 *further*, That none of the funds made available for projects
3 described in the preceding proviso shall be subject to sec-
4 tion 241 of the PHS Act or section 205 of this Act.

5 ADMINISTRATION FOR STRATEGIC PREPAREDNESS AND
6 RESPONSE

7 RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, AND PROCUREMENT

8 For carrying out title III and subtitles A and B of
9 title XXVIII of the PHS Act, with respect to the research,
10 development, storage, production, and procurement of
11 medical countermeasures to counter potential chemical, bi-
12 ological, radiological, and nuclear threats to civilian popu-
13 lations, \$3,127,991,000: *Provided*, That of such amount:

14 (1) \$1,015,000,000, to remain available
15 through September 30, 2027, shall be for expenses
16 necessary to support advanced research and develop-
17 ment pursuant to section 319L of the PHS Act and
18 other administrative expenses of the Biomedical Ad-
19 vanced Research and Development Authority, of
20 which not less than \$10,000,000 shall be for ex-
21 penses necessary to support the Disease X Medical
22 Countermeasure Program;

23 (2) \$825,000,000, to remain available until ex-
24 pended, shall be for expenses necessary for pro-

1 curing security countermeasures (as defined in sec-
2 tion 319F-2(c)(1)(B) of the PHS Act);

3 (3) \$980,000,000, to remain available until ex-
4 pended, shall be for expenses necessary to carry out
5 section 319F-2(a) of the PHS Act; and

6 (4) \$307,991,000 shall be for expenses nec-
7 essary to prepare for or respond to an influenza
8 pandemic, of which \$280,000,000 shall remain avail-
9 able until expended for activities including the devel-
10 opment and purchase of vaccines, antivirals, nec-
11 essary medical supplies, diagnostics, and surveillance
12 tools: *Provided*, That notwithstanding section 496(b)
13 of the PHS Act, funds allocated under this para-
14 graph may be used for the construction or renova-
15 tion of privately owned facilities for the production
16 of pandemic influenza vaccines and other biologics,
17 if the Secretary finds such construction or renova-
18 tion necessary to secure sufficient supplies of such
19 vaccines or biologics:

20 *Provided further*, That funds provided under this heading
21 for purposes of acquisition of security countermeasures
22 shall be in addition to any other funds made available for
23 such purposes: *Provided further*, That products purchased
24 with funds made available under this heading may, at the
25 discretion of the Secretary, be deposited in the Strategic

1 National Stockpile pursuant to section 319F–2 of the
2 PHS Act.

3 OPERATIONS, PREPAREDNESS, AND EMERGENCY

4 RESPONSE

5 For carrying out titles III, XII, and subtitles A and
6 B of title XXVIII of the PHS Act, operations and emer-
7 gency response activities related to countering potential
8 chemical, biological, radiological, and nuclear threats and
9 other public health emergencies, \$488,606,000: *Provided*,
10 That of the amounts made available under this heading,
11 \$5,000,000 shall remain available through September 30,
12 2028, to support emergency operations: *Provided further*,
13 That of the amounts made available under this heading,
14 \$78,904,000 is provided for the National Disaster Medical
15 System: *Provided further*, That of the amounts made avail-
16 able under this heading, \$309,055,000 is provided for
17 Health Care Readiness and Recovery: *Provided further*,
18 That of the amounts made available under this heading,
19 \$6,240,000 is provided for Medical Reserve Corps: *Pro-*
20 *vided further*, That of the amounts made available under
21 this heading, \$10,000,000 shall remain available until
22 September 30, 2027, for advanced research and develop-
23 ment, manufacturing, production, procurement, distribu-
24 tion, and the acquisition, construction, alteration, or ren-
25 ovation of non-federally owned facilities for the production

1 and purchase of medical countermeasures, which may in-
2 clude the development, translation, and demonstration at
3 scale of innovations in manufacturing platform.

4 OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

5 GENERAL DEPARTMENTAL MANAGEMENT

6 For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided, for
7 general departmental management, including hire of six
8 passenger motor vehicles, and for carrying out titles III,
9 XVII, XXI, and section 229 of the PHS Act, the United
10 States-Mexico Border Health Commission Act, and re-
11 search studies under section 1110 of the Social Security
12 Act, \$497,144,000, together with \$64,828,000 from the
13 amounts available under section 241 of the PHS Act to
14 carry out national health or human services research and
15 evaluation activities: *Provided*, That of this amount,
16 \$56,000,000 shall be for minority AIDS prevention and
17 treatment activities: *Provided further*, That of the funds
18 made available under this heading, \$101,000,000 shall be
19 for making competitive contracts and grants to public and
20 private entities to fund medically accurate and age appro-
21 priate programs that reduce teen pregnancy and for the
22 Federal costs associated with administering and evalu-
23 ating such contracts and grants, of which not more than
24 10 percent of the available funds shall be for training and
25 technical assistance, evaluation, outreach, and additional

1 program support activities, and of the remaining amount
2 75 percent shall be for replicating programs that have
3 been proven effective through rigorous evaluation to re-
4 duce teenage pregnancy, behavioral risk factors underlying
5 teenage pregnancy, or other associated risk factors, and
6 25 percent shall be available for research and demonstra-
7 tion grants to develop, replicate, refine, and test additional
8 models and innovative strategies for preventing teenage
9 pregnancy: *Provided further*, That of the amounts provided
10 under this heading from amounts available under section
11 241 of the PHS Act, \$6,800,000 shall be available to carry
12 out evaluations (including longitudinal evaluations) of
13 teenage pregnancy prevention approaches: *Provided fur-*
14 *ther*, That of the funds made available under this heading,
15 \$35,000,000 shall be for making competitive grants which
16 exclusively implement education in sexual risk avoidance
17 (defined as voluntarily refraining from non-marital sexual
18 activity): *Provided further*, That funding for such competi-
19 tive grants for sexual risk avoidance shall use medically
20 accurate information referenced to peer-reviewed publica-
21 tions by educational, scientific, governmental, or health or-
22 ganizations; implement an evidence-based approach inte-
23 grating research findings with practical implementation
24 that aligns with the needs and desired outcomes for the
25 intended audience; and teach the benefits associated with

1 self-regulation, success sequencing for poverty prevention,
2 healthy relationships, goal setting, and resisting sexual co-
3 ercion, dating violence, and other youth risk behaviors
4 such as underage drinking or illicit drug use without nor-
5 malizing teen sexual activity: *Provided further*, That no
6 more than 10 percent of the funding for such competitive
7 grants for sexual risk avoidance shall be available for tech-
8 nical assistance and administrative costs of such pro-
9 grams: *Provided further*, That funds provided in this Act
10 for embryo adoption activities may be used to provide to
11 individuals adopting embryos, through grants and other
12 mechanisms, medical and administrative services deemed
13 necessary for such adoptions: *Provided further*, That such
14 services shall be provided consistent with 42 CFR
15 59.5(a)(4): *Provided further*, That of the funds made
16 available under this heading, \$5,000,000 shall be for car-
17 rying out prize competitions sponsored by the Office of
18 the Secretary to accelerate innovation in the prevention,
19 diagnosis, and treatment of kidney diseases (as authorized
20 by section 24 of the Stevenson-Wydler Technology Innova-
21 tion Act of 1980 (15 U.S.C. 3719)).

22 In addition, for expenses necessary to carry out title
23 II of the PHS Act to support, except as otherwise pro-
24 vided, activities related to safeguarding classified national
25 security information and providing intelligence and na-

1 tional security support across the Department and to
2 counter cybersecurity threats to civilian populations,
3 \$108,983,000.

4 In addition, for expenses necessary to prevent, pre-
5 pare for, or respond to an influenza pandemic,
6 \$7,009,000.

7 MEDICARE HEARINGS AND APPEALS

8 For expenses necessary for Medicare hearings and
9 appeals in the Office of the Secretary, \$196,000,000 shall
10 remain available until September 30, 2027, to be trans-
11 ferred in appropriate part from the Federal Hospital In-
12 surance Trust Fund and the Federal Supplementary Med-
13 ical Insurance Trust Fund.

14 OFFICE OF THE NATIONAL COORDINATOR FOR HEALTH
15 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

16 For expenses necessary for the Office of the National
17 Coordinator for Health Information Technology, including
18 grants, contracts, and cooperative agreements for the de-
19 velopment and advancement of interoperable health infor-
20 mation technology, \$69,238,000 shall be from amounts
21 made available under section 241 of the PHS Act.

22 OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

23 For expenses necessary for the Office of Inspector
24 General, including the hire of passenger motor vehicles for
25 investigations, in carrying out the provisions of the Inspec-

1 tor General Act of 1978, \$87,000,000: *Provided*, That of
 2 such amount, necessary sums shall be available for pro-
 3 viding protective services to the Secretary and inves-
 4 tigating non-payment of child support cases for which non-
 5 payment is a Federal offense under 18 U.S.C. 228: *Pro-*
 6 *vided further*, That of the amount appropriated under this
 7 heading, necessary sums shall be available for carrying out
 8 activities authorized under section 3022 of the PHS Act
 9 (42 U.S.C. 300jj-52).

10 OFFICE FOR CIVIL RIGHTS

11 For expenses necessary for the Office for Civil
 12 Rights, \$39,798,000.

13 RETIREMENT PAY AND MEDICAL BENEFITS FOR

14 COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

15 For retirement pay and medical benefits of Public
 16 Health Service Commissioned Officers as authorized by
 17 law, for payments under the Retired Serviceman's Family
 18 Protection Plan and Survivor Benefit Plan, and for med-
 19 ical care of dependents and retired personnel under the
 20 Dependents' Medical Care Act, such amounts as may be
 21 required during the current fiscal year.

22 GENERAL PROVISIONS

23 SEC. 201. Funds appropriated in this title shall be
 24 available for not to exceed \$50,000 for official reception

1 and representation expenses when specifically approved by
2 the Secretary.

3 SEC. 202. None of the funds appropriated in this title
4 shall be used to pay the salary of an individual, through
5 a grant or other extramural mechanism, at a rate in excess
6 of Executive Level II: *Provided*, That none of the funds
7 appropriated in this title shall be used to prevent the NIH
8 from paying up to 100 percent of the salary of an indi-
9 vidual at this rate.

10 SEC. 203. None of the funds appropriated in this Act
11 may be expended pursuant to section 241 of the PHS Act,
12 except for funds specifically provided for in this Act, or
13 for other taps and assessments made by any office located
14 in HHS, prior to the preparation and submission of a re-
15 port by the Secretary to the Committees on Appropria-
16 tions of the House of Representatives and the Senate de-
17 tailing the planned uses of such funds.

18 SEC. 204. Notwithstanding section 241(a) of the
19 PHS Act, such portion as the Secretary shall determine,
20 but not more than 2.5 percent, of any amounts appro-
21 priated for programs authorized under such Act shall be
22 made available for the evaluation (directly, or by grants
23 or contracts) and the implementation and effectiveness of
24 programs funded in this title.

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2 SEC. 205. Not to exceed 1 percent of any discre-
3 tionary funds (pursuant to the Balanced Budget and
4 Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985) which are appro-
5 priated for the current fiscal year for HHS in this Act
6 may be transferred between appropriations, but no such
7 appropriation shall be increased by more than 3 percent
8 by any such transfer: *Provided*, That the transfer author-
9 ity granted by this section shall not be used to create any
10 new program or to fund any project or activity for which
11 no funds are provided in this Act: *Provided further*, That
12 the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Rep-
13 resentatives and the Senate are notified at least 15 days
14 in advance of any transfer.

15 SEC. 206. In lieu of the timeframe specified in section
16 338E(c)(2) of the PHS Act, terminations described in
17 such section may occur up to 60 days after the effective
18 date of a contract awarded in fiscal year 2026 under sec-
19 tion 338B of such Act, or at any time if the individual
20 who has been awarded such contract has not received
21 funds due under the contract.

22 SEC. 207. None of the funds appropriated in this Act
23 may be made available to any entity under title X of the
24 PHS Act unless the applicant for the award certifies to
25 the Secretary that it encourages family participation in

1 the decision of minors to seek family planning services and
2 that it provides counseling to minors on how to resist at-
3 tempts to coerce minors into engaging in sexual activities.

4 SEC. 208. Notwithstanding any other provision of
5 law, no provider of services under title X of the PHS Act
6 shall be exempt from any State law requiring notification
7 or the reporting of child abuse, child molestation, sexual
8 abuse, rape, or incest.

9 SEC. 209. None of the funds appropriated by this Act
10 (including funds appropriated to any trust fund) may be
11 used to carry out the Medicare Advantage program if the
12 Secretary denies participation in such program to an oth-
13 erwise eligible entity (including a Provider Sponsored Or-
14 ganization) because the entity informs the Secretary that
15 it will not provide, pay for, provide coverage of, or provide
16 referrals for abortions: *Provided*, That the Secretary shall
17 make appropriate prospective adjustments to the capita-
18 tion payment to such an entity (based on an actuarially
19 sound estimate of the expected costs of providing the serv-
20 ice to such entity's enrollees): *Provided further*, That noth-
21 ing in this section shall be construed to change the Medi-
22 care program's coverage for such services and a Medicare
23 Advantage organization described in this section shall be
24 responsible for informing enrollees where to obtain infor-
25 mation about all Medicare covered services.

1 SEC. 210. None of the funds made available in this
2 title may be used, in whole or in part, to advocate or pro-
3 mote gun control.

4 SEC. 211. The Secretary shall make available through
5 assignment not more than 60 employees of the Public
6 Health Service to assist in child survival activities and to
7 work in AIDS programs through and with funds provided
8 by the Agency for International Development, the United
9 Nations International Children's Emergency Fund or the
10 World Health Organization.

11 SEC. 212. In order for HHS to carry out inter-
12 national health activities, including HIV/AIDS and other
13 infectious disease, chronic and environmental disease, and
14 other health activities abroad during fiscal year 2026:

15 (1) The Secretary may exercise authority equiv-
16 alent to that available to the Secretary of State in
17 section 2(c) of the State Department Basic Authori-
18 ties Act of 1956. The Secretary shall consult with
19 the Secretary of State and relevant Chief of Mission
20 to ensure that the authority provided in this section
21 is exercised in a manner consistent with section 207
22 of the Foreign Service Act of 1980 and other appli-
23 cable statutes administered by the Department of
24 State.

1 (2) The Secretary is authorized to provide such
2 funds by advance or reimbursement to the Secretary
3 of State as may be necessary to pay the costs of ac-
4 quisition, lease, alteration, renovation, and manage-
5 ment of facilities outside of the United States for
6 the use of HHS. The Department of State shall co-
7 operate fully with the Secretary to ensure that HHS
8 has secure, safe, functional facilities that comply
9 with applicable regulation governing location, set-
10 back, and other facilities requirements and serve the
11 purposes established by this Act. The Secretary is
12 authorized, in consultation with the Secretary of
13 State, through grant or cooperative agreement, to
14 make available to public or nonprofit private institu-
15 tions or agencies in participating foreign countries,
16 funds to acquire, lease, alter, or renovate facilities in
17 those countries as necessary to conduct programs of
18 assistance for international health activities, includ-
19 ing activities relating to HIV/AIDS and other infec-
20 tious diseases, chronic and environmental diseases,
21 and other health activities abroad.

22 (3) The Secretary is authorized to provide to
23 personnel appointed or assigned by the Secretary to
24 serve abroad, allowances and benefits similar to
25 those provided under chapter 9 of title I of the For-

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2 SEC. 214. Of the amounts made available in this Act
3 for NIH, the amount for research related to the human
4 immunodeficiency virus, as jointly determined by the Di-
5 rector of NIH and the Director of the Office of AIDS Re-
6 search, shall be made available to the “Office of AIDS
7 Research” account. The Director of the Office of AIDS
8 Research shall transfer from such account amounts nec-
9 essary to carry out section 2353(d)(3) of the PHS Act.

10 SEC. 215. (a) AUTHORITY.—Notwithstanding any
11 other provision of law, the Director of NIH (“Director”)
12 may use funds authorized under section 402(b)(12) of the
13 PHS Act to enter into transactions (other than contracts,
14 cooperative agreements, or grants) to carry out research
15 identified pursuant to or research and activities described
16 in such section 402(b)(12).

17 (b) PEER REVIEW.—In entering into transactions
18 under subsection (a), the Director may utilize such peer
19 review procedures (including consultation with appropriate
20 scientific experts) as the Director determines to be appro-
21 priate to obtain assessments of scientific and technical
22 merit. Such procedures shall apply to such transactions
23 in lieu of the peer review and advisory council review pro-
24 cedures that would otherwise be required under sections

1 301(a)(3), 405(b)(1)(B), 405(b)(2), 406(a)(3)(A), 492,
2 and 494 of the PHS Act.

3 (c) NOTIFICATION.—The Director shall notify the
4 Committees on Appropriations of the House of Represent-
5 atives and the Senate not later than 15 days after the
6 Director exercises the authority under subsection (a) for
7 any transaction that is expected to cost the NIH in excess
8 of \$100,000,000.

9 SEC. 216. Not to exceed \$100,000,000 of funds ap-
10 propriated by this Act to the institutes and centers of the
11 National Institutes of Health may be used for alteration,
12 repair, or improvement of facilities, as necessary for the
13 proper and efficient conduct of the activities authorized
14 herein, at not to exceed \$5,000,000 per project.

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16 SEC. 217. Of the amounts made available for NIH,
17 1 percent of the amount made available for National Re-
18 search Service Awards (“NRSA”) shall be made available
19 to the Administrator of the Health Resources and Services
20 Administration to make NRSA awards for research in pri-
21 mary medical care to individuals affiliated with entities
22 who have received grants or contracts under sections 736,
23 739, or 747 of the PHS Act, and 1 percent of the amount
24 made available for NRSA shall be made available to the

1 Director of the Agency for Healthcare Research and Qual-
2 ity to make NRSA awards for health service research.

3 SEC. 218. (a) The Biomedical Advanced Research
4 and Development Authority (“BARDA”) may enter into
5 a contract, for more than one but no more than 10 pro-
6 gram years, for purchase of research services or of security
7 countermeasures, as that term is defined in section 319F-
8 2(c)(1)(B) of the PHS Act (42 U.S.C. 247d-6b(c)(1)(B)),
9 if—

10 (1) funds are available and obligated—

11 (A) for the full period of the contract or
12 for the first fiscal year in which the contract is
13 in effect; and

14 (B) for the estimated costs associated with
15 a necessary termination of the contract; and

16 (2) the Secretary determines that a multi-year
17 contract will serve the best interests of the Federal
18 Government by encouraging full and open competi-
19 tion or promoting economy in administration, per-
20 formance, and operation of BARDA’s programs.

21 (b) A contract entered into under this section—

22 (1) shall include a termination clause as de-
23 scribed by subsection (c) of section 3903 of title 41,
24 United States Code; and

1 (2) shall be subject to the congressional notice
2 requirement stated in subsection (d) of such section.

3 SEC. 219. (a) The Secretary shall publish in the fiscal
4 year 2027 budget justification and on Departmental Web
5 sites information concerning the employment of full-time
6 equivalent Federal employees or contractors for the pur-
7 poses of implementing, administering, enforcing, or other-
8 wise carrying out the provisions of the ACA, and the
9 amendments made by that Act, in the proposed fiscal year
10 and each fiscal year since the enactment of the ACA.

11 (b) With respect to employees or contractors sup-
12 ported by all funds appropriated for purposes of carrying
13 out the ACA (and the amendments made by that Act),
14 the Secretary shall include, at a minimum, the following
15 information:

16 (1) For each such fiscal year, the section of
17 such Act under which such funds were appropriated,
18 a statement indicating the program, project, or ac-
19 tivity receiving such funds, the Federal operating di-
20 vision or office that administers such program, and
21 the amount of funding received in discretionary or
22 mandatory appropriations.

23 (2) For each such fiscal year, the number of
24 full-time equivalent employees or contracted employ-

1 ees assigned to each authorized and funded provision
2 detailed in accordance with paragraph (1).

3 (c) In carrying out this section, the Secretary may
4 exclude from the report employees or contractors who—

5 (1) are supported through appropriations en-
6 acted in laws other than the ACA and work on pro-
7 grams that existed prior to the passage of the ACA;

8 (2) spend less than 50 percent of their time on
9 activities funded by or newly authorized in the ACA;
10 or

11 (3) work on contracts for which FTE reporting
12 is not a requirement of their contract, such as fixed-
13 price contracts.

14 SEC. 220. The Secretary shall publish, as part of the
15 fiscal year 2027 budget of the President submitted under
16 section 1105(a) of title 31, United States Code, informa-
17 tion that details the uses of all funds used by the Centers
18 for Medicare & Medicaid Services specifically for Health
19 Insurance Exchanges for each fiscal year since the enact-
20 ment of the ACA and the proposed uses for such funds
21 for fiscal year 2027. Such information shall include, for
22 each such fiscal year, the amount of funds used for each
23 activity specified under the heading “Health Insurance
24 Exchange Transparency” in the report accompanying this
25 Act.

1 SEC. 221. None of the funds made available by this
2 Act from the Federal Hospital Insurance Trust Fund or
3 the Federal Supplemental Medical Insurance Trust Fund,
4 or transferred from other accounts funded by this Act to
5 the “Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services—Program
6 Management” account, may be used for payments under
7 section 1342(b)(1) of Public Law 111–148 (relating to
8 risk corridors).

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10 SEC. 222. (a) Within 45 days of enactment of this
11 Act, the Secretary shall transfer funds appropriated under
12 section 4002 of the ACA to the accounts specified, in the
13 amounts specified, and for the activities specified under
14 the heading “Prevention and Public Health Fund” in the
15 report accompanying this Act.

16 (b) Notwithstanding section 4002(c) of the ACA, the
17 Secretary may not further transfer these amounts.

18 (c) Funds transferred for activities authorized under
19 section 2821 of the PHS Act shall be made available with-
20 out reference to section 2821(b) of such Act.

21 SEC. 223. Effective during the period beginning on
22 November 1, 2015 and ending January 1, 2028, any pro-
23 vision of law that refers (including through cross-reference
24 to another provision of law) to the current recommenda-
25 tions of the United States Preventive Services Task Force

1 with respect to breast cancer screening, mammography,
2 and prevention shall be administered by the Secretary in-
3 volved as if—

4 (1) such reference to such current recommenda-
5 tions were a reference to the recommendations of
6 such Task Force with respect to breast cancer
7 screening, mammography, and prevention last issued
8 before 2009; and

9 (2) such recommendations last issued before
10 2009 applied to any screening mammography modal-
11 ity under section 1861(jj) of the Social Security Act
12 (42 U.S.C. 1395x(jj)).

13 SEC. 224. In making Federal financial assistance, the
14 provisions relating to indirect costs in part 75 of title 45,
15 Code of Federal Regulations, including with respect to the
16 approval of deviations from negotiated rates, shall con-
17 tinue to apply to the National Institutes of Health to the
18 same extent and in the same manner as such provisions
19 were applied in the third quarter of fiscal year 2017. None
20 of the funds appropriated in this or prior Acts or otherwise
21 made available to the Department of Health and Human
22 Services or to any department or agency may be used to
23 develop or implement a modified approach to such provi-
24 sions, or to intentionally or substantially expand the fiscal
25 effect of the approval of such deviations from negotiated

1 rates beyond the proportional effect of such approvals in
2 such quarter.

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4 SEC. 225. The NIH Director may transfer funds for
5 opioid addiction, opioid alternatives, stimulant misuse and
6 addiction, pain management, and addiction treatment to
7 other Institutes and Centers of the NIH to be used for
8 the same purpose 15 days after notifying the Committees
9 on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the
10 Senate: *Provided*, That the transfer authority provided in
11 the previous proviso is in addition to any other transfer
12 authority provided by law.

13 SEC. 226. (a) The Secretary shall provide to the
14 Committees on Appropriations of the House of Represent-
15 atives and the Senate:

16 (1) Detailed monthly enrollment figures from
17 the Exchanges established under the Patient Protec-
18 tion and Affordable Care Act of 2010 pertaining to
19 enrollments during the open enrollment period; and

20 (2) Notification of any new or competitive grant
21 awards, including supplements, authorized under
22 section 330 of the Public Health Service Act.

23 (b) The Committees on Appropriations of the House
24 and Senate must be notified at least 2 business days in

1 advance of any public release of enrollment information
2 or the award of such grants.

3 SEC. 227. In addition to the amounts otherwise avail-
4 able for “Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, Pro-
5 gram Management”, the Secretary of Health and Human
6 Services may transfer up to \$455,000,000 to such account
7 from the Federal Hospital Insurance Trust Fund and the
8 Federal Supplementary Medical Insurance Trust Fund to
9 support program management activity related to the Medi-
10 care Program: *Provided*, That except for the foregoing
11 purpose, such funds may not be used to support any provi-
12 sion of Public Law 111–148 or Public Law 111–152 (or
13 any amendment made by either such Public Law) or to
14 supplant any other amounts within such account.

15 SEC. 228. The Department of Health and Human
16 Services shall provide the Committees on Appropriations
17 of the House of Representatives and Senate a biannual
18 report 30 days after enactment of this Act on staffing de-
19 scribed in the report accompanying this Act.

20 SEC. 229. Funds appropriated in this Act that are
21 available for salaries and expenses of employees of the De-
22 partment of Health and Human Services shall also be
23 available to pay travel and related expenses of such an
24 employee or of a member of his or her family, when such
25 employee is assigned to duty, in the United States or in

1 a U.S. territory, during a period and in a location that
2 are the subject of a determination of a public health emer-
3 gency under section 319 of the Public Health Service Act
4 and such travel is necessary to obtain medical care for
5 an illness, injury, or medical condition that cannot be ade-
6 quately addressed in that location at that time. For pur-
7 poses of this section, the term “U.S. territory” means
8 Guam, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Northern
9 Mariana Islands, the Virgin Islands, American Samoa, or
10 the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands.

11 SEC. 230. The Department of Health and Human
12 Services may accept donations from the private sector,
13 nongovernmental organizations, and other groups inde-
14 pendent of the Federal Government for the care of unac-
15 companied alien children (as defined in section 462(g)(2)
16 of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C.
17 279(g)(2))) in the care of the Office of Refugee Resettle-
18 ment of the Administration for Children and Families, in-
19 cluding medical goods and services, which may include
20 early childhood developmental screenings, school supplies,
21 toys, clothing, and any other items intended to promote
22 the wellbeing of such children.

23 SEC. 231. None of the funds made available in this
24 Act under the heading “Department of Health and
25 Human Services—Administration for Children and Fami-

1 lies—Refugee and Entrant Assistance” may be obligated
2 to a grantee or contractor to house unaccompanied alien
3 children (as such term is defined in section 462(g)(2) of
4 the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 279(g)(2)))
5 in any facility that is not State-licensed for the care of
6 unaccompanied alien children, except in the case that the
7 Secretary determines that housing unaccompanied alien
8 children in such a facility is necessary on a temporary
9 basis due to an influx of such children or an emergency,
10 provided that—

11 (1) the terms of the grant or contract for the
12 operations of any such facility that remains in oper-
13 ation for more than six consecutive months shall re-
14 quire compliance with—

15 (A) the same requirements as licensed
16 placements, as listed in Exhibit 1 of the Flores
17 Settlement Agreement that the Secretary deter-
18 mines are applicable to non-State licensed facili-
19 ties; and

20 (B) staffing ratios of one (1) on-duty
21 Youth Care Worker for every eight (8) children
22 or youth during waking hours, one (1) on-duty
23 Youth Care Worker for every sixteen (16) chil-
24 dren or youth during sleeping hours, and clini-
25 cian ratios to children (including mental health

1 providers) as required in grantee cooperative
2 agreements;

3 (2) the Secretary may grant a 60-day waiver
4 for a contractor's or grantee's non-compliance with
5 paragraph (1) if the Secretary certifies and provides
6 a report to Congress on the contractor's or grantee's
7 good-faith efforts and progress towards compliance;

8 (3) not more than four consecutive waivers
9 under paragraph (2) may be granted to a contractor
10 or grantee with respect to a specific facility;

11 (4) ORR shall ensure full adherence to the
12 monitoring requirements set forth in section 5.5 of
13 its Policies and Procedures Guide as of May 15,
14 2019;

15 (5) for any such unlicensed facility in operation
16 for more than three consecutive months, ORR shall
17 conduct a minimum of one comprehensive moni-
18 toring visit during the first three months of oper-
19 ation, with quarterly monitoring visits thereafter;
20 and

21 (6) not later than 60 days after the date of en-
22 actment of this Act, ORR shall brief the Committees
23 on Appropriations of the House of Representatives
24 and the Senate outlining the requirements of ORR
25 for influx facilities including any requirement listed

1 in paragraph (1)(A) that the Secretary has deter-
2 mined are not applicable to non-State licensed facili-
3 ties.

4 SEC. 232. In addition to the existing Congressional
5 notification for formal site assessments of potential influx
6 facilities, the Secretary shall notify the Committees on Ap-
7 propriations of the House of Representatives and the Sen-
8 ate at least 15 days before operationalizing an unlicensed
9 facility, and shall (1) specify whether the facility is hard-
10 sided or soft-sided, and (2) provide analysis that indicates
11 that, in the absence of the influx facility, the likely out-
12 come is that unaccompanied alien children will remain in
13 the custody of the Department of Homeland Security for
14 longer than 72 hours or that unaccompanied alien children
15 will be otherwise placed in danger. Within 60 days of
16 bringing such a facility online, and monthly thereafter, the
17 Secretary shall provide to the Committees on Appropria-
18 tions of the House of Representatives and the Senate a
19 report detailing the total number of children in care at
20 the facility, the average length of stay and average length
21 of care of children at the facility, and, for any child that
22 has been at the facility for more than 60 days, their length
23 of stay and reason for delay in release.

24 SEC. 233. None of the funds made available in this
25 Act may be used to prevent a United States Senator or

1 Member of the House of Representatives from entering,
2 for the purpose of conducting oversight, any facility in the
3 United States used for the purpose of maintaining custody
4 of, or otherwise housing, unaccompanied alien children (as
5 defined in section 462(g)(2) of the Homeland Security Act
6 of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 279(g)(2))), provided that such Senator
7 or Member has coordinated the oversight visit with the
8 Office of Refugee Resettlement not less than two business
9 days in advance to ensure that such visit would not inter-
10 fere with the operations (including child welfare and child
11 safety operations) of such facility.

12 SEC. 234. Not later than 14 days after the date of
13 enactment of this Act, and monthly thereafter, the Sec-
14 retary shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations
15 of the House of Representatives and the Senate, and make
16 publicly available online, a report with respect to children
17 who were separated from their parents or legal guardians
18 by the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) (regard-
19 less of whether or not such separation was pursuant to
20 an option selected by the children, parents, or guardians),
21 subsequently classified as unaccompanied alien children,
22 and transferred to the care and custody of ORR during
23 the previous month. Each report shall contain the fol-
24 lowing information:

1 (1) the number and ages of children so sepa-
2 rated subsequent to apprehension at or between
3 ports of entry, to be reported by sector where sepa-
4 ration occurred; and

5 (2) the documented cause of separation, as re-
6 ported by DHS when each child was referred.

7 SEC. 235. Funds appropriated in this Act that are
8 available for salaries and expenses of employees of the
9 Centers for Disease Control and Prevention shall also be
10 available for the primary and secondary schooling of eligi-
11 ble dependents of personnel stationed in a U.S. territory
12 as defined in section 229 of this Act at costs not in excess
13 of those paid for or reimbursed by the Department of De-
14 fense.

15 (RESCISSION)

16 SEC. 236. Of the unobligated balances in the “Non-
17 recurring Expenses Fund” established in section 223 of
18 division G of Public Law 110–161, \$1,613,000,000 are
19 hereby rescinded not later than September 30, 2026, ex-
20 cept that no amounts may be rescinded from amounts that
21 were previously designated by the Congress as being for
22 an emergency requirement pursuant to a concurrent reso-
23 lution on the budget or the Balanced Budget and Emer-
24 gency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

1 SEC. 237. The Director of the National Institutes of
2 Health shall hereafter require institutions that receive
3 funds through a grant or cooperative agreement or other
4 form of extramural award during fiscal year 2026 and in
5 future years to complete any investigation undertaken due
6 to concerns about harassment, bullying retaliation, or hos-
7 tile working conditions regarding any individual identified
8 as a principal investigator or key personnel in an NIH
9 notice of award or progress report even if during the
10 course of the investigation the individual under investiga-
11 tion leaves their current position and is no longer em-
12 ployed by the institution. The Director may hereafter de-
13 cline transfer of an ongoing extramural award to a dif-
14 ferent institution if concerns about harassment, bullying,
15 hostile work environment, or other professional mis-
16 conduct on the part of a principle investigator or key per-
17 sonnel named in the Notice of Award or progress report
18 have not been resolved to the NIH's satisfaction. The Di-
19 rector of the NIH shall hereafter have the authority to
20 share investigation reports, conclusions, and results of any
21 investigation of individuals identified as a principal inves-
22 tigator or as key personnel in an NIH notice of award
23 or progress report due to concerns about harassment, bul-
24 lying, retaliation, or hostile working conditions on an as
25 needed basis with any institution that receives funds

1 through a grant or cooperative agreement or other form
2 of extramural award during fiscal year 2026 or any subse-
3 quent fiscal year. The Director may issue regulations con-
4 sistent with this section.

5 SEC. 238. The Department of Health and Human
6 Services shall support staffing levels necessary to fulfill
7 its statutory responsibilities including carrying out pro-
8 grams, projects, and activities funded in this title of this
9 Act in a timely manner: *Provided*, That the Secretary shall
10 submit a detailed plan and justification to the Committees
11 on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the
12 Senate, and make publicly available to allow for an inde-
13 pendent review not less than 60 days prior to initiating
14 the execution of any reorganization moving functions, pur-
15 suant to any authorities otherwise provided, carried out
16 by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to an-
17 other component of the Department of Health and Human
18 Services, relative to how such functions are funded in this
19 Act.

20 SEC. 239. None of the funds appropriated by this Act
21 may be used to increase the proportion of multi-year
22 grants awarded by the National Institutes of Health in
23 fiscal year 2026 that are fully funded in the first year
24 of the award, relative to the comparable proportion in fis-
25 cal year 2024, unless the National Institutes of Health

1 awards at least the same number of total grants in fiscal
2 year 2026 as in fiscal year 2024.

3 SEC. 240. (a) Prior to terminating a critical access
4 hospital provider agreement with any hospital that was
5 designated and certified as a critical access hospital and
6 met the secondary roads criteria under section 485.610(c)
7 of title 42, Code of Federal Regulations, prior to publica-
8 tion of the final rule, titled “Medicare Program: Hospital
9 Outpatient Prospective Payment and Ambulatory Surgical
10 Center Payment Systems and Quality Reporting Pro-
11 grams; Organ Acquisition; Rural Emergency Hospitals:
12 Payment Policies, Conditions of Participation, Provider
13 Enrollment, Physician Self-Referral; New Service Cat-
14 egory for Hospital Outpatient Department Prior Author-
15 ization Process; Overall Hospital Quality Star Rating;
16 COVID-19” by the Department of Health and Human
17 Services on November 23, 2022 (87 Fed. Reg. 71748),
18 the Administrator of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid
19 Services shall—

20 (1) provide written notification to the Com-
21 mittee on Appropriations of the Senate and the
22 Committee on Appropriations of the House of Rep-
23 resentatives detailing the justification for the termi-
24 nation, specifically with respect to whether or not
25 the proposed termination is due to the nearest hos-

1 pital being designated as a rural emergency hospital
2 after January 1, 2023;

3 (2) provide a detailed analysis of the rural
4 healthcare impacts of the proposed termination; and

5 (3) consult with States that require rural emer-
6 gency hospitals to be licensed and regulated with
7 minimum hospital standards of operation and pro-
8 vide a pathway for the Centers for Medicare & Med-
9 icaid Services to consider these facilities as hospitals
10 to ensure continuity in hospital standards.

11 (b) In this section:

12 (1) The term “critical access hospital” has the
13 meaning given that term in section 1861(mm)(1) of
14 the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395x(mm)(1)).

15 (2) The term “rural emergency hospital” has
16 the meaning given that term in section 1861(kkk)(2)
17 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
18 1395x(kkk)(2)).

19 This title may be cited as the “Department of Health
20 and Human Services Appropriations Act, 2026”.

1 TITLE III
2 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
3 EDUCATION FOR THE DISADVANTAGED

4 For carrying out title I and subpart 2 of part B of
5 title II of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act
6 of 1965 (referred to in this Act as “ESEA”) and section
7 418A of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (referred to
8 in this Act as “HEA”), \$19,157,790,000, of which
9 \$8,229,490,000 shall become available on July 1, 2026,
10 and shall remain available through September 30, 2027,
11 and of which \$10,841,177,000 shall become available on
12 October 1, 2026, and shall remain available through Sep-
13 tember 30, 2027, for academic year 2026–2027: *Provided*,
14 That \$6,459,401,000 shall be for basic grants under sec-
15 tion 1124 of the ESEA: *Provided further*, That up to
16 \$5,000,000 of these funds shall be available to the Sec-
17 retary of Education (referred to in this title as “Sec-
18 retary”) on October 1, 2025, to obtain annually updated
19 local educational agency-level census poverty data from
20 the Bureau of the Census: *Provided further*, That
21 \$1,362,301,000 shall be for concentration grants under
22 section 1124A of the ESEA: *Provided further*, That
23 \$5,317,550,000 shall be for targeted grants under section
24 1125 of the ESEA: *Provided further*, That
25 \$5,317,550,000 shall be for education finance incentive

1 grants under section 1125A of the ESEA: *Provided fur-*
2 *ther*, That \$224,000,000 shall be for carrying out subpart
3 2 of part B of title II, of which \$30,000,000 shall be for
4 section 2226: *Provided further*, That \$375,626,000 shall
5 be for carrying out part C of title I of the ESEA: *Provided*
6 *further*, That \$49,239,000 shall be for carrying out part
7 D of title I of the ESEA: *Provided further*, That
8 \$52,123,000 shall be for carrying out section 418A of the
9 HEA: *Provided further*, That subsection (b) of section
10 1004 of the ESEA shall be applied by substituting the
11 sum of the amounts appropriated for parts A, C, and D
12 of title I of the ESEA by division H of Public Law 113–
13 325 for each of the amounts specified in that subsection:
14 *Provided further*, That subsection (a)(2) of section 1004
15 of the ESEA shall be applied by substituting “\$500,000”
16 for “\$400,000” and by substituting “\$60,000” for
17 “\$50,000”.

18 IMPACT AID

19 For carrying out programs of financial assistance to
20 federally affected schools authorized by title VII of the
21 ESEA, \$1,625,151,000, of which \$1,474,000,000 shall be
22 for basic support payments under section 7003(b),
23 \$48,316,000 shall be for payments for children with dis-
24 abilities under section 7003(d), \$19,000,000 to remain
25 available through September 30, 2027, shall be for con-

1 struction under section 7007(b), \$79,000,000 shall be for
2 Federal property payments under section 7002, and
3 \$4,835,000, to remain available until expended, shall be
4 for facilities maintenance under section 7008: *Provided*,
5 That for purposes of computing the amount of a payment
6 for an eligible local educational agency under section
7 7003(a) for school year 2025–2026, children enrolled in
8 a school of such agency that would otherwise be eligible
9 for payment under section 7003(a)(1)(B) of such Act, but
10 due to the deployment of both parents or legal guardians,
11 or a parent or legal guardian having sole custody of such
12 children, or due to the death of a military parent or legal
13 guardian while on active duty (so long as such children
14 reside on Federal property as described in section
15 7003(a)(1)(B)), are no longer eligible under such section,
16 shall be considered as eligible students under such section,
17 provided such students remain in average daily attendance
18 at a school in the same local educational agency they at-
19 tended prior to their change in eligibility status.

20 SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMS

21 For carrying out school improvement activities au-
22 thorized by part B of title I, part A of title II, subpart
23 1 of part A of title IV, part B of title IV, part B of title
24 V, and parts B and C of title VI of the ESEA; the McKin-
25 ney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act; section 203 of the

1 Educational Technical Assistance Act of 2002; and the
2 Civil Rights Act of 1964, \$5,781,178,000, of which
3 \$3,952,312,000 shall become available on July 1, 2026,
4 and remain available through September 30, 2027, and
5 of which \$1,681,441,000 shall become available on Octo-
6 ber 1, 2026, and shall remain available through September
7 30, 2027, for academic year 2026–2027: *Provided*, That
8 \$2,190,080,000 shall be for part A of title II of the ESEA:
9 *Provided further*, That \$380,000,000 shall be for part B
10 of title I: *Provided further*, That \$1,329,673,000 shall be
11 for part B of title IV: *Provided further*, That \$45,897,000
12 shall be for part B of title VI, which may be used for
13 construction, renovation, and modernization of any public
14 elementary school, secondary school, or structure related
15 to a public elementary school or secondary school that
16 serves a predominantly Native Hawaiian student body,
17 and that the 5 percent limitation in section 6205(b) of
18 the ESEA on the use of funds for administrative purposes
19 shall apply only to direct administrative costs: *Provided*
20 *further*, That the Secretary shall use \$650,000 of funds
21 made available in the preceding proviso to carry out sec-
22 tion 6204 of the ESEA: *Provided further*, That
23 \$44,953,000 shall be for part C of title VI, which shall
24 be awarded on a competitive basis, and may be used for
25 construction, and that the 5 percent limitation in section

1 6305 of the ESEA on the use of funds for administrative
2 purposes shall apply only to direct administrative costs:
3 *Provided further*, That \$50,000,000 shall be for carrying
4 out section 203 of the Educational Technical Assistance
5 Act of 2002 and the Secretary shall make such arrange-
6 ments as determined to be necessary to ensure that the
7 Bureau of Indian Education has access to services pro-
8 vided under this section: *Provided further*, That
9 \$225,000,000 shall be for part B of title V: *Provided fur-*
10 *ther*, That in carrying out such part B the percentage in
11 section 316(b)(1)(F) of title III of division H of Public
12 Law 116–260 shall be deemed 83.33 percent: *Provided*
13 *further*, That \$1,380,000,000 shall be for subpart 1 of
14 part A of title IV: *Provided further*, That \$129,000,000
15 shall be for subpart B of title VII of the McKinney-Vento
16 Homeless Assistance Act, which shall be available for ex-
17 penditure by educational agencies and institutions for an
18 additional fiscal year following the succeeding fiscal year
19 provided by subsection 421(b)(1) of the General Edu-
20 cation Provisions Act.

21 INDIAN EDUCATION

22 For expenses necessary to carry out, to the extent
23 not otherwise provided, title VI, part A of the ESEA,
24 \$194,746,000, of which \$110,381,000 shall be for subpart
25 1 of part A of title VI, \$72,000,000 shall be for subpart

1 2 of part A of title VI and \$12,365,000 shall be for sub-
2 part 3 of part A of title VI: *Provided*, That the 5 percent
3 limitation in sections 6115(d), 6121(e), and 6133(g) of
4 the ESEA on the use of funds for administrative purposes
5 shall apply only to direct administrative costs: *Provided*
6 *further*, That grants awarded under sections 6132 and
7 6133 of the ESEA with funds provided under this heading
8 may be for a period of up to 5 years: *Provided further*,
9 That the Secretary may make awards under subpart 3 of
10 part A of title VI without regard to the funding limitation
11 in section 6133(b)(1) of the ESEA.

12 INNOVATION AND IMPROVEMENT

13 For carrying out activities authorized by subparts 1,
14 3, and 4 of part B of title II, and parts C, D, and E
15 and subparts 1 and 4 of part F of title IV of the ESEA,
16 \$1,183,647,000, which shall be for the purposes and in
17 the amounts specified in the “Committee Recommenda-
18 tion” column for Innovation and Improvement in the
19 “Amounts Recommended in the Bill for Fiscal Year 2026”
20 table in the report accompanying this Act, of which the
21 amounts made available for “Congressionally Directed
22 Spending” are for the projects, and in the amounts, speci-
23 fied for this account in the table titled “Congressionally
24 Directed Spending” in the report accompanying this Act
25 and none of the funds made available for such projects

1 shall be subject to section 302 of this Act: *Provided*, That
2 \$173,000,000 shall be for subparts 1, 3 and 4 of part B
3 of title II and shall be made available without regard to
4 sections 2201, 2231(b) and 2241: *Provided further*, That
5 \$675,500,000 shall be for parts C, D, and E and subpart
6 4 of part F of title IV, and shall be made available without
7 regard to sections 4311, 4409(a), and 4601 of the ESEA:
8 *Provided further*, That section 4303(d)(3)(A)(i) shall not
9 apply to the funds available for part C of title IV: *Provided*
10 *further*, That of the funds available for part C of title IV,
11 the Secretary shall use not less than \$60,000,000 to carry
12 out section 4304, not more than \$140,000,000, to remain
13 available through March 31, 2027, to carry out section
14 4305(b), from which the amount necessary for continu-
15 ation grants may be available for obligation through
16 March 31, 2027, and not more than \$16,000,000 to carry
17 out the activities in section 4305(a)(3): *Provided further*,
18 That notwithstanding section 4601(b), \$235,000,000 shall
19 be available through December 31, 2026 for subpart 1 of
20 part F of title IV: *Provided further*, That of the funds
21 available for subpart 4 of part F of title IV, not less than
22 \$8,000,000 shall be used for grants for eligible national
23 nonprofit organizations, as described in the Applications
24 for New Awards; Assistance for Arts Education Program
25 published in the Federal Register on May 31, 2022, for

1 activities described under section 4642(a)(1)(C): *Provided*
2 *further*, That the competitive preference priority described
3 in such notice shall be given only to an eligible national
4 nonprofit organization that previously received the com-
5 petitive preference priority pursuant to such notice.

6 SAFE SCHOOLS AND CITIZENSHIP EDUCATION

7 For carrying out activities authorized by subparts 2
8 and 3 of part F of title IV of the ESEA, \$416,000,000,
9 to remain available through December 31, 2026: *Provided*,
10 That \$190,000,000 shall be available for section 4631, of
11 which up to \$5,000,000, to remain available until ex-
12 pended, shall be for the Project School Emergency Re-
13 sponse to Violence (Project SERV) program: *Provided fur-*
14 *ther*, That \$135,000,000 shall be for section 4625: *Pro-*
15 *vided further*, That \$91,000,000 shall be for section 4624.

16 ENGLISH LANGUAGE ACQUISITION

17 For carrying out part A of title III of the ESEA,
18 \$890,000,000, which shall become available on July 1,
19 2026, and shall remain available through September 30,
20 2027, except that 6.5 percent of such amount shall be
21 available on October 1, 2025, and shall remain available
22 through September 30, 2027, to carry out activities under
23 section 3111(c)(1)(C).

1 SPECIAL EDUCATION

2 For carrying out the Individuals with Disabilities
3 Education Act (IDEA) and the Special Olympics Sport
4 and Empowerment Act of 2004, \$15,517,264,000, which
5 shall be for the purposes and in the amounts specified in
6 the “Committee Recommendation” column for Special
7 Education in the “Amounts Recommended in the Bill for
8 Fiscal Year 2026” table in the report accompanying this
9 Act, of which \$5,940,321,000 shall become available on
10 July 1, 2026, and shall remain available through Sep-
11 tember 30, 2027, and of which \$9,283,383,000 shall be-
12 come available on October 1, 2026, and shall remain avail-
13 able through September 30, 2027, for academic year
14 2026–2027: *Provided*, That the amount for section
15 611(b)(2) of the IDEA shall be equal to the lesser of the
16 amount available for that activity during fiscal year 2025,
17 increased by the amount of inflation as specified in section
18 619(d)(2)(B) of the IDEA, or the percent change in the
19 funds appropriated under section 611(i) of the IDEA, but
20 not less than the amount for that activity during fiscal
21 year 2025: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall,
22 without regard to section 611(d) of the IDEA, distribute
23 to all other States (as that term is defined in section
24 611(g)(2)), subject to the third proviso, any amount by
25 which a State’s allocation under section 611, from funds

1 appropriated under this heading, is reduced under section
2 612(a)(18)(B), according to the following: 85 percent on
3 the basis of the States' relative populations of children
4 aged 3 through 21 who are of the same age as children
5 with disabilities for whom the State ensures the avail-
6 ability of a free appropriate public education under this
7 part, and 15 percent to States on the basis of the States'
8 relative populations of those children who are living in pov-
9 erty: *Provided further*, That the Secretary may not dis-
10 tribute any funds under the previous proviso to any State
11 whose reduction in allocation from funds appropriated
12 under this heading made funds available for such a dis-
13 tribution: *Provided further*, That the States shall allocate
14 such funds distributed under the second proviso to local
15 educational agencies in accordance with section 611(f):
16 *Provided further*, That the amount by which a State's allo-
17 cation under section 611(d) of the IDEA is reduced under
18 section 612(a)(18)(B) and the amounts distributed to
19 States under the previous provisos in fiscal year 2012 or
20 any subsequent year shall not be considered in calculating
21 the awards under section 611(d) for fiscal year 2013 or
22 for any subsequent fiscal years: *Provided further*, That,
23 notwithstanding the provision in section 612(a)(18)(B) re-
24 garding the fiscal year in which a State's allocation under
25 section 611(d) is reduced for failure to comply with the

1 requirement of section 612(a)(18)(A), the Secretary may
2 apply the reduction specified in section 612(a)(18)(B) over
3 a period of consecutive fiscal years, not to exceed 5, until
4 the entire reduction is applied: *Provided further*, That the
5 Secretary may, in any fiscal year in which a State's alloca-
6 tion under section 611 is reduced in accordance with sec-
7 tion 612(a)(18)(B), reduce the amount a State may re-
8 serve under section 611(e)(1) by an amount that bears
9 the same relation to the maximum amount described in
10 that paragraph as the reduction under section
11 612(a)(18)(B) bears to the total allocation the State
12 would have received in that fiscal year under section
13 611(d) in the absence of the reduction: *Provided further*,
14 That the Secretary shall either reduce the allocation of
15 funds under section 611 for any fiscal year following the
16 fiscal year for which the State fails to comply with the
17 requirement of section 612(a)(18)(A) as authorized by
18 section 612(a)(18)(B), or seek to recover funds under sec-
19 tion 452 of the General Education Provisions Act (20
20 U.S.C. 1234a): *Provided further*, That the funds reserved
21 under 611(c) of the IDEA may be used to provide tech-
22 nical assistance to States to improve the capacity of the
23 States to meet the data collection requirements of sections
24 616 and 618 and to administer and carry out other serv-
25 ices and activities to improve data collection, coordination,

1 quality, and use under parts B and C of the IDEA: *Pro-*
2 *vided further*, That the Secretary may use funds made
3 available for the State Personnel Development Grants pro-
4 gram under part D, subpart 1 of IDEA to evaluate pro-
5 gram performance under such subpart: *Provided further*,
6 That States may use funds reserved for other State-level
7 activities under sections 611(e)(2) and 619(f) of the IDEA
8 to make subgrants to local educational agencies, institu-
9 tions of higher education, other public agencies, and pri-
10 vate non-profit organizations to carry out activities au-
11 thorized by those sections: *Provided further*, That, not-
12 withstanding section 643(e)(2)(A) of the IDEA, if 5 or
13 fewer States apply for grants pursuant to section 643(e)
14 of such Act, the Secretary shall provide a grant to each
15 State in an amount equal to the maximum amount de-
16 scribed in section 643(e)(2)(B) of such Act: *Provided fur-*
17 *ther*, That if more than 5 States apply for grants pursuant
18 to section 643(e) of the IDEA, the Secretary shall award
19 funds to those States on the basis of the States' relative
20 populations of infants and toddlers except that no such
21 State shall receive a grant in excess of the amount de-
22 scribed in section 643(e)(2)(B) of such Act: *Provided fur-*
23 *ther*, That States may use funds allotted under section
24 643(e) of the IDEA to make subgrants to local edu-
25 cational agencies, institutions of higher education, other

1 public agencies, and private non-profit organizations to
2 carry out activities authorized by section 638 of IDEA:
3 *Provided further*, That, notwithstanding section 638 of the
4 IDEA, a State may use funds it receives under section
5 633 of the IDEA to offer continued early intervention
6 services to a child who previously received services under
7 part C of the IDEA from age 3 until the beginning of
8 the school year following the child's third birthday with
9 parental consent and without regard to the procedures in
10 section 635(c) of the IDEA.

11 REHABILITATION SERVICES

12 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

13 For carrying out, to the extent not otherwise pro-
14 vided, the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Helen Keller
15 National Center Act, \$4,647,295,000, which shall be for
16 the purposes and in the amounts specified in the "Com-
17 mittee Recommendation" column for Rehabilitation Serv-
18 ices in the "Amounts Recommended in the Bill for Fiscal
19 Year 2026" table in the report accompanying this Act,
20 of which the amounts made available for Vocational Reha-
21 bilitation State Grants shall be for grants for vocational
22 rehabilitation services under title I of the Rehabilitation
23 Act: *Provided*, That the Secretary may use amounts pro-
24 vided in this Act that remain available subsequent to the
25 reallocation of funds to States pursuant to section 110(b)

1 of the Rehabilitation Act for innovative activities aimed
2 at increasing competitive integrated employment as de-
3 fined in section 7 of such Act for youth and other individ-
4 uals with disabilities, including related Federal adminis-
5 trative expenses, for improving monitoring and oversight
6 of grants for vocational rehabilitation services under title
7 I of the Rehabilitation Act, and information technology
8 needs under section 15 and titles I, III, VI, and VII of
9 the Rehabilitation Act: *Provided further*, That up to 15
10 percent of the amounts available subsequent to reallocot-
11 ment for the activities described in the first proviso from
12 funds provided under this paragraph in this Act, may be
13 used for evaluation and technical assistance related to
14 such activities: *Provided further*, That any funds made
15 available subsequent to reallocation for the activities de-
16 scribed in the first proviso may be provided to States and
17 other public, private and nonprofit entities, including In-
18 dian tribes and institutions of higher education for car-
19 rying out such activities: *Provided further*, That States
20 and other public and nonprofit entities, including Indian
21 tribes and institutions of higher education may award sub-
22 grants for a portion of the funds to other eligible entities:
23 *Provided further*, That any funds provided in this Act and
24 made available subsequent to reallocation for the purposes
25 described in the first proviso shall remain available until

1 September 30, 2027: *Provided further*, That any funds
 2 provided in the Full-Year Continuing Appropriations and
 3 Extensions Act, 2025 (Public Law 119-4) and made avail-
 4 able subsequent to reallocation shall remain available until
 5 September 30, 2026: *Provided further*, That the Secretary
 6 may transfer funds provided in this Act and made avail-
 7 able subsequent to the reallocation of funds to States pur-
 8 suant to section 110(b) of the Rehabilitation Act to “Insti-
 9 tute of Education Sciences” for the evaluation of outcomes
 10 for students receiving services and supports under IDEA
 11 and under title I, section 504 of title V, and title VI of
 12 the Rehabilitation Act: *Provided further*, That the transfer
 13 authority in the preceding proviso is in addition to any
 14 other transfer authority in this Act.

15 SPECIAL INSTITUTIONS FOR PERSONS WITH
 16 DISABILITIES

17 AMERICAN PRINTING HOUSE FOR THE BLIND

18 For carrying out the Act to Promote the Education
 19 of the Blind of March 3, 1879, \$43,431,000.

20 NATIONAL TECHNICAL INSTITUTE FOR THE DEAF

21 For the National Technical Institute for the Deaf
 22 under titles I and II of the Education of the Deaf Act
 23 of 1986, \$92,500,000: *Provided*, That from the total
 24 amount available, the Institute may at its discretion use

1 funds for the endowment program as authorized under
2 section 207 of such Act.

3 GALLAUDET UNIVERSITY

4 For the Kendall Demonstration Elementary School,
5 the Model Secondary School for the Deaf, and the partial
6 support of Gallaudet University under titles I and II of
7 the Education of the Deaf Act of 1986, \$167,361,000, of
8 which up to \$15,000,000, to remain available until ex-
9 pended, shall be for construction, as defined by section
10 201(2) of such Act: *Provided*, That from the total amount
11 available, the University may at its discretion use funds
12 for the endowment program as authorized under section
13 207 of such Act.

14 CAREER, TECHNICAL, AND ADULT EDUCATION

15 For carrying out, to the extent not otherwise pro-
16 vided, the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Edu-
17 cation Act of 2006 (“Perkins Act”) and the Adult Edu-
18 cation and Family Literacy Act (“AEFLA”),
19 \$2,181,436,000, of which \$1,390,436,000 shall become
20 available on July 1, 2026, and shall remain available
21 through September 30, 2027, and of which \$791,000,000
22 shall become available on October 1, 2026, and shall re-
23 main available through September 30, 2027: *Provided*,
24 That \$1,452,269,000 shall be for carrying out the Perkins
25 Act, of which \$12,421,000 shall be for national programs,

1 including up to \$6,100,000 shall be available for innova-
2 tion and modernization grants under such section 114(e):
3 *Provided further*, That \$729,167,000 shall be for AEFLA,
4 of which \$13,712,000 shall be for national leadership ac-
5 tivities under section 242.

6 STUDENT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

7 For carrying out subparts 1 and 3 of part A, and
8 part C of title IV of the HEA, \$24,615,352,000 which
9 shall remain available through September 30, 2027: *Pro-*
10 *vided*, That \$22,475,352,000 shall be for subpart 1 of part
11 A, \$910,000,000 shall be for subpart 3 of part A, and
12 \$1,230,000,000 shall be for part C.

13 The maximum Pell Grant for which a student shall
14 be eligible during award year 2026–2027 shall be \$6,335.

15 STUDENT AID ADMINISTRATION

16 For Federal administrative expenses to carry out part
17 D of title I, and subparts 1, 3, 9, and 10 of part A, and
18 parts B, C, D, and E of title IV of the HEA, and subpart
19 1 of part A of title VII of the Public Health Service Act,
20 \$2,058,943,000, to remain available through September
21 30, 2027: *Provided*, That the Secretary shall allocate new
22 student loan borrower accounts to eligible student loan
23 servicers on the basis of their past performance compared
24 to all loan servicers utilizing established common metrics,
25 and on the basis of the capacity of each servicer to process

1 new and existing accounts: *Provided further*, That in order
2 to promote accountability and high-quality service to bor-
3 rowers, the Secretary shall not award funding for any con-
4 tract solicitation for a new Federal student loan servicing
5 environment, unless such an environment provides for the
6 participation of multiple student loan servicers that con-
7 tract directly with the Department of Education to man-
8 age a unique portfolio of borrower accounts and the full
9 life-cycle of loans from disbursement to pay-off with cer-
10 tain limited exceptions, and allocates student loan bor-
11 rower accounts to eligible student loan servicers based on
12 performance: *Provided further*, That the Department shall
13 re-allocate accounts from servicers for recurring non-com-
14 pliance with FSA guidelines, contractual requirements,
15 and applicable laws, including for failure to sufficiently in-
16 form borrowers of available repayment options: *Provided*
17 *further*, That such servicers shall be evaluated based on
18 their ability to meet contract requirements (including an
19 understanding of Federal and State law), future perform-
20 ance on the contracts, and history of compliance with ap-
21 plicable consumer protections laws: *Provided further*, That
22 to the extent FSA permits student loan servicing subcon-
23 tracting, FSA shall hold prime contractors accountable for
24 meeting the requirements of the contract, and the per-
25 formance and expectations of subcontractors shall be ac-

1 counted for in the prime contract and in the overall per-
2 formance of the prime contractor: *Provided further*, That
3 FSA shall ensure that the Federal loan servicing environ-
4 ment incentivizes more support to borrowers at risk of de-
5 linquency or default: *Provided further*, That FSA shall en-
6 sure that in such environment contractors have the capac-
7 ity to meet and are held accountable for performance on
8 service levels; are held accountable for and have a history
9 of compliance with applicable consumer protection laws;
10 and have relevant experience and demonstrated effective-
11 ness: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall provide
12 monthly briefings to the Committees on Appropriations
13 and Education and Workforce of the House of Represent-
14 atives and the Committees on Appropriations and Health,
15 Education, Labor, and Pensions of the Senate on general
16 progress related to Federal student loan servicing and re-
17 payment: *Provided further*, That FSA shall strengthen
18 transparency through expanded publication of aggregate
19 data on student loan and servicer performance: *Provided*
20 *further*, That the limitation in section 302 of this Act re-
21 garding transfers increasing any appropriation shall apply
22 to transfers to appropriations under this heading by sub-
23 stituting “10 percent” for “3 percent” for the purposes
24 of the continuation of basic operations, including student
25 loan servicing, business process operations, digital cus-

1 tomer care, common origination and disbursement, cyber-
2 security activities, and information technology systems:
3 *Provided further*, That not later than 45 days after enact-
4 ment of this Act, FSA shall provide to the Committees
5 on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the
6 Senate a detailed spend plan of anticipated uses of funds
7 made available in this account for fiscal year 2026 and
8 provide quarterly updates on this plan (including contracts
9 awarded, change orders, bonuses paid to staff, reorganiza-
10 tion costs, and any other activity carried out using
11 amounts provided under this heading for fiscal year 2026)
12 no later than 10 days prior to the start of such quarter:
13 *Provided further*, That FSA shall notify the Committees
14 no later than 10 days prior to any modification of such
15 spend plan that exceeds five percent of the amount appro-
16 priated under the heading “Student Aid Administration”:
17 *Provided further*, That the Federal student loan servicing
18 environment shall include accountability measures that ac-
19 count for the performance of the portfolio and contractor
20 compliance with FSA guidelines.

21 HIGHER EDUCATION

22 For carrying out, to the extent not otherwise pro-
23 vided, titles II, III, IV, V, VI, VII, and VIII of the HEA,
24 the Mutual Educational and Cultural Exchange Act of
25 1961, and section 117 of the Perkins Act,

1 \$3,267,926,000, which shall be for the purposes and in
2 the amounts specified in the “Committee Recommenda-
3 tion” column for Higher Education in the “Amounts Rec-
4 ommended in the Bill for Fiscal Year 2026” table in the
5 report accompanying this Act, of which the amounts made
6 available for Congressionally Directed Spending are for
7 the projects, and in the amounts, specified for this account
8 in the table titled “Congressionally Directed Spending” in
9 the report accompanying this Act and none of the funds
10 made available for such projects shall be subject to section
11 302 of this Act and of which the amounts made available
12 for “Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Edu-
13 cation” shall be for the purposes and in the amounts speci-
14 fied in the table under that heading in the report accom-
15 panying this Act: *Provided*, That notwithstanding any
16 other provision of law, funds made available in this Act
17 to carry out title VI of the HEA and section 102(b)(6)
18 of the Mutual Educational and Cultural Exchange Act of
19 1961 may be used to support visits and study in foreign
20 countries by individuals who are participating in advanced
21 foreign language training and international studies in
22 areas that are vital to United States national security and
23 who plan to apply their language skills and knowledge of
24 these countries in the fields of government, the profes-
25 sions, or international development: *Provided further*, That

1 of the funds referred to in the preceding proviso up to
2 1 percent may be used for program evaluation, national
3 outreach, and information dissemination activities: *Pro-*
4 *vided further*, That up to 1.5 percent of the funds made
5 available under chapter 2 of subpart 2 of part A of title
6 IV of the HEA may be used for evaluation: *Provided fur-*
7 *ther*, That section 313(d) of the HEA shall not apply to
8 an institution of higher education that is eligible to receive
9 funding under section 318 of the HEA: *Provided further*,
10 That amounts made available for carrying out section
11 419N of the HEA may be awarded notwithstanding the
12 limitations in section 419N(b)(2) of the HEA: *Provided*
13 *further*, That activities authorized under sections
14 317(c)(2)(B), 319(c)(2)(B), and 320(c)(2)(B) of the HEA
15 may include construction and maintenance in classrooms,
16 libraries, laboratories, and other instructional facilities.

17 HOWARD UNIVERSITY

18 For partial support of Howard University,
19 \$254,018,000, of which not less than \$3,405,000 shall be
20 for a matching endowment grant pursuant to the Howard
21 University Endowment Act and shall remain available
22 until expended.

1 COLLEGE HOUSING AND ACADEMIC FACILITIES LOANS
2 PROGRAM

3 For Federal administrative expenses to carry out ac-
4 tivities related to existing facility loans pursuant to section
5 121 of the HEA, \$298,000.

6 HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY
7 CAPITAL FINANCING PROGRAM ACCOUNT

8 For the cost of guaranteed loans, \$20,150,000, as au-
9 thorized pursuant to part D of title III of the HEA, which
10 shall remain available through September 30, 2027: *Pro-*
11 *vided*, That such costs, including the cost of modifying
12 such loans, shall be as defined in section 502 of the Con-
13 gressional Budget Act of 1974: *Provided further*, That
14 these funds are available to subsidize total loan principal,
15 any part of which is to be guaranteed, not to exceed
16 \$500,000,000: *Provided further*, That these funds may be
17 used to support loans to public and private Historically
18 Black Colleges and Universities without regard to the limi-
19 tations within section 344(a) of the HEA.

20 In addition, for administrative expenses to carry out
21 the Historically Black College and University Capital Fi-
22 nancing Program entered into pursuant to part D of title
23 III of the HEA, \$528,000.

1 INSTITUTE OF EDUCATION SCIENCES

2 For necessary expenses for the Institute of Education
3 Sciences as authorized by section 208 of the Department
4 of Education Organization Act and carrying out activities
5 authorized by the National Assessment of Educational
6 Progress Authorization Act, section 208 of the Edu-
7 cational Technical Assistance Act of 2002, and section
8 664 of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act,
9 \$793,106,000, to remain available through September 30,
10 2027, which shall be for the purposes and in the amounts
11 specified in the “Committee Recommendation” column for
12 Institute of Education Science in the “Amounts Rec-
13 ommended in the Bill for Fiscal Year 2026” table in the
14 report accompanying this Act: *Provided*, That funds avail-
15 able to carry out section 208 of the Educational Technical
16 Assistance Act may be used to link Statewide elementary
17 and secondary data systems with early childhood, postsec-
18 ondary, and workforce data systems, or to further develop
19 such systems: *Provided further*, That up to \$6,000,000 of
20 the funds available to carry out section 208 of the Edu-
21 cational Technical Assistance Act may be used for awards
22 to public or private organizations or agencies to support
23 activities to improve data coordination, quality, and use
24 at the local, State, and national levels.

1 DEPARTMENTAL MANAGEMENT

2 PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION

3 For carrying out, to the extent not otherwise pro-
4 vided, the Department of Education Organization Act, in-
5 cluding rental of conference rooms in the District of Co-
6 lumbia and hire of three passenger motor vehicles,
7 \$379,907,000: *Provided*, That, notwithstanding any other
8 provision of law, none of the funds provided by this Act
9 or provided by previous Appropriations Acts to the De-
10 partment of Education available for obligation or expendi-
11 ture in the current fiscal year may be used for any activity
12 relating to implementing a reorganization that decentral-
13 izes, reduces the staffing level, or alters the responsibil-
14 ities, structure, authority, or functionality of the Budget
15 Service of the Department of Education, relative to the
16 principal office functional statement, organization and op-
17 eration of the Budget Service as in effect on January 1,
18 2024: *Provided further*, That the preceding proviso shall
19 not apply to an internal reorganization of the Budget
20 Service that does not decentralize, reduce the staffing
21 level, or alter the overall responsibilities, authority, or
22 functionality of the Budget Service of the Department of
23 Education, relative to the principal office functional state-
24 ment, staffing level, and operation of the Budget Service
25 as in effect on January 1, 2024: *Provided further*, That

1 none of the funds provided by this Act may be used to
2 support a number of non-career employees that is more
3 than the number of non-career employees as of December
4 31, 2022.

5 OFFICE FOR CIVIL RIGHTS

6 For expenses necessary for the Office for Civil
7 Rights, as authorized by section 203 of the Department
8 of Education Organization Act, \$140,000,000.

9 OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

10 For expenses necessary for the Office of Inspector
11 General, as authorized by section 212 of the Department
12 of Education Organization Act, \$67,500,000, of which
13 \$3,000,000 shall remain available through September 30,
14 2027.

15 GENERAL PROVISIONS

16 SEC. 301. No funds appropriated in this Act may be
17 used to prevent the implementation of programs of vol-
18 untary prayer and meditation in the public schools.

19 (TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

20 SEC. 302. Not to exceed 1 percent of any discre-
21 tionary funds (pursuant to the Balanced Budget and
22 Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985) which are appro-
23 priated for the Department of Education in this Act may
24 be transferred between appropriations, but no such appro-
25 priation shall be increased by more than 3 percent by any

1 such transfer: *Provided*, That the transfer authority grant-
2 ed by this section shall not be used to create any new pro-
3 gram or to fund any project or activity for which no funds
4 are provided in this Act: *Provided further*, That the Com-
5 mittees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives
6 and the Senate are notified at least 15 days in advance
7 of any transfer.

8 SEC. 303. Funds appropriated in this Act and con-
9 solidated for evaluation purposes under section 8601(c) of
10 the ESEA shall be available from July 1, 2026, through
11 September 30, 2027.

12 SEC. 304. (a) An institution of higher education that
13 maintains an endowment fund supported with funds ap-
14 propriated for title III or V of the HEA for fiscal year
15 2026 may use the income from that fund to award schol-
16 arships to students, subject to the limitation in section
17 331(c)(3)(B)(i) of the HEA. The use of such income for
18 such purposes, prior to the enactment of this Act, shall
19 be considered to have been an allowable use of that in-
20 come, subject to that limitation.

21 (b) Subsection (a) shall be in effect until titles III
22 and V of the HEA are reauthorized.

23 SEC. 305. Section 114(f) of the HEA (20 U.S.C.
24 1011c(f)) shall be applied by substituting “2026” for
25 “2021”.

1 SEC. 306. Section 458(a)(4) of the HEA (20 U.S.C.
2 1087h(a)) shall be applied by substituting “2027” for
3 “2021”.

4 SEC. 307. Funds appropriated in this Act under the
5 heading “Student Aid Administration” may be available
6 for payments for student loan servicing to an institution
7 of higher education that services outstanding Federal Per-
8 kins Loans under part E of title IV of the Higher Edu-
9 cation Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1087aa et seq.).

10 SEC. 308. Of the amounts made available in this title
11 under the heading “Student Aid Administration”,
12 \$2,300,000 shall be used by the Secretary of Education
13 to conduct outreach to borrowers of loans made under part
14 D of title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 who
15 may intend to qualify for loan cancellation under section
16 455(m) of such Act (20 U.S.C. 1087e(m)), to ensure that
17 borrowers are meeting the terms and conditions of such
18 loan cancellation: *Provided*, That the Secretary shall spe-
19 cifically conduct outreach to assist borrowers who would
20 qualify for loan cancellation under section 455(m) of such
21 Act except that the borrower has made some, or all, of
22 the 120 required payments under a repayment plan that
23 is not described under section 455(m)(A) of such Act, to
24 encourage borrowers to enroll in a qualifying repayment
25 plan: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall also com-

1 municate to all Direct Loan borrowers the full require-
2 ments of section 455(m) of such Act and improve the fil-
3 ing of employment certification by providing improved out-
4 reach and information such as outbound calls, electronic
5 communications, ensuring prominent access to program
6 requirements and benefits on each servicer’s website, and
7 creating an option for all borrowers to complete the entire
8 payment certification process electronically and on a cen-
9 tralized website.

10 SEC. 309. The Secretary may reserve not more than
11 0.5 percent from any amount made available in this Act
12 for an HEA program, except for any amounts made avail-
13 able for subpart 1 of part A of title IV of the HEA, to
14 carry out rigorous and independent evaluations and to col-
15 lect and analyze outcome data for any program authorized
16 by the HEA: *Provided*, That no funds made available in
17 this Act for the “Student Aid Administration” account
18 shall be subject to the reservation under this section: *Pro-*
19 *vided further*, That any funds reserved under this section
20 shall be available through September 30, 2028: *Provided*
21 *further*, That if, under any other provision of law, funds
22 are authorized to be reserved or used for evaluation activi-
23 ties with respect to a program or project, the Secretary
24 may also reserve funds for such program or project for
25 the purposes described in this section so long as the total

1 reservation of funds for such program or project does not
2 exceed any statutory limits on such reservations: *Provided*
3 *further*, That not later than 30 days prior to the initial
4 obligation of funds reserved under this section, the Sec-
5 retary shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations
6 of the Senate and the House of Representatives, the Com-
7 mittee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions of the
8 Senate, and the Committee on Education and Workforce
9 of the House of Representatives a plan that identifies the
10 source and amount of funds reserved under this section,
11 the impact on program grantees if funds are withheld for
12 the purposes of this section, and the activities to be carried
13 out with such funds.

14 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

15 SEC. 310. Of the amounts appropriated in this Act
16 for “Institute of Education Sciences” from amounts avail-
17 able for Program Administration, up to \$20,000,000 shall
18 be available for the Secretary of Education (“the Sec-
19 retary”) to provide support services to the Institute of
20 Education Sciences (including, but not limited to informa-
21 tion technology services, lease or procurement of office
22 space, human resource services, financial management
23 services, financial systems support, budget formulation
24 and execution, legal counsel, equal employment oppor-
25 tunity services, physical security, facilities management,

1 acquisition and contract management, grants administra-
2 tion and policy, and enterprise risk management): *Pro-*
3 *vided*, That the Secretary shall calculate the actual
4 amounts obligated and expended for such support services
5 by using a standard Department of Education method-
6 ology for allocating the cost of all such support services:
7 *Provided further*, That the Secretary may transfer any
8 amounts available for IES support services in excess of
9 actual amounts needed for IES support services, as so cal-
10 culated, to the “Program Administration” account from
11 the “Institute of Education Sciences” account: *Provided*
12 *further*, That in order to address any shortfall between
13 amounts available for IES support services and amounts
14 needed for IES support services, as so calculated, the Sec-
15 retary may transfer necessary amounts to the “Institute
16 of Education Sciences” account from the “Program Ad-
17 ministration” account: *Provided further*, That the Com-
18 mittees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives
19 and the Senate are notified at least 14 days in advance
20 of any transfer made pursuant to this section.

21 (RESCISSION)

22 SEC. 311. Of the unobligated balances in the “De-
23 partment of Education Nonrecurring Expenses Fund” es-
24 tablished in section 313 of division H of Public Law 116-
25 260, \$197,000,000 are hereby rescinded not later than

1 September 30, 2026: *Provided*, That from any remaining
2 unobligated balances in such Fund, the Secretary may
3 transfer up to \$60,000,000 to “Innovation and Improve-
4 ment” for carrying out activities authorized under part C
5 of title IV of the ESEA.

6 (RESCISSION)

7 SEC. 312. Of the funds made available under the
8 heading “Institute of Education Sciences” pursuant to
9 section 1101(a)(8) of the Full-Year Continuing Appro-
10 priations Act, 2025 (division A of Public Law 119–4) for
11 program administration, \$25,000,000 are hereby perma-
12 nently rescinded not later than September 30, 2026.

13 SEC. 313. The Secretary shall award to each State
14 an amount as required under the applicable provisions of
15 the ESEA, McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act,
16 IDEA, Perkins Act, and AEFLA for each formula grant
17 program to which funds are appropriated in this Act on
18 the date such funds become available for obligation.

19 SEC. 314. None of the funds appropriated in this or
20 any other appropriations Act may be used to transfer sig-
21 nificant responsibilities related to the carrying out of title
22 I, part A of the ESEA or parts B or C of the IDEA from
23 the Department of Education to another department or
24 agency: *Provided*, That this section shall not apply to any
25 activities explicitly authorized by any other law: *Provided*

1 *further*, That the Department of Education shall support
2 staffing levels necessary to fulfill its statutory responsibil-
3 ities including carrying out programs, projects, and activi-
4 ties funded in this title of this Act in a timely manner.

5 This title may be cited as the “Department of Edu-
6 cation Appropriations Act, 2026”.

1 TITLE IV
2 RELATED AGENCIES
3 COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE
4 BLIND OR SEVERELY DISABLED
5 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

6 For expenses necessary for the Committee for Pur-
7 chase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled
8 (referred to in this title as “the Committee”) established
9 under section 8502 of title 41, United States Code,
10 \$13,124,000: *Provided*, That in order to authorize any
11 central nonprofit agency designated pursuant to section
12 8503(c) of title 41, United States Code, to perform re-
13 quirements of the Committee as prescribed under section
14 51–3.2 of title 41, Code of Federal Regulations, the Com-
15 mittee shall enter into a written agreement with any such
16 central nonprofit agency: *Provided further*, That such
17 agreement shall contain such auditing, oversight, and re-
18 porting provisions as necessary to implement chapter 85
19 of title 41, United States Code: *Provided further*, That
20 such agreement shall include the elements listed under the
21 heading “Committee For Purchase From People Who Are
22 Blind or Severely Disabled—Written Agreement Ele-
23 ments” in the explanatory statement described in section
24 4 of Public Law 114–113 (in the matter preceding division
25 A of that consolidated Act): *Provided further*, That any

1 such central nonprofit agency may not charge a fee under
2 section 51–3.5 of title 41, Code of Federal Regulations,
3 prior to executing a written agreement with the Com-
4 mittee: *Provided further*, That no less than \$3,150,000
5 shall be available for the Office of Inspector General.

6 CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE
7 OPERATING EXPENSES

8 For necessary expenses for the Corporation for Na-
9 tional and Community Service (referred to in this title as
10 “CNCS”) to carry out the Domestic Volunteer Service Act
11 of 1973 (referred to in this title as “1973 Act”) and the
12 National and Community Service Act of 1990 (referred
13 to in this title as “1990 Act”), \$975,525,000, which shall
14 be for the purposes and in the amounts specified in the
15 “Committee Recommendation” column for Corporation
16 for National and Community Service in the “Amounts
17 Recommended in the Bill for Fiscal Year 2026” table in
18 the report accompanying this Act, notwithstanding sec-
19 tions 198B(b)(3), 198S(g), 501(a)(4)(C), and
20 501(a)(4)(F) of the 1990 Act: *Provided*, That of the
21 amounts provided under this heading: (1) up to 1 percent
22 of program grant funds may be used to defray the costs
23 of conducting grant application reviews, including the use
24 of outside peer reviewers and electronic management of
25 the grants cycle; (2) the amounts made available for State

1 Commission Support Grants shall be available to provide
2 assistance to State commissions on national and commu-
3 nity service, under section 126(a) of the 1990 Act and
4 notwithstanding section 501(a)(5)(B) of the 1990 Act; (3)
5 of amounts made available for Innovation, Assistance, and
6 Other Activities, \$8,558,000 shall be available for ex-
7 penses authorized under section 501(a)(4)(F) of the 1990
8 Act, which, notwithstanding the provisions of section 198P
9 shall be awarded by CNCS on a competitive basis; and
10 (4) of amounts made available for Innovation, Assistance,
11 and Other Activities, \$6,148,000 shall be available to
12 carry out sections 198(k) and 198(i) of the 1990 Act: *Pro-*
13 *vided further*, That for the purposes of carrying out the
14 1990 Act, satisfying the requirements in section
15 122(e)(1)(D) may include a determination of need by the
16 local community: *Provided further*, That CNCS shall
17 award to each State their allotted amount under
18 AmeriCorps State and National formula grants no later
19 than April 1, 2026 and to each state their allotted amount
20 under State Service Commission Support Grants and
21 State Commission Investment Fund Grants no later than
22 June 1, 2026: *Provided further*, That the Corporation shall
23 support staffing levels necessary to fulfill its statutory re-
24 sponsibilities including carrying out programs, projects,

1 and activities funded in this title of this Act in a timely
2 manner.

3 PAYMENT TO THE NATIONAL SERVICE TRUST

4 (INCLUDING RESCISSION AND TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

5 For payment to the National Service Trust estab-
6 lished under subtitle D of title I of the 1990 Act,
7 \$180,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Pro-*
8 *vided*, That CNCS may transfer additional funds from the
9 amount provided within “Operating Expenses” allocated
10 to grants under subtitle C of title I of the 1990 Act to
11 the National Service Trust upon determination that such
12 transfer is necessary to support the activities of national
13 service participants and after notice is transmitted to the
14 Committees on Appropriations of the House of Represent-
15 atives and the Senate: *Provided further*, That amounts ap-
16 propriated for or transferred to the National Service Trust
17 may be invested under section 145(b) of the 1990 Act
18 without regard to the requirement to apportion funds
19 under 31 U.S.C. 1513(b).

20 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

21 For necessary expenses of administration as provided
22 under section 501(a)(5) of the 1990 Act and under section
23 504(a) of the 1973 Act, including payment of salaries, au-
24 thorized travel, hire of passenger motor vehicles, the rental
25 of conference rooms in the District of Columbia, the em-

1 ployment of experts and consultants authorized under 5
2 U.S.C. 3109, and not to exceed \$2,500 for official recep-
3 tion and representation expenses, \$89,686,000.

4 OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

5 For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector
6 General in carrying out the Inspector General Act of 1978,
7 \$7,595,000.

8 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

9 SEC. 401. CNCS shall make any significant changes
10 to program requirements, service delivery or policy only
11 through public notice and comment rulemaking. For fiscal
12 year 2026, during any grant selection process, an officer
13 or employee of CNCS shall not knowingly disclose any cov-
14 ered grant selection information regarding such selection,
15 directly or indirectly, to any person other than an officer
16 or employee of CNCS that is authorized by CNCS to re-
17 ceive such information.

18 SEC. 402. AmeriCorps programs receiving grants
19 under the National Service Trust program shall meet an
20 overall minimum share requirement of 24 percent for the
21 first 3 years that they receive AmeriCorps funding, and
22 thereafter shall meet the overall minimum share require-
23 ment as provided in section 2521.60 of title 45, Code of
24 Federal Regulations, without regard to the operating costs
25 match requirement in section 121(e) or the member sup-

1 port Federal share limitations in section 140 of the 1990
2 Act, and subject to partial waiver consistent with section
3 2521.70 of title 45, Code of Federal Regulations.

4 SEC. 403. Donations made to CNCS under section
5 196 of the 1990 Act for the purposes of financing pro-
6 grams and operations under titles I and II of the 1973
7 Act or subtitle B, C, D, or E of title I of the 1990 Act
8 shall be used to supplement and not supplant current pro-
9 grams and operations.

10 SEC. 404. In addition to the requirements in section
11 146(a) of the 1990 Act, use of an educational award for
12 the purpose described in section 148(a)(4) shall be limited
13 to individuals who are veterans as defined under section
14 101 of the Act.

15 SEC. 405. For the purpose of carrying out section
16 189D of the 1990 Act—

17 (1) entities described in paragraph (a) of such
18 section shall be considered “qualified entities” under
19 section 3 of the National Child Protection Act of
20 1993 (“NCPA”);

21 (2) individuals described in such section shall
22 be considered “volunteers” under section 3 of
23 NCPA; and

24 (3) State Commissions on National and Com-
25 munity Service established pursuant to section 178

1 of the 1990 Act, are authorized to receive criminal
2 history record information, consistent with Public
3 Law 92–544.

4 SEC. 406. Notwithstanding sections 139(b), 146, and
5 147 of the 1990 Act, the Corporation may determine the
6 number of hours required to successfully complete any
7 term of service of less than 1,700 hours, except that any
8 reduction of the required term of service below 1,700
9 hours shall include a corresponding reduction in the
10 amount of any national service educational award that
11 may be available under subtitle D with regard to that serv-
12 ice.

13 SEC. 407. Section 148(f)(2)(A)(i) of the 1990 Act
14 shall be applied by substituting “an approved national
15 service position” for “a national service program that re-
16 ceives grants under subtitle C”.

17 SEC. 408. In any case where an individual serving
18 in a position eligible for an education award under subtitle
19 D of title I of the National and Community Service Act
20 of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12601 et seq.) was required to exit
21 the position early at the direction of the Corporation for
22 National and Community Service due to lapse in funding
23 or premature termination of their program grant or agree-
24 ment, the Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation for
25 National and Community Service may— (1) deem such

1 individual as having met the requirements of the position;
2 and (2) award the individual a pro-rated value of the edu-
3 cational award equivalent to the ratio of number of hours
4 worked to the full value of such award under such subtitle
5 for which the individual would otherwise have been eligi-
6 ble.

7 FEDERAL MEDIATION AND CONCILIATION SERVICE

8 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

9 For expenses necessary for the Federal Mediation
10 and Conciliation Service (“Service”) to carry out the func-
11 tions vested in it by the Labor-Management Relations Act,
12 1947, including hire of passenger motor vehicles; for ex-
13 penses necessary for the Labor-Management Cooperation
14 Act of 1978; and for expenses necessary for the Service
15 to carry out the functions vested in it by the Civil Service
16 Reform Act, \$53,705,000: *Provided*, That notwithstanding
17 31 U.S.C. 3302, fees charged, up to full-cost recovery, for
18 special training activities and other conflict resolution
19 services and technical assistance, including those provided
20 to foreign governments and international organizations,
21 and for arbitration services shall be credited to and
22 merged with this account, and shall remain available until
23 expended: *Provided further*, That fees for arbitration serv-
24 ices shall be available only for education, training, and
25 professional development of the agency workforce: *Pro-*

1 *vided further*, That the Director of the Service is author-
2 ized to accept and use on behalf of the United States gifts
3 of services and real, personal, or other property in the aid
4 of any projects or functions within the Director's jurisdic-
5 tion.

6 FEDERAL MINE SAFETY AND HEALTH REVIEW

7 COMMISSION

8 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

9 For expenses necessary for the Federal Mine Safety
10 and Health Review Commission, \$18,012,000.

11 INSTITUTE OF MUSEUM AND LIBRARY SERVICES

12 OFFICE OF MUSEUM AND LIBRARY SERVICES: GRANTS

13 AND ADMINISTRATION

14 For carrying out the Museum and Library Services
15 Act of 1996 and the National Museum of African Amer-
16 ican History and Culture Act, \$291,800,000, which shall
17 be for the purposes and in the amounts specified in the
18 table under this heading in the report accompanying this
19 Act.

20 MEDICAID AND CHIP PAYMENT AND ACCESS

21 COMMISSION

22 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

23 For expenses necessary to carry out section 1900 of
24 the Social Security Act, \$9,405,000: *Provided*, That in fis-
25 cal year 2026 and thereafter, for all contracts for goods

1 and services to which the Medicaid and CHIP Payment
2 and Access Commission is a party, the following Federal
3 Acquisition Regulation (FAR) clauses will apply: FAR
4 52.232–39 and FAR 52.233–4 (or a successor clause).

5 MEDICARE PAYMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION

6 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

7 For expenses necessary to carry out section 1805 of
8 the Social Security Act, \$13,824,000, to be transferred to
9 this appropriation from the Federal Hospital Insurance
10 Trust Fund and the Federal Supplementary Medical In-
11 surance Trust Fund: *Provided*, That in fiscal year 2026
12 and thereafter, for all contracts for goods and services to
13 which the Medicare Payment Advisory Commission is a
14 party, the following Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR)
15 clauses will apply: FAR 52.232–39 and FAR 52.233–4
16 (or a successor clause).

17 NATIONAL COUNCIL ON DISABILITY

18 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

19 For expenses necessary for the National Council on
20 Disability as authorized by title IV of the Rehabilitation
21 Act of 1973, \$3,850,000.

22 NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD

23 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

24 For expenses necessary for the National Labor Rela-
25 tions Board to carry out the functions vested in it by the

1 Labor-Management Relations Act, 1947, and other laws,
2 \$294,224,000, of which \$2,240,389 shall be for the Office
3 of the Inspector General: *Provided*, That no part of this
4 appropriation shall be available to organize or assist in
5 organizing agricultural laborers or used in connection with
6 investigations, hearings, directives, or orders concerning
7 bargaining units composed of agricultural laborers as re-
8 ferred to in section 2(3) of the Act of July 5, 1935, and
9 as amended by the Labor-Management Relations Act,
10 1947, and as defined in section 3(f) of the Act of June
11 25, 1938, and including in said definition employees en-
12 gaged in the maintenance and operation of ditches, canals,
13 reservoirs, and waterways when maintained or operated on
14 a mutual, nonprofit basis and at least 95 percent of the
15 water stored or supplied thereby is used for farming pur-
16 poses.

17 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISION

18 SEC. 409. None of the funds provided by this Act
19 or previous Acts making appropriations for the National
20 Labor Relations Board may be used to issue any new ad-
21 ministrative directive or regulation that would provide em-
22 ployees any means of voting through any electronic means
23 in an election to determine a representative for the pur-
24 poses of collective bargaining.

1 NATIONAL MEDIATION BOARD

2 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

3 For expenses necessary to carry out the provisions
4 of the Railway Labor Act, including emergency boards ap-
5 pointed by the President, \$15,113,000.

6 OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH REVIEW

7 COMMISSION

8 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

9 For expenses necessary for the Occupational Safety
10 and Health Review Commission, \$14,449,000.

11 RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD

12 DUAL BENEFITS PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

13 For payment to the Dual Benefits Payments Ac-
14 count, authorized under section 15(d) of the Railroad Re-
15 tirement Act of 1974, \$8,000,000, which shall include
16 amounts becoming available in fiscal year 2026 pursuant
17 to section 224(c)(1)(B) of Public Law 98–76; and in addi-
18 tion, an amount, not to exceed 2 percent of the amount
19 provided herein, shall be available proportional to the
20 amount by which the product of recipients and the average
21 benefit received exceeds the amount available for payment
22 of vested dual benefits: *Provided*, That the total amount
23 provided herein shall be credited in 12 approximately
24 equal amounts on the first day of each month in the fiscal
25 year.

1 FEDERAL PAYMENTS TO THE RAILROAD RETIREMENT
2 ACCOUNTS

3 For payment to the accounts established in the
4 Treasury for the payment of benefits under the Railroad
5 Retirement Act for interest earned on unnegotiated
6 checks, \$150,000, to remain available through September
7 30, 2027, which shall be the maximum amount available
8 for payment pursuant to section 417 of Public Law 98–
9 76.

10 LIMITATION ON ADMINISTRATION

11 For necessary expenses for the Railroad Retirement
12 Board (“Board”) for administration of the Railroad Re-
13 tirement Act and the Railroad Unemployment Insurance
14 Act, \$126,000,000, to be derived in such amounts as de-
15 termined by the Board from the railroad retirement ac-
16 counts and from moneys credited to the railroad unem-
17 ployment insurance administration fund: *Provided*, That
18 notwithstanding section 7(b)(9) of the Railroad Retire-
19 ment Act this limitation may be used to hire attorneys
20 only through the excepted service: *Provided further*, That
21 the previous proviso shall not change the status under
22 Federal employment laws of any attorney hired by the
23 Railroad Retirement Board prior to January 1, 2013: *Pro-*
24 *vided further*, That notwithstanding section 7(b)(9) of the
25 Railroad Retirement Act, this limitation may be used to

1 hire students attending qualifying educational institutions
2 or individuals who have recently completed qualifying edu-
3 cational programs using current excepted hiring authori-
4 ties established by the Office of Personnel Management:
5 *Provided further,* That of the unobligated balances of
6 funds provided under this heading at the end of fiscal year
7 2026 not needed for fiscal year 2026, not to exceed
8 \$3,292,300 shall remain available until expended for infor-
9 mation technology improvements and investments.

10 LIMITATION ON THE OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

11 For expenses necessary for the Office of Inspector
12 General for audit, investigatory and review activities, as
13 authorized by the Inspector General Act of 1978, not more
14 than \$14,000,000, to be derived from the railroad retire-
15 ment accounts and railroad unemployment insurance ac-
16 count.

17 SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

18 PAYMENTS TO SOCIAL SECURITY TRUST FUNDS

19 For payment to the Federal Old-Age and Survivors
20 Insurance Trust Fund and the Federal Disability Insur-
21 ance Trust Fund, as provided under sections 201(m) and
22 1131(b)(2) of the Social Security Act, \$15,000,000.

23 SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME PROGRAM

24 For carrying out titles XI and XVI of the Social Se-
25 curity Act, section 401 of Public Law 92-603, section 212

1 of Public Law 93–66, as amended, and section 405 of
2 Public Law 95–216, including payment to the Social Secu-
3 rity trust funds for administrative expenses incurred pur-
4 suant to section 201(g)(1) of the Social Security Act,
5 \$49,447,965,000, to remain available until expended: *Pro-*
6 *vided*, That any portion of the funds provided to a State
7 in the current fiscal year and not obligated by the State
8 during that year shall be returned to the Treasury: *Pro-*
9 *vided further*, That not more than \$91,000,000 shall be
10 available for research and demonstrations under sections
11 1110, 1115, and 1144 of the Social Security Act, and re-
12 main available through September 30, 2028.

13 For making, after June 15 of the current fiscal year,
14 benefit payments to individuals under title XVI of the So-
15 cial Security Act, for unanticipated costs incurred for the
16 current fiscal year, such sums as may be necessary.

17 For making benefit payments under title XVI of the
18 Social Security Act for the first quarter of fiscal year
19 2027, \$23,500,000,000, to remain available until ex-
20 pended.

21 LIMITATION ON ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

22 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

23 For necessary expenses, including the hire and pur-
24 chase of two passenger motor vehicles, and not to exceed
25 \$20,000 for official reception and representation expenses,

1 not more than \$14,721,978,000 may be expended, as au-
2 thorized by section 201(g)(1) of the Social Security Act,
3 from any one or all of the trust funds referred to in such
4 section: *Provided*, That not less than \$2,700,000 shall be
5 for the Social Security Advisory Board: *Provided further*,
6 That unobligated balances of funds provided under this
7 paragraph at the end of fiscal year 2026 not needed for
8 fiscal year 2026 shall remain available until expended to
9 invest in the Social Security Administration information
10 technology and telecommunications hardware and soft-
11 ware infrastructure, including related equipment and non-
12 payroll administrative expenses associated solely with this
13 information technology and telecommunications infra-
14 structure, except unobligated balances of funds described
15 in the first proviso of this paragraph at the end of fiscal
16 year 2026 not needed for fiscal year 2026 shall remain
17 available until expended to invest in the Social Security
18 Advisory Board information technology: *Provided further*,
19 That the Commissioner of Social Security shall notify the
20 Committees on Appropriations of the House of Represent-
21 atives and the Senate prior to making unobligated bal-
22 ances available under the authority in the previous pro-
23 viso: *Provided further*, That reimbursement to the trust
24 funds under this heading for expenditures for official time
25 for employees of the Social Security Administration pursu-

1 ant to 5 U.S.C. 7131, and for facilities or support services
2 for labor organizations pursuant to policies, regulations,
3 or procedures referred to in section 7135(b) of such title
4 shall be made by the Secretary of the Treasury, with inter-
5 est, from amounts in the general fund not otherwise ap-
6 propriated, as soon as possible after such expenditures are
7 made.

8 From funds provided under the first paragraph under
9 this heading, not more than \$2,397,000,000, to remain
10 available through March 31, 2027, is for the costs associ-
11 ated with continuing disability reviews under titles II and
12 XVI of the Social Security Act, including work-related
13 continuing disability reviews to determine whether earn-
14 ings derived from services demonstrate an individual's
15 ability to engage in substantial gainful activity, for the
16 cost associated with conducting redeterminations of eligi-
17 bility under title XVI of the Social Security Act, for the
18 cost of co-operative disability investigation units, and for
19 the cost associated with the prosecution of fraud in the
20 programs and operations of the Social Security Adminis-
21 tration by Special Assistant United States Attorneys: *Pro-*
22 *vided*, That, of such amount, \$273,000,000 is provided to
23 meet the terms of a concurrent resolution on the budget
24 and \$2,124,000,000 is additional new budget authority
25 specified for purposes of a concurrent resolution on the

1 budget: *Provided further*, That, of the additional new
2 budget authority described in the preceding proviso, up
3 to \$15,100,000 may be transferred to the “Office of In-
4 spector General”, Social Security Administration, for the
5 cost of jointly operated co-operative disability investigation
6 units: *Provided further*, That such transfer authority is in
7 addition to any other transfer authority provided by law:
8 *Provided further*, That the Commissioner shall provide to
9 the Congress (at the conclusion of the fiscal year) a report
10 on the obligation and expenditure of these funds, similar
11 to the reports that were required by section 103(d)(2) of
12 Public Law 104–121 for fiscal years 1996 through 2002:
13 *Provided further*, That none of the funds described in this
14 paragraph shall be available for transfer or reprogram-
15 ming except as specified in this paragraph.

16 In addition, \$170,000,000 to be derived from admin-
17 istration fees in excess of \$5.00 per supplementary pay-
18 ment collected pursuant to section 1616(d) of the Social
19 Security Act or section 212(b)(3) of Public Law 93–66,
20 which shall remain available until expended: *Provided*,
21 That to the extent that the amounts collected pursuant
22 to such sections in fiscal year 2026 exceed \$170,000,000,
23 the amounts shall be available in fiscal year 2027 only
24 to the extent provided in advance in appropriations Acts.

1 In addition, up to \$1,000,000 to be derived from fees
2 collected pursuant to section 303(c) of the Social Security
3 Protection Act, which shall remain available until ex-
4 pended.

5 OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL
6 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

7 For expenses necessary for the Office of Inspector
8 General in carrying out the provisions of the Inspector
9 General Act of 1978, \$32,000,000, together with not to
10 exceed \$82,665,000, to be transferred and expended as
11 authorized by section 201(g)(1) of the Social Security Act
12 from the Federal Old-Age and Survivors Insurance Trust
13 Fund and the Federal Disability Insurance Trust Fund:
14 *Provided*, That \$2,000,000 shall remain available until ex-
15 pended for information technology modernization, includ-
16 ing related hardware and software infrastructure and
17 equipment, and for administrative expenses directly asso-
18 ciated with information technology modernization.

19 In addition, an amount not to exceed 3 percent of
20 the total provided in this appropriation may be transferred
21 from the “Limitation on Administrative Expenses”, Social
22 Security Administration, to be merged with this account,
23 to be available for the time and purposes for which this
24 account is available: *Provided*, That notice of such trans-
25 fers shall be transmitted promptly to the Committees on

- 1 Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the
- 2 Senate at least 15 days in advance of any transfer.

TITLE V

GENERAL PROVISIONS

(TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

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4 SEC. 501. The Secretaries of Labor, Health and
5 Human Services, and Education are authorized to transfer
6 unexpended balances of prior appropriations to accounts
7 corresponding to current appropriations provided in this
8 Act. Such transferred balances shall be used for the same
9 purpose, and for the same periods of time, for which they
10 were originally appropriated.

11 SEC. 502. No part of any appropriation contained in
12 this Act shall remain available for obligation beyond the
13 current fiscal year unless expressly so provided herein.

14 SEC. 503. (a) No part of any appropriation contained
15 in this Act or transferred pursuant to section 4002 of
16 Public Law 111–148 shall be used, other than for normal
17 and recognized executive-legislative relationships, for pub-
18 licity or propaganda purposes, for the preparation, dis-
19 tribution, or use of any kit, pamphlet, booklet, publication,
20 electronic communication, radio, television, or video pres-
21 entation designed to support or defeat the enactment of
22 legislation before the Congress or any State or local legis-
23 lature or legislative body, except in presentation to the
24 Congress or any State or local legislature itself, or de-
25 signed to support or defeat any proposed or pending regu-

1 lation, administrative action, or order issued by the execu-
2 tive branch of any State or local government, except in
3 presentation to the executive branch of any State or local
4 government itself.

5 (b) No part of any appropriation contained in this
6 Act or transferred pursuant to section 4002 of Public Law
7 111–148 shall be used to pay the salary or expenses of
8 any grant or contract recipient, or agent acting for such
9 recipient, related to any activity designed to influence the
10 enactment of legislation, appropriations, regulation, ad-
11 ministrative action, or Executive order proposed or pend-
12 ing before the Congress or any State government, State
13 legislature or local legislature or legislative body, other
14 than for normal and recognized executive-legislative rela-
15 tionships or participation by an agency or officer of a
16 State, local or tribal government in policymaking and ad-
17 ministrative processes within the executive branch of that
18 government.

19 (c) The prohibitions in subsections (a) and (b) shall
20 include any activity to advocate or promote any proposed,
21 pending or future Federal, State or local tax increase, or
22 any proposed, pending, or future requirement or restric-
23 tion on any legal consumer product, including its sale or
24 marketing, including but not limited to the advocacy or
25 promotion of gun control.

1 SEC. 504. The Secretaries of Labor and Education
2 are authorized to make available not to exceed \$28,000
3 and \$20,000, respectively, from funds available for sala-
4 ries and expenses under titles I and III, respectively, for
5 official reception and representation expenses; the Direc-
6 tor of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service is
7 authorized to make available for official reception and rep-
8 resentation expenses not to exceed \$5,000 from the funds
9 available for “Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service,
10 Salaries and Expenses”; and the Chairman of the Na-
11 tional Mediation Board is authorized to make available for
12 official reception and representation expenses not to ex-
13 ceed \$5,000 from funds available for “National Mediation
14 Board, Salaries and Expenses”.

15 SEC. 505. When issuing statements, press releases,
16 requests for proposals, bid solicitations and other docu-
17 ments describing projects or programs funded in whole or
18 in part with Federal money, all grantees receiving Federal
19 funds included in this Act, including but not limited to
20 State and local governments and recipients of Federal re-
21 search grants, shall clearly state—

22 (1) the percentage of the total costs of the pro-
23 gram or project which will be financed with Federal
24 money;

1 (2) the dollar amount of Federal funds for the
2 project or program; and

3 (3) percentage and dollar amount of the total
4 costs of the project or program that will be financed
5 by non-governmental sources.

6 SEC. 506. (a) None of the funds appropriated in this
7 Act, and none of the funds in any trust fund to which
8 funds are appropriated in this Act, shall be expended for
9 any abortion.

10 (b) None of the funds appropriated in this Act, and
11 none of the funds in any trust fund to which funds are
12 appropriated in this Act, shall be expended for health ben-
13 efits coverage that includes coverage of abortion.

14 (c) The term “health benefits coverage” means the
15 package of services covered by a managed care provider
16 or organization pursuant to a contract or other arrange-
17 ment.

18 SEC. 507. (a) The limitations established in the pre-
19 ceding section shall not apply to an abortion—

20 (1) if the pregnancy is the result of an act of
21 rape or incest; or

22 (2) in the case where a woman suffers from a
23 physical disorder, physical injury, or physical illness,
24 including a life-endangering physical condition
25 caused by or arising from the pregnancy itself, that

1 would, as certified by a physician, place the woman
2 in danger of death unless an abortion is performed.

3 (b) Nothing in the preceding section shall be con-
4 strued as prohibiting the expenditure by a State, locality,
5 entity, or private person of State, local, or private funds
6 (other than a State's or locality's contribution of Medicaid
7 matching funds).

8 (c) Nothing in the preceding section shall be con-
9 strued as restricting the ability of any managed care pro-
10 vider from offering abortion coverage or the ability of a
11 State or locality to contract separately with such a pro-
12 vider for such coverage with State funds (other than a
13 State's or locality's contribution of Medicaid matching
14 funds).

15 (d)(1) None of the funds made available in this Act
16 may be made available to a Federal agency or program,
17 or to a State or local government, if such agency, program,
18 or government subjects any institutional or individual
19 health care entity to discrimination on the basis that the
20 health care entity does not provide, pay for, provide cov-
21 erage of, or refer for abortions.

22 (2) In this subsection, the term "health care entity"
23 includes an individual physician or other health care pro-
24 fessional, a hospital, a provider-sponsored organization, a
25 health maintenance organization, a health insurance plan,

1 or any other kind of health care facility, organization, or
2 plan.

3 SEC. 508. (a) None of the funds made available in
4 this Act may be used for—

5 (1) the creation of a human embryo or embryos
6 for research purposes; or

7 (2) research in which a human embryo or em-
8 bryos are destroyed, discarded, or knowingly sub-
9 jected to risk of injury or death greater than that
10 allowed for research on fetuses in utero under 45
11 CFR 46.204(b) and section 498(b) of the Public
12 Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 289g(b)).

13 (b) For purposes of this section, the term “human
14 embryo or embryos” includes any organism, not protected
15 as a human subject under 45 CFR 46 as of the date of
16 the enactment of this Act, that is derived by fertilization,
17 parthenogenesis, cloning, or any other means from one or
18 more human gametes or human diploid cells.

19 SEC. 509. (a) None of the funds made available in
20 this Act may be used for any activity that promotes the
21 legalization of any drug or other substance included in
22 schedule I of the schedules of controlled substances estab-
23 lished under section 202 of the Controlled Substances Act
24 except for normal and recognized executive-congressional
25 communications.

1 (b) The limitation in subsection (a) shall not apply
2 when there is significant medical evidence of a therapeutic
3 advantage to the use of such drug or other substance or
4 that federally sponsored clinical trials are being conducted
5 to determine therapeutic advantage.

6 SEC. 510. None of the funds made available in this
7 Act may be used to promulgate or adopt any final stand-
8 ard under section 1173(b) of the Social Security Act pro-
9 viding for, or providing for the assignment of, a unique
10 health identifier for an individual (except in an individ-
11 ual's capacity as an employer or a health care provider),
12 until legislation is enacted specifically approving the
13 standard.

14 SEC. 511. None of the funds made available in this
15 Act may be obligated or expended to enter into or renew
16 a contract with an entity if—

17 (1) such entity is otherwise a contractor with
18 the United States and is subject to the requirement
19 in 38 U.S.C. 4212(d) regarding submission of an
20 annual report to the Secretary of Labor concerning
21 employment of certain veterans; and

22 (2) such entity has not submitted a report as
23 required by that section for the most recent year for
24 which such requirement was applicable to such enti-
25 ty.

1 SEC. 512. None of the funds made available in this
2 Act may be transferred to any department, agency, or in-
3 strumentality of the United States Government, except
4 pursuant to a transfer made by, or transfer authority pro-
5 vided in, this Act or any other appropriation Act.

6 SEC. 513. None of the funds made available by this
7 Act to carry out the Library Services and Technology Act
8 may be made available to any library covered by para-
9 graph (1) of section 224(f) of such Act, as amended by
10 the Children’s Internet Protection Act, unless such library
11 has made the certifications required by paragraph (4) of
12 such section.

13 SEC. 514. (a) None of the funds provided under this
14 Act, or provided under previous appropriations Acts to the
15 agencies funded by this Act that remain available for obli-
16 gation or expenditure in fiscal year 2026, or provided from
17 any accounts in the Treasury of the United States derived
18 by the collection of fees available to the agencies funded
19 by this Act, shall be available for obligation or expenditure
20 through a reprogramming of funds that—

- 21 (1) creates new programs;
- 22 (2) eliminates a program, project, or activity;
- 23 (3) increases funds or personnel by any means
24 for any project or activity for which funds have been
25 denied or restricted;

1 (4) relocates an office or employees;

2 (5) reorganizes or renames offices;

3 (6) reorganizes programs or activities; or

4 (7) contracts out or privatizes any functions or
5 activities presently performed by Federal employees;

6 unless the Committees on Appropriations of the House of
7 Representatives and the Senate are consulted 15 days in
8 advance of such reprogramming or of an announcement
9 of intent relating to such reprogramming, whichever oc-
10 curs earlier, and are notified in writing 10 days in advance
11 of such reprogramming.

12 (b) None of the funds provided under this Act, or
13 provided under previous appropriations Acts to the agen-
14 cies funded by this Act that remain available for obligation
15 or expenditure in fiscal year 2026, or provided from any
16 accounts in the Treasury of the United States derived by
17 the collection of fees available to the agencies funded by
18 this Act, shall be available for obligation or expenditure
19 through a reprogramming of funds in excess of \$500,000
20 or 10 percent, whichever is less, that—

21 (1) augments existing programs, projects (in-
22 cluding construction projects), or activities;

23 (2) reduces by 10 percent funding for any exist-
24 ing program, project, or activity, or numbers of per-
25 sonnel by 10 percent as approved by Congress; or

1 (3) results from any general savings from a re-
2 duction in personnel which would result in a change
3 in existing programs, activities, or projects as ap-
4 proved by Congress;
5 unless the Committees on Appropriations of the House of
6 Representatives and the Senate are consulted 15 days in
7 advance of such reprogramming or of an announcement
8 of intent relating to such reprogramming, whichever oc-
9 curs earlier, and are notified in writing 10 days in advance
10 of such reprogramming.

11 SEC. 515. (a) None of the funds made available in
12 this Act may be used to request that a candidate for ap-
13 pointment to a Federal scientific advisory committee dis-
14 close the political affiliation or voting history of the can-
15 didate or the position that the candidate holds with re-
16 spect to political issues not directly related to and nec-
17 essary for the work of the committee involved.

18 (b) None of the funds made available in this Act may
19 be used to disseminate information that is deliberately
20 false or misleading.

21 SEC. 516. Within 45 days of enactment of this Act
22 and each 30 days thereafter, each department and related
23 agency funded through this Act shall submit an operating
24 plan that details the amount allocated for each program,
25 project, and activity funded through this Act, and the ac-

1 tual and estimated obligations for each program, project
2 and activity funded through this Act by month.

3 SEC. 517. The Secretaries of Labor, Health and
4 Human Services, and Education shall each prepare and
5 submit to the Committees on Appropriations of the House
6 of Representatives and the Senate a report on the number
7 and amount of contracts, grants, and cooperative agree-
8 ments exceeding \$500,000, individually or in total for a
9 particular project, activity, or programmatic initiative, in
10 value and awarded by the Department on a non-competi-
11 tive basis during each quarter of fiscal year 2026, but not
12 to include grants awarded on a formula basis or directed
13 by law. Such report shall include the name of the con-
14 tractor or grantee, the amount of funding, the govern-
15 mental purpose, including a justification for issuing the
16 award on a non-competitive basis. Such report shall be
17 transmitted to the Committees within 30 days after the
18 end of the quarter for which the report is submitted.

19 SEC. 518. None of the funds appropriated in this Act
20 shall be expended or obligated by the Commissioner of So-
21 cial Security, for purposes of administering Social Security
22 benefit payments under title II of the Social Security Act,
23 to process any claim for credit for a quarter of coverage
24 based on work performed under a social security account
25 number that is not the claimant's number and the per-

1 formance of such work under such number has formed the
2 basis for a conviction of the claimant of a violation of sec-
3 tion 208(a)(6) or (7) of the Social Security Act.

4 SEC. 519. None of the funds appropriated by this Act
5 may be used by the Commissioner of Social Security or
6 the Social Security Administration to pay the compensa-
7 tion of employees of the Social Security Administration
8 to administer Social Security benefit payments, under any
9 agreement between the United States and Mexico estab-
10 lishing totalization arrangements between the social secu-
11 rity system established by title II of the Social Security
12 Act and the social security system of Mexico, which would
13 not otherwise be payable but for such agreement.

14 SEC. 520. (a) None of the funds made available in
15 this Act may be used to maintain or establish a computer
16 network unless such network blocks the viewing,
17 downloading, and exchanging of pornography.

18 (b) Nothing in subsection (a) shall limit the use of
19 funds necessary for any Federal, State, tribal, or local law
20 enforcement agency or any other entity carrying out crimi-
21 nal investigations, prosecution, or adjudication activities.

22 SEC. 521. For purposes of carrying out Executive
23 Order 13589, Office of Management and Budget Memo-
24 randum M-12-12 dated May 11, 2012, and requirements

1 contained in the annual appropriations bills relating to
2 conference attendance and expenditures:

3 (1) the operating divisions of HHS shall be con-
4 sidered independent agencies; and

5 (2) attendance at and support for scientific con-
6 ferences shall be tabulated separately from and not
7 included in agency totals.

8 SEC. 522. Federal agencies funded under this Act
9 shall clearly state within the text, audio, or video used for
10 advertising or educational purposes, including emails or
11 Internet postings, that the communication is printed, pub-
12 lished, or produced and disseminated at United States tax-
13 payer expense. The funds used by a Federal agency to
14 carry out this requirement shall be derived from amounts
15 made available to the agency for advertising or other com-
16 munications regarding the programs and activities of the
17 agency.

18 SEC. 523. (a) Federal agencies may use Federal dis-
19 cretionary funds that are made available in this Act to
20 carry out up to 10 Performance Partnership Pilots. Such
21 Pilots shall be governed by the provisions of section 526
22 of division H of Public Law 113–76, except that in car-
23 rying out such Pilots section 526 shall be applied by sub-
24 stituting “Fiscal Year 2026” for “Fiscal Year 2014” in
25 the title of subsection (b) and by substituting “September

1 30, 2030” for “September 30, 2018” each place it ap-
2 pears: *Provided*, That such pilots shall include commu-
3 nities that have experienced civil unrest.

4 (b) In addition, Federal agencies may use Federal
5 discretionary funds that are made available in this Act to
6 participate in Performance Partnership Pilots that are
7 being carried out pursuant to the authority provided by
8 section 526 of division H of Public Law 113–76, section
9 524 of division G of Public Law 113–235, section 525 of
10 division H of Public Law 114–113, section 525 of division
11 H of Public Law 115–31, section 525 of division H of
12 Public Law 115–141, section 524 of division A of Public
13 Law 116–94, section 524 of division H of Public Law
14 116–260, section 523 of division H of Public Law 117–
15 103, section 523 of division H of Public Law 117–328,
16 section 523 of division D of Public Law 118–47, and sec-
17 tion 1101(a)(8) of division A of Public Law 119–4.

18 (c) Pilot sites selected under authorities in this Act
19 and prior appropriations Acts may be granted by relevant
20 agencies up to an additional 5 years to operate under such
21 authorities.

22 SEC. 524. Not later than 30 days after the end of
23 each calendar quarter, beginning with the first month of
24 fiscal year 2026 the Departments of Labor, Health and
25 Human Services and Education and the Social Security

1 Administration shall provide the Committees on Appro-
2 priations of the House of Representatives and Senate a
3 report on the status of balances of appropriations: *Pro-*
4 *vided*, That for balances that are unobligated and uncom-
5 mitted, committed, and obligated but unexpended, the
6 monthly reports shall separately identify the amounts at-
7 tributable to each source year of appropriation (beginning
8 with fiscal year 2012, or, to the extent feasible, earlier
9 fiscal years) from which balances were derived.

10 SEC. 525. The Departments of Labor, Health and
11 Human Services, and Education and the Corporation for
12 National and Community Service shall notify the Commit-
13 tees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives
14 and the Senate not less than 3 full business days prior
15 to announcing or providing notice of—

16 (1) any new or non-competing continuation
17 grant, including supplements, issued at the discre-
18 tion of such Departments (other than emergency re-
19 sponse grants at any time of the year or for grant
20 awards made during the last 10 business days of the
21 fiscal year, or if applicable, of the program year);
22 and

23 (2) the termination or non-continuation of any
24 grant, including a short-description of the reason for
25 the termination or non-continuation.

1 SEC. 526. Notwithstanding any other provision of
2 this Act, no funds appropriated in this Act shall be used
3 to purchase sterile needles or syringes for the hypodermic
4 injection of any illegal drug: *Provided*, That such limita-
5 tion does not apply to the use of funds for elements of
6 a program other than making such purchases if the rel-
7 evant State or local health department, in consultation
8 with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, de-
9 termines that the State or local jurisdiction, as applicable,
10 is experiencing, or is at risk for, a significant increase in
11 hepatitis infections or an HIV outbreak due to injection
12 drug use, and such program is operating in accordance
13 with State and local law.

14 SEC. 527. Each department and related agency fund-
15 ed through this Act shall provide answers to questions
16 submitted for the record by members of the Committee
17 within 45 business days after receipt.

18 SEC. 528. Of amounts deposited in the Child Enroll-
19 ment Contingency Fund under section 2104(n)(2) of the
20 Social Security Act and the income derived from invest-
21 ment of those funds pursuant to section 2104(n)(2)(C) of
22 that Act, \$12,685,000,000 shall not be available for obli-
23 gation in this fiscal year.

(RESCISSION)

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2 SEC. 529. Of the unobligated balances of amounts
3 made available in section 10301(1)(A)(iii) of Public Law
4 117–169, \$11,661,000,000 are hereby rescinded.

5 SEC. 530. (a) This section applies to: (1) the Admin-
6 istration for Children and Families in the Department of
7 Health and Human Services; and (2) the Chief Evaluation
8 Office and the statistical-related cooperative and inter-
9 agency agreements and contracting activities of the Bu-
10 reau of Labor Statistics in the Department of Labor.

11 (b) Amounts made available under this Act which are
12 either appropriated, allocated, advanced on a reimbursable
13 basis, or transferred to the functions and organizations
14 identified in subsection (a) for research, evaluation, or sta-
15 tistical purposes shall be available for obligation through
16 September 30, 2030: *Provided*, That when an office ref-
17 erenced in subsection (a) receives research and evaluation
18 funding from multiple appropriations, such offices may
19 use a single Treasury account for such activities, with
20 funding advanced on a reimbursable basis.

21 (c) Amounts referenced in subsection (b) that are un-
22 expended at the time of completion of a contract, grant,
23 or cooperative agreement may be deobligated and shall im-
24 mediately become available and may be reobligated in that
25 fiscal year or the subsequent fiscal year for the research,

1 evaluation, or statistical purposes for which such amounts
2 are available.

3 SEC. 531. Funding opportunity announcements for
4 competitive grant programs funded in this Act shall be
5 published no later than four months prior to the expiration
6 of the period of availability of such funds and the Sec-
7 retary shall make every effort to award funds for competi-
8 tive grant programs funded in this Act no less than 30
9 days prior to the expiration of their period of availability:
10 *Provided*, That the Secretary shall brief the Committees
11 on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the
12 Senate on every grant program that has not been awarded
13 within 30 days of the expiration of their period of avail-
14 ability, no more than the day after such date, with a plan
15 for timely awarding such funds prior to their expiration.

16 SEC. 532. Any agency receiving funds made available
17 in this Act shall provide written notice to the Committees
18 on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the
19 Senate not less than 45 days prior to initiating the execu-
20 tion of any reorganization or workforce action increasing,
21 decreasing, or transferring functions of 10 staff members
22 or 10 percent of the staffing of an existing affected pro-
23 gram of office, whichever is less, even without a change
24 in funding and without regard to the type of workforce
25 actions such as voluntary, involuntary, incentive-based, or

1 any other such action adding or removing staff from agen-
2 cy payroll.

3 This Act may be cited as the “Departments of Labor,
4 Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related
5 Agencies Appropriations Act, 2026”.

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Making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, and for other purposes.

JULY 31, 2025

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