LABOR, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, EDUCATION, AND RELATED AGENCIES, 2021

$174.073 billion in base discretionary funding

BILL HIGHLIGHTS

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR – $12.5 billion in base discretionary funding, an increase of $97.3 million over the FY20 enacted level.

- **Apprenticeship** – $185 million, a $10 million increase. This funding level represents a 105 percent increase since the Committee started funding apprenticeships in FY16.
- **Veterans’ Employment and Training Service** – $316 million, a $5 million increase. Funds expand employment opportunities for veterans and transitioning service members.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES – $96.5 billion in base discretionary funding, an increase of $2.0 billion over the FY20 enacted level.

- **National Institutes of Health (NIH)** – $42.9 billion, a $1.25 billion increase. Since FY16, the Committee increased funding for NIH by $12.85 billion or nearly 43 percent. This year, there is a $300 million increase for targeted Alzheimer’s research, $10 million for the President’s new premature birth initiative, and $37.5 million to increase funding specifically for cancer research investigator grants.
- **Ending the HIV Epidemic** – $443.3 million, a $132.3 million increase. This is the second year of the President’s HIV initiative, and funding will support high priority HIV efforts to reduce the number of new HIV infections by 90 percent in 10 years.
- **Mental Health** – $4 billion, a $188 million increase. The bill prioritizes mental health programs, which are critical to combating opioid abuse and ensuring safety in our schools and communities.
- **Fighting Opioid & Stimulant Abuse** – $4 billion, an $85 million increase. Funds are targeted toward improving treatment and prevention efforts; finding alternative pain medications; providing for health workforce needs, especially in our rural communities; and supporting behavioral health. Funding to address opioids has increased by $3.7 billion since FY16. New flexibility is provided to NIH and CDC accounts to combat the increasing level of stimulant use.
- **Early Childhood Care and Education** – $10.7 billion, an increase of $135 million, for Head Start and $5.9 billion, an increase of $85 million, for the Child Care and Development Block Grant (CCDBG). This builds on significant increases for these programs in recent years, including more than doubling funding for CCDBG, to provide high-quality early childhood care and education and support for working families.
- **Public Health Preparedness** – $4.1 billion, a $58 million increase. Invests in programs that help America’s communities and hospitals prepare for, respond to, and recover from public health and medical disasters and emergencies. These events include natural disasters, pandemic diseases, and man-made threats. Since FY15, the Committee has increased public health preparedness funding by $1.3 billion, or 46 percent.
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION – $73.5 billion in discretionary funding, an increase of $785 million.

- **Elementary and Secondary Education** – The bill prioritizes formula grants that provide the most flexibility for states and school districts to decide how to best use limited resources to meet the educational needs of students and families, including:
  - $227 million increase for Title I grants to school districts;
  - $181 million increase for IDEA grants to states;
  - $15 million increase for Impact Aid;
  - $10 million increase for Title IV Student Support and Academic Enrichment Grants;
  - $10 million increase for 21st Century Community Learning Centers

- **Career and Technical Education State Grants** – $1.3 billion, a $52 million increase.

- **Higher Education** – Increases the maximum Pell grant award by $150, or 2.4 percent, from $6,345 to $6,495 for the 2021-2022 academic year and includes the following targeted increases to help students get into college, succeed when they are there, and graduate with less debt:
  - $25 million combined increase for Federal Work Study and Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants;
  - $32 million increase for programs specifically to strengthen Historically Black Colleges and Universities and other Minority Servicing Institutions; and
  - $7 million increase for TRIO and $3 million increase for GEAR UP

**RELATED AGENCIES**

- **Corporation for National and Community Service** – $455 million, an increase of $27 million, for AmeriCorps, and $225 million, an increase of $4 million, for AmeriCorps Seniors.

- **Corporation for Public Broadcasting** – $475 million, an increase of $10 million, for an advance appropriation in FY23. Funding also includes $20 million for FY21 to continue upgrades to the public broadcasting interconnection system.

- **Institute of Museum and Library Services** – $257 million, an increase of $5 million.