

Further Continuing and Security Assistance Appropriations Act, 2017 **Section-by-Section Analysis**

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Extension Date

Extends funding through April 28, 2017.

Across the Board Cut

The across-the-board reduction in section 101(b) is reduced from 0.496 percent to 0.1901 percent.

This continuing resolution (CR) continues all the provisions contained in the first CR (P.L. 114-223), except where explicitly provided otherwise, and adds the following provisions:

Farm Service Agency Farm Loans Exception Apportionment

Sec. 146. Provides flexible apportionment authority to meet increased loan demand from farmers.

Summer Electronic Benefit Transfer Demonstration Projects Exception Apportionment

Sec. 147. Allows participating States to have access to funding for ongoing Summer Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) demonstration projects.

Child Nutrition Information Clearinghouse Extension

Sec. 148. Provides authority to continue the National Hunger Information Clearinghouse through fiscal year 2017.

Rural Telecommunications Loans Apportionment Authority

Sec. 149. Allows the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) to operate the Treasury Telecommunications Direct Loan Program at the same program level as fiscal year 2016.

Section 538 Guaranteed Rural Rental Housing Loans Exception Apportionment

Sec. 150. Provides the UDSA funding flexibility to meet loan demand for construction or rehabilitation of rural multi-family rental housing properties.

Weather Satellite Acquisition Exception Apportionment

Sec. 151. Allows the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration spending flexibility to maintain development of the next generation of polar-orbiting weather satellites.

Periodic Censuses and Program Exception Apportionment

Sec. 152. Allows the Census Bureau spending flexibility to keep preparations for the 2020 Decennial Census on schedule and on budget.

Exploration Systems Development Exception Apportionment

Sec. 153. Allows NASA spending flexibility to maintain development schedules of the Space Launch System, exploration ground systems, and Orion Crew Vehicle.

Byrne JAG Funding for President-Elect Security

Sec. 154. Provides additional funding for the Department of Justice Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance grants to reimburse State and local law enforcement agencies for personnel overtime costs associated with protection of the President-elect.

Advanced Procurement for Shipbuilding Funding

Sec. 155. Provides authority needed to begin advance procurement and detailed design work for the Ohio submarine replacement program which is scheduled to begin in January 2017. Delaying the planned start date of this work could impact the production line, delivery schedules, and potentially the cost of the program.

Multi-Year Procurement Authority

Sec. 156. Provides authority needed to enter into multiyear procurement contracts for AH-64E Apache Helicopters and for UH-60M/HH-60M Blackhawk Helicopters to mitigate schedule delays and anticipated cost increases.

Production rates for tanker aircraft

Sec. 157. Provides authority to support production rate KC-46 tanker aircraft.

Weapons Activities Section 301(d) Waiver

Sec. 158. Provides the Department of Energy (DOE) funding flexibility to maintain schedules for critical national security programs, including the W80-4 warhead life extension and recapitalization of facilities to process uranium and plutonium.

Strategic Petroleum Reserve Sales

Sec. 159. Allows DOE to sell and use up to \$375.4 million of crude oil from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve (SPR) to carry out an SPR modernization program authorized in the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2015.

Uranium Enrichment Decontamination and Decommissioning Fund Funding

Sec. 160. Provides DOE additional funding to avoid disruption of continuing clean-up projects and activities, particularly at the Portsmouth Gaseous Diffusion Plant.

Former Presidents Funding

Sec. 161. Provides through the duration of the CR a higher rate for operations for the General Services Administration (GSA) for the pension benefits for the outgoing President.

SOAR Act Funding

Sec. 162. Makes funds previously appropriated for the opportunity scholarship program available immediately to be used to provide scholarships to eligible students, support administrative expenses, and for other purposes.

Immigration Enforcement/Surge Operations and TSA/Secret Service Exception Apportionment

Sec. 163. Allows funding flexibility for U.S. Customs and Border Protection, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Transportation Security Administration, and the U.S. Secret Service to maintain operational tempo and staffing necessary to address border security, immigration enforcement, aviation security, and protection of the President-elect during the CR period.

National Gallery of Art Exception Apportionment

Sec. 164. Provides through the duration of the CR the ability for the National Gallery of Art to access funds up to a rate for operation necessary to provide security and staffing related to the recent reopening of public gallery space in the East Building.

National Museum of African American History and Culture (NMAAHC) Exception Apportionment

Sec. 165. Provides through the duration of the CR the Smithsonian Institution funds at a higher rate of operations for increased security and facilities support at the NMAAHC.

Indian Health Service Staffing for New Facilities Exception Apportionment

Sec. 166. Provides through the duration of the CR the Indian Health Service (IHS) funds at a higher rate for operations to staff new medical facilities.

Miners Health Benefits

Sec. 167. Provides funds to continue health care benefits through April 30, 2017 for certain retired miners and their families under the United Mine Workers Association 1993 Benefit Plan, otherwise scheduled to expire at or near the end of 2016. Also calls for transfer of funds to the UMW benefit plan from a voluntary employees' beneficiary association (VEBA) established as a result of related coal mining company bankruptcy proceedings. According to CBO, this provision will result in a net savings of \$2 million.

Federal Employees' Compensation Act Compound Prescription Drug Action Plan

Sec. 168. Enables the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs to implement immediate steps to stop compound prescription drug fraud and abuse.

Account Maintenance Fees Extension

Sec. 169. Continues authority to make account maintenance fee payments to guarantee agencies under the Federal Family Education Loan program.

Unaccompanied Children

Sec. 170. Provides additional funding to the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) for the unaccompanied children program.

Prevention and Public Health Fund

Sec. 171. Allocates the Prevention and Public Health Fund in the same manner as fiscal year 2016 with the exception of a \$1 million reduction to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. This reduction is due to sequester.

Social Security Administration (SSA) Limitation on Administrative Expenses Altmeyer Building Exclusion

Sec. 172. Allows SSA to access \$150 million in funding set aside in the FY2016 Omnibus for the construction of the Altmeyer building for the purposes of reducing the disability hearing backlog.

Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Extension

Sec. 173. Ensures that funding for the TANF and Child Care Entitlement programs are continued through the CR.

Trevor's Law

Sec. 174. Allows HHS to implement the law that strengthens authorities and responsibilities for the designation and investigation of potential cancer clusters.

Member Pay Freeze

Sec. 175. Extends the provision that prohibits Members of Congress from receiving a cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) in FY2017.

Transfer of O'Neill Building to the House of Representatives

Sec. 176. Authorizes the transfer of the O'Neill Building from the GSA to the House of Representatives for treatment as a House Office Building and part of U.S. Capitol Grounds under the authority of the Architect of the Capitol.

Senate Technical Changes

Sec. 177. Clarifies Senate Minority Leadership office funding with regard to the Office of the Assistant Leader and the Secretary of the Conference of the Minority.

National Security Working Group

Sec. 178. Extends the authorization for the National Security Working Group through December 31, 2018.

Expedited Consideration of Certain Legislation

Sec. 179. Establishes expedited procedure in the Senate for consideration of a waiver required to allow General James N. Mattis to serve as the U.S. Secretary of Defense.

Hours of Service Technical Fix

Sec. 180. Suspends two provisions of the Hours of Service regulation and reverts to the regulations as in effect on December 26, 2011.

Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Operations Exception Apportionment and Facilities and Equipment Flexibility

Sec. 181. Provides through the duration of the CR funds apportioned up to the rate of operations necessary for the FAA Operations account to maintain critical safety activities and provides funding flexibility for the Facilities and Equipment account to avoid disruption of critical projects that support Next Gen activities.

Maritime Administration Federal-Only Sea Year Funding

Sec. 182. Allows the Maritime Administration to use maintenance and capital funds and certain unused prior year balances to support the Midshipmen Sea Year training program and removes a restriction on funds for the duration of the CR.

Tribal HUD-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing Exception Apportionment

Sec. 183. Allows through the duration of the CR the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to obligate funds for the renewal of rental assistance and related administrative fees for the Tribal-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing program.

Delayed Sequestration Report and Order

Sec. 184. Provides that the Congressional Budget Office and the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) will delay their final sequestration reports and OMB will delay the Presidential sequestration order as long as OMB determines and provides written notification that amounts in the CR do not sum to more than the total base discretionary funding of \$1,069,599 million that is permitted for fiscal year 2017. For reference, the written notification will also provide an estimate of both the dollar amount and sequester percentage that would be required to eliminate a breach of the discretionary caps for each of the defense and nondefense categories, assuming the levels of funding in the CR.

Emergency Watershed Protection Program and Emergency Conservation Program Natural Disaster Emergency Funding

Sec. 185. Appropriates \$206,118,524 in disaster relief funding, to remain available until expended, to eliminate the backlog of disaster projects in the Emergency Watershed Protection Program and Emergency Conservation Program.

NASA Natural Disaster Emergency Funding for Facility Repairs

Sec. 186. Appropriates \$74,700,000 in emergency funding, to remain available until expended, to repair facilities at Kennedy Space Center that were damaged by Hurricane Matthew.

Corps Natural Disaster Emergency Funding

Sec. 187-190. Appropriates \$1,025,000,000 in emergency funding, to remain available, to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to address damages from natural disasters at federal facilities.

Highway Emergency Relief Program Emergency Funding

Sec. 191. Appropriates \$1,004,017,000 in emergency funding, to remain available until expended, to the Federal Highway Administration's Emergency Relief program.

Community Development Block Grant Disaster and Emergency Funding

Sec. 192. Appropriates \$1,416,000,000 in disaster relief funding and \$392,976,000 in emergency funding, to remain available until expended, to the Community Development Block Grant program at HUD for response to major disasters declared in 2016.

21st Century Cures Funding

Sec. 193. Provides the Food and Drug Administration with an additional \$20 million for the FDA Innovation Account authorized in the 21st Century Cures Act.

Sec. 194. Provides \$352 million for biomedical research at the National Institutes of Health.

Sec. 195. Provides \$500 million for grants to supplement current opioid abuse prevention and treatment activities.

Safe Drinking Water

Sec. 196. Provides \$100 million in additional Drinking Water State Revolving Loan funding, consistent with Section 2201 of the Water and Waste Act of 2016, for states with declared emergencies due to the presence of lead or other contaminants in a public drinking water supply system.

Sec. 197. Provides \$20 million for the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act to make low-cost, long-term loans for significant water infrastructure projects.

Lead Exposure Registry & Advisory Committee

Sec. 198. Appropriates \$20 million to establish a lead exposure registry and lead exposure advisory committee in Flint.

Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention

Sec. 199. Appropriates \$15 million for the childhood lead poisoning prevention programs related to Flint.

Healthy Start

Sec. 200. Appropriates \$15 million for Healthy Start program to promote childhood health related to Flint.

Children's Health Insurance Program Rescission

Sec. 201. Rescinds \$170 million from the Children's Health Insurance Program State Allotments.