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Making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JULY 24, 2025

Mrs. HYDE-SMITH, 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 Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, 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 Transportation, and Housing and Urban

1 Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year end-
 2 ing September 30, 2026, and for other purposes, namely:

3 TITLE I

4 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

5 OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

6 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

7 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

8 For necessary expenses of the Office of the Secretary,
 9 \$185,965,000, to remain available until September 30,
 10 2027: *Provided*, That of the sums appropriated under this
 11 heading—

12 (1) \$3,764,000 shall be available for the imme-
 13 diate Office of the Secretary;

14 (2) \$1,348,000 shall be available for the imme-
 15 diate Office of the Deputy Secretary;

16 (3) \$27,780,000 shall be available for the Office
 17 of the General Counsel: *Provided*, That the Sec-
 18 retary of Transportation (referred to in this title as
 19 “the Secretary”) shall report to the House and Sen-
 20 ate Committees on Appropriations on the implemen-
 21 tation of all sections under title V of the FAA Reau-
 22 thorization Act of 2024 (Public Law 118-63) not
 23 later than 90 days after enactment of this Act;

24 (4) \$20,222,000 shall be available for the Office
 25 of the Under Secretary of Transportation for Policy,

1 of which \$3,970,000 is for the Office for Multimodal
2 Freight Infrastructure and Policy: *Provided*, That
3 the Secretary must obtain reprogramming approval
4 from the House and Senate Committees on Appro-
5 priations under section 405 of this Act prior to exe-
6 cuting the authorities of section 118(g)(2)–(3) of
7 title 49, United States Code;

8 (5) \$21,505,000 shall be available for the Office
9 of the Assistant Secretary for Budget and Pro-
10 grams;

11 (6) \$3,807,000 shall be available for the Office
12 of the Assistant Secretary for Governmental Affairs;

13 (7) \$20,024,000 shall be available for the Office
14 of the Assistant Secretary for Administration;

15 (8) \$5,664,000 shall be available for the Office
16 of Public Affairs and Public Engagement;

17 (9) \$2,332,000 shall be available for the Office
18 of the Executive Secretariat;

19 (10) \$15,484,000 shall be available for the Of-
20 fice of Intelligence, Security, and Emergency Re-
21 sponse;

22 (11) \$16,957,000 shall be available for the Of-
23 fice of the Chief Information Officer;

24 (12) \$1,494,000 shall be available for the Office
25 of Tribal Government Affairs;

1 (13) \$41,644,000 shall be available for shared
2 services as authorized in section 327 of title 49,
3 United States Code, for the Office of the Secretary
4 that would otherwise be provided by the Working
5 Capital Fund, in addition to amounts otherwise
6 available for such purposes; and

7 (14) \$3,940,000 shall be available for informa-
8 tion technology development, modernization, and en-
9 hancement, in addition to amounts otherwise avail-
10 able for such purposes:

11 *Provided further*, That the Secretary is authorized to
12 transfer funds appropriated under this heading among the
13 purposes specified in the first proviso under this heading:

14 *Provided further*, That such transfers combined shall not
15 increase or decrease the amount appropriated for any pur-
16 pose specified in the first proviso under this heading by
17 more than 4 percent: *Provided further*, That notice of any
18 change in funding greater than 4 percent shall be sub-
19 mitted for approval to the House and Senate Committees
20 on Appropriations not later than 7 business days in ad-
21 vance of any such change: *Provided further*, That not to
22 exceed \$70,000 shall be for allocation within the Depart-
23 ment for official reception and representation expenses as
24 the Secretary may determine: *Provided further*, That not-
25 withstanding any other provision of law, there may be

1 credited to this appropriation up to \$2,500,000 in funds
2 received in user fees.

3 RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY

4 For necessary expenses related to the Office of the
5 Assistant Secretary for Research and Technology,
6 \$32,705,000, of which \$21,000,000 shall remain available
7 until expended: *Provided*, That of such amounts that are
8 available until expended, \$9,000,000 shall be for necessary
9 expenses of the Advanced Research Projects Agency—In-
10 frastructure (ARPA–I) as authorized by section 119 of
11 title 49, United States Code: *Provided further*, That within
12 the funds made available under the preceding proviso, not
13 less than \$6,000,000 shall be available for research on du-
14 rability, resiliency, and sustainability of bridges and other
15 infrastructure and shall be directed to an accredited uni-
16 versity of higher education in the northeast United States
17 that has experience leading a regional university transpor-
18 tation center and a proven record of developing, patenting,
19 deploying, and commercializing innovative composite ma-
20 terials and technologies for bridge and other transpor-
21 tation applications, as well as conducting research and de-
22 veloping prototypes using very large-scale polymer-based
23 additive manufacturing: *Provided further*, That of such
24 amounts that are available until expended, \$4,000,000
25 shall be for the Highly Automated Systems Safety Center

1 of Excellence as authorized in section 105 of title I of divi-
 2 sion H of the Further Consolidated Appropriations Act,
 3 2020 (Public Law 116–94): *Provided further*, That of such
 4 amounts that are available until expended, \$3,000,000
 5 shall be for activities relating to complementary posi-
 6 tioning, navigation, and timing technologies demonstra-
 7 tions as identified in the U.S. Department of Transpor-
 8 tation Complementary PNT Action Plan (March 2024):
 9 *Provided further*, That there may be credited to this appro-
 10 priation, to be available until expended, funds received
 11 from States, counties, municipalities, other public authori-
 12 ties, and private sources for expenses incurred for train-
 13 ing: *Provided further*, That any reference in law, regula-
 14 tion, judicial proceedings, or elsewhere to the Research
 15 and Innovative Technology Administration shall continue
 16 to be deemed to be a reference to the Office of the Assist-
 17 ant Secretary for Research and Technology of the Depart-
 18 ment of Transportation.

19 NATIONAL INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENTS

20 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

21 For necessary expenses to carry out a local and re-
 22 gional project assistance grant program under section
 23 6702 of title 49, United States Code, \$250,000,000, to
 24 remain available until expended: *Provided*, That section
 25 6702(f)(2) of title 49, United States Code, shall not apply

1 to amounts made available under this heading in this Act:
2 *Provided further*, That of the amounts made available
3 under this heading in this Act, not less than 5 percent
4 shall be awarded to projects in historically disadvantaged
5 communities or areas of persistent poverty as defined
6 under section 6702(a)(1) of title 49, United States Code:
7 *Provided further*, That grants awarded under this heading
8 in this Act for eligible projects for planning, preparation,
9 or design shall not be subject to a minimum grant size:
10 *Provided further*, That in distributing amounts made avail-
11 able under this heading in this Act, the Secretary shall
12 take such measures so as to ensure an equitable geo-
13 graphic distribution of funds, an appropriate balance in
14 addressing the needs of urban and rural areas, including
15 Tribal areas, and the investment in a variety of transpor-
16 tation modes: *Provided further*, That for amounts made
17 available under this heading in this Act, the Secretary
18 shall give priority to projects that require a contribution
19 of Federal funds in order to complete an overall financing
20 package: *Provided further*, That section 6702(f)(1) of title
21 49, United States Code, shall not apply to amounts made
22 available under this heading in this Act: *Provided further*,
23 That of the amounts awarded under this heading in this
24 Act, not more than 50 percent shall be allocated for eligi-
25 ble projects located in rural areas and not more than 50

1 percent shall be allocated for eligible projects located in
 2 urbanized areas: *Provided further*, That for the purpose
 3 of determining if an award for planning, preparation, or
 4 design under this heading in this Act is an urban award,
 5 the project location is the location of the project being
 6 planned, prepared, or designed: *Provided further*, That the
 7 Secretary may retain up to 2 percent of the amounts made
 8 available under this heading in this Act, and may transfer
 9 portions of such amounts to the Administrators of the
 10 Federal Aviation Administration, the Federal Highway
 11 Administration, the Federal Transit Administration, the
 12 Federal Railroad Administration and the Maritime Ad-
 13 ministration to fund the award and oversight of grants
 14 and credit assistance made under the program authorized
 15 under section 6702 of title 49, United States Code: *Pro-*
 16 *vided further*, That for amounts made available under this
 17 heading in this Act, the Secretary shall consider and
 18 award projects based solely on the selection criteria as
 19 identified under section 6702(d)(3) and (d)(4) of title 49,
 20 United States Code.

21 NATIONAL SURFACE TRANSPORTATION AND INNOVATIVE
 22 FINANCE BUREAU

23 For necessary expenses of the National Surface
 24 Transportation and Innovative Finance Bureau as author-
 25 ized by 49 U.S.C. 116, \$9,850,000, to remain available

1 until expended: *Provided*, That the Secretary may collect
 2 and spend fees, as authorized by title 23, United States
 3 Code, to cover the costs of services of expert firms, includ-
 4 ing counsel, in the field of municipal and project finance
 5 to assist in the underwriting and servicing of Federal cred-
 6 it instruments and all or a portion of the costs to the Fed-
 7 eral Government of servicing such credit instruments: *Pro-*
 8 *vided further*, That such fees are available until expended
 9 to pay for such costs: *Provided further*, That such amounts
 10 are in addition to other amounts made available for such
 11 purposes and are not subject to any obligation limitation
 12 or the limitation on administrative expenses under section
 13 608 of title 23, United States Code.

14 RURAL AND TRIBAL INFRASTRUCTURE ADVANCEMENT

15 For necessary expenses to carry out rural and Tribal
 16 infrastructure advancement as authorized in section
 17 21205 of Public Law 117–58, \$10,000,000, to remain
 18 available until September 30, 2028: *Provided*, That the
 19 Secretary may enter into cooperative agreements with
 20 philanthropic entities, non-profit organizations, other Fed-
 21 eral agencies, State or local governments and their agen-
 22 cies, Indian Tribes, or other technical assistance providers,
 23 to provide such technical assistance, planning, and capac-
 24 ity building to State, local, or Tribal governments, United
 25 States territories, metropolitan planning organizations,

1 transit agencies, or other political subdivisions of State or
2 local governments.

3 RAILROAD REHABILITATION AND IMPROVEMENT

4 FINANCING PROGRAM

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

9 FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT CAPITAL

10 For necessary expenses for upgrading and enhancing
11 the Department of Transportation's financial systems and
12 re-engineering business processes, \$5,000,000, to remain
13 available through September 30, 2027.

14 CYBER SECURITY INITIATIVES

15 For necessary expenses for cyber security initiatives,
16 including necessary upgrades to network and information
17 technology infrastructure, improvement of identity man-
18 agement and authentication capabilities, securing and pro-
19 tecting data, implementation of Federal cyber security ini-
20 tiatives, and implementation of enhanced security controls
21 on agency computers and mobile devices, \$60,000,000, to
22 remain available until September 30, 2027.

23 OFFICE OF CIVIL RIGHTS

24 For necessary expenses of the Office of Civil Rights,
25 \$12,228,000.

TRANSPORTATION PLANNING, RESEARCH, AND
DEVELOPMENT
(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses for conducting transportation planning, research, systems development, development activities, and making grants, \$34,259,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That of such amount, \$5,436,000 shall be for necessary expenses of the Interagency Infrastructure Permitting Improvement Center (IIPIC): *Provided further*, That there may be transferred to this appropriation, to remain available until expended, amounts transferred from other Federal agencies for expenses incurred under this heading for IIPIC activities not related to transportation infrastructure: *Provided further*, That the tools and analysis developed by the IIPIC shall be available to other Federal agencies for the permitting and review of major infrastructure projects not related to transportation only to the extent that other Federal agencies provide funding to the Department in accordance with the preceding proviso: *Provided further*, That of the amounts made available under this heading, \$9,647,000 shall be made available for the projects, and in the amounts, specified for congressionally directed spending in the table entitled “Congressionally Directed Spending” included in the report accompanying this Act: *Provided fur-*

1 *ther*, That amounts made available in the preceding pro-
 2 viso for such projects shall not diminish or prejudice any
 3 application or geographic region for other discretionary
 4 grant or loan awards made by the Department of Trans-
 5 portation: *Provided further*, That of the amounts made
 6 available under this heading, \$2,000,000 shall be made
 7 available for an independent review of airspace design,
 8 civil-military coordination, and operational safety in the
 9 National Capital Region, with particular focus on airspace
 10 activities at Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport.

11 WORKING CAPITAL FUND

12 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

13 For necessary expenses for operating costs and cap-
 14 ital outlays of the Working Capital Fund as authorized
 15 in section 327 of title 49, United States Code, not to ex-
 16 ceed \$650,000,000, shall be paid from appropriations
 17 made available to the Department of Transportation: *Pro-*
 18 *vided*, That such services shall be provided on a competi-
 19 tive basis to entities within the Department of Transpor-
 20 tation: *Provided further*, That the limitation under this
 21 heading on operating expenses shall not apply to entities
 22 external to the Department of Transportation or for funds
 23 provided in Public Law 117–58: *Provided further*, That
 24 no funds made available by this Act to an agency of the
 25 Department shall be transferred to the Working Capital

1 Fund without majority approval of the Working Capital
2 Fund Steering Committee and approval of the Secretary:
3 *Provided further*, That no assessments may be levied
4 against any program, budget activity, subactivity, or
5 project funded by this Act unless notice of such assess-
6 ments and the basis therefor are presented to the House
7 and Senate Committees on Appropriations and are ap-
8 proved by such Committees: *Provided further*, That the
9 Secretary may provide non-commodity information tech-
10 nology services in a consolidated or shared manner for op-
11 erating administrations through the Working Capital
12 Fund: *Provided further*, That the preceding proviso shall
13 not apply to the Federal Aviation Administration, the
14 Great Lakes St. Lawrence Seaway Development Corpora-
15 tion, and the Office of Inspector General: *Provided further*,
16 That an operating administration may determine that cer-
17 tain non-commodity information technology services do
18 not provide a direct benefit to the operating administra-
19 tion and shall not be required to obligate funds appro-
20 priated by this Act to the Office of the Secretary pursuant
21 to section 188 of this Act: *Provided further*, That if the
22 determination in the preceding proviso concludes that non-
23 commodity information technology services do not provide
24 a direct benefit to the operating administration, those
25 services shall remain within the operating administration:

1 *Provided further*, That not less than 30 days prior to using
 2 the authority provided in the preceding four provisos, the
 3 Secretary shall provide the House and Senate Committees
 4 on Appropriations a plan describing the non-commodity
 5 information technology services consolidated or shared
 6 through the Working Capital Fund: *Provided further*, That
 7 the Secretary shall provide quarterly briefings to the
 8 House and Senate Committees on Appropriations on all
 9 activities relating to non-commodity information tech-
 10 nology services as authorized under this heading: *Provided*
 11 *further*, That unless otherwise specified under this head-
 12 ing, the Working Capital Fund shall only deliver services
 13 consisting of administration and commodity information
 14 technology: *Provided further*, That the departmental con-
 15 solidation of activities including human resources, pro-
 16 curement, governmental affairs, public affairs and public
 17 engagement, and civil rights are prohibited: *Provided fur-*
 18 *ther*, That amounts within the Working Capital Fund are
 19 not available to provide services not specifically authorized
 20 under this heading.

21 SMALL AND DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS UTILIZATION AND
 22 OUTREACH

23 For necessary expenses for small and disadvantaged
 24 business utilization and outreach activities, \$5,330,000, to
 25 remain available until September 30, 2027: *Provided*,

1 That not less than 11 small business transportation re-
 2 source centers shall be maintained and operated: *Provided*
 3 *further*, That notwithstanding section 332 of title 49,
 4 United States Code, such amounts may be used for busi-
 5 ness opportunities related to any mode of transportation:
 6 *Provided further*, That appropriations made available
 7 under this heading shall be available for any purpose con-
 8 sistent with prior year appropriations that were made
 9 available under the heading “Office of the Secretary—Mi-
 10 nority Business Resource Center Program”.

11 PAYMENTS TO AIR CARRIERS

12 (AIRPORT AND AIRWAY TRUST FUND)

13 In addition to funds made available from any other
 14 source to carry out the essential air service program under
 15 sections 41731 through 41742 of title 49, United States
 16 Code, \$513,637,231, to be derived from the Airport and
 17 Airway Trust Fund, to remain available until expended:
 18 *Provided*, That in determining between or among carriers
 19 competing to provide service to a community, the Sec-
 20 retary may consider the relative subsidy requirements of
 21 the carriers: *Provided further*, That basic essential air
 22 service minimum requirements shall not include the 15-
 23 passenger capacity requirement under section 41732(b)(3)
 24 of title 49, United States Code: *Provided further*, That
 25 amounts authorized to be distributed for the essential air

1 service program under section 41742(b) of title 49, United
 2 States Code, shall be made available immediately from
 3 amounts otherwise provided to the Administrator of the
 4 Federal Aviation Administration: *Provided further*, That
 5 the Administrator may reimburse such amounts from fees
 6 credited to the account established under section 45303
 7 of title 49, United States Code: *Provided further*, That,
 8 notwithstanding section 41733 of title 49, United States
 9 Code, for fiscal year 2026, the requirements established
 10 under subparagraphs (B) and (C) of section 41731(a)(1)
 11 of title 49, United States Code, shall not apply to maintain
 12 eligibility under section 41731 of title 49, United States
 13 Code.

14 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—OFFICE OF THE

15 SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION

16 (INCLUDING RESCISSIONS)

17 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

18 SEC. 101. None of the funds made available by this
 19 Act to the Department of Transportation may be obligated
 20 for the Office of the Secretary of Transportation to ap-
 21 prove assessments or reimbursable agreements pertaining
 22 to funds appropriated to the operating administrations in
 23 this Act, except for activities underway on the date of en-
 24 actment of this Act, unless such assessments or agree-

1 ments have completed the normal reprogramming process
2 for congressional notification.

3 SEC. 102. The Secretary shall post on the website
4 of the Department of Transportation a schedule of all
5 meetings of the Council on Credit and Finance, including
6 the agenda for each meeting, and require the Council on
7 Credit and Finance to record the decisions and actions
8 of each meeting.

9 SEC. 103. In addition to authority provided by section
10 327 of title 49, United States Code, the Department's
11 Working Capital Fund is authorized to provide partial or
12 full payments in advance and accept subsequent reim-
13 bursements from all Federal agencies from available funds
14 for transit benefit distribution services that are necessary
15 to carry out the Federal transit pass transportation fringe
16 benefit program under Executive Order No. 13150 and
17 section 3049 of SAFETEA-LU (5 U.S.C. 7905 note):
18 *Provided*, That the Department shall maintain a reason-
19 able operating reserve in the Working Capital Fund, to
20 be expended in advance to provide uninterrupted transit
21 benefits to Government employees: *Provided further*, That
22 such reserve shall not exceed 1 month of benefits payable
23 and may be used only for the purpose of providing for
24 the continuation of transit benefits: *Provided further*, That
25 the Working Capital Fund shall be fully reimbursed by

1 each customer agency from available funds for the actual
2 cost of the transit benefit.

3 SEC. 104. Receipts collected in the Department's
4 Working Capital Fund, as authorized by section 327 of
5 title 49, United States Code, for unused transit and van
6 pool benefits, in an amount not to exceed 10 percent of
7 fiscal year 2026 collections, shall be available until ex-
8 pended in the Department's Working Capital Fund to pro-
9 vide contractual services in support of section 189 of this
10 Act: *Provided*, That obligations in fiscal year 2026 of such
11 collections shall not exceed \$1,000,000.

12 SEC. 105. None of the funds in this title may be obli-
13 gated or expended for retention or senior executive bo-
14 nuses for an employee of the Department of Transpor-
15 tation without the prior written approval of the Assistant
16 Secretary for Administration.

17 SEC. 106. In addition to authority provided by section
18 327 of title 49, United States Code, the Department's Ad-
19 ministrative Working Capital Fund is hereby authorized
20 to transfer information technology equipment, software,
21 and systems from departmental sources or other entities
22 and collect and maintain a reserve at rates which will re-
23 turn full cost of transferred assets.

24 SEC. 107. None of the funds provided in this Act to
25 the Department of Transportation may be used to provide

1 credit assistance unless not less than 3 days before any
2 application approval to provide credit assistance under
3 sections 603 and 604 of title 23, United States Code, the
4 Secretary provides notification in writing to the following
5 committees: the House and Senate Committees on Appro-
6 priations; the Committee on Environment and Public
7 Works and the Committee on Banking, Housing and
8 Urban Affairs of the Senate; and the Committee on Trans-
9 portation and Infrastructure of the House of Representa-
10 tives: *Provided*, That such notification shall include, but
11 not be limited to, the name of the project sponsor; a de-
12 scription of the project; whether credit assistance will be
13 provided as a direct loan, loan guarantee, or line of credit;
14 and the amount of credit assistance.

15 SEC. 108. The Secretary of Transportation may
16 transfer amounts awarded to a federally recognized Tribe
17 under a funding agreement entered into under part 29 of
18 title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, from the Depart-
19 ment of Transportation's operating administrations to the
20 Office of Tribal Government Affairs: *Provided*, That any
21 amounts retroceded or reassumed under such part may
22 be transferred back to the appropriate operating adminis-
23 tration.

24 SEC. 109. (a) Amounts made available to the Sec-
25 retary of Transportation or the Department of Transpor-

1 tation’s operating administrations in this Act for the costs
2 of award, administration, or oversight of financial assist-
3 ance under the programs identified in subsection (c) may
4 be transferred to the account identified in section 801 of
5 division J of Public Law 117–58, as amended by section
6 425 of title IV of division L of Public Law 117–103, to
7 remain available until expended, for the necessary ex-
8 penses of award, administration, or oversight of any finan-
9 cial assistance programs in the Department of Transpor-
10 tation.

11 (b) Amounts transferred under the authority in this
12 section are available in addition to amounts otherwise
13 available for such purpose.

14 (c) The programs from which funds made available
15 under this Act may be transferred under subsection (a)
16 are—

17 (1) the local and regional project assistance
18 program under section 6702 of title 49, United
19 States Code; and

20 (2) the university transportation centers pro-
21 gram under section 5505 of title 49, United States
22 Code.

23 SEC. 109A. For amounts provided for this fiscal year
24 and prior fiscal years, section 24112(c)(2)(B) of Public
25 Law 117–58 shall be applied by substituting “30 percent”

1 for “40 percent”: *Provided*, That if the Secretary deter-
2 mines that there are insufficient merit-worthy applications
3 for the amounts provided for fiscal year 2022 through fis-
4 cal year 2026 in division J of Public Law 117–58 for com-
5 petitive grants as authorized in section 24112 of division
6 B of Public Law 117–58 to meet the requirement in sec-
7 tion 24112(c)(2)(B) for a fiscal year, the Secretary shall
8 use the unutilized amounts to make other grants as au-
9 thorized in section 24112 of division B of Public Law
10 117–58: *Provided further*, That amounts repurposed pur-
11 suant to this section shall continue to be treated as
12 amounts specified in section 103(b) of division A of Public
13 Law 118–5.

14 SEC. 109B. The Secretary may transfer up to
15 \$1,641,000 from amounts made available under the head-
16 ing “Office of the Secretary—Salaries and Expenses” to
17 the Department’s operating administrations for rent pay-
18 ments: *Provided*, That such amounts transferred for rent
19 payments that are no longer needed may be transferred
20 back to such account.

21 SEC. 109C. The remaining unobligated balances, as
22 of September 30, 2026, from amounts made available for
23 “Department of Transportation—Office of the Sec-
24 retary—National Infrastructure Investments” in division
25 J of Public Law 117–58 for local and regional project as-

1 sistance under section 6702 of title 49, United States
2 Code, for fiscal year 2022 are hereby permanently re-
3 scinded, and an amount of additional new budget author-
4 ity equivalent to the amount rescinded pursuant to this
5 section is hereby appropriated on September 30, 2026, for
6 an additional amount for fiscal year 2026, to remain avail-
7 able until September 30, 2031, and shall be available,
8 without additional competition, for completing the funding
9 of awards made pursuant to section 6702 of title 49,
10 United States Code, for fiscal year 2022 funding, in addi-
11 tion to other funds as may be available for such purposes:
12 *Provided*, That the amounts rescinded pursuant to this
13 section that were previously designated by the Congress
14 as an emergency requirement pursuant to section 4112(a)
15 of H. Con. Res. 71 (115th Congress), the concurrent reso-
16 lution on the budget for fiscal year 2018, and to section
17 251(b) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit
18 Control Act of 1985 are designated by the Congress as
19 an emergency requirement pursuant to 4001(a)(1) of S.
20 Con. Res 14 (117th Congress), the concurrent resolution
21 on the budget for fiscal year 2022, and to legislation es-
22 tablishing fiscal year 2026 budget enforcement in the
23 House of Representatives: *Provided further*, That the
24 amount of additional new budget authority is designated
25 by the Congress as being for an emergency requirement

1 pursuant to such section 4001(a) and to legislation estab-
 2 lishing fiscal year 2026 budget enforcement in the House
 3 of Representatives.

4 SEC. 109D. None of the funds made available by this
 5 or any other Act shall be used to cancel or seek to renego-
 6 tiate an existing contract under the essential air service
 7 program under subchapter II of chapter 417 of title 49,
 8 United States Code, before the standard period of rebid-
 9 ding occurring prior to a contract's expiration unless in
 10 response to an explicit written request from the EAS Com-
 11 munity. *Provided*, That this section shall only apply to ex-
 12 isting contracts under which the carrier is in compliance
 13 with the contract terms.

14 SEC. 109E. Of the unobligated balances of funds re-
 15 maining from—

16 (1) “Transportation Planning, Research, and
 17 Development” account in title I of division A of
 18 Public Law 111–117, \$108,147.49 is hereby perma-
 19 nently rescinded; and

20 (2) “Transportation Planning, Research, and
 21 Development” account in title I of division F of
 22 Public Law 108–199, \$744,000 is hereby perma-
 23 nently rescinded.

24 SEC. 109F. Of the unobligated balances from
 25 amounts made available for “Railroad Rehabilitation and

1 Improvement Financing Program” in section 420 of title
 2 IV of division G of Public Law 116–6, \$25,476 is hereby
 3 permanently rescinded.

4 SEC. 109G. Of the unobligated balances from
 5 amounts made available for “Department of Transpor-
 6 tation—Office of the Secretary—Salaries and Expenses”
 7 in Public Law 119–4, \$20,000,000 is hereby permanently
 8 rescinded.

9 FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION

10 OPERATIONS

11 (AIRPORT AND AIRWAY TRUST FUND)

12 For necessary expenses of the Federal Aviation Ad-
 13 ministration (FAA), not otherwise provided for, including
 14 operations and research activities related to commercial
 15 space transportation, administrative expenses for research
 16 and development, establishment of air navigation facilities,
 17 the operation (including leasing) and maintenance of air-
 18 craft, subsidizing the cost of aeronautical charts and maps
 19 sold to the public, the lease or purchase of passenger
 20 motor vehicles for replacement only, \$13,818,183,000, to
 21 remain available until September 30, 2027, of which
 22 \$13,127,000,000 to be derived from the Airport and Air-
 23 way Trust Fund: *Provided*, That of the amounts made
 24 available under this heading—

1 (1) not less than \$1,876,039,000 shall be avail-
2 able for aviation safety activities, of which—

3 (A) not less than \$379,223,000 shall be
4 for aircraft certification service; and

5 (B) not less than \$100,000,000 shall be
6 for the Office of Aerospace Medicine;

7 (2) \$10,378,148,000 shall be available for air
8 traffic organization activities, of which—

9 (A) not less than \$279,200,000 shall be
10 used to fund direct operations of the current air
11 traffic control towers in the contract tower pro-
12 gram, including the contract tower cost share
13 program, and any airport that is currently
14 qualified or that will qualify for the program
15 during the fiscal year;

16 (B) \$8,000,000 shall be for the pilot pro-
17 gram to convert high activity air traffic control
18 towers operating under the contract tower pro-
19 gram to FAA staffed visual flight rules towers,
20 as authorized under section 625 of the FAA
21 Reauthorization Act of 2024, and to prioritize
22 the contract towers as required under section
23 625(a)(2) of such Act;

24 (C) not less than \$14,000,000 shall be for
25 the Office of Spectrum Engineering; and

1 (D) \$6,000,000 shall be for unmanned air-
2 craft system test sites;

3 (3) \$41,546,000 shall be available for commer-
4 cial space transportation activities;

5 (4) \$970,124,000 shall be available for finance
6 and management activities;

7 (5) \$67,249,000 shall be available for NextGen
8 and operations planning activities;

9 (6) \$161,174,000 shall be available for security
10 and hazardous materials safety activities; and

11 (7) \$323,903,000 shall be available for staff of-
12 fices, of which—

13 (A) not less than \$7,500,000 shall be for
14 the minority serving institutes internship pro-
15 gram;

16 (B) not less than \$1,000,000 shall be for
17 the human intervention motivation study con-
18 tract and the flight attendant drug and alcohol
19 program contract; and

20 (C) \$3,000,000 shall be for the FAA's vet-
21 erans' pilot training program:

22 *Provided further*, That of the funds made available under
23 this heading, not less than \$9,700,420,000 shall be for
24 the level specified for “Salaries and Benefits” in the “FY
25 2026 Request” column in Exhibit II–5 of the FAA's FY

1 2026 President's Budget Submission, as submitted to the
2 House and Senate Committees on Appropriations on May
3 30, 2025: *Provided further*, That not to exceed 3 percent
4 of any budget activity, except for aviation safety budget
5 activity, may be transferred to any budget activity under
6 this heading: *Provided further*, That no transfer may in-
7 crease or decrease any appropriation under this heading
8 by more than 3 percent: *Provided further*, That any trans-
9 fer in excess of 3 percent shall be treated as a reprogram-
10 ming of funds under section 405 of this Act and shall not
11 be available for obligation or expenditure except in compli-
12 ance with the procedures set forth in that section: *Pro-*
13 *vided further*, That not later than 30 days after the sub-
14 mission of the budget request, the Administrator of the
15 Federal Aviation Administration shall transmit to Con-
16 gress an annual update to the report submitted to Con-
17 gress in December 2004 pursuant to section 221 of the
18 Vision 100-Century of Aviation Reauthorization Act (49
19 U.S.C. 44506 note): *Provided further*, That the amounts
20 made available under this heading shall be reduced by
21 \$100,000 for each day after 30 days after the submission
22 of the budget request that such report has not been trans-
23 mitted to Congress: *Provided further*, That not later than
24 30 days after the submission of the budget request, the
25 Administrator shall transmit to Congress a companion re-

1 port that describes a comprehensive strategy for staffing,
2 hiring, and training flight standards and aircraft certifi-
3 cation staff in a format similar to the one utilized for the
4 controller staffing plan, including stated attrition esti-
5 mates and numerical hiring goals by fiscal year: *Provided*
6 *further*, That the amounts made available under this head-
7 ing shall be reduced by \$100,000 for each day after the
8 date that is 30 days after the submission of the budget
9 request that such report has not been transmitted to Con-
10 gress: *Provided further*, That not later than 60 days after
11 the submission of the budget request, the Administrator
12 shall transmit to Congress a companion report that de-
13 scribes a comprehensive strategy for staffing, hiring, and
14 training airways transportation systems specialists in a
15 format similar to the one utilized for the controller staff-
16 ing plan, including stated attrition estimates and numer-
17 ical hiring goals by fiscal year: *Provided further*, That the
18 amounts made available under this heading shall be re-
19 duced by \$100,000 for each day after the date that is 60
20 days after the submission of the budget request that such
21 report has not been submitted to Congress: *Provided fur-*
22 *ther*, That funds may be used to enter into a grant agree-
23 ment with a nonprofit standard-setting organization to as-
24 sist in the development of aviation safety standards: *Pro-*
25 *vided further*, That none of the funds made available by

1 this Act shall be available for new applicants for the sec-
2 ond career training program: *Provided further*, That none
3 of the funds made available by this Act shall be available
4 for the Federal Aviation Administration to finalize or im-
5 plement any regulation that would promulgate new avia-
6 tion user fees not specifically authorized by law after the
7 date of the enactment of this Act: *Provided further*, That
8 there may be credited to this appropriation, as offsetting
9 collections, funds received from States, counties, munici-
10 palities, foreign authorities, other public authorities, and
11 private sources for expenses incurred in the provision of
12 agency services, including receipts for the maintenance
13 and operation of air navigation facilities, and for issuance,
14 renewal or modification of certificates, including airman,
15 aircraft, and repair station certificates, or for tests related
16 thereto, or for processing major repair or alteration forms:
17 *Provided further*, That not later than 120 days after enact-
18 ment of this Act, the Administrator shall transmit to the
19 House and Senate Committees on Appropriations a report
20 on all expenditures related to the contract tower program
21 from the most recent fiscal year, including a breakout for
22 administrative costs, contract support expenses, insur-
23 ance, equipment procured and installed in contract towers,
24 new starts, and aggregate payments for operating the con-
25 tract towers: *Provided further*, That not later than 180

1 days after enactment of this Act, the Administrator shall
 2 transmit to the House and Senate Committees on Appro-
 3 priations a report on the FAA's ongoing efforts and future
 4 plans to equip contract towers with radar displays and
 5 other technology that the FAA believes are necessary to
 6 enhance aviation safety: *Provided further*, That none of the
 7 funds made available by this Act for aeronautical charting
 8 and cartography are available for activities conducted by,
 9 or coordinated through, the Working Capital Fund: *Pro-*
 10 *vided further*, That none of the funds appropriated or oth-
 11 erwise made available by this Act or any other Act may
 12 be used to eliminate the contract weather observers pro-
 13 gram at any airport.

14 FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT

15 (AIRPORT AND AIRWAY TRUST FUND)

16 For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for,
 17 for acquisition, establishment, technical support services,
 18 improvement by contract or purchase, and hire of national
 19 airspace systems and experimental facilities and equip-
 20 ment, as authorized under part A of subtitle VII of title
 21 49, United States Code, including initial acquisition of
 22 necessary sites by lease or grant; engineering and service
 23 testing, including construction of test facilities and acqui-
 24 sition of necessary sites by lease or grant; construction
 25 and furnishing of quarters and related accommodations

1 for officers and employees of the Federal Aviation Admin-
2 istration stationed at remote localities where such accom-
3 modations are not available; and the purchase, lease, or
4 transfer of aircraft from funds made available under this
5 heading, including aircraft for aviation regulation and cer-
6 tification; to be derived from the Airport and Airway Trust
7 Fund, \$4,000,000,000, of which \$670,000,000 is for per-
8 sonnel and related expenses and shall remain available
9 until September 30, 2027, and \$3,330,000,000 shall re-
10 main available until September 30, 2028: *Provided*, That
11 the sums appropriated under this heading in this Act shall
12 be made available for the purposes, and in the amounts,
13 specified for spending in the table entitled “Allocation of
14 FAA Facilities and Equipment Funding in This Act—Fis-
15 cal Year 2026” included in the report accompanying this
16 Act: *Provided further*, That the sums appropriated under
17 this heading in title VIII of division J of the Infrastruc-
18 ture Investment and Jobs Act (Public Law 117–58) shall
19 be made available for the purposes, and in the amounts,
20 specified for spending in the table entitled “Allocation of
21 FAA Facilities and Equipment Funding in the Infrastruc-
22 ture Investment and Jobs Act—Fiscal Year 2026” in-
23 cluded in the report accompanying this Act: *Provided fur-*
24 *ther*, That amounts repurposed pursuant to the preceding
25 proviso shall continue to be treated as amounts specified

1 in section 103(b) of division A of Public Law 118–5: *Pro-*
2 *vided further*, That there may be credited to this appro-
3 priation funds received from States, counties, municipali-
4 ties, other public authorities, and private sources, for ex-
5 penses incurred in the establishment, improvement, and
6 modernization of national airspace systems: *Provided fur-*
7 *ther*, That not later than 30 days after submission of the
8 budget request, the Secretary of Transportation shall
9 transmit to the Congress an investment plan for the Fed-
10 eral Aviation Administration which includes funding for
11 each budget line item for fiscal years 2027 through 2031,
12 with total funding for each year of the plan constrained
13 to the funding targets for those years as estimated and
14 approved by the Office of Management and Budget.

15 RESEARCH, ENGINEERING, AND DEVELOPMENT

16 (AIRPORT AND AIRWAY TRUST FUND)

17 For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for,
18 for research, engineering, and development, as authorized
19 under part A of subtitle VII of title 49, United States
20 Code, including construction of experimental facilities and
21 acquisition of necessary sites by lease or grant,
22 \$290,000,000, to be derived from the Airport and Airway
23 Trust Fund and to remain available until September 30,
24 2028: *Provided*, That there may be credited to this appro-
25 priation as offsetting collections, funds received from

1 States, counties, municipalities, other public authorities,
2 and private sources, which shall be available for expenses
3 incurred for research, engineering, and development: *Pro-*
4 *vided further*, That the sums appropriated under this
5 heading shall be made available for the purposes, and in
6 the amounts, specified in the table entitled “Research, En-
7 gineering, and Development” included in the report ac-
8 companying this Act: *Provided further*, That of the
9 amounts made available under this heading, \$30,000,000
10 shall be for aviation workforce development programs, as
11 authorized under section 625 of the FAA Reauthorization
12 Act of 2018, as amended (49 U.S.C. 40132 note): *Pro-*
13 *vided further*, That of the amounts set aside under the
14 preceding proviso, \$20,000,000, to remain available until
15 expended, for manufacturing workforce grants as author-
16 ized under section 625 (a)(3) and \$10,000,000, to remain
17 available until expended, shall be for not more than two
18 community colleges that are sponsors of a general aviation
19 airport identified in the National Plan of Integrated Air-
20 port Systems: *Provided further*, That grants awarded in
21 the previous proviso for community colleges shall be
22 awarded for an amount not less than \$5,000,000 per
23 award: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall award
24 such grant under the preceding proviso notwithstanding

1 section 625(b)(2) of the FAA Reauthorization Act of
 2 2018, as amended (49 U.S.C. 40132 note).

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

8 For liquidation of obligations incurred for grants-in-
 9 aid for airport planning and development, and noise com-
 10 patibility planning and programs as authorized under sub-
 11 chapter I of chapter 471 and subchapter I of chapter 475
 12 of title 49, United States Code, and under other law au-
 13 thorizing such obligations; for procurement, installation,
 14 and commissioning of runway incursion prevention devices
 15 and systems at airports of such title; for grants authorized
 16 under section 41743 of title 49, United States Code; and
 17 for inspection activities and administration of airport safe-
 18 ty programs, including those related to airport operating
 19 certificates under section 44706 of title 49, United States
 20 Code, \$4,000,000,000, to be derived from the Airport and
 21 Airway Trust Fund and to remain available until ex-
 22 pended: *Provided*, That none of the amounts made avail-
 23 able under this heading shall be available for the planning
 24 or execution of programs the obligations for which are in
 25 excess of \$4,000,000,000, in fiscal year 2026, notwith-

1 standing section 47117(g) of title 49, United States Code:
2 *Provided further*, That none of the amounts made available
3 under this heading shall be available for the replacement
4 of baggage conveyor systems, reconfiguration of terminal
5 baggage areas, or other airport improvements that are
6 necessary to install bulk explosive detection systems: *Pro-*
7 *vided further*, That notwithstanding section 47109(a) of
8 title 49, United States Code, the Government's share of
9 allowable project costs under paragraph (2) of such sec-
10 tion for subgrants or paragraph (3) of such section shall
11 be 95 percent for a project at other than a large or me-
12 dium hub airport that is a successive phase of a multi-
13 phased construction project for which the project sponsor
14 received a grant in fiscal year 2011 for the construction
15 project: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding any other
16 provision of law, of amounts limited under this heading,
17 not less than \$160,000,000 shall be available for adminis-
18 tration, \$15,000,000 shall be available for the airport co-
19 operative research program, \$41,827,000 shall be avail-
20 able for the airport technology research program and of
21 which, \$6,000,000 shall be available for the airfield tech-
22 nology program authorized under section 1014 of Public
23 Law 118-63, of which \$3,000,000 is for concrete pave-
24 ment research and \$3,000,000 is for asphalt pavement re-
25 search, and \$15,000,000, to remain available until ex-

1 pending, shall be available and transferred to “Office of
 2 the Secretary, Salaries and Expenses” to carry out the
 3 small community air service development program: *Pro-*
 4 *vided further*, That in addition to airports eligible under
 5 section 41743 of title 49, United States Code, such pro-
 6 gram may include the participation of an airport that
 7 serves a community or consortium that is not larger than
 8 a small hub airport, according to Federal Aviation Admin-
 9 istration hub classifications effective at the time the Office
 10 of the Secretary issues a request for proposals.

11 GRANTS-IN-AID FOR AIRPORTS

12 For an additional amount for “Grants-In-Aid for Air-
 13 ports”, to enable the Secretary of Transportation to make
 14 grants for projects as authorized by subchapter 1 of chap-
 15 ter 471 of title 49, United States Code, subchapter 1 of
 16 chapter 475 of such title, and section 767 of the FAA
 17 Reauthorization Act of 2024 (Public Law 118–63),
 18 \$319,368,000, to remain available through September 30,
 19 2028: *Provided*, That amounts made available under this
 20 heading shall be derived from the general fund, and such
 21 funds shall not be subject to apportionment formulas, spe-
 22 cial apportionment categories, or minimum percentages
 23 under chapter 471 of title 49, United States Code: *Pro-*
 24 *vided further*, That the amounts made available under this
 25 heading shall not be subject to any limitation on obliga-

1 tions for the Grants-in-Aid for Airports program set forth
 2 in any Act: *Provided further*, That the Administrator of
 3 the Federal Aviation Administration may retain up to 1
 4 percent of the amounts made available under this heading
 5 to fund the award and oversight by the Administrator of
 6 grants made under this heading: *Provided further*, That
 7 of the sums appropriated under this heading—

8 (1) \$269,368,000 shall be made available for
 9 the projects, and in the amounts, specified for con-
 10 gressionally directed spending in the table entitled
 11 “Congressionally Directed Spending” included in the
 12 report accompanying this Act: *Provided*, That
 13 amounts made available in the preceding proviso for
 14 such projects shall not diminish or prejudice any ap-
 15 plication or geographic region for other discretionary
 16 grant or loan awards made by the Department of
 17 Transportation: *Provided further*, That funds made
 18 available under this section shall not be subject to
 19 or considered under section 47115(j)(3)(B),
 20 47115(j)(3)(C), or 47115(j)(3)(D) of title 49,
 21 United States Code; and

22 (2) up to \$50,000,000 shall be made available
 23 to the Secretary to distribute as discretionary grants
 24 to airports that include, but are not limited to,
 25 projects that are eligible under section

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1 ministration and the Center for Advanced Aviation Sys-
2 tems Development during fiscal year 2026.

3 SEC. 111. None of the funds made available by this
4 Act shall be used to pursue or adopt guidelines or regula-
5 tions requiring airport sponsors to provide to the Federal
6 Aviation Administration without cost building construc-
7 tion, maintenance, utilities and expenses, or space in air-
8 port sponsor-owned buildings for services relating to air
9 traffic control, air navigation, or weather reporting: *Pro-*
10 *vided*, That the prohibition on the use of funds in this
11 section does not apply to negotiations between the agency
12 and airport sponsors to achieve agreement on “below-mar-
13 ket” rates for these items or to grant assurances that re-
14 quire airport sponsors to provide land without cost to the
15 Federal Aviation Administration for air traffic control fa-
16 cilities.

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

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

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

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

17 SEC. 116. Notwithstanding any other provision of
18 law, none of the funds made available under this Act or
19 any prior Act may be used to implement or to continue
20 to implement any limitation on the ability of any owner
21 or operator of a private aircraft to obtain, upon a request
22 to the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administra-
23 tion, a blocking of that owner's or operator's aircraft reg-
24 istration number, Mode S transponder code, flight identi-
25 fication, call sign, or similar identifying information from

1 any ground based display to the public that would allow
2 the real-time or near real-time flight tracking of that air-
3 craft's movements, except data made available to a Gov-
4 ernment agency, for the noncommercial flights of that
5 owner or operator.

6 SEC. 117. None of the funds made available by this
7 Act shall be available for salaries and expenses of more
8 than nine political and Presidential appointees in the Fed-
9 eral Aviation Administration: *Provided*, That of the nine
10 political and Presidential appointee positions in the Fed-
11 eral Aviation Administration, not less than one position
12 shall be within each of the following offices and no ap-
13 pointee shall be in any other office: the Office of the Ad-
14 ministrator, the Office of the Deputy Administrator, the
15 Office of the General Counsel, the Office of Government
16 and Industry Affairs, the Office of Communications, the
17 Office of Airports, and the Office for Policy, International
18 Affairs, and Environment.

19 SEC. 118. None of the funds made available by this
20 Act may be used to increase fees pursuant to section
21 44721 of title 49, United States Code, until the Federal
22 Aviation Administration provides to the House and Senate
23 Committees on Appropriations a report that justifies all
24 fees related to aeronautical navigation products and ex-

1 plains how such fees are consistent with Executive Order
2 No. 13642.

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

9 SEC. 119A. None of the funds made available by or
10 limited by this Act may be used to change weight restric-
11 tions or prior permission rules at Teterboro airport in
12 Teterboro, New Jersey.

13 SEC. 119B. None of the funds made available by this
14 Act may be used by the Administrator of the Federal Avia-
15 tion Administration to withhold from consideration and
16 approval any new application for participation in the con-
17 tract tower program, or for reevaluation of cost-share pro-
18 gram participants so long as the Federal Aviation Admin-
19 istration has received an application from the airport, and
20 so long as the Administrator determines such tower is eli-
21 gible using the factors set forth in Federal Aviation Ad-
22 ministration published establishment criteria.

23 SEC. 119C. None of the funds made available by this
24 Act may be used to open, close, redesignate as a lesser
25 office, or reorganize a regional office, the aeronautical cen-

1 ter, or the technical center unless the Administrator sub-
 2 mits a request for the reprogramming of funds under sec-
 3 tion 405 of this Act.

4 SEC. 119D. Section 44502(e) of title 49, United
 5 States Code, shall be applied by inserting the following
 6 after paragraph (4):

7 “(5) LIMITATIONS.—

8 “(A) SYSTEMS OR EQUIPMENT.—Eligible
 9 air traffic systems or equipment identified in
 10 subparagraphs (A) through (C) of paragraph
 11 (3) of this subsection to be transferred to the
 12 Administrator under this subsection must have
 13 been purchased by the transferor airport on or
 14 after October 5, 2018.

15 “(B) OTHER SYSTEMS OR EQUIPMENT.—
 16 Eligible air traffic systems or equipment identi-
 17 fied in subparagraph (D) of paragraph (3) of
 18 this subsection to be transferred to the Admin-
 19 istrator under this subsection must have been
 20 purchased by the transferor airport on or after
 21 October 1, 2024.

22 “(6) AIRPORTS CLASSIFIED AS A BASIC OR
 23 LOCAL GENERAL AVIATION AIRPORT.—An airport
 24 that is categorized as a basic or local general avia-
 25 tion airport under the most recently published na-

1 tional plan of integrated airport systems under sec-
2 tion 47103 may only transfer an eligible air traffic
3 system or equipment under this subsection in ac-
4 cordance with the exception provided in paragraph
5 (4) if such system or equipment was purchased by
6 the transferor airport on or after October 1, 2024.”.

7 SEC. 119E. None of the funds in this or any other
8 Act shall be used to plan, design, or implement the privat-
9 ization or separation of the air traffic organization func-
10 tions of the Federal Aviation Administration.

11 SEC. 119F. None of the funds appropriated or other-
12 wise made available by this or any other Act may be used
13 for the construction of a new Air Traffic Control Training
14 Academy except for the Federal Aviation Administration’s
15 existing Training Academy located at the Mike Monroney
16 Aeronautical Center.

17 SEC. 119G. Notwithstanding section 40122(c) of title
18 49, United States Code, for this year and thereafter, the
19 Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration, in
20 consultation with the Federal Air Surgeon, may increase
21 the annual rate of basic pay for positions in the Office
22 of Aerospace Medicine requiring a medical degree up to
23 the annual compensation paid under section 102 of title
24 3, United States Code.

1 SEC. 119H. The Administrator of the Federal Avia-
 2 tion Administration is directed to provide a spend plan
 3 and a briefing within 30 days of enactment of this Act,
 4 and each month thereafter during fiscal year 2026, to the
 5 House and Senate Committees on Appropriations on all
 6 activities and efforts funded by this Act and section 40003
 7 of Public Law 119–21 for the Federal Aviation Adminis-
 8 tration’s air traffic control modernization efforts: *Pro-*
 9 *vided*, That the Administrator shall make available for
 10 each briefing the Federal Aviation Administration’s Chief
 11 Financial Officer and the Assistant Administrator for Pol-
 12 icy, International Affairs, and Environment, and the Fed-
 13 eral Aviation Administration’s Air Traffic Organization’s
 14 Chief Operating Officer and Chief Technology Officer.

15 FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION

16 LIMITATION ON ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

17 (HIGHWAY TRUST FUND)

18 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

19 Not to exceed \$507,435,977 together with advances
 20 and reimbursements received by the Federal Highway Ad-
 21 ministration, shall be obligated for necessary expenses for
 22 administration and operation of the Federal Highway Ad-
 23 ministration: *Provided*, That in addition, \$3,248,000 shall
 24 be transferred to the Appalachian Regional Commission

1 in accordance with section 104(a) of title 23, United
 2 States Code.

3 FEDERAL-AID HIGHWAYS

4 (LIMITATION ON OBLIGATIONS)

5 (HIGHWAY TRUST FUND)

6 Funds available for the implementation or execution
 7 of authorized Federal-aid highway and highway safety
 8 construction programs shall not exceed total obligations
 9 of \$62,657,105,821 for fiscal year 2026: *Provided*, That
 10 the limitation on obligations under this heading shall only
 11 apply to contract authority authorized from the Highway
 12 Trust Fund (other than the Mass Transit Account), un-
 13 less otherwise specified in law: *Provided further*, That of
 14 the funds made available under this heading for the High-
 15 way Research and Development Program, \$8,000,000, to
 16 remain available until expended, shall be for research lead-
 17 ing to sustainable stormwater management technologies
 18 and techniques to reduce the impacts of 6PPD and 6PPD-
 19 quinone on salmon-bearing streams: *Provided further*,
 20 That the Federal Highway Administration shall imple-
 21 ment this research as specified under the heading
 22 “Stormwater Management” in the report accompanying
 23 this Act: *Provided further*, That of the funds made avail-
 24 able under this heading for the Highway Research and
 25 Development Program, \$5,000,000, shall be to carry out

1 section 11502 of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs
2 Act (23 U.S.C. 148 note).

3 (LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)

4 (HIGHWAY TRUST FUND)

5 For the payment of obligations incurred in carrying
6 out authorized Federal-aid highway and highway safety
7 construction programs, \$63,396,105,821 shall be derived
8 from the Highway Trust Fund (other than the Mass Tran-
9 sit Account), to remain available until expended.

10 HIGHWAY INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAMS

11 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

12 There is hereby appropriated to the Secretary
13 \$1,136,425,000, of which \$555,200,000 shall be derived
14 from the unobligated balances of amounts previously ap-
15 propriated under the heading “Federal Highway Adminis-
16 tration—Highway Infrastructure Programs” in division J
17 of Public Law 117–58, as follows: (1) \$24,000,000 from
18 amounts previously appropriated for fiscal years 2023,
19 2024, and 2025 for operations and administration of the
20 Federal Highway Administration; (2) \$75,000,000 from
21 amounts previously appropriated for fiscal year 2022 in
22 paragraph (2) for the Joint Office of Energy and Trans-
23 portation; (3) \$220,000,000 from amounts previously ap-
24 propriated for fiscal years 2023, 2024, and 2025 in para-
25 graph (2) for grants to States or localities that require

1 additional assistance to strategically deploy electric vehicle
 2 charging infrastructure; and (4) \$236,200,000 from
 3 amounts that will become available for fiscal year 2026
 4 in paragraph (2), of which \$100,000,000 shall be from
 5 the grants to States or localities that require additional
 6 assistance to strategically deploy electric vehicle charging
 7 infrastructure and of which \$15,000,000 shall be from the
 8 operations and administration of the Federal Highway Ad-
 9 ministration: *Provided*, That amounts derived by transfer
 10 as described in the matter preceding this proviso shall con-
 11 tinue to be treated as amounts specified in section 103(b)
 12 of division A of Public Law 118–5: *Provided further*, That
 13 the funds made available under this heading shall be in
 14 addition to any funds provided for fiscal year 2026 in this
 15 or any other Act for: (1) “Federal-aid Highways” under
 16 chapter 1 of title 23, United States Code; (2) the Appa-
 17 lachian development highway system as authorized under
 18 section 1069(y) of Public Law 102–240; (3) activities eli-
 19 gible under the Tribal transportation program under sec-
 20 tion 202 of title 23, United States Code; (4) activities eli-
 21 gible under the Federal lands transportation program
 22 under section 203 of such title; (5) activities eligible under
 23 the Federal land access program under section 204 of
 24 such title; (6) the Northern Border Regional Commission
 25 (40 U.S.C. 15101 et seq.); (7) the Southwest Border Re-

1 gional Commission (40 U.S.C. 15101 et seq.); (8) the
 2 Denali Commission; or (9) activities eligible under chapter
 3 5 of title 23, United States Code, and shall not affect the
 4 distribution or amount of funds provided in any other Act:
 5 *Provided further*, That, except for the funds made avail-
 6 able under this heading for the Northern Border Regional
 7 Commission, the Southwest Border Regional Commission,
 8 and the Denali Commission, section 11101(e) of Public
 9 Law 117–58 shall apply to funds made available under
 10 this heading: *Provided further*, That amounts made avail-
 11 able under this heading shall not be subject to any limita-
 12 tion on obligations for Federal-aid highways or highway
 13 safety construction programs set forth in any Act making
 14 annual appropriations: *Provided further*, That of the sums
 15 appropriated under this heading—

16 (1) \$581,225,000, which shall be derived from
 17 the general fund and shall be available until Sep-
 18 tember 30, 2029, shall be for the projects, and in
 19 the amounts, specified for congressionally directed
 20 spending in the table entitled “Congressionally Di-
 21 rected Spending” included in the report accom-
 22 panying this Act: *Provided*, That amounts made
 23 available in the preceding proviso for such projects
 24 shall not diminish or prejudice any application or ge-
 25 ographic region for other discretionary grant or loan

1 awards made by the Department of Transportation:
2 *Provided further*, That, except as otherwise provided
3 under this heading, the funds made available under
4 this paragraph shall be administered as if appor-
5 tioned under chapter 1 of title 23, United States
6 Code: *Provided further*, That funds made available
7 under this paragraph that are used for Tribal
8 projects shall be administered as if allocated under
9 chapter 2 of title 23, United States Code, except
10 that the set-asides described in subparagraph (C) of
11 section 202(b)(3) of title 23, United States Code,
12 and subsections (a)(6), (c), and (e) of section 202 of
13 such title, and section 1123(h)(1) of MAP-21 (as
14 amended by Public Law 117-58), shall not apply to
15 such funds;

16 (2) \$50,000,000 shall be for necessary expenses
17 for construction of the Appalachian development
18 highway system, as authorized under section
19 1069(y) of Public Law 102-240: *Provided*, That for
20 the purposes of funds made available under this
21 paragraph, the term “Appalachian State” means a
22 State that contains 1 or more counties (including
23 any political subdivision located within the area) in
24 the Appalachian region as defined in section
25 14102(a) of title 40, United States Code: *Provided*

1 *further*, That funds made available under this head-
2 ing for construction of the Appalachian development
3 highway system shall remain available until ex-
4 pended: *Provided further*, That, except as provided in
5 the following proviso, funds made available under
6 this heading for construction of the Appalachian de-
7 velopment highway system shall be administered as
8 if apportioned under chapter 1 of title 23, United
9 States Code: *Provided further*, That a project carried
10 out with funds made available under this heading for
11 construction of the Appalachian development high-
12 way system shall be carried out in the same manner
13 as a project under section 14501 of title 40, United
14 States Code: *Provided further*, That subject to the
15 following proviso, funds made available under this
16 heading for construction of the Appalachian develop-
17 ment highway system shall be apportioned to Appa-
18 lachian States according to the percentages derived
19 from the 2012 Appalachian development highway
20 system cost-to-complete estimate, adopted in Appa-
21 lachian Regional Commission Resolution Number
22 736, and confirmed as each Appalachian State's rel-
23 ative share of the estimated remaining need to com-
24 plete the Appalachian development highway system,
25 adjusted to exclude those corridors that such States

1 have no current plans to complete, as reported in the
2 2013 Appalachian Development Highway System
3 Completion Report, unless those States have modi-
4 fied and assigned a higher priority for completion of
5 an Appalachian development highway system cor-
6 ridor, as reported in the 2020 Appalachian Develop-
7 ment Highway System Future Outlook: *Provided*
8 *further*, That the Secretary shall adjust apporportion-
9 ments made under the preceding proviso so that no
10 Appalachian State shall be apportioned an amount
11 in excess of 30 percent of the amount made available
12 for construction of the Appalachian development
13 highway system under this heading: *Provided fur-*
14 *ther*, That the Secretary shall consult with the Appa-
15 lachian Regional Commission in making adjustments
16 under the preceding two provisos: *Provided further*,
17 That the Federal share of the costs for which an ex-
18 penditure is made for construction of the Appa-
19 lachian development highway system under this
20 heading shall be up to 100 percent;

21 (3) \$5,000,000 shall be transferred to the
22 Southwest Border Regional Commission (40 U.S.C.
23 15101 et seq.) to make grants, in addition to
24 amounts otherwise made available to the Southwest
25 Border Regional Commission for such purpose, for

1 authorized activities, including for administration of
2 grants or cooperative agreements to support inter-
3 jurisdictional planning activities advancing transpor-
4 tation infrastructure: *Provided*, That a grant made
5 with funds made available under this paragraph
6 shall be administered in the same manner as a grant
7 made under subtitle V of title 40, United States
8 Code;

9 (4) \$5,000,000 shall be transferred to the
10 Northern Border Regional Commission (40 U.S.C.
11 15101 et seq.) to make grants, in addition to
12 amounts otherwise made available to the Northern
13 Border Regional Commission for such purpose, to
14 carry out pilot projects that demonstrate the capa-
15 bilities of wood-based infrastructure projects: *Pro-*
16 *vided*, That a grant made with funds made available
17 under this paragraph shall be administered in the
18 same manner as a grant made under subtitle V of
19 title 40, United States Code;

20 (5) \$5,000,000 shall be transferred to the
21 Denali Commission for activities eligible under sec-
22 tion 307(d) of the Denali Commission Act of 1998
23 (42 U.S.C. 3121 note; Public Law 105–277): *Pro-*
24 *vided*, That funds made available under this para-
25 graph shall not be subject to section 311 of such

1 Act: *Provided further*, That except as otherwise pro-
2 vided under section 307(e) of such Act or this head-
3 ing, funds made available under this paragraph shall
4 be administered as if directly appropriated to the
5 Denali Commission and subject to applicable provi-
6 sions of such Act, including the requirement in sec-
7 tion 307(e) of such Act that the local community
8 provides a 10 percent non-Federal match in the
9 form of any necessary land or planning and design
10 funds: *Provided further*, That such funds shall be
11 available until expended: *Provided further*, That the
12 Federal share of the costs for which an expenditure
13 is made with funds transferred under this paragraph
14 shall be up to 90 percent;

15 (6) \$15,000,000 shall be transferred to the
16 Denali Commission to carry out the Denali access
17 system program under section 309 of the Denali
18 Commission Act of 1998 (42 U.S.C. 3121 note;
19 Public Law 105–277): *Provided*, That a transfer
20 under this paragraph shall not be subject to section
21 311 of such Act: *Provided further*, That except as
22 otherwise provided under this heading, funds made
23 available under this paragraph shall be administered
24 as if directly appropriated to the Denali Commission
25 and subject to applicable provisions of such Act:

1 *Provided further*, That funds made available under
2 this paragraph shall not be subject to section
3 309(j)(2) of such Act: *Provided further*, That funds
4 made available under this paragraph shall be avail-
5 able until expended: *Provided further*, That the Fed-
6 eral share of the costs for which an expenditure is
7 made with funds transferred under this paragraph
8 shall be up to 100 percent;

9 (7) \$3,000,000 shall be to carry out the polli-
10 nator-friendly practices on roadsides and highway
11 rights-of-way program under section 332 of title 23,
12 United States Code;

13 (8) \$10,000,000 shall be for the national scenic
14 byways program under section 162 of title 23,
15 United States Code: Provided, That, except as other-
16 wise provided under this heading, the funds made
17 available under this paragraph shall be administered
18 as if apportioned under chapter 1 of title 23, United
19 States Code;

20 (9) \$25,000,000 shall be to carry out the Tribal
21 high priority projects program under section 1123 of
22 MAP-21 (as amended by Public Law 117-58);

23 (10) \$62,200,000 shall be for capital construc-
24 tion grants under the Reconnecting Communities
25 Pilot Program as authorized under section 11509(d)

1 of division A of the Infrastructure Investment and
 2 Jobs Act (Public Law 117–58): *Provided*, That
 3 funds made available under this paragraph shall
 4 only be available for projects in States that pre-
 5 viously received a competitive grant award and
 6 signed a grant agreement of not less than
 7 \$145,000,000 under section 177 of title 23, United
 8 States Code, and such funds were subsequently re-
 9 scinded by an act of Congress;

10 (11) \$350,000,000 shall be for a competitive
 11 highway bridge program for States that—

12 (A) have—

13 (i) a population density of less than
 14 115 individuals per square mile; or

15 (ii) a population of less than
 16 1,100,000 individuals; and

17 (B) have—

18 (i) less than 26 percent of total
 19 bridges classified as in good condition; or

20 (ii) greater than or equal to 4.9 per-
 21 cent of total bridges classified as in poor
 22 condition:

23 *Provided*, That any such State with more than 14
 24 percent of total bridges classified as in poor condi-
 25 tion shall receive not less than \$32,500,000 of the

1 funds made available in this paragraph for grant ap-
2 plications for projects eligible under this paragraph:
3 *Provided further*, That if the Secretary determines
4 that eligible applications from any such State meet-
5 ing the criteria under the preceding proviso are in-
6 sufficient to make awards of at least \$32,500,000,
7 the Secretary shall use the unutilized amounts to
8 provide other grants to States eligible under this
9 paragraph: *Provided further*, That no State shall be
10 awarded more than \$55,000,000 in awards from
11 funds made available under this paragraph for grant
12 applications for projects eligible under this para-
13 graph: *Provided further*, That the funds made avail-
14 able under this paragraph shall be used for highway
15 bridge replacement or rehabilitation projects on pub-
16 lic roads that demonstrate cost savings by bundling
17 multiple highway bridge projects and, except as oth-
18 erwise provided in this heading, shall be adminis-
19 tered as if apportioned under chapter 1 of title 23,
20 United States Code: *Provided further*, That the re-
21 quirements of section 144(j)(5) of title 23, United
22 States Code, shall not apply to funds made available
23 under this paragraph: *Provided further*, That for
24 purposes of this paragraph, the Secretary shall cal-
25 culate population and population density figures

1 based on the latest available data from the decennial
2 census conducted under section 141(a) of title 13,
3 United States Code: *Provided further*, That for pur-
4 poses of this paragraph, the Secretary shall calculate
5 the percentages of bridge counts (including the per-
6 centages of bridge counts classified as in poor and
7 good condition) based on the national bridge inven-
8 tory as of June 2024; and

9 (12) \$25,000,000 shall be for a competitive
10 Type 3 highway bridge program for the replacement
11 or rehabilitation of bridges that—(A) are owned by
12 a county; (B) are classified as a Type 3 bridge by
13 the Bureau of Reclamation; (C) are eligible under
14 the Federal lands access program, as described in
15 section 204 of title 23, United States Code; and (D)
16 cross a water conveyance structure owned by the
17 Bureau of Reclamation: *Provided*, That the Sec-
18 retary, in consultation with the Bureau of Reclama-
19 tion, shall prioritize awards to projects that will lead
20 to—(i) improved water delivery; (ii) improved bridge
21 conditions; and (iii) improved safety, efficiency, and
22 reliability of the movement of people and goods over
23 Type 3 bridges crossing a water conveyance struc-
24 ture owned by the Bureau of Reclamation: *Provided*
25 *further*, That only a county owning a bridge meeting

1 the conditions in this paragraph shall be an eligible
2 applicant for a grant under this paragraph: *Provided*
3 *further*, That, except as otherwise provided under
4 this heading, funds made available under this para-
5 graph shall be administered as if allocated under
6 section 204 of such title, except that such funds
7 shall not be subject to subsections (b) or (c) of such
8 section: *Provided further*, That for the purposes of
9 funds made available under this paragraph, the term
10 “Type 3 bridge” means a bridge classified as a Type
11 3 bridge by the Bureau of Reclamation as defined
12 in its Reclamation Manual Directives and Standards
13 FAC 07–01 (as updated on June 9, 2023): *Provided*
14 *further*, That funds made available under this para-
15 graph shall remain available until expended: *Pro-*
16 *vided further*, That the Federal share of the costs for
17 which an expenditure is made with funds made
18 available under this paragraph shall be 100 percent:
19 *Provided further*, That the Secretary of Transpor-
20 tation shall issue the notice of funding opportunity
21 for the funds made available under this paragraph
22 no later than 60 days after enactment of this Act:
23 *Provided further*, That the Secretary of Transpor-
24 tation shall make grants for the funds made avail-

1 able under this paragraph no later than 270 days
 2 after enactment of this Act.

3 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—FEDERAL HIGHWAY

4 ADMINISTRATION

5 (INCLUDING RESCISSIONS)

6 SEC. 120. (a) For fiscal year 2026, the Secretary of
 7 Transportation shall—

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

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

13 (B) amounts authorized for the Bureau of
 14 Transportation Statistics;

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

18 (A) made available from the Highway
 19 Trust Fund (other than the Mass Transit Ac-
 20 count) for Federal-aid highway and highway
 21 safety construction programs for previous fiscal
 22 years the funds for which are allocated by the
 23 Secretary (or apportioned by the Secretary
 24 under section 202 or 204 of title 23, United
 25 States Code); and

1 (B) for which obligation limitation was
2 provided in a previous fiscal year;

3 (3) determine the proportion that—

4 (A) the obligation limitation for Federal-
5 aid highways, less the aggregate of amounts not
6 distributed under paragraphs (1) and (2) of
7 this subsection; bears to

8 (B) the total of the sums authorized to be
9 appropriated for the Federal-aid highway and
10 highway safety construction programs (other
11 than sums authorized to be appropriated for
12 provisions of law described in paragraphs (1)
13 through (11) of subsection (b) and sums au-
14 thorized to be appropriated for section 119 of
15 title 23, United States Code, equal to the
16 amount referred to in subsection (b)(12) for
17 such fiscal year), less the aggregate of the
18 amounts not distributed under paragraphs (1)
19 and (2) of this subsection;

20 (4) distribute the obligation limitation for Fed-
21 eral-aid highways, less the aggregate amounts not
22 distributed under paragraphs (1) and (2), for each
23 of the programs (other than programs to which
24 paragraph (1) applies) that are allocated by the Sec-
25 retary under authorized Federal-aid highway and

1 highway safety construction programs, or appor-
2 tioned by the Secretary under section 202 or 204 of
3 title 23, United States Code, by multiplying—

4 (A) the proportion determined under para-
5 graph (3); by

6 (B) the amounts authorized to be appro-
7 priated for each such program for such fiscal
8 year; and

9 (5) distribute the obligation limitation for Fed-
10 eral-aid highways, less the aggregate amounts not
11 distributed under paragraphs (1) and (2) and the
12 amounts distributed under paragraph (4), for Fed-
13 eral-aid highway and highway safety construction
14 programs that are apportioned by the Secretary
15 under title 23, United States Code (other than the
16 amounts apportioned for the national highway per-
17 formance program in section 119 of title 23, United
18 States Code, that are exempt from the limitation
19 under subsection (b)(12) and the amounts appor-
20 tioned under sections 202 and 204 of that title) in
21 the proportion that—

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

1 (B) the total of the amounts authorized to
2 be appropriated for the programs that are ap-
3 portioned under title 23, United States Code, to
4 all States for such fiscal year.

5 (b) EXCEPTIONS FROM OBLIGATION LIMITATION.—
6 The obligation limitation for Federal-aid highways shall
7 not apply to obligations under or for—

8 (1) section 125 of title 23, United States Code;

9 (2) section 147 of the Surface Transportation
10 Assistance Act of 1978 (23 U.S.C. 144 note; 92
11 Stat. 2714);

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

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

17 (5) subsections (b) and (c) of section 149 of the
18 Surface Transportation and Uniform Relocation As-
19 sistance Act of 1987 (101 Stat. 198);

20 (6) sections 1103 through 1108 of the Inter-
21 modal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of
22 1991 (105 Stat. 2027);

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

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

5 (9) Federal-aid highway programs for which ob-
6 ligation authority was made available under the
7 Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century
8 (112 Stat. 107) or subsequent Acts for multiple
9 years or to remain available until expended, but only
10 to the extent that the obligation authority has not
11 lapsed or been used;

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

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

22 (12) section 119 of title 23, United States Code
23 (but, for each of fiscal years 2013 through 2026,
24 only in an amount equal to \$639,000,000).

1 (c) REDISTRIBUTION OF UNUSED OBLIGATION AU-
2 THORITY.—Notwithstanding subsection (a), the Secretary
3 shall, after August 1 of such fiscal year—

4 (1) revise a distribution of the obligation limita-
5 tion made available under subsection (a) if an
6 amount distributed cannot be obligated during that
7 fiscal year; and

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

16 (d) APPLICABILITY OF OBLIGATION LIMITATIONS TO
17 TRANSPORTATION RESEARCH PROGRAMS.—

18 (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-
19 graph (2), the obligation limitation for Federal-aid
20 highways shall apply to contract authority for Fed-
21 eral-aid transportation research programs carried
22 out under—(A) chapter 5 of title 23, United States
23 Code; (B) title VI of the Fixing America’s Surface
24 Transportation Act; and (C) title III of division A

1 of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (Pub-
 2 lic Law 117–58).

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

5 (A) remain available for a period of 4 fis-
 6 cal years; and

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

11 (e) REDISTRIBUTION OF CERTAIN AUTHORIZED
 12 FUNDS.—

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

19 (A) are authorized to be appropriated for
 20 such fiscal year for Federal-aid highway pro-
 21 grams; and

22 (B) the Secretary determines will not be
 23 allocated to the States (or will not be appor-
 24 tioned to the States under section 204 of title
 25 23, United States Code), and will not be avail-

1 able for obligation, for such fiscal year because
2 of the imposition of any obligation limitation for
3 such fiscal year.

4 (2) **RATIO.**—Funds shall be distributed under
5 paragraph (1) in the same proportion as the dis-
6 tribution of obligation authority under subsection
7 (a)(5).

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

12 **SEC. 121.** Notwithstanding 31 U.S.C. 3302, funds re-
13 ceived by the Bureau of Transportation Statistics from the
14 sale of data products, for necessary expenses incurred pur-
15 suant to chapter 63 of title 49, United States Code, may
16 be credited to the Federal-aid highways account for the
17 purpose of reimbursing the Bureau for such expenses.

18 **SEC. 122.** Not less than 15 days prior to waiving,
19 under his or her statutory authority, any Buy America re-
20 quirement for Federal-aid highways projects, the Sec-
21 retary of Transportation shall make an informal public no-
22 tice and comment opportunity on the intent to issue such
23 waiver and the reasons therefor: *Provided*, That the Sec-
24 retary shall post on a website any waivers granted under
25 the Buy America requirements.

1 SEC. 123. None of the funds made available in this
2 Act may be used to make a grant for a project under sec-
3 tion 117 of title 23, United States Code, unless the Sec-
4 retary, at least 60 days before making a grant under that
5 section, provides written notification to the House and
6 Senate Committees on Appropriations of the proposed
7 grant, including an evaluation and justification for the
8 project and the amount of the proposed grant award.

9 SEC. 124. (a) A State or territory, as defined in sec-
10 tion 165 of title 23, United States Code, may use for any
11 project eligible under section 133(b) of title 23 or section
12 165 of title 23 and located within the boundary of the
13 State or territory any earmarked amount, and any associ-
14 ated obligation limitation: *Provided*, That the Department
15 of Transportation for the State or territory for which the
16 earmarked amount was originally designated or directed
17 notifies the Secretary of its intent to use its authority
18 under this section and submits an annual report to the
19 Secretary identifying the projects to which the funding
20 would be applied. Notwithstanding the original period of
21 availability of funds to be obligated under this section,
22 such funds and associated obligation limitation shall re-
23 main available for obligation for a period of 3 fiscal years
24 after the fiscal year in which the Secretary is notified. The
25 Federal share of the cost of a project carried out with

1 funds made available under this section shall be the same
2 as associated with the earmark.

3 (b) In this section, the term “earmarked amount”
4 means—

5 (1) congressionally directed spending, as de-
6 fined in rule XLIV of the Standing Rules of the
7 Senate, identified in a prior law, report, or joint ex-
8 planatory statement, which was authorized to be ap-
9 propriated or appropriated more than 10 fiscal years
10 prior to the current fiscal year, and administered by
11 the Federal Highway Administration; or

12 (2) a congressional earmark, as defined in rule
13 XXI of the Rules of the House of Representatives,
14 identified in a prior law, report, or joint explanatory
15 statement, which was authorized to be appropriated
16 or appropriated more than 10 fiscal years prior to
17 the current fiscal year, and administered by the Fed-
18 eral Highway Administration.

19 (c) The authority under subsection (a) may be exer-
20 cised only for those projects or activities that have obli-
21 gated less than 10 percent of the amount made available
22 for obligation as of October 1 of the current fiscal year,
23 and shall be applied to projects within the same general
24 geographic area within 25 miles for which the funding was
25 designated, except that a State or territory may apply

1 such authority to unexpended balances of funds from
2 projects or activities the State or territory certifies have
3 been closed and for which payments have been made under
4 a final voucher.

5 (d) The Secretary shall submit consolidated reports
6 of the information provided by the States and territories
7 annually to the House and Senate Committees on Appro-
8 priations.

9 SEC. 125. The remaining unobligated balances, as of
10 September 30, 2026, from amounts made available for
11 “Department of Transportation—Federal Highway Ad-
12 ministration—Highway Infrastructure Programs” in divi-
13 sion J of Public Law 117–58 for the Nationally Signifi-
14 cant Freight and Highway Projects program under section
15 117 of title 23, United States Code, for fiscal year 2023
16 are hereby permanently rescinded, and an amount of addi-
17 tional new budget authority equivalent to the amount re-
18 scinded pursuant to this section is hereby appropriated on
19 September 30, 2026, for an additional amount for fiscal
20 year 2026, to remain available until September 30, 2031,
21 and shall be available, without additional competition, for
22 completing the funding of awards made pursuant to sec-
23 tion 117 of title 23, United States Code, for fiscal year
24 2023 funding, in addition to other funds as may be avail-
25 able for such purposes: *Provided*, That the amounts re-

1 scinded pursuant to this section that were previously des-
2 ignated by the Congress as an emergency requirement
3 pursuant to section 4112(a) of H. Con. Res. 71 (115th
4 Congress), the concurrent resolution on the budget for fis-
5 cal year 2018, and to section 251(b) of the Balanced
6 Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 are
7 designated by the Congress as an emergency requirement
8 pursuant to 4001(a)(1) of S. Con. Res 14 (117th Con-
9 gress), the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal
10 year 2022, and to legislation establishing fiscal year 2026
11 budget enforcement in the House of Representatives: *Pro-*
12 *vided further*, That the amount of additional new budget
13 authority provided by this section is designated by the
14 Congress as being for an emergency requirement pursuant
15 to such section 4001(a)(1) and to legislation establishing
16 fiscal year 2026 budget enforcement in the House of Rep-
17 resentatives.

18 SEC. 126. The remaining unobligated balances, as of
19 September 30, 2026, from amounts made available for
20 “Department of Transportation—Federal Highway Ad-
21 ministration—Highway Infrastructure Programs” in divi-
22 sion J of Public Law 117–58 for the bridge investment
23 program under section 124 of title 23, United States
24 Code, for fiscal year 2023 are hereby permanently re-
25 scinded, and an amount of additional new budget author-

1 ity equivalent to the amount rescinded pursuant to this
2 section is hereby appropriated on September 30, 2026, for
3 an additional amount for fiscal year 2026, to remain avail-
4 able until September 30, 2031, and shall be available,
5 without additional competition, for completing the funding
6 of awards made pursuant to section 124 of title 23, United
7 States Code, for fiscal year 2023 funding, in addition to
8 other funds as may be available for such purposes: *Pro-*
9 *vided*, That the amounts rescinded pursuant to this sec-
10 tion that were previously designated by the Congress as
11 an emergency requirement pursuant to section 4112(a) of
12 H. Con. Res. 71 (115th Congress), the concurrent resolu-
13 tion on the budget for fiscal year 2018, and to section
14 251(b) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit
15 Control Act of 1985 are designated by the Congress as
16 an emergency requirement pursuant to 4001(a)(1) of S.
17 Con. Res 14 (117th Congress), the concurrent resolution
18 on the budget for fiscal year 2022, and to legislation es-
19 tablishing fiscal year 2026 budget enforcement in the
20 House of Representatives: *Provided further*, That the
21 amount of additional new budget authority provided by
22 this section is designated by the Congress as being for an
23 emergency requirement pursuant to such section
24 4001(a)(1) and to legislation establishing fiscal year 2026
25 budget enforcement in the House of Representatives.

1 SEC. 127. Not later than 30 days after enactment
2 of this Act, the Secretary of Transportation shall issue up-
3 dated draft National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure
4 (NEVI) Formula Program Guidance for public comment:
5 *Provided*, That not later than 120 days after enactment
6 of this Act, the Secretary of Transportation shall issue
7 final NEVI Formula Program Guidance.

8 SEC. 128. (a) If this Act is enacted on or before Sep-
9 tember 30, 2025, the remaining unobligated balances, as
10 of September 30, 2025, from amounts made available for
11 “Department of Transportation—Federal Highway Ad-
12 ministration—Highway Infrastructure Programs” in divi-
13 sion L of Public Law 117–103 for competitive awards for
14 activities eligible under section 176(d)(4)(A) and
15 176(d)(4)(C) of title 23, United States Code, for fiscal
16 year 2022 are hereby permanently rescinded, and an
17 amount of additional new budget authority equivalent to
18 the amount rescinded pursuant to this section is hereby
19 appropriated on September 30, 2025, for an additional
20 amount for fiscal year 2025, to remain available until Sep-
21 tember 30, 2030, and shall be available, without additional
22 competition, for completing the funding of awards made
23 pursuant to section 176 of title 23, United States Code,
24 for fiscal year 2022 funding, in addition to other funds
25 as may be available for such purposes: *Provided*, That this

1 section shall become effective immediately upon enactment
2 of this Act.

3 (b) The remaining unobligated balances, as of Sep-
4 tember 30, 2026, from amounts made available for “De-
5 partment of Transportation—Federal Highway Adminis-
6 tration—Highway Infrastructure Programs” in division L
7 of Public Law 117–328 for competitive awards for activi-
8 ties eligible under section 176(d)(4)(A) and 176(d)(4)(C)
9 of title 23, United States Code, for fiscal year 2023 are
10 hereby permanently rescinded, and an amount of addi-
11 tional new budget authority equivalent to the amount re-
12 scinded pursuant to this section is hereby appropriated on
13 September 30, 2026, for an additional amount for fiscal
14 year 2026, to remain available until September 30, 2031,
15 and shall be available, without additional competition, for
16 completing the funding of awards made pursuant to sec-
17 tion 176 of title 23, United States Code, for fiscal year
18 2023 funding, in addition to other funds as may be avail-
19 able for such purposes.

1 FEDERAL MOTOR CARRIER SAFETY ADMINISTRATION

2 MOTOR CARRIER SAFETY OPERATIONS AND PROGRAMS

3 (LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)

4 (LIMITATION ON OBLIGATIONS)

5 (HIGHWAY TRUST FUND)

6 For payment of obligations incurred in the implemen-
7 tation, execution and administration of motor carrier safe-
8 ty operations and programs pursuant to section 31110 of
9 title 49, United States Code, as amended by the Infra-
10 structure Investment and Jobs Act (Public Law 117–58),
11 \$390,000,000, to be derived from the Highway Trust
12 Fund (other than the Mass Transit Account), together
13 with advances and reimbursements received by the Fed-
14 eral Motor Carrier Safety Administration, the sum of
15 which shall remain available until expended: *Provided*,
16 That funds available for implementation, execution, or ad-
17 ministration of motor carrier safety operations and pro-
18 grams authorized under title 49, United States Code, shall
19 not exceed total obligations of \$390,000,000, for “Motor
20 Carrier Safety Operations and Programs” for fiscal year
21 2026: *Provided further*, That of the amounts made avail-
22 able under this heading—

23 (1) not less than \$63,098,000, to remain avail-
24 able for obligation until September 30, 2028, shall
25 be for development, modernization, enhancement,

1 and continued operation and maintenance of infor-
 2 mation technology and information management;
 3 and

4 (2) \$14,073,000, to remain available for obliga-
 5 tion until September 30, 2028, shall be for the re-
 6 search and technology program: *Provided further*,
 7 That the activities funded in paragraphs (1) and (2)
 8 in the preceding proviso may be accomplished
 9 through direct expenditures, direct research activi-
 10 ties, grants, cooperative agreements, contracts,
 11 intra-agency or interagency agreements, or other
 12 agreements with public organizations.

13 MOTOR CARRIER SAFETY GRANTS

14 (LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)

15 (LIMITATION ON OBLIGATIONS)

16 (HIGHWAY TRUST FUND)

17 For payment of obligations incurred in carrying out
 18 sections 31102, 31103, 31104, and 31313 of title 49,
 19 United States Code, \$536,600,000, to be derived from the
 20 Highway Trust Fund (other than the Mass Transit Ac-
 21 count) and to remain available until expended: *Provided*,
 22 That funds available for the implementation or execution
 23 of motor carrier safety programs shall not exceed total ob-
 24 ligations of \$536,600,000 in fiscal year 2026 for “Motor

1 Carrier Safety Grants”: *Provided further*, That of the
 2 amounts made available under this heading—

3 (1) \$422,500,000, to remain available for obli-
 4 gation until September 30, 2027, shall be for the
 5 motor carrier safety assistance program;

6 (2) \$45,200,000, to remain available for obliga-
 7 tion until September 30, 2027, shall be for the com-
 8 mercial driver’s license program implementation pro-
 9 gram;

10 (3) \$62,400,000, to remain available for obliga-
 11 tion until September 30, 2027, shall be for the high
 12 priority program;

13 (4) \$1,500,000, to remain available for obliga-
 14 tion until September 30, 2027, shall be for the com-
 15 mercial motor vehicle operators grant program; and

16 (5) \$5,000,000, to remain available for obliga-
 17 tion until September 30, 2027, shall be for the com-
 18 mercial motor vehicle enforcement training and sup-
 19 port grant program.

20 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—FEDERAL MOTOR

21 CARRIER SAFETY ADMINISTRATION

22 SEC. 130. None of the funds appropriated or other-
 23 wise made available to the Department of Transportation
 24 by this Act or any other Act may be obligated or expended
 25 to implement, administer, or enforce the requirements of

1 section 31137 of title 49, United States Code, or any regu-
2 lation issued by the Secretary pursuant to such section,
3 with respect to the use of electronic logging devices by op-
4 erators of commercial motor vehicles, as defined in section
5 31132(1) of such title, transporting livestock as defined
6 in section 602 of the Emergency Livestock Feed Assist-
7 ance Act of 1988 (7 U.S.C. 1471) or insects.

8 SEC. 131. None of the funds made available by this
9 or any other Act may be used to require the use of inward
10 facing cameras by a motor carrier or require a motor car-
11 rier to register an apprenticeship program with the De-
12 partment of Labor as a condition for participation in the
13 safe driver apprenticeship pilot program.

14 SEC. 132. The Secretary shall update the Depart-
15 ment's regulations to ensure that non-compliance with sec-
16 tion 391.11(b)(2) of title 49, Code of Federal Regulations,
17 triggers an out-of-service order.

18 SEC. 133. The Secretary shall submit to the House
19 and Senate Committees on Appropriations information on
20 the number of certificates issued by training providers on
21 the training provider registry not later than 90 days after
22 enactment of this Act and bi-annually after initial submis-
23 sion of such information: *Provided*, That the Secretary
24 shall submit a plan to the House and Senate Committees
25 on Appropriations, including any resource requirements,

1 on how the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration
 2 will conduct regular audits of the training provider reg-
 3 istry not later than 120 days after enactment of this Act.

4 NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION
 5 OPERATIONS AND RESEARCH
 6 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

7 For expenses necessary to discharge the functions of
 8 the Secretary, with respect to traffic and highway safety,
 9 authorized under chapter 301 and part C of subtitle VI
 10 of title 49, United States Code, \$210,000,000, of which
 11 \$65,000,000 shall remain available through September
 12 30, 2027, and of which \$145,000,000 shall be derived by
 13 transfer from the unobligated balances of amounts pre-
 14 viously appropriated in division J of the Infrastructure In-
 15 vestment and Jobs Act (Public Law 117–58) as follows:
 16 (1) \$95,000,000 from amounts previously appropriated
 17 for fiscal years 2023, 2024, and 2025, and amounts that
 18 will become available for fiscal year 2026 in paragraph
 19 (3) under the heading “Department of Transportation—
 20 National Highway Traffic Safety Administration—Sup-
 21 plemental Highway Traffic Safety Programs”; and (2)
 22 \$50,000,000 from amounts that will become available for
 23 fiscal year 2026 under the heading “Department of
 24 Transportation—National Highway Traffic Safety Admin-
 25 istration—Crash Data”: *Provided*, That amounts derived

1 by transfer as described in the matter preceding this pro-
 2 viso shall continue to be treated as amounts specified in
 3 section 103(b) of division A of Public Law 118–5.

4 OPERATIONS AND RESEARCH

5 (LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)

6 (LIMITATION ON OBLIGATIONS)

7 (HIGHWAY TRUST FUND)

8 For payment of obligations incurred in carrying out
 9 the provisions of section 403 of title 23, United States
 10 Code, including behavioral research on automated driving
 11 systems and advanced driver assistance systems and im-
 12 proving consumer responses to safety recalls, section
 13 25024 of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act
 14 (Public Law 117–58), and chapter 303 of title 49, United
 15 States Code, \$209,600,000, to be derived from the High-
 16 way Trust Fund (other than the Mass Transit Account)
 17 and to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That
 18 none of the funds in this Act shall be available for the
 19 planning or execution of programs the total obligations for
 20 which, in fiscal year 2026, are in excess of \$209,600,000:
 21 *Provided further*, That of the sums appropriated under
 22 this heading—

23 (1) \$202,000,000 shall be for programs author-
 24 ized under section 403 of title 23, United States
 25 Code, including behavioral research on automated

1 driving systems and advanced driver assistance sys-
 2 tems and improving consumer responses to safety
 3 recalls, and section 25024 of the Infrastructure In-
 4 vestment and Jobs Act (Public Law 117–58); and

5 (2) \$7,600,000 shall be for the national driver
 6 register authorized under chapter 303 of title 49,
 7 United States Code:

8 *Provided further*, That within the \$209,600,000 obligation
 9 limitation for operations and research, \$57,500,000 shall
 10 remain available until September 30, 2027, and shall be
 11 in addition to the amount of any limitation imposed on
 12 obligations for future years: *Provided further*, That
 13 amounts for behavioral research on automated driving sys-
 14 tems and advanced driver assistance systems and improv-
 15 ing consumer responses to safety recalls are in addition
 16 to any other funds provided for those purposes for fiscal
 17 year 2026 in this Act.

18 HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY GRANTS

19 (LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)

20 (LIMITATION ON OBLIGATIONS)

21 (HIGHWAY TRUST FUND)

22 For payment of obligations incurred in carrying out
 23 provisions of sections 402, 404, and 405 of title 23,
 24 United States Code, and grant administration expenses
 25 under chapter 4 of title 23, United States Code, to remain

1 available until expended, \$849,654,625, to be derived from
 2 the Highway Trust Fund (other than the Mass Transit
 3 Account): *Provided*, That none of the funds in this Act
 4 shall be available for the planning or execution of pro-
 5 grams for which the total obligations in fiscal year 2026
 6 are in excess of \$849,654,625 for programs authorized
 7 under sections 402, 404, and 405 of title 23, United
 8 States Code, and grant administration expenses under
 9 chapter 4 of title 23, United States Code: *Provided further*,
 10 That of the sums appropriated under this heading—

11 (1) \$393,400,000 shall be for highway safety
 12 programs under section 402 of title 23, United
 13 States Code;

14 (2) \$367,500,000 shall be for national priority
 15 safety programs under section 405 of title 23,
 16 United States Code;

17 (3) \$44,300,000 shall be for the high visibility
 18 enforcement program under section 404 of title 23,
 19 United States Code; and

20 (4) \$44,454,625 shall be for grant administra-
 21 tive expenses under chapter 4 of title 23, United
 22 States Code:

23 *Provided further*, That none of these funds shall be used
 24 for construction, rehabilitation, or remodeling costs, or for
 25 office furnishings and fixtures for State, local or private

1 buildings or structures: *Provided further*, That not to ex-
 2 ceed \$500,000 of the funds made available for national
 3 priority safety programs under section 405 of title 23,
 4 United States Code, for impaired driving countermeasures
 5 (as described in subsection (d) of that section) shall be
 6 available for technical assistance to the States: *Provided*
 7 *further*, That with respect to the “Transfers” provision
 8 under section 405(a)(10) of title 23, United States Code,
 9 any amounts transferred to increase the amounts made
 10 available under section 402 shall include the obligation au-
 11 thority for such amounts: *Provided further*, That the Ad-
 12 ministrator shall notify the House and Senate Committees
 13 on Appropriations of any exercise of the authority granted
 14 under the preceding proviso or under section 405(a)(10)
 15 of title 23, United States Code, within 5 days.

16 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—NATIONAL HIGHWAY
 17 TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION

18 SEC. 140. The limitations on obligations for the pro-
 19 grams of the National Highway Traffic Safety Adminis-
 20 tration set in this Act shall not apply to obligations for
 21 which obligation authority was made available in previous
 22 public laws but only to the extent that the obligation au-
 23 thority has not lapsed or been used.

24 SEC. 141. An additional \$130,000 shall be made
 25 available to the National Highway Traffic Safety Adminis-

1 tration, out of the amount limited for section 402 of title
 2 23, United States Code, to pay for travel and related ex-
 3 penses for State management reviews and to pay for core
 4 competency development training and related expenses for
 5 highway safety staff.

6 FEDERAL RAILROAD ADMINISTRATION

7 SAFETY AND OPERATIONS

8 For necessary expenses of the Federal Railroad Ad-
 9 ministration, not otherwise provided for, \$264,549,000, of
 10 which \$25,000,000 shall remain available until expended.

11 RAILROAD RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

12 For necessary expenses for railroad research and de-
 13 velopment, \$43,000,000, to remain available until ex-
 14 pended: *Provided*, That of the amounts provided under
 15 this heading, up to \$3,000,000 shall be available pursuant
 16 to section 20108(d) of title 49, United States Code, for
 17 the construction, alteration, and repair of buildings and
 18 improvements at the Transportation Technology Center:
 19 *Provided further*, That of the amounts provided under this
 20 heading, not less than \$2,500,000 shall be available pursu-
 21 ant to section 20108(j) of title 49, United States Code,
 22 to establish and maintain a center of excellence.

17 CONSOLIDATED RAIL INFRASTRUCTURE AND SAFETY
18 IMPROVEMENTS
19 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

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1 projects, and in the amounts, specified for congressionally
2 directed spending in the table entitled “Congressionally
3 Directed Spending” included in the report accompanying
4 this Act: *Provided further*, That amounts made available
5 in the preceding proviso for such projects shall not dimin-
6 ish or prejudice any application or geographic region for
7 other discretionary grant or loan awards made by the De-
8 partment of Transportation: *Provided further*, That re-
9 quirements under subsections (g) and (l) of section 22907
10 of title 49, United States Code, shall not apply to the first
11 proviso under this heading in this Act: *Provided further*,
12 That of the amounts made available under this heading
13 in this Act, \$100,000,000 shall be available to the Sec-
14 retary to distribute as discretionary grants under this
15 heading in this Act, of which \$55,200,000 shall remain
16 available until expended, and of which \$44,800,000 shall
17 be derived by transfer from the unobligated balances of
18 amounts that will become available for fiscal year 2026
19 in paragraph (2) under the heading “Federal Highway
20 Administration—Highway Infrastructure Programs” in
21 division J of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act
22 (Public Law 117–58): *Provided further*, That amounts de-
23 rived by transfer as described in the preceding proviso
24 shall continue to be treated as amounts specified in section
25 103(b) of division A of Public Law 118–5: *Provided fur-*

1 *ther*, That for amounts made available under this heading
 2 in this Act, eligible projects under section 22907(c)(8) of
 3 title 49, United States Code, shall also include railroad
 4 systems planning (including the preparation of regional
 5 intercity passenger rail plans and State rail plans) and
 6 railroad project development activities (including railroad
 7 project planning, preliminary engineering, design, environ-
 8 mental analysis, feasibility studies, and the development
 9 and analysis of project alternatives): *Provided further*,
 10 That section 22905(f) of title 49, United States Code,
 11 shall not apply to amounts made available under this
 12 heading in this Act for projects that implement or sustain
 13 positive train control systems otherwise eligible under sec-
 14 tion 22907(c)(1) of title 49, United States Code: *Provided*
 15 *further*, That amounts made available under this heading
 16 in this Act for projects selected for commuter rail pas-
 17 senger transportation may be transferred by the Sec-
 18 retary, after selection, to the appropriate agencies to be
 19 administered in accordance with chapter 53 of title 49,
 20 United States Code: *Provided further*, That for amounts
 21 made available under this heading in this Act, eligible re-
 22 cipients under section 22907(b)(7) of title 49, United
 23 States Code, shall include any holding company of a Class
 24 II railroad or Class III railroad (as those terms are de-
 25 fined in section 20102 of title 49, United States Code):

1 *Provided further*, That section 22907(e)(1)(A) of title 49,
 2 United States Code, shall not apply to amounts made
 3 available under this heading in this Act: *Provided further*,
 4 That section 22907(e)(1)(A) of title 49, United States
 5 Code, shall not apply to amounts made available under
 6 this heading in previous fiscal years if such funds are an-
 7 nounced in a notice of funding opportunity that includes
 8 funds made available under this heading in this Act: *Pro-*
 9 *vided further*, That the preceding proviso shall not apply
 10 to funds made available under this heading in the Infra-
 11 structure Investment and Jobs Act (division J of Public
 12 Law 117–58): *Provided further*, That unobligated balances
 13 remaining after 6 years from the date of enactment of this
 14 Act may be used for any eligible project under section
 15 22907(c) of title 49, United States Code: *Provided further*,
 16 That the Secretary may withhold up to 2 percent of the
 17 amounts made available under this heading in this Act for
 18 the costs of award and project management oversight of
 19 grants carried out under title 49, United States Code.

20 NORTHEAST CORRIDOR GRANTS TO THE NATIONAL
 21 RAILROAD PASSENGER CORPORATION

22 To enable the Secretary of Transportation to make
 23 grants to the National Railroad Passenger Corporation for
 24 activities associated with the Northeast Corridor as au-
 25 thorized by section 22101(a) of division B of the Infra-

1 structure Investment and Jobs Act (Public Law 117–58),
 2 \$850,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Pro-*
 3 *vided*, That the Secretary may retain up to one-half of
 4 1 percent of the amounts made available under both this
 5 heading in this Act and the “National Network Grants
 6 to the National Railroad Passenger Corporation” heading
 7 in this Act to fund the costs of project management and
 8 oversight of activities authorized by section 22101(c) of
 9 the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (Public Law
 10 117–58): *Provided further*, That in addition to the project
 11 management oversight funds authorized under section
 12 22101(c) of division B of the Infrastructure Investment
 13 and Jobs Act (Public Law 117–58), the Secretary shall
 14 retain an additional \$5,000,000 of the amounts made
 15 available under this heading in this Act to fund expenses
 16 associated with the Northeast Corridor Commission estab-
 17 lished under section 24905 of title 49, United States Code.

18 NATIONAL NETWORK GRANTS TO THE NATIONAL

19 RAILROAD PASSENGER CORPORATION

20 To enable the Secretary of Transportation to make
 21 grants to the National Railroad Passenger Corporation for
 22 activities associated with the National Network as author-
 23 ized by section 22101(b) of division B of the Infrastruc-
 24 ture Investment and Jobs Act (Public Law 117–58),
 25 \$1,577,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Pro-*

1 *vided*, That the Secretary shall retain an additional
2 \$3,000,000 of the funds provided under this heading in
3 this Act to fund expenses associated with the State-Sup-
4 ported Route Committee established under section 24712
5 of title 49, United States Code: *Provided further*, That
6 none of the funds provided under this heading in this Act
7 shall be used by Amtrak to give notice under subsection
8 (a) or (c) of section 24706 of title 49, United States Code,
9 with respect to long-distance routes (as defined in section
10 24102 of title 49, United States Code) on which Amtrak
11 is the sole operator on a host railroad's line and a positive
12 train control system is not required by law or regulation,
13 or, except in an emergency or during maintenance or con-
14 struction outages impacting such routes, to otherwise dis-
15 continue, reduce the frequency of, suspend, or substan-
16 tially alter the route of rail service on any portion of such
17 route operated in fiscal year 2018, including implementa-
18 tion of service permitted by section 24305(a)(3)(A) of title
19 49, United States Code, in lieu of rail service: *Provided*
20 *further*, That the National Railroad Passenger Corpora-
21 tion may use up to \$66,000,000 of the amounts made
22 available under this heading in this Act for corridor devel-
23 opment activities as authorized by section 22101(h) of di-
24 vision B of Public Law 117–58: *Provided further*, That
25 \$5,000,000 of the amounts made available under this

1 heading in this Act shall be for the modernization project
 2 identified in the report accompanying this Act.

3 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—FEDERAL RAILROAD

4 ADMINISTRATION

5 (INCLUDING RESCISSIONS)

6 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

7 SEC. 150. The amounts made available to the Sec-
 8 retary or to the Federal Railroad Administration for the
 9 costs of award, administration, and project management
 10 oversight of financial assistance which are administered
 11 by the Federal Railroad Administration, in this and prior
 12 Acts, may be transferred to the Federal Railroad Adminis-
 13 tration's "Financial Assistance Oversight and Technical
 14 Assistance" account for the necessary expenses to support
 15 the award, administration, project management oversight,
 16 and technical assistance of financial assistance adminis-
 17 tered by the Federal Railroad Administration, in the same
 18 manner as appropriated for in this and prior Acts: *Pro-*
 19 *vided*, That this section shall not apply to amounts that
 20 were previously designated by the Congress as an emer-
 21 gency requirement pursuant to a concurrent resolution on
 22 the budget or the Balanced Budget and Emergency Def-
 23 icit Control Act of 1985.

24 SEC. 151. None of the funds made available to the
 25 National Railroad Passenger Corporation may be used to

1 fund any overtime costs in excess of \$35,000 for any indi-
2 vidual employee: *Provided*, That the President of Amtrak
3 may waive the cap set in the preceding proviso for specific
4 employees when the President of Amtrak determines such
5 a cap poses a risk to the safety and operational efficiency
6 of the system: *Provided further*, That the President of Am-
7 trak shall report to the House and Senate Committees on
8 Appropriations no later than 60 days after the date of en-
9 actment of this Act, a summary of all overtime payments
10 incurred by Amtrak for 2025 and the three prior calendar
11 years: *Provided further*, That such summary shall include
12 the total number of employees that received waivers and
13 the total overtime payments Amtrak paid to employees re-
14 ceiving waivers for each month for 2025 and for the three
15 prior calendar years.

16 SEC. 152. None of the funds made available by this
17 Act may be used by the National Railroad Passenger Cor-
18 poration in contravention of the Worker Adjustment and
19 Retraining Notification Act (29 U.S.C. 2101 et seq.).

20 SEC. 153. None of the funds made available to the
21 National Railroad Passenger Corporation under the head-
22 ings “Northeast Corridor Grants to the National Railroad
23 Passenger Corporation” and “National Network Grants to
24 the National Railroad Passenger Corporation” may be
25 used to reduce the total number of Amtrak Police Depart-

1 ment uniformed officers patrolling on board passenger
2 trains or at stations, facilities or rights-of-way below the
3 staffing level on May 1, 2019.

4 SEC. 154. For amounts made available under the
5 heading “Federal-State Partnership for Intercity Pas-
6 senger Rail” for fiscal year 2026 in this Act and in title
7 VIII of division J of Public Law 117–58, the Union Sta-
8 tion Redevelopment Corporation shall be considered an en-
9 tity eligible to receive a grant under section 24911(a) of
10 title 49, United States Code: *Provided*, That section
11 24911(f)(2) of title 49 shall not apply to grants made
12 available to the Union Station Redevelopment Corpora-
13 tion.

14 SEC. 155. It is the sense of Congress that—

15 (1) long-distance passenger rail routes provide
16 much-needed transportation access for 4,200,000
17 riders in 39 States and the District of Columbia and
18 are particularly important in rural areas; and

19 (2) long-distance passenger rail routes and
20 services should be sustained to ensure connectivity
21 throughout the National Network (as defined in sec-
22 tion 24102 of title 49, United States Code).

23 SEC. 156. Of the unobligated balances of funds re-
24 maining from—

1 (1) “Railroad Safety Grants” account totaling
2 \$795,331.70 appropriated by Public Law 114–113 is
3 hereby permanently rescinded;

4 (2) “Grants to the National Railroad Passenger
5 Corporation” account totaling \$20.00 appropriated
6 by Public Law 104–50 is hereby permanently re-
7 scinded;

8 (3) “Capital Assistance to States—Intercity
9 Passenger Rail Grant Program” account totaling
10 \$292,181.41 appropriated by Public Law 111–8 is
11 hereby permanently rescinded;

12 (4) “Capital Assistance for High Speed Rail
13 Corridors and Intercity Passenger Rail Service” ac-
14 count totaling \$9,912.54 appropriated by Public
15 Law 111–117 is hereby permanently rescinded;

16 (5) “Railroad Research and Development” ac-
17 count totaling \$1,008,385 appropriated by Public
18 Law 109–115 is hereby permanently rescinded; and

19 (6) “National Network Grants to the National
20 Railroad Passenger Corporation” account totaling
21 \$76,633.70 appropriated by Public Law 115–31 is
22 hereby permanently rescinded.

1 FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION
2 TRANSIT FORMULA GRANTS
3 (LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)
4 (LIMITATION ON OBLIGATIONS)
5 (HIGHWAY TRUST FUND)

6 For payment of obligations incurred in the Federal
7 public transportation assistance program in this account,
8 and for payment of obligations incurred in carrying out
9 the provisions of 49 U.S.C. 5305, 5307, 5310, 5311,
10 5312, 5314, 5318, 5329(e)(6), 5334, 5335, 5337, 5339,
11 and 5340, section 20005(b) of Public Law 112–141, and
12 section 3006(b) of Public Law 114–94, \$14,642,000,000,
13 to be derived from the Mass Transit Account of the High-
14 way Trust Fund and to remain available until expended:
15 *Provided*, That funds available for the implementation or
16 execution of programs authorized under 49 U.S.C. 5305,
17 5307, 5310, 5311, 5312, 5314, 5318, 5329(e)(6), 5334,
18 5335, 5337, 5339, and 5340, section 20005(b) of Public
19 Law 112–141, and section 3006(b) of Public Law 114–
20 94, shall not exceed total obligations of \$14,642,000,000
21 in fiscal year 2026.

22 TRANSIT INFRASTRUCTURE GRANTS

23 For an additional amount for ferry boat grants under
24 section 5307(h) of title 49, United States Code, Tribal
25 technical assistance under section 5311(b)(3)(C) of such

1 title, bus testing facilities under section 5318 of such title,
 2 accelerating innovative mobility initiative grants under
 3 section 5312 of such title, congressionally directed spend-
 4 ing for projects and activities eligible under chapter 53
 5 of such title, ferry service for rural communities under sec-
 6 tion 71103 of division G of Public Law 117–58, and oper-
 7 ating assistance to improve public safety in transit sys-
 8 tems, \$140,857,000, to remain available until expended:
 9 *Provided*, That of the sums provided under this heading
 10 in this Act—

11 (1) \$30,000,000 shall be available for ferry
 12 boat grants as authorized under section 5307(h) of
 13 such title: *Provided*, That of the amounts provided
 14 in this paragraph, no less than \$7,000,000 shall be
 15 available for low or zero emission ferries or ferries
 16 using electric battery or fuel cell components and the
 17 infrastructure to support such ferries;

18 (2) \$500,000 shall be available for technical as-
 19 sistance and resources to Tribes through the na-
 20 tional rural transportation assistance program au-
 21 thorized under section 5311(b)(3)(C) of such title;

22 (3) \$1,500,000 shall be available for the oper-
 23 ation and maintenance of the bus testing facilities
 24 selected under section 5318 of such title;

1 (4) \$5,000,000 shall be available for the accel-
2 erating innovative mobility initiative as authorized
3 under section 5312 of title 49, United States Code:
4 Provided, That such amounts shall be available for
5 competitive grants to improve mobility and enhance
6 the rider experience with a focus on innovative serv-
7 ice delivery models, creative financing, novel partner-
8 ships, and integrated payment solutions in order to
9 help disseminate proven innovation mobility prac-
10 tices throughout the public transportation industry;

11 (5) \$58,857,000 shall be available for the
12 projects, and in the amounts, specified for congres-
13 sionally directed spending in the table entitled “Con-
14 gressionally Directed Spending” included in the re-
15 port accompanying this Act: *Provided*, That amounts
16 made available in this paragraph for such projects
17 shall not diminish or prejudice any application or ge-
18 ographic region for other discretionary grant or loan
19 awards made by the Department of Transportation:
20 *Provided further*, That unless otherwise specified, ap-
21 plicable requirements under chapter 53 of title 49,
22 United States Code, shall apply to amounts made
23 available in this paragraph, except that the Federal
24 share of the costs for a project in this paragraph
25 shall be in an amount equal to 80 percent of the net

1 costs of the project, unless the Secretary approves a
2 higher maximum Federal share of the net costs of
3 the project consistent with administration of similar
4 projects funded under chapter 53 of title 49, United
5 States Code;

6 (6) \$25,000,000 shall be available for ferry
7 service for rural communities under section 71103 of
8 division G of Public Law 117–58: *Provided*, That for
9 amounts made available in this paragraph, notwith-
10 standing section 71103(a)(2)(B), eligible service
11 shall include passenger ferry service that serves at
12 least two rural areas with a single segment over 15
13 miles between the two rural areas: *Provided further*,
14 That for amounts made available in this paragraph,
15 notwithstanding section 71103(e)(1) and
16 71103(e)(2), eligible service shall include passenger
17 ferry service that receives funds apportioned under
18 chapter 53 of title 49, United States Code: *Provided*
19 *further*, That entities that provide eligible service
20 pursuant to the preceding two provisos may use
21 amounts made available in this paragraph for public
22 transportation capital projects to support any ferry
23 service between two rural areas; and

24 (7) \$20,000,000 shall be available for costs re-
25 lated to operating equipment and facilities for use in

1 public transportation to improve public safety in
2 transit systems: *Provided*, That the Secretary shall
3 provide amounts made available in this paragraph as
4 if such amounts were provided under section 5307
5 of title 49, United States Code, as applicable: *Pro-*
6 *vided further*, That notwithstanding subsection
7 (a)(1) or (a)(2) of section 5307 of such title,
8 amounts made available in this paragraph shall be
9 available for the operating cost of equipment and fa-
10 cilities for use in public transportation eligible under
11 section 5307 of such title: *Provided further*, That
12 amounts made available in this paragraph shall be
13 for eligible recipients under section 5307 of such
14 title for such operating costs to improve public safe-
15 ty, reduce crime, and increase security in transit
16 systems: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall
17 allocate amounts made available in this paragraph to
18 the 10 eligible recipients with the highest ridership
19 in fiscal year 2024: *Provided further*, That amounts
20 shall be provided to eligible recipients proportionally
21 based on ridership in fiscal year 2024: *Provided fur-*
22 *ther*, That no eligible recipient may receive an alloca-
23 tion of more than 50 percent of the total amounts
24 made available in this paragraph: *Provided further*,
25 That the Secretary shall distribute any excess funds

1 above the 50 percent threshold in the preceding pro-
2 viso to all other eligible recipients in this paragraph
3 proportionally based on ridership in fiscal year 2024:
4 *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall allocate
5 amounts made available in this paragraph to eligible
6 recipients no later than 30 days after the date of en-
7 actment of this Act:

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

14 TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND TRAINING

15 For necessary expenses to carry out section 5314 of
16 title 49, United States Code, \$7,500,000, to remain avail-
17 able until September 30, 2027: *Provided*, That the assist-
18 ance provided under this heading does not duplicate the
19 activities of section 5311(b) or section 5312 of title 49,
20 United States Code: *Provided further*, That amounts made
21 available under this heading are in addition to any other
22 amounts made available for such purposes: *Provided fur-*
23 *ther*, That amounts made available under this heading
24 shall not be subject to any limitation on obligations set
25 forth in this or any other Act.

CAPITAL INVESTMENT GRANTS

For necessary expenses to carry out fixed guideway capital investment grants under section 5309 of title 49, United States Code, and section 3005(b) of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (Public Law 114–94), \$1,950,000,000, to remain available until expended, of which \$100,000,000 shall be allocated to projects authorized under section 3005(b) of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act: *Provided*, That the amounts made available under this heading in this Act shall be made available for the purposes, and in the amounts, specified in the table entitled “Allocation of FTA Capital Investment Grants Funding in this Act for Fiscal Year 2026” included in the report accompanying this Act: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall make allocations for amounts made available under this heading in this Act and under this heading in division J of Public Law 117–58 no later than 120 days after the enactment of this Act: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall continue to administer the capital investment grants program in accordance with the procedural and substantive requirements of section 5309 of title 49, United States Code, and of section 3005(b) of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act: *Provided further*, That projects that receive a grant agreement under the expedited project delivery for

1 capital investment grants pilot program under section
 2 3005(b) of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation
 3 Act shall be deemed eligible for funding provided for
 4 projects under section 5309 of title 49, United States
 5 Code, without further evaluation or rating under such sec-
 6 tion: *Provided further*, That such funding shall not exceed
 7 the Federal share under section 3005(b): *Provided further*,
 8 That for funds made available under this heading in divi-
 9 sion J of Public Law 117-58 the second through sixth
 10 provisos shall be treated as inapplicable for fiscal year
 11 2026: *Provided further*, That amounts repurposed under
 12 this heading in this Act shall continue to be treated as
 13 amounts specified in section 103(b) of division A of Public
 14 Law 118-5.

15 GRANTS TO THE WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA

16 TRANSIT AUTHORITY

17 For grants to the Washington Metropolitan Area
 18 Transit Authority as authorized under section 601 of divi-
 19 sion B of the Passenger Rail Investment and Improvement
 20 Act of 2008 (Public Law 110-432), \$150,000,000, to re-
 21 main available until expended: *Provided*, That the Sec-
 22 retary of Transportation shall approve grants for capital
 23 and preventive maintenance expenditures for the Wash-
 24 ington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority only after re-
 25 ceiving and reviewing a request for each specific project:

1 *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall determine that
 2 the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority has
 3 placed the highest priority on those investments that will
 4 improve the safety of the system before approving such
 5 grants.

6 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—FEDERAL TRANSIT

7 ADMINISTRATION

8 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

9 SEC. 160. The limitations on obligations for the pro-
 10 grams of the Federal Transit Administration shall not
 11 apply to any authority under 49 U.S.C. 5338, previously
 12 made available for obligation, or to any other authority
 13 previously made available for obligation.

14 SEC. 161. Notwithstanding any other provision of
 15 law, funds appropriated or limited by this Act under the
 16 heading “Capital Investment Grants” of the Federal
 17 Transit Administration for projects specified in this Act
 18 not obligated by September 30, 2029, and other recov-
 19 eries, shall be directed to projects eligible to use the funds
 20 for the purposes for which they were originally provided.

21 SEC. 162. Notwithstanding any other provision of
 22 law, any funds appropriated before October 1, 2025, under
 23 any section of chapter 53 of title 49, United States Code,
 24 that remain available for expenditure, may be transferred

1 to and administered under the most recent appropriation
2 heading for any such section.

3 SEC. 163. None of the funds made available by this
4 Act or any other Act shall be used to adjust apportion-
5 ments or withhold funds from apportionments pursuant
6 to section 9503(e)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code of
7 1986 (26 U.S.C. 9503(e)(4)).

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

15 SEC. 165. (a) Of the unobligated balances made
16 available for the “Rural Transportation Accessibility In-
17 centive Program” under section 3038 of Public Law 105–
18 178, \$4,072,214 shall be transferred to and administered
19 under section 5311 of title 49, United States Code.

20 (b) Of the unobligated balances made available for
21 “New Freedom” under section 5317 of title 49, United
22 States Code, as amended by Public Law 109–59,
23 \$43,716,920 shall be transferred and administered under
24 section 5310 of title 49, United States Code.

1 SEC. 166. (a) Funds obligated in fiscal year 2026 for
2 grants under sections 5310 and 5311 of title 49, United
3 States Code, may be used for up to 100 percent of the
4 eligible net costs of a project, notwithstanding subsection
5 (d) of section 5310 and subsection (g) of section 5311 of
6 such title.

7 (b) Notwithstanding section 5339(b)(6)(B) of title
8 49, United States Code, the Federal share of the costs
9 for which an amount is provided in this Act to a federally
10 recognized Indian Tribe for activities carried out under
11 section 5339(b) of title 49, United States Code, may be,
12 at the option of such Indian Tribe, up to 100 percent.

13 (c) Notwithstanding section 5339(c)(7)(A) of title 49,
14 United States Code, the Federal share of the costs for
15 which an amount is provided in this Act to a federally
16 recognized Indian Tribe for activities carried out under
17 section 5339(c) of title 49, United States Code, may be,
18 at the option of such Indian Tribe, up to 100 percent.

19 SEC. 167. Section 5323 of title 49, United States
20 Code, is amended in subsection (q)—

21 (1) in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by
22 striking “CORRIDOR PRESERVATION” and inserting
23 “REAL PROPERTY INTERESTS”;

24 (2) in paragraph (1)—

1 (A) by striking “right-of-way” each time it
2 appears and inserting “real property interests”;
3 and

4 (B) by inserting “acquired” after “may
5 use the”; and

6 (3) in paragraph (2), by striking “Right-of-
7 way” and inserting “Real property interests”.

8 SEC. 168. None of the funds made available under
9 this Act shall be used in awarding or amending a contract
10 or subcontract to an entity that, at any time on or after
11 December 20, 2019, met the criteria described in section
12 5323(u) of title 49, United States Code, or to any entity
13 resulting from a reorganization or restructuring of such
14 entity, or to any successor, subsidiary, affiliate, joint ven-
15 ture, or co-owned enterprise of such an entity, without re-
16 gard to whether such reorganized or restructured entity,
17 successor, subsidiary, affiliate, joint venture, or co-owned
18 enterprise meets the criteria under such section.

19 SEC. 169. Of the unobligated balances made available
20 for the following programs authorized by Public Law 109–
21 59, the Secretary shall make \$68,000,000 available for
22 transportation assistance, including assistance with tran-
23 sit planning, capital projects, and operating assistance, for
24 surface, commuter, and public transportation systems nec-
25 essary to support the mobility needs of the international

1 quadrennial Olympic and Paralympic events as authorized
2 by section 1223(e) of Public Law 105–178—

3 (1) “Clean Fuels Grant Program” under sec-
4 tion 5308 of title 49, United States Code;

5 (2) “Alternatives Analysis Program” under sec-
6 tion 5339 of title 49, United States Code;

7 (3) “Job Access and Reverse Commute For-
8 mula Grants” under section 5316 of title 49, United
9 States Code;

10 (4) “bus and bus-related equipment and facili-
11 ties” under section 5309 of title 49, United States
12 Code:

13 *Provided*, That such assistance shall be for any eligi-
14 ble entity as defined by section 6702 of title 49,
15 United States Code, that serves or supports service
16 to a venue that is part of the 2028 international
17 quadrennial Olympic or Paralympic events: *Provided*
18 *further*, That such assistance may be provided
19 through direct grants or cooperative agreements for
20 which the Federal share shall not exceed 80 percent,
21 with the exception of assistance for a supplement
22 public transportation bus system which shall be no
23 less than 90 percent: *Provided further*, That these
24 amounts shall be in addition to other amounts made
25 available for such purpose: *Provided further*, That

1 amounts made available in this section may be
 2 transferred to other operating administrations of the
 3 Department to administer the amounts made avail-
 4 able in this section as appropriate: *Provided further*,
 5 That any amounts that are no longer needed under
 6 that part may be made available for the original
 7 purposes: *Provided further*, That amounts made
 8 available in this section shall only be available for
 9 obligation for the purposes specifically authorized in
 10 this section in this Act for a period not to exceed
 11 two fiscal years after the official closing of the 2028
 12 international quadrennial Olympic and Paralympic
 13 events.

14 SEC. 169A. Of the unobligated balances made avail-
 15 able for the following programs authorized by Public Law
 16 109–59, the Secretary shall make \$78,115,871 available
 17 for costs related to the planning and operating equipment
 18 and facilities for use in public transportation that supple-
 19 ment regular transit services in support of matches or
 20 other public events held in domestic host cities for the
 21 FIFA World Cup 2026—

22 (1) “Alternative Transportation in Parks and
 23 Public Lands” under section 5320 of title 49,
 24 United States Code; and

1 (2) “bus and bus-related equipment and facili-
2 ties” under section 5309 of title 49, United States
3 Code:

4 *Provided*, That the Secretary shall provide amounts
5 made available in this section as if such amounts
6 were provided under sections 5307 or 5311 of title
7 49, United States Code, as applicable: *Provided fur-*
8 *ther*, That notwithstanding subsection (a)(1) or
9 (a)(2) of section 5307 of such title, amounts made
10 available in this section shall be available for the op-
11 erating cost of equipment and facilities for use in
12 public transportation eligible under sections 5307 or
13 5311 of such title: *Provided further*, That the Sec-
14 retary shall solicit applications for assistance no
15 later than 60 days after enactment of this Act and
16 shall request from applicants seeking assistance cost
17 estimates or demonstrated costs of supplemental
18 public transportation service related to the FIFA
19 World Cup 2026: *Provided further*, That the Sec-
20 retary shall evaluate applications for assistance
21 based on the cost estimates or demonstrated costs
22 submitted by applicants and shall award amounts
23 made available in this section based on the appli-
24 cant’s share of the total amount of cost estimates or
25 demonstrated costs received by the Secretary in re-

1 sponse to the solicitation in the preceding proviso:
2 *Provided further*, That unless otherwise specified, ap-
3 plicable requirements under chapter 53 of such title
4 shall apply to amounts made available in this sec-
5 tion, except that the Federal share of the costs for
6 which any grant is made from amounts made avail-
7 able in this section shall be, at the option of the re-
8 cipient, up to 80 percent: *Provided further*, That any
9 amounts that are no longer needed under this sec-
10 tion may be made available for the original purposes:
11 *Provided further*, That amounts made available in
12 this section shall only be available for obligation for
13 the purposes specifically authorized in this section in
14 this Act for a period not to exceed one fiscal year
15 after the official closing of the FIFA World Cup
16 2026 events.

17 GREAT LAKES ST. LAWRENCE SEAWAY DEVELOPMENT
18 CORPORATION

19 The Great Lakes St. Lawrence Seaway Development
20 Corporation is hereby authorized to make such expendi-
21 tures, within the limits of funds and borrowing authority
22 available to the Corporation, and in accord with law, and
23 to make such contracts and commitments without regard
24 to fiscal year limitations, as provided by section 9104 of
25 title 31, United States Code, as may be necessary in car-

1 rying out the programs set forth in the Corporation's
 2 budget for the current fiscal year.

3 OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE

4 (HARBOR MAINTENANCE TRUST FUND)

5 For necessary expenses to conduct the operations,
 6 maintenance, and capital infrastructure activities on por-
 7 tions of the St. Lawrence Seaway owned, operated, and
 8 maintained by the Great Lakes St. Lawrence Seaway De-
 9 velopment Corporation, \$40,624,000, to be derived from
 10 the Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund, pursuant to section
 11 210 of the Water Resources Development Act of 1986 (33
 12 U.S.C. 2238): *Provided*, That of the amounts made avail-
 13 able under this heading, not less than \$15,950,000 shall
 14 be for the seaway infrastructure program.

15 MARITIME ADMINISTRATION

16 MARITIME SECURITY PROGRAM

17 (INCLUDING RESCISSION)

18 For necessary expenses to maintain and preserve a
 19 U.S.-flag merchant fleet as authorized under chapter 531
 20 of title 46, United States Code, to serve the national secu-
 21 rity needs of the United States, \$390,000,000, to remain
 22 available until expended: *Provided*, That of the unobli-
 23 gated balances remaining from fiscal year 2021, 2022,
 24 2023, and 2024 appropriations made available under this
 25 heading, \$33,400,000 are hereby permanently rescinded.

1 CABLE SECURITY FLEET

2 (INCLUDING RESCISSION)

3 For the cable security fleet program, as authorized
4 under chapter 532 of title 46, United States Code,
5 \$10,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Pro-*
6 *vided*, That of the unobligated balances remaining from
7 fiscal year 2021 and 2022 appropriations made available
8 under this heading, \$12,000,000 are hereby permanently
9 rescinded.

10 TANKER SECURITY PROGRAM

11 (INCLUDING RESCISSION)

12 For Tanker Security Fleet payments, as authorized
13 under section 53406 of title 46, United States Code,
14 \$122,400,000, to remain available until expended: *Pro-*
15 *vided*, That of the unobligated balances remaining from
16 fiscal year 2022, 2023, and 2024 appropriations available
17 under this heading, \$77,000,000 are hereby permanently
18 rescinded.

19 OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

20 For necessary expenses of operations and training ac-
21 tivities authorized by law, \$240,898,000: *Provided*, That
22 of the sums appropriated under this heading—

23 (1) \$101,500,000 shall remain available until
24 September 30, 2027, for the operations of the
25 United States Merchant Marine Academy;

1 (2) \$50,000,000 shall remain available until ex-
2 pended for facilities maintenance and repair, and
3 equipment, at the United States Merchant Marine
4 Academy;

5 (3) \$10,000,000 shall remain available until ex-
6 pended for the capital improvement program at the
7 United States Merchant Marine Academy;

8 (4) \$2,000,000 shall remain available until Sep-
9 tember 30, 2027, for the maritime environmental
10 and technical assistance program authorized under
11 section 50307 of title 46, United States Code; and

12 (5) \$5,000,000 shall remain available until ex-
13 pended, for the United States marine highway pro-
14 gram to make grants for the purposes authorized
15 under section 55601 of title 46, United States Code:

16 *Provided further*, That the Administrator of the Maritime
17 Administration shall transmit to the House and Senate
18 Committees on Appropriations the annual report on sexual
19 assault and sexual harassment at the United States Mer-
20 chant Marine Academy as required pursuant to section
21 3510 of the National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal
22 year 2017 (46 U.S.C. 51318): *Provided further*, That the
23 Administrator of the Maritime Administration shall trans-
24 mit to the House and Senate Committees on Appropria-
25 tions an annual capital improvement program plan not

1 later than 30 days after the submission of the budget re-
 2 quest: *Provided further*, That available balances under this
 3 heading for the short sea transportation program or
 4 America's marine highway program (now known as the
 5 United States marine highway program) from prior year
 6 recoveries shall be available to carry out activities author-
 7 ized under section 55601 of title 46, United States Code.

8 STATE MARITIME ACADEMY OPERATIONS

9 For necessary expenses of operations, support, and
 10 training activities for State Maritime Academies,
 11 \$143,400,000: *Provided*, That of the sums appropriated
 12 under this heading—

13 (1) \$7,800,000 shall remain available until ex-
 14 pended for maintenance, repair, and life extension of
 15 training ships at the State Maritime Academies;

16 (2) \$115,000,000 shall remain available until
 17 expended for the national security multi-mission ves-
 18 sel program, of which—

19 (A) \$60,000,000 shall be for necessary ex-
 20 penses to design, plan, construct infrastructure,
 21 and purchase equipment necessary to berth
 22 such ships, as determined by the Secretary:
 23 *Provided*, That such funds may be used to re-
 24 imburse State Maritime Academies for costs in-

1 curred prior to the date of enactment of this
2 Act; and

3 (B) \$55,000,000 shall be for expenses re-
4 lated to the operation, integration, oversight,
5 and management of national security multi-mis-
6 sion vessel school ships, including insurance,
7 maintenance, repair, and equipment costs;

8 (3) \$4,800,000 shall remain available until Sep-
9 tember 30, 2030, for the student incentive program;

10 (4) \$9,800,000 shall remain available until ex-
11 pended for training ship fuel assistance; and

12 (5) \$6,000,000 shall remain available until Sep-
13 tember 30, 2027, for direct payments for State Mar-
14 itime Academies.

15 ASSISTANCE TO SMALL SHIPYARDS

16 To make grants to qualified shipyards as authorized
17 under section 54101 of title 46, United States Code,
18 \$30,000,000, to remain available until expended.

19 SHIP DISPOSAL

20 For necessary expenses related to the disposal of ob-
21 solete vessels in the National Defense Reserve Fleet of the
22 Maritime Administration, \$6,000,000, to remain available
23 until expended.

1 MARITIME GUARANTEED LOAN (TITLE XI) PROGRAM

2 ACCOUNT

3 (INCLUDING RESCISSION)

4 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

5 For administrative expenses to carry out the guaran-
6 teed loan program, \$3,940,000, which shall be transferred
7 to and merged with the appropriations for “Maritime Ad-
8 ministration—Operations and Training”: *Provided*, That
9 of the unobligated balances from prior year appropriations
10 available under this heading, \$25,000,000 are hereby per-
11 manently rescinded.

12 PORT INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

13 To make grants to improve port facilities as author-
14 ized under section 54301 of title 46, United States Code,
15 and section 3501(9) of the National Defense Authoriza-
16 tion Act for fiscal year 2025 (Public Law 118–159),
17 \$96,482,000, to remain available until expended: *Pro-*
18 *vided*, That of the sums appropriated under this heading
19 in this Act—

20 (1) \$75,000,000 shall be for projects for coastal
21 seaports, inland river ports, or Great Lakes ports:
22 *Provided*, That for grants awarded under this para-
23 graph in this Act, the minimum grant size shall be
24 \$1,000,000; and

1 (2) \$21,482,000 shall be for the projects, and
 2 in the amounts, specified for congressionally directed
 3 spending included in the table entitled “Congression-
 4 ally Directed Spending” included in the report ac-
 5 companying this Act: *Provided*, That amounts made
 6 available in this paragraph for such projects shall
 7 not diminish or prejudice any applicant or geo-
 8 graphic region for other discretionary grant or loan
 9 awards made by the Department of Transportation.

10 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—MARITIME

11 ADMINISTRATION

12 SEC. 170. Notwithstanding any other provision of
 13 this Act, in addition to any existing authority, the Mari-
 14 time Administration is authorized to furnish utilities and
 15 services and make necessary repairs in connection with
 16 any lease, contract, or occupancy involving Government
 17 property under control of the Maritime Administration:
 18 *Provided*, That payments received therefor shall be cred-
 19 ited to the appropriation charged with the cost thereof and
 20 shall remain available until expended: *Provided further*,
 21 That rental payments under any such lease, contract, or
 22 occupancy for items other than such utilities, services, or
 23 repairs shall be deposited into the Treasury as miscella-
 24 neous receipts.

1 PIPELINE AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SAFETY

2 ADMINISTRATION

3 OPERATIONAL EXPENSES

4 For necessary operational expenses of the Pipeline
5 and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration,
6 \$31,312,000, of which \$4,500,000 shall remain available
7 until September 30, 2028: *Provided*, That not less than
8 \$2,000,000 of the amounts made available under this
9 heading shall be for technical assistance grants as author-
10 ized under section 60130 of title 49, United States Code:
11 *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall issue a notice
12 of funding opportunity for such funds not later than 120
13 days after enactment of this Act: *Provided further*, That
14 the Secretary shall make grant awards for such funds not
15 later than August 30, 2026.

16 HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SAFETY

17 For expenses necessary to discharge the hazardous
18 materials safety functions of the Pipeline and Hazardous
19 Materials Safety Administration, \$73,660,000, of which
20 \$12,070,000 shall remain available until September 30,
21 2028, of which \$1,000,000 shall be made available for car-
22 rying out section 5107(i) of title 49, United States Code:
23 *Provided*, That up to \$800,000 in fees collected under sec-
24 tion 5108(g) of title 49, United States Code, shall be de-
25 posited in the general fund of the Treasury as offsetting

1 receipts: *Provided further*, That there may be credited to
 2 this appropriation, to be available until expended, funds
 3 received from States, counties, municipalities, other public
 4 authorities, and private sources for expenses incurred for
 5 training, for reports publication and dissemination, and
 6 for travel expenses incurred in performance of hazardous
 7 materials exemptions and approvals functions.

8 PIPELINE SAFETY

9 (PIPELINE SAFETY FUND)

10 (OIL SPILL LIABILITY TRUST FUND)

11 For expenses necessary to carry out a pipeline safety
 12 program, as authorized by section 60107 of title 49,
 13 United States Code, and to discharge the pipeline program
 14 responsibilities of the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 (Public
 15 Law 101–380), \$218,186,000, to remain available until
 16 September 30, 2028, of which \$30,000,000 shall be de-
 17 rived from the Oil Spill Liability Trust Fund; of which
 18 \$180,786,000 shall be derived from the Pipeline Safety
 19 Fund; of which \$200,000 shall be derived from the fees
 20 collected under section 60303 of title 49, United States
 21 Code, and deposited in the Liquefied Natural Gas Siting
 22 Account for compliance reviews of liquefied natural gas
 23 facilities; of which \$200,000 shall be derived from the fees
 24 collected under section 60117, of title 49, United States
 25 Code, and deposited in the Pipeline Safety Design Review

1 Account for facility design safety reviews; and of which
2 \$7,000,000 shall be derived from fees collected under sec-
3 tion 60302 of title 49, United States Code, and deposited
4 in the Underground Natural Gas Storage Facility Safety
5 Account for the purpose of carrying out section 60141 of
6 title 49, United States Code: *Provided*, That not less than
7 \$1,058,000 of the amounts made available under this
8 heading shall be for the one-call State grant program: *Pro-*
9 *vided further*, That any amounts made available under this
10 heading in this Act or in prior Acts for research contracts,
11 grants, cooperative agreements or research other trans-
12 actions agreements (OTAs) shall require written notifica-
13 tion to the House and Senate Committees on Appropria-
14 tions not less than 3 full business days before such re-
15 search contracts, grants, cooperative agreements, or re-
16 search OTAs are announced by the Department of Trans-
17 portation: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall
18 transmit to the House and Senate Committees on Appro-
19 priations the report on pipeline safety testing enhance-
20 ment as required pursuant to section 105 of the Pro-
21 tecting our Infrastructure of Pipelines and Enhancing
22 Safety Act of 2020 (division R of Public Law 116–260):
23 *Provided further*, That the Secretary may obligate
24 amounts made available under this heading to engineer,
25 erect, alter, and repair buildings or make any other public

1 improvements for research facilities at the Transportation
 2 Technology Center after the Secretary submits an updated
 3 research plan and the report in the preceding proviso to
 4 the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations and
 5 after such plan and report in the preceding proviso are
 6 approved by the House and Senate Committees on Appro-
 7 priations: *Provided further*, That of the amounts made
 8 available under this heading, not less than \$5,000,000 is
 9 for the National Center of Excellence for Liquefied Nat-
 10 ural Gas Safety authorized under section 111 of the Pro-
 11 tecting Our Infrastructure of Pipelines and Enhancing
 12 Safety Act of 2020 (PIPES) Act.

13 EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS GRANTS

14 (LIMITATION ON OBLIGATIONS)

15 (EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS FUND)

16 For expenses necessary to carry out the emergency
 17 preparedness grants program, not more than \$46,825,000
 18 shall remain available until September 30, 2028, from
 19 amounts made available by section 5116(h) and sub-
 20 sections (b) and (c) of section 5128 of title 49, United
 21 States Code: *Provided*, That notwithstanding section
 22 5116(h)(4) of title 49, United States Code, not more than
 23 4 percent of the amounts made available from this account
 24 shall be available to pay the administrative costs of car-
 25 rying out sections 5116, 5107(e), and 5108(g)(2) of title

1 49, United States Code: *Provided further*, That notwith-
 2 standing subsections (b) and (c) of section 5128 of title
 3 49, United States Code, and the limitation on obligations
 4 provided under this heading, prior year recoveries recog-
 5 nized in the current year shall be available to develop and
 6 deliver hazardous materials emergency response training
 7 for emergency responders, including response activities for
 8 the transportation of crude oil, ethanol, flammable liquids,
 9 and other hazardous commodities by rail, consistent with
 10 National Fire Protection Association standards, and to
 11 make such training available through an electronic format:
 12 *Provided further*, That the prior year recoveries made
 13 available under this heading shall also be available to carry
 14 out sections 5116(a)(1)(C), 5116(h), 5116(i), 5116(j),
 15 and 5107(e) of title 49, United States Code.

16 OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

17 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

18 For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector
 19 General to carry out the provisions of the Inspector Gen-
 20 eral Act of 1978, as amended, \$116,452,000: *Provided*,
 21 That the Inspector General shall have all necessary au-
 22 thority, in carrying out the duties specified in the Inspec-
 23 tor General Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. 401 et seq.), to
 24 investigate allegations of fraud, including false statements
 25 to the government (18 U.S.C. 1001), by any person or

1 entity that is subject to regulation by the Department of
 2 Transportation: *Provided further*, That none of the funds
 3 made available by this Act or any other Act shall be used
 4 to impede or prevent the Inspector General (or Acting In-
 5 spector General) of the Department of Transportation
 6 from exercising the independent authority over all per-
 7 sonnel decisions, as authorized under section 406 of title
 8 5, United States Code.

9 GENERAL PROVISIONS—DEPARTMENT OF
 10 TRANSPORTATION

11 SEC. 180. (a) During the current fiscal year, applica-
 12 ble appropriations to the Department of Transportation
 13 shall be available for maintenance and operation of air-
 14 craft; hire of passenger motor vehicles and aircraft; pur-
 15 chase of liability insurance for motor vehicles operating
 16 in foreign countries on official department business; and
 17 uniforms or allowances therefor, as authorized by sections
 18 5901 and 5902 of title 5, United States Code.

19 (b) During the current fiscal year, applicable appro-
 20 priations to the Department and its operating administra-
 21 tions shall be available for the purchase, maintenance, op-
 22 eration, and deployment of unmanned aircraft systems
 23 that advance the missions of the Department of Transpor-
 24 tation or an operating administration of the Department
 25 of Transportation.

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

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

12 SEC. 182. (a) No recipient of amounts made available
13 by this Act shall disseminate personal information (as de-
14 fined in section 2725(3) of title 18, United States Code)
15 obtained by a State department of motor vehicles in con-
16 nection with a motor vehicle record as defined in section
17 2725(1) of title 18, United States Code, except as pro-
18 vided in section 2721 of title 18, United States Code, for
19 a use permitted under section 2721 of title 18, United
20 States Code.

21 (b) Notwithstanding subsection (a), the Secretary
22 shall not withhold amounts made available by this Act for
23 any grantee if a State is in noncompliance with this provi-
24 sion.

1 SEC. 183. None of the funds made available by this
2 Act shall be available for salaries and expenses of more
3 than 125 political and Presidential appointees in the De-
4 partment of Transportation: *Provided*, That none of the
5 personnel covered by this provision may be assigned on
6 temporary detail outside the Department of Transpor-
7 tation.

8 SEC. 184. Funds received by the Federal Highway
9 Administration and Federal Railroad Administration from
10 States, counties, municipalities, other public authorities,
11 and private sources for expenses incurred for training may
12 be credited respectively to the Federal Highway Adminis-
13 tration's "Federal-Aid Highways" account and to the Fed-
14 eral Railroad Administration's "Safety and Operations"
15 account, except for State rail safety inspectors partici-
16 pating in training pursuant to section 20105 of title 49,
17 United States Code.

18 SEC. 185. None of the funds made available by this
19 Act or in title VIII of division J of Public Law 117-58
20 to the Department of Transportation may be used to
21 make, modify the scope or terms and conditions of, termi-
22 nate, rescind, or reduce a loan, loan guarantee, line of
23 credit, letter of intent, federally funded cooperative agree-
24 ment, full funding grant agreement, or discretionary grant
25 unless the Secretary of Transportation notifies the House

1 and Senate Committees on Appropriations not less than
2 3 full business days before any project competitively se-
3 lected to receive any discretionary grant award, letter of
4 intent, loan commitment, loan guarantee commitment, line
5 of credit commitment, federally funded cooperative agree-
6 ment, or full funding grant agreement is announced or is
7 notified of such changes by the Department or its oper-
8 ating administrations: *Provided*, That the Secretary of
9 Transportation shall provide the House and Senate Com-
10 mittees on Appropriations with a comprehensive list of all
11 such loans, loan guarantees, lines of credit, letters of in-
12 tent, federally funded cooperative agreements, full funding
13 grant agreements, and discretionary grants prior to the
14 notification required under the preceding proviso: *Pro-*
15 *vided further*, That the Secretary gives concurrent notifi-
16 cation to the House and Senate Committees on Appropria-
17 tions for any “quick release” of funds from the emergency
18 relief program: *Provided further*, That no notification shall
19 involve funds that are not available for obligation.

20 SEC. 186. Rebates, refunds, incentive payments,
21 minor fees, and other funds received by the Department
22 of Transportation from travel management centers,
23 charge card programs, the subleasing of building space,
24 and miscellaneous sources are to be credited to appropria-
25 tions of the Department of Transportation and allocated

1 to organizational units of the Department of Transpor-
2 tation using fair and equitable criteria and such funds
3 shall be available until expended.

4 SEC. 187. Notwithstanding any other provision of
5 law, if any funds provided by or limited by this Act are
6 subject to a reprogramming action that requires notice to
7 be provided to the House and Senate Committees on Ap-
8 propriations, transmission of such reprogramming notice
9 shall be provided solely to the House and Senate Commit-
10 tees on Appropriations, and such reprogramming action
11 shall be approved or denied solely by the House and Sen-
12 ate Committees on Appropriations: *Provided*, That the
13 Secretary of Transportation may provide notice to other
14 congressional committees of the action of the House and
15 Senate Committees on Appropriations on such reprogram-
16 ming but not sooner than 30 days after the date on which
17 the reprogramming action has been approved or denied by
18 the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations.

19 SEC. 188. Funds appropriated by this Act to the op-
20 erating administrations may be obligated for the Office of
21 the Secretary for the costs related to assessments or reim-
22 bursable agreements only when such amounts are for the
23 costs of goods and services that are purchased to provide
24 a direct benefit to the applicable operating administration
25 or administrations.

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

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

18 (1) that except with respect to apprentices or
19 trainees, a pool of readily available but unemployed
20 individuals possessing the knowledge, skill, and abil-
21 ity to perform the work that the contract requires
22 resides in the jurisdiction;

23 (2) that the grant recipient will include appro-
24 priate provisions in its bid document ensuring that
25 the contractor does not displace any of its existing

1 employees in order to satisfy such hiring preference;
2 and

3 (3) that any increase in the cost of labor, train-
4 ing, or delays resulting from the use of such hiring
5 preference does not delay or displace any transpor-
6 tation project in the applicable statewide transpor-
7 tation improvement program or transportation im-
8 provement program.

9 SEC. 191. None of the funds made available by this
10 act may be used to require a recipient of Federal funds
11 to display signage containing the name of the President,
12 Vice President, or any member of the President's Cabinet
13 as a condition of the receipt of such funds.

14 SEC. 192. None of the funds made available by this
15 Act or any prior Act may be used to open, close, redesign-
16 nate as a lesser office, or reorganize a regional, division,
17 or field office, unless such action is provided for in this
18 Act, the report accompanying this Act, or section 40003
19 of Public Law 119–21: *Provided*, That the Secretary of
20 Transportation shall maintain all regional, division, and
21 field offices for each operating administration in effect on
22 September 30, 2024 unless such action is provided for in
23 this Act, the report accompanying this Act, or section
24 40003 of Public Law 119–21, and shall ensure that each

1 such office has sufficient staff to carry out all statutorily
2 authorized activities.

3 SEC. 193. The Secretary shall issue a new notice of
4 funding opportunity for eight new university transpor-
5 tation centers, as authorized under section 5505 of title
6 49, United States Code: *Provided*, That in selecting such
7 university transportation center awards, the Secretary
8 shall first prioritize (a) any applicants that had previously
9 been selected as a university transportation center focus-
10 ing on transportation infrastructure durability and com-
11 posite materials and were required to re-compete before
12 the end of the typical five-year term and who currently
13 participate in the Department of Transportation’s Ad-
14 vanced Research Projects Agency—Infrastructure pro-
15 gram and (b) any applicant that had their university
16 transportation center designation cancelled in May 2025
17 by the Department of Transportation: *Provided further*,
18 That such university transportation center awards shall
19 be made available using any unobligated amounts remain-
20 ing from the university transportation centers program,
21 which have not been committed to any existing university
22 transportation center grantees: *Provided further*, That any
23 such unobligated amounts shall include funds made avail-
24 able in section 11101(c)(1)(E) of the Infrastructure In-
25 vestment and Jobs Act (Public Law 117–58) and funds

1 made available under the heading “Highway Infrastruc-
2 ture Program” in Title VIII of Division J of the Infra-
3 structure Investment and Jobs Act (Public Law 117–58):
4 *Provided further*, That amounts repurposed or transferred
5 pursuant to this section shall continue to be treated as
6 amounts specified in section 103(b) of division A of Public
7 Law 118–5.

8 SEC. 194. Not later than 180 days after enactment
9 of this Act, the Secretary shall transmit to the House and
10 Senate Committees on Appropriations a report that pro-
11 vides a list of (1) each grant, federally funded cooperative
12 agreement, other transaction agreement, and contract that
13 was obligated and subsequently terminated or reduced in
14 scope in fiscal year 2025 and remains terminated or re-
15 duced in scope as of the date of enactment of this Act,
16 and, (2) each grant, federally funded cooperative agree-
17 ment, other transaction agreement, and contract for which
18 the terms and conditions of agreements were changed or
19 modified in fiscal year 2025: *Provided*, That such report
20 shall include an explanation for each termination or modi-
21 fication, the recipient, the location of the project or serv-
22 ice, and the source of funding.

23 This title may be cited as the “Department of Trans-
24 portation Appropriations Act, 2026”.

1 TITLE II
2 DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN
3 DEVELOPMENT
4 MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION
5 EXECUTIVE OFFICES

6 For necessary salaries and expenses for Executive Of-
7 fices, which shall be comprised of the offices of the Sec-
8 retary, Deputy Secretary, Adjudicatory Services, Congres-
9 sional and Intergovernmental Relations, Public Affairs,
10 Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, and the
11 Center for Faith, \$17,500,000, of which \$2,000,000 shall
12 remain available until September 30, 2027: *Provided*,
13 That of the sums appropriated under this heading not less
14 than \$2,500,000 shall be for the Office of the Deputy Sec-
15 retary, of which not less than \$500,000 shall be for the
16 Office of Gender-Based Violence Prevention and not less
17 than \$1,200,000 shall be for the Office of Disaster Man-
18 agement: *Provided further*, That not to exceed \$25,000 of
19 the amount made available under this heading shall be
20 available to the Secretary of Housing and Urban Develop-
21 ment (referred to in this title as “the Secretary”) for offi-
22 cial reception and representation expenses as the Sec-
23 retary may determine.

1 ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT OFFICES

2 For necessary salaries and expenses for Administra-
3 tive Support Offices, \$590,000,000, to remain available
4 until September 30, 2027: *Provided*, That of the sums ap-
5 propriated under this heading—

6 (1) \$89,000,000 shall be available for the Office
7 of the Chief Financial Officer;

8 (2) \$103,000,000 shall be available for the Of-
9 fice of the General Counsel;

10 (3) \$224,000,000 shall be available for the Of-
11 fice of Administration;

12 (4) \$47,000,000 shall be available for the Office
13 of the Chief Human Capital Officer;

14 (5) \$26,000,000 shall be available for the Office
15 of the Chief Procurement Officer;

16 (6) \$46,000,000 shall be available for the Office
17 of Field Policy and Management;

18 (7) \$3,000,000 shall be available for the Office
19 of Departmental Equal Employment Opportunity;
20 and

21 (8) \$52,000,000 shall be available for the Office
22 of the Chief Information Officer:

23 *Provided further*, That funds made available under this
24 heading may be used for necessary administrative and
25 non-administrative expenses of the Department, not other-

1 wise provided for, including purchase of uniforms, or al-
 2 lowances therefor, as authorized by sections 5901 and
 3 5902 of title 5, United States Code; hire of passenger
 4 motor vehicles; and services as authorized by section 3109
 5 of title 5, United States Code: *Provided further*, That not-
 6 withstanding any other provision of law, funds appro-
 7 priated under this heading may be used for advertising
 8 and promotional activities that directly support program
 9 activities funded in this title.

10 PROGRAM OFFICES

11 For necessary salaries and expenses for Program Of-
 12 fices, \$903,200,000, to remain available until September
 13 30, 2027: *Provided*, That of the sums appropriated under
 14 this heading—

15 (1) \$250,000,000 shall be available for the Of-
 16 fice of Public and Indian Housing;

17 (2) \$142,000,000 shall be available for the Of-
 18 fice of Community Planning and Development;

19 (3) \$395,000,000 shall be available for the Of-
 20 fice of Housing;

21 (4) \$34,000,000 shall be available for the Office
 22 of Policy Development and Research;

23 (5) \$72,000,000 shall be available for the Office
 24 of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity; and

1 (6) \$10,200,000 shall be available for the Office
2 of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes.

3 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY FUND

4 For Department-wide and program-specific informa-
5 tion technology systems and infrastructure, \$365,000,000,
6 to remain available until September 30, 2028: *Provided*,
7 That not later than 30 days after the end of each quarter,
8 the Secretary shall brief the House and Senate Commit-
9 tees on Appropriations on all information technology mod-
10 ernization efforts as required in the report accompanying
11 this Act.

12 PUBLIC AND INDIAN HOUSING

13 TENANT-BASED RENTAL ASSISTANCE

14 For activities and assistance for the provision of ten-
15 ant-based rental assistance authorized under the United
16 States Housing Act of 1937, as amended (42 U.S.C. 1437
17 et seq.) (in this heading “the Act”), not otherwise pro-
18 vided for, \$33,354,709,000, to remain available until ex-
19 pended, which shall be available on October 1, 2025 (in
20 addition to the \$4,000,000,000 previously appropriated
21 under this heading that shall be available on October 1,
22 2025), and \$4,000,000,000, to remain available until ex-
23 pended, which shall be available on October 1, 2026: *Pro-*
24 *vided*, That of the sums appropriated under this head-
25 ing—

1 (1) \$33,974,000,000 shall be available for re-
2 newals of expiring section 8 tenant-based annual
3 contributions contracts (including renewals of en-
4 hanced vouchers under any provision of law author-
5 izing such assistance under section 8(t) of the Act)
6 and including renewal of other special purpose incre-
7 mental vouchers: *Provided*, That notwithstanding
8 any other provision of law, from amounts provided
9 under this paragraph and any carryover, the Sec-
10 retary for the calendar year 2026 funding cycle shall
11 provide renewal funding for each public housing
12 agency based on validated voucher management sys-
13 tem (VMS) or successor system leasing and cost
14 data for the prior calendar year and by applying an
15 inflation factor as established by the Secretary, by
16 notice published in the Federal Register, and by
17 making any necessary adjustments for the costs as-
18 sociated with the first-time renewal of vouchers
19 under this paragraph including tenant protection
20 and choice neighborhoods vouchers: *Provided further*,
21 That none of the funds provided under this para-
22 graph may be used to fund a total number of unit
23 months under lease which exceeds a public housing
24 agency's authorized level of units under contract, ex-
25 cept for public housing agencies participating in the

1 moving to work (MTW) demonstration, which are in-
2 stead governed in accordance with the requirements
3 of the MTW demonstration program or their MTW
4 agreements, if any, or as necessary on a temporary
5 basis and within available resources to facilitate the
6 transition of residents assisted by emergency hous-
7 ing vouchers (Public Law 117-2; 135 Stat. 58) to
8 tenant-based rental assistance under the housing as-
9 sistance payment contract under section 8(o) of the
10 Act: *Provided further*, That any leasing or associated
11 costs authorized for emergency housing vouchers in
12 the preceding proviso above the public housing agen-
13 cy's authorized level of units under contract shall
14 not be included in the calculation of the agency's re-
15 newal funding allocation for any subsequent fiscal
16 year: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall, to
17 the extent necessary to stay within the amount spec-
18 ified under this paragraph (except as otherwise
19 modified under this paragraph), prorate each public
20 housing agency's allocation otherwise established
21 pursuant to this paragraph: *Provided further*, That
22 except as provided in the following provisos, the en-
23 tire amount specified under this paragraph (except
24 as otherwise modified under this paragraph) shall be
25 obligated to the public housing agencies based on the

1 allocation and pro rata method described above, and
2 the Secretary shall notify public housing agencies of
3 their annual budget by the latter of 60 days after
4 enactment of this Act or March 1, 2026: *Provided*
5 *further*, That the Secretary may extend the notifica-
6 tion period only after the House and Senate Com-
7 mittees on Appropriations are notified at least 10
8 business days in advance of the extension: *Provided*
9 *further*, That public housing agencies participating
10 in the MTW demonstration shall be funded in ac-
11 cordance with the requirements of the MTW dem-
12 onstration program or their MTW agreements, if
13 any, and shall be subject to the same pro rata ad-
14 justments under the preceding provisos: *Provided*
15 *further*, That the Secretary may perform a statutory
16 offset of public housing agencies' calendar year 2026
17 allocations based on the excess amounts of public
18 housing agencies' net restricted assets accounts, in-
19 cluding HUD-held programmatic reserves (in ac-
20 cordance with VMS or successor system data in cal-
21 endar year 2025 that is verifiable and complete), as
22 determined by the Secretary: *Provided further*, That
23 public housing agencies participating in the MTW
24 demonstration shall also be subject to the statutory
25 offset: *Provided further*, That for amounts subject to

1 the single fund budget authority provisions of their
2 MTW agreements, excess amounts shall be offset
3 only to the extent permitted by section 239 of the
4 Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2016 (Public Law
5 114–113): *Provided further*, That for public housing
6 agencies in the MTW demonstration subject to sin-
7 gle fund budget authority provisions, the Secretary
8 shall provide not less than 60 days to appeal such
9 offsets and shall not offset amounts that have been
10 committed to capital improvement, development, and
11 other repositioning activities that are scheduled to
12 close within 12 months of enactment of this Act, as
13 evidenced in funding applications, project schedules,
14 or other commitments to third parties implementing
15 such activities, to the extent that reserve amounts
16 excluded from offset under such section 239 are in-
17 sufficient to cover such commitments: *Provided fur-*
18 *ther*, That the Secretary shall not offset any portion
19 of a public housing agency’s excess amounts if off-
20 setting such portion would result in a public housing
21 agency being put in a shortfall position in calendar
22 year 2026, as estimated by HUD prior to the off-
23 set’s implementation, as determined by the Sec-
24 retary: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall
25 use any such offset amounts referred to in the pre-

1 ceding five provisos throughout the calendar year to
2 prevent the termination of rental assistance for fam-
3 ilies as the result of insufficient funding, as deter-
4 mined by the Secretary, and to avoid or reduce the
5 proration of renewal funding allocations: *Provided*
6 *further*, That the Secretary may waive or specify al-
7 ternative requirements for section 5A and section
8 8(o) of the Act or any regulation applicable to such
9 statutes related to the administration of waiting
10 lists, local preferences, portability, and public hous-
11 ing agency plan and public hearing requirements to
12 facilitate or expedite the transition of residents as-
13 sisted by emergency housing vouchers (Public Law
14 117–2; 135 Stat. 58) to tenant-based rental assist-
15 ance under the housing assistance payment contract
16 under section 8(o) of the Act: *Provided further*, That
17 up to \$400,000,000 shall be available only:

18 (A) for adjustments in the allocations for
19 public housing agencies, after application for an
20 adjustment by a public housing agency that ex-
21 perience a significant increase, as determined
22 by the Secretary, in renewal costs of vouchers
23 resulting from unforeseen circumstances or
24 from portability under section 8(r) of the Act;

1 (B) for vouchers that were not in use dur-
2 ing the previous 12-month period in order to be
3 available to meet a commitment pursuant to
4 section 8(o)(13) of the Act, or an adjustment
5 for a funding obligation not yet expended in the
6 previous calendar year for a MTW-eligible ac-
7 tivity to develop affordable housing for an agen-
8 cy added to the MTW demonstration under the
9 expansion authority provided in section 239 of
10 the Transportation, Housing and Urban Devel-
11 opment, and Related Agencies Appropriations
12 Act, 2016 (division L of Public Law 114–113);

13 (C) for adjustments for costs associated
14 with HUD–Veterans Affairs Supportive Hous-
15 ing (HUD–VASH) vouchers;

16 (D) for public housing agencies that de-
17 spite taking reasonable cost savings measures,
18 as determined by the Secretary, would other-
19 wise be required to terminate rental assistance
20 for families as a result of insufficient funding;

21 (E) for adjustments in the allocations for
22 public housing agencies that—

23 (i) are leasing a lower-than-average
24 percentage of their authorized vouchers,

1 (ii) have low amounts of budget au-
 2 thority in their net restricted assets ac-
 3 counts and HUD-held programmatic re-
 4 serves, relative to other agencies, and

5 (iii) are not participating in the MTW
 6 demonstration, to enable such agencies to
 7 lease more vouchers;

8 (F) for withheld payments in accordance
 9 with section 8(o)(8)(A)(ii) of the Act for
 10 months in the previous calendar year that were
 11 subsequently paid by the public housing agency
 12 after the agency's actual costs were validated;

13 (G) for public housing agencies that have
 14 experienced increased costs or loss of units in
 15 an area for which the President declared a dis-
 16 aster under title IV of the Robert T. Stafford
 17 Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act
 18 (42 U.S.C. 5170 et seq.); and

19 (H) for costs associated with mainstream
 20 vouchers:

21 *Provided further,* That the Secretary shall allocate
 22 amounts under the preceding proviso based on need,
 23 as determined by the Secretary;

24 (2) \$429,709,000 shall be available for section
 25 8 rental assistance for relocation and replacement of

1 housing units that are demolished or disposed of
2 pursuant to section 18 of the Act, conversion of sec-
3 tion 23 projects to assistance under section 8, relo-
4 cation of witnesses (including victims of violent
5 crimes) in connection with efforts to combat crime
6 in public and assisted housing pursuant to a request
7 from a law enforcement or prosecution agency, en-
8 hanced vouchers under any provision of law author-
9 izing such assistance under section 8(t) of the Act,
10 choice neighborhood vouchers, mandatory and vol-
11 untary conversions, and tenant protection assistance
12 including replacement and relocation assistance or
13 for project-based assistance to prevent the displace-
14 ment of unassisted elderly tenants currently residing
15 in section 202 properties financed between 1959 and
16 1974 that are refinanced pursuant to Public Law
17 106–569, as amended, or under the authority as
18 provided under this Act: *Provided*, That when a pub-
19 lic housing development is submitted for demolition
20 or disposition under section 18 of the Act, the Sec-
21 retary may provide section 8 rental assistance when
22 the units pose an imminent health and safety risk to
23 residents: *Provided further*, That the Secretary may
24 provide section 8 rental assistance from amounts
25 made available under this paragraph for units as-

1 sisted under a project-based subsidy contract funded
2 under the “Project-Based Rental Assistance” head-
3 ing under this title where the owner has received a
4 notice of default and the units pose an imminent
5 health and safety risk to residents: *Provided further,*
6 That of the amounts made available under this para-
7 graph, no less than \$5,000,000 may be available to
8 provide tenant protection assistance, not otherwise
9 provided under this paragraph, to residents residing
10 in low vacancy areas and who may have to pay rents
11 greater than 30 percent of household income, as the
12 result of: (A) the maturity of a HUD-insured, HUD-
13 held or section 202 loan that requires the permission
14 of the Secretary prior to loan prepayment; (B) the
15 expiration of a rental assistance contract for which
16 the tenants are not eligible for enhanced voucher or
17 tenant protection assistance under existing law; or
18 (C) the expiration of affordability restrictions accom-
19 panying a mortgage or preservation program admin-
20 istered by the Secretary: *Provided further,* That such
21 tenant protection assistance made available under
22 the preceding proviso may be provided under the au-
23 thority of section 8(t) or section 8(o)(13) of the Act:
24 *Provided further,* That any tenant protection voucher
25 made available from amounts under this paragraph

1 shall not be reissued by any public housing agency,
2 except the replacement vouchers as defined by the
3 Secretary by notice, when the initial family that re-
4 ceived any such voucher no longer receives such
5 voucher, and the authority for any public housing
6 agency to issue any such voucher shall cease to exist:
7 *Provided further*, That the Secretary may only pro-
8 vide replacement vouchers for units that were occu-
9 pied within the previous 24 months that cease to be
10 available as assisted housing, subject only to the
11 availability of funds;

12 (3) \$2,906,000,000 shall be available for ad-
13 ministrative and other expenses of public housing
14 agencies in administering the section 8 tenant-based
15 rental assistance program, of which up to
16 \$30,000,000 shall be available to the Secretary to al-
17 locate to public housing agencies that need addi-
18 tional funds to administer their section 8 programs,
19 including fees associated with section 8 tenant pro-
20 tection rental assistance, the administration of dis-
21 aster related vouchers, HUD-VASH vouchers, and
22 other special purpose incremental vouchers: *Pro-*
23 *vided*, That no less than \$2,876,000,000 of the
24 amount provided in this paragraph shall be allocated
25 to public housing agencies for the calendar year

1 2026 funding cycle based on section 8(q) of the Act
2 (and related appropriations Act provisions) as in ef-
3 fect immediately before the enactment of the Quality
4 Housing and Work Responsibility Act of 1998 (Pub-
5 lic Law 105–276): *Provided further*, That if the
6 amounts made available under this paragraph are
7 insufficient to pay the amounts determined under
8 the preceding proviso, the Secretary may decrease
9 the amounts allocated to agencies by a uniform per-
10 centage applicable to all agencies receiving funding
11 under this paragraph or may, to the extent nec-
12 essary to provide full payment of amounts deter-
13 mined under the preceding proviso, utilize unobli-
14 gated balances, including recaptures and carryover,
15 remaining from funds appropriated under this head-
16 ing from prior fiscal years, excluding special purpose
17 vouchers, notwithstanding the purposes for which
18 such amounts were appropriated: *Provided further*,
19 That all public housing agencies participating in the
20 MTW demonstration shall be funded in accordance
21 with the requirements of the MTW demonstration
22 program or their MTW agreements, if any, and shall
23 be subject to the same uniform percentage decrease
24 as under the preceding proviso: *Provided further*,
25 That amounts provided under this paragraph shall

1 be only for activities related to the provision of ten-
2 ant-based rental assistance authorized under section
3 8, including related development activities;

4 (4) \$15,000,000 shall be available for incre-
5 mental rental voucher assistance for use through a
6 supported housing program administered in conjunc-
7 tion with the Department of Veterans Affairs as au-
8 thorized under section 8(o)(19) of the United States
9 Housing Act of 1937: *Provided*, That the Secretary
10 of Housing and Urban Development shall make such
11 funding available, notwithstanding section 203 (com-
12 petition provision) of this title, to public housing
13 agencies that partner with eligible VA medical cen-
14 ters or other entities as designated by the Secretary
15 of the Department of Veterans Affairs, based on
16 geographical need for such assistance as identified
17 by the Secretary of the Department of Veterans Af-
18 fairs, public housing agency administrative perform-
19 ance, and other factors as specified by the Secretary
20 of Housing and Urban Development in consultation
21 with the Secretary of the Department of Veterans
22 Affairs: *Provided further*, That the Secretary of
23 Housing and Urban Development may waive, or
24 specify alternative requirements for (in consultation
25 with the Secretary of the Department of Veterans

1 Affairs), any provision of any statute or regulation
2 that the Secretary of Housing and Urban Develop-
3 ment administers in connection with the use of
4 funds made available under this paragraph (except
5 for requirements related to fair housing, non-
6 discrimination, labor standards, and the environ-
7 ment), upon a finding by the Secretary that any
8 such waivers or alternative requirements are nec-
9 essary for the effective delivery and administration
10 of such voucher assistance: *Provided further*, That
11 assistance made available under this paragraph shall
12 continue to remain available for homeless veterans
13 upon turn-over: *Provided further*, That of the total
14 amount made available under this paragraph, up to
15 \$10,000,000 may be for additional fees established
16 by and allocated pursuant to a method determined
17 by the Secretary for administrative and other ex-
18 penses (including those eligible activities defined by
19 notice to facilitate leasing, such as security deposit
20 assistance and costs related to the retention and
21 support of participating owners) of public housing
22 agencies in administering HUD–VASH vouchers;
23 (5) \$30,000,000 shall be available for the fam-
24 ily unification program as authorized under section
25 8(x) of the Act: *Provided*, That the amounts made

1 available under this paragraph are provided as fol-
2 lows:

3 (A) \$5,000,000 shall be available for new
4 incremental voucher assistance, which shall con-
5 tinue to remain available for family unification
6 upon turnover; and

7 (B) \$25,000,000 shall be available for new
8 incremental voucher assistance to assist eligible
9 youth as defined by such section 8(x)(2)(B) of
10 the Act, which shall continue to remain avail-
11 able for such eligible youth upon turnover: *Pro-*
12 *vided*, That such amounts shall be available on
13 a noncompetitive basis to public housing agen-
14 cies that partner with public child welfare agen-
15 cies to identify such eligible youth, that request
16 such assistance to timely assist such eligible
17 youth, and that meet any other criteria as spec-
18 ified by the Secretary: *Provided further*, That
19 the Secretary shall review utilization of such as-
20 sistance and assistance originating from appro-
21 priations made available for youth under this
22 heading in any prior Act that the Secretary
23 made available on a noncompetitive basis, at an
24 interval to be determined by the Secretary, and
25 unutilized voucher assistance that is no longer

1 needed based on such review shall be recaptured
2 by the Secretary and reallocated pursuant to
3 the preceding proviso:

4 *Provided further,* That any public housing agency
5 administering new incremental voucher assistance
6 originating from appropriations made available for
7 the family unification program under this heading in
8 this or any prior Act that the Secretary made avail-
9 able on a competitive basis that determines it no
10 longer has an identified need for such assistance
11 upon turnover shall notify the Secretary, and the
12 Secretary shall recapture such assistance from the
13 agency and reallocate it to any other public housing
14 agency or agencies based on need for voucher assist-
15 ance in connection with such specified program or
16 eligible youth, as applicable; and

17 (6) the Secretary shall separately track all spe-
18 cial purpose vouchers funded under this heading and
19 continue to provide timely updates on budget, utili-
20 zation, spending and leasing trends for all vouchers
21 by purpose on the voucher data dashboard on the
22 publicly accessible website of the Department: *Pro-*
23 *vided,* That upon turnover, special purpose vouchers
24 issued pursuant to section 811 of the Cranston-Gon-
25 zalez National Affordable Housing Act (42 U.S.C.

1 8013) funded under this or any other heading in
 2 this or prior Acts, shall be provided to non-elderly
 3 persons with disabilities.

4 HOUSING CERTIFICATE FUND

5 (INCLUDING RESCISSIONS)

6 Unobligated balances, including recaptures and car-
 7 ryover, remaining from funds appropriated to the Depart-
 8 ment of Housing and Urban Development under this
 9 heading, the heading “Annual Contributions for Assisted
 10 Housing” and the heading “Project-Based Rental Assist-
 11 ance”, for fiscal year 2026 and prior years may be used
 12 for renewal of or amendments to section 8 project-based
 13 contracts and for performance-based contract administra-
 14 tors, notwithstanding the purposes for which such funds
 15 were appropriated: *Provided*, That any obligated balances
 16 of contract authority from fiscal year 1974 and prior fiscal
 17 years that have been terminated shall be rescinded: *Pro-*
 18 *vided further*, That amounts heretofore recaptured, or re-
 19 captured during the current fiscal year, from section 8
 20 project-based contracts from source years fiscal year 1975
 21 through fiscal year 1987 are hereby rescinded, and an
 22 amount of additional new budget authority, equivalent to
 23 the amount rescinded is hereby appropriated, to remain
 24 available until expended, for the purposes set forth under
 25 this heading, in addition to amounts otherwise available.

PUBLIC HOUSING FUND

1
2 For 2026 payments to public housing agencies for the
3 operation and management of public housing, as author-
4 ized by section 9(e) of the United States Housing Act of
5 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437g(e)) (the “Act”), and to carry out
6 capital and management activities for public housing
7 agencies, as authorized under section 9(d) of the Act (42
8 U.S.C. 1437g(d)), \$8,397,326,000, to remain available
9 until September 30, 2029: *Provided*, That of the sums ap-
10 propriated under this heading—

11 (1) \$4,873,326,000 shall be available for the
12 Secretary to allocate pursuant to the operating fund
13 formula at part 990 of title 24, Code of Federal
14 Regulations, for 2026 payments;

15 (2) \$214,000,000 shall be available for the Sec-
16 retary to allocate pursuant to a need-based applica-
17 tion process notwithstanding section 203 of this title
18 and not subject to such operating fund formula to
19 public housing agencies that experience, or are at
20 risk of, financial shortfalls, as determined by the
21 Secretary: *Provided*, That after all such shortfall
22 needs are met, the Secretary may distribute any re-
23 maining funds to all public housing agencies on a
24 pro-rata basis pursuant to such operating fund for-
25 mula;

1 (3) \$3,200,000,000 shall be available for the
2 Secretary to allocate pursuant to the capital fund
3 formula at section 905.400 of title 24, Code of Fed-
4 eral Regulations: *Provided*, That for funds described
5 under this paragraph, the limitation in section
6 9(g)(1) of the Act shall be 25 percent: *Provided fur-*
7 *ther*, That the Secretary may waive the limitation in
8 the preceding proviso to allow public housing agen-
9 cies to fund activities authorized under section
10 9(e)(1)(C) of the Act: *Provided further*, That the
11 Secretary shall notify public housing agencies re-
12 questing waivers under the preceding proviso if the
13 request is approved or denied within 14 days of sub-
14 mitting the request: *Provided further*, That from the
15 funds made available under this paragraph, the Sec-
16 retary shall provide bonus awards in fiscal year
17 2026 to public housing agencies that are designated
18 high performers: *Provided further*, That the Depart-
19 ment shall notify public housing agencies of their
20 formula allocation within 60 days of enactment of
21 this Act;

22 (4) \$30,000,000 shall be available for the Sec-
23 retary to make grants, notwithstanding section 203
24 of this title, to public housing agencies for emer-
25 gency capital needs, including safety and security

1 measures necessary to address crime and drug-re-
2 lated activity, as well as needs resulting from unfore-
3 seen or unpreventable emergencies and natural dis-
4 asters excluding Presidentially declared emergencies
5 and natural disasters under the Robert T. Stafford
6 Disaster Relief and Emergency Act (42 U.S.C. 5121
7 et seq.) occurring in fiscal year 2026: *Provided*, That
8 of the amount made available under this paragraph,
9 not less than \$10,000,000 shall be for safety and se-
10 curity measures: *Provided further*, That in addition
11 to the amount in the preceding proviso for such
12 safety and security measures, any amounts that re-
13 main available, after all applications received on or
14 before September 30, 2027, for emergency capital
15 needs have been processed, shall be allocated to pub-
16 lic housing agencies for such safety and security
17 measures;

18 (5) \$65,000,000 shall be available for competi-
19 tive grants to public housing agencies to evaluate
20 and reduce residential health hazards in public hous-
21 ing, including lead-based paint (by carrying out the
22 activities of risk assessments, abatement, and in-
23 terim controls, as those terms are defined in section
24 1004 of the Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard
25 Reduction Act of 1992 (42 U.S.C. 4851b)), carbon

1 monoxide, mold, radon, and fire safety: *Provided,*
2 That not less than \$25,000,000 of the amounts pro-
3 vided under this paragraph shall be awarded for
4 evaluating and reducing lead-based paint hazards,
5 except that if such amount is undersubscribed any
6 remaining amounts may be awarded to qualified ap-
7 plicants for other purposes under this paragraph:
8 *Provided further,* That for purposes of environmental
9 review, a grant under this paragraph shall be consid-
10 ered funds for projects or activities under title I of
11 the Act for purposes of section 26 of the Act (42
12 U.S.C. 1437x) and shall be subject to the regula-
13 tions implementing such section; and

14 (6) \$15,000,000 shall be available to support
15 the costs of administrative and judicial receiverships
16 and for competitive grants to public housing agen-
17 cies in receivership, designated troubled or sub-
18 standard, or otherwise at risk, as determined by the
19 Secretary, for costs associated with public housing
20 asset improvement, in addition to other amounts for
21 that purpose provided under any heading under this
22 title:

23 *Provided further,* That notwithstanding any other provi-
24 sion of law or regulation, during fiscal year 2026, the Sec-
25 retary of Housing and Urban Development may not dele-

1 gate to any Department official other than the Deputy
 2 Secretary and the Assistant Secretary for Public and In-
 3 dian Housing any authority under paragraph (2) of sec-
 4 tion 9(j) of the Act regarding the extension of the time
 5 periods under such section: *Provided further*, That for pur-
 6 poses of such section 9(j), the term “obligate” means, with
 7 respect to amounts, that the amounts are subject to a
 8 binding agreement that will result in outlays, immediately
 9 or in the future: *Provided further*, That the Secretary may
 10 authorize a public housing agency with at least one prop-
 11 erty with a low physical inspection score to use operating
 12 reserve funds or any amounts allocated to such agency
 13 pursuant to the operating fund formula from amounts
 14 made available in this and prior Acts for any eligible ac-
 15 tivities under section 9(d)(1) of the United States Housing
 16 Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437g(d)(1)) under such condi-
 17 tions or criteria as established by the Secretary, including
 18 that such use would not put such agency at risk of finan-
 19 cial shortfall.

20 ASSISTED HOUSING INSPECTIONS AND RISK

21 ASSESSMENTS

22 For the Department’s inspection and assessment pro-
 23 grams, including travel, training, and program support
 24 contracts, \$50,000,000 to remain available until Sep-
 25 tember 30, 2028: *Provided*, That unobligated balances, in-

1 cluding recaptures and carryover, remaining from funds
 2 appropriated under the heading “Public Housing Fund”
 3 in prior Acts to support ongoing public housing financial
 4 and physical assessment activities shall be available for the
 5 purposes authorized under this heading in addition to the
 6 purposes for which such funds originally were appro-
 7 priated.

8 CHOICE NEIGHBORHOODS INITIATIVE

9 For competitive grants under the choice neighbor-
 10 hoods initiative (subject to section 24 of the United States
 11 Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437v) (the “Act”) un-
 12 less otherwise specified under this heading), for trans-
 13 formation, rehabilitation, and replacement housing needs
 14 of both public and HUD-assisted housing and to trans-
 15 form neighborhoods of poverty into functioning, sustain-
 16 able, mixed-income neighborhoods with appropriate serv-
 17 ices, schools, public assets, transportation, and access to
 18 jobs, \$40,000,000, to remain available until September
 19 30, 2030: *Provided*, That grant funds may be used for
 20 resident and community services, community development,
 21 and affordable housing needs in the community, and for
 22 conversion of vacant or foreclosed properties to affordable
 23 housing: *Provided further*, That the use of amounts made
 24 available under this heading shall not be deemed to be for
 25 public housing, notwithstanding section 3(b)(1) of the Act:

1 *Provided further*, That grantees shall commit to an addi-
 2 tional period of affordability determined by the Secretary
 3 of not fewer than 20 years: *Provided further*, That grant-
 4 ees shall provide a match in State, local, other Federal,
 5 or private funds: *Provided further*, That grantees may in-
 6 clude local governments, Tribal entities, public housing
 7 agencies, and nonprofit organizations: *Provided further*,
 8 That for-profit developers may apply jointly with a public
 9 entity: *Provided further*, That for purposes of environ-
 10 mental review, a grantee shall be treated as a public hous-
 11 ing agency under section 26 of the Act (42 U.S.C. 1437x),
 12 and grants made with amounts available under this head-
 13 ing shall be subject to the regulations issued by the Sec-
 14 retary to implement such section: *Provided further*, That
 15 of the amounts made available under this heading, not less
 16 than \$20,000,000 shall be awarded to public housing
 17 agencies: *Provided further*, That such grantees shall create
 18 partnerships with other local organizations, including as-
 19 sisted housing owners, service agencies, and resident orga-
 20 nizations: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall con-
 21 sult with the Secretaries of Education, Labor, Transpor-
 22 tation, Health and Human Services, Agriculture, and
 23 Commerce, the Attorney General, and the Administrator
 24 of the Environmental Protection Agency to coordinate and
 25 leverage other appropriate Federal resources: *Provided*

1 *further*, That not more than \$10,000,000 of the amounts
 2 made available under this heading may be provided as
 3 grants to undertake comprehensive local planning with
 4 input from residents and the community: *Provided further*,
 5 That none of the funds made available under this heading
 6 may be obligated for main street housing grants under
 7 section 24(n) of the Act (42 U.S.C. 1437v(n)): *Provided*
 8 *further*, That unobligated balances, including recaptures,
 9 remaining from amounts made available under the head-
 10 ing “Revitalization of Severely Distressed Public Housing
 11 (HOPE VI)” in fiscal year 2011 and prior fiscal years
 12 may be used for purposes under this heading, notwith-
 13 standing the purposes for which such amounts were appro-
 14 priated: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall make
 15 grant awards not later than 1 year after the date of enact-
 16 ment of this Act in such amounts that the Secretary deter-
 17 mines: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding section
 18 24(o) of the Act (42 U.S.C. 1437v(o)), the Secretary may,
 19 until September 30, 2026, obligate any available unobli-
 20 gated balances made available under this heading in this
 21 or any prior Act.

22 SELF-SUFFICIENCY PROGRAMS

23 For activities and assistance related to self-suffi-
 24 ciency programs, to remain available until September 30,

1 2029, \$211,400,000: *Provided*, That of the sums appro-
2 priated under this heading—

3 (1) \$156,400,000 shall be available for the fam-
4 ily self-sufficiency program to support family self-
5 sufficiency coordinators under section 23 of the
6 United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C.
7 1437u), to promote the development of local strate-
8 gies to coordinate the use of assistance under sec-
9 tions 8 and 9 of such Act with public and private
10 resources, and enable eligible families to achieve eco-
11 nomic independence and self-sufficiency: *Provided*,
12 That the Secretary may use recaptured amounts
13 made available under this paragraph in prior Acts to
14 provide bonus awards to programs that are assigned
15 a ranking of performance category 1 based on their
16 publicly available family self-sufficiency achievement
17 metrics (FAM) scores;

18 (2) \$45,000,000 shall be available for the resi-
19 dent opportunity and self-sufficiency program to
20 provide for supportive services, service coordinators,
21 and congregate services as authorized by section 34
22 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42
23 U.S.C. 1437z–6) and the Native American Housing
24 Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (25
25 U.S.C. 4101 et seq.): *Provided*, That amounts made

1 available under this paragraph may be used to renew
2 resident opportunity and self-sufficiency program
3 grants to allow the public housing agency, or a new
4 owner, to continue to serve (or restart service to)
5 residents of a project with assistance converted from
6 public housing to project-based rental assistance
7 under section 8 of the United States Housing Act of
8 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437f) or assistance under section
9 8(o)(13) of such Act under the heading “Rental As-
10 sistance Demonstration” in the Department of
11 Housing and Urban Development Appropriations
12 Act, 2012 (Public Law 112–55), as amended (42
13 U.S.C. 1437f note); and

14 (3) \$10,000,000 shall be available for a jobs-
15 plus initiative, modeled after the jobs-plus dem-
16 onstration: *Provided*, That funding provided under
17 this paragraph shall be available for competitive
18 grants to partnerships between public housing agen-
19 cies, local workforce investment boards established
20 under section 107 of the Workforce Innovation and
21 Opportunity Act of 2014 (29 U.S.C. 3122), and
22 other agencies and organizations that provide sup-
23 port to help public housing residents obtain employ-
24 ment and increase earnings: *Provided further*, That
25 applicants must demonstrate the ability to provide

1 services to residents, partner with workforce invest-
 2 ment boards, and leverage service dollars: *Provided*
 3 *further*, That the Secretary may allow public housing
 4 agencies to request exemptions from rent and in-
 5 come limitation requirements under sections 3 and 6
 6 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42
 7 U.S.C. 1437a, 1437d), as necessary to implement
 8 the jobs-plus program, on such terms and conditions
 9 as the Secretary may approve upon a finding by the
 10 Secretary that any such waivers or alternative re-
 11 quirements are necessary for the effective implemen-
 12 tation of the jobs-plus initiative as a voluntary pro-
 13 gram for residents: *Provided further*, That the Sec-
 14 retary shall publish by notice in the Federal Register
 15 any waivers or alternative requirements pursuant to
 16 the preceding proviso no later than 10 days before
 17 the effective date of such notice.

18 NATIVE AMERICAN PROGRAMS

19 For activities and assistance authorized under title
 20 I of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-
 21 Determination Act of 1996 (in this heading
 22 “NAHASDA”) (25 U.S.C. 4111 et seq.), title I of the
 23 Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (42
 24 U.S.C. 5301 et seq.) with respect to Indian Tribes, and
 25 for related activities and assistance, \$1,354,000,000, to

1 remain available until September 30, 2030: *Provided*,
2 That of the sums appropriated under this heading—

3 (1) \$1,111,000,000 shall be available for the
4 Native American housing block grants program, as
5 authorized under title I of NAHASDA: *Provided*,
6 That, notwithstanding NAHASDA, to determine the
7 amount of the allocation under title I of such Act for
8 each Indian Tribe, the Secretary shall apply the for-
9 mula under section 302 of such Act with the need
10 component based on single-race census data and
11 with the need component based on multi-race census
12 data, and the amount of the allocation for each In-
13 dian Tribe shall be the greater of the two resulting
14 allocation amounts: *Provided further*, That the Sec-
15 retary shall notify grantees of their formula alloca-
16 tion not later than 60 days after the date of enact-
17 ment of this Act;

18 (2) \$100,000,000 shall be available for competi-
19 tive grants under the Native American housing block
20 grants program, as authorized under title I of
21 NAHASDA: *Provided*, That the Secretary shall obli-
22 gate such amount for competitive grants to eligible
23 recipients authorized under NAHASDA that apply
24 for funds: *Provided further*, That in awarding
25 amounts made available in this paragraph, the Sec-

1 retary shall consider need and administrative capac-
 2 ity, and shall give priority to projects that will spur
 3 construction and rehabilitation of housing: *Provided*
 4 *further*, That any amounts transferred for the nec-
 5 essary costs of administering and overseeing the ob-
 6 ligation and expenditure of such additional amounts
 7 in prior Acts may also be used for the necessary
 8 costs of administering and overseeing such addi-
 9 tional amount;

10 (3) \$10,000,000 shall be available for non-
 11 competitive grants to recipients that received a Trib-
 12 al HUD-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing grant
 13 in prior years, to be available under the same terms
 14 and conditions as funds specified under paragraph
 15 (5) under the heading “Public and Indian Housing–
 16 Tenant-Based Rental Assistance” in Public Law
 17 118–42: *Provided*, That the Secretary may reallo-
 18 cate, as determined by the Secretary, amounts re-
 19 turned or recaptured from awards under the Tribal
 20 HUD–VASH program under prior Acts to existing
 21 recipients under the Tribal HUD–VASH program;

22 (4) \$1,000,000 shall be available for the cost of
 23 guaranteed notes and other obligations, as author-
 24 ized by title VI of NAHASDA: *Provided*, That such
 25 costs, including the cost of modifying such notes and

1 other obligations, shall be as defined in section 502
2 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 (2 U.S.C.
3 661a): *Provided further*, That amounts made avail-
4 able in this and prior Acts for the cost of such guar-
5 anteed notes and other obligations that are unobli-
6 gated, including recaptures and carryover, may be
7 available to subsidize the total principal amount of
8 any notes and other obligations, any part of which
9 is to be guaranteed, not to exceed \$60,000,000, to
10 remain available until September 30, 2027;

11 (5) \$125,000,000 shall be available for grants
12 to Indian Tribes for carrying out the Indian commu-
13 nity development block grant program under title I
14 of the Housing and Community Development Act of
15 1974, notwithstanding section 106(a)(1) of such
16 Act, of which, notwithstanding any other provision
17 of law (including section 203 of this Act), not more
18 than \$10,000,000 may be used for emergencies that
19 constitute imminent threats to health and safety:
20 *Provided*, That not to exceed 20 percent of any
21 grant made with amounts made available in this
22 paragraph shall be expended for planning and man-
23 agement development and administration; and

24 (6) \$7,000,000, in addition to amounts other-
25 wise available for such purpose, shall be available for

1 providing training and technical assistance to Indian
2 Tribes, Indian housing authorities, and Tribally des-
3 ignated housing entities, to support the inspection of
4 Indian housing units, for contract expertise, and for
5 training and technical assistance related to amounts
6 made available under this heading and other head-
7 ings in this Act for the needs of Native American
8 families and Indian country: *Provided*, That of the
9 amounts made available in this paragraph, not less
10 than \$2,000,000 shall be for a national organization
11 as authorized under section 703 of NAHASDA (25
12 U.S.C. 4212): *Provided further*, That amounts made
13 available in this paragraph may be used, contracted,
14 or competed as determined by the Secretary: *Pro-*
15 *vided further*, That notwithstanding chapter 63 of
16 title 31, United States Code (commonly known as
17 the Federal Grant and Cooperative Agreements Act
18 of 1977), the amounts made available in this para-
19 graph may be used by the Secretary to enter into co-
20 operative agreements with public and private organi-
21 zations, agencies, institutions, and other technical
22 assistance providers to support the administration of
23 negotiated rulemaking under section 106 of
24 NAHASDA (25 U.S.C. 4116), the administration of
25 the allocation formula under section 302 of

6 For the cost of guaranteed loans, as authorized by
7 section 184 of the Housing and Community Development
8 Act of 1992 (12 U.S.C. 1715z-13a), \$1,000,000, to re-
9 main available until expended: *Provided*, That such costs,
10 including the cost of modifying such loans, shall be as de-
11 fined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of
12 1974 (2 U.S.C. 661a): *Provided further*, That an addi-
13 tional \$400,000, to remain available until expended, shall
14 be available for administrative expenses, including man-
15 agement of the loan guarantee program: *Provided further*,
16 That amounts made available in this and prior Acts for
17 the cost of guaranteed loans, as authorized by section 184
18 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992
19 (12 U.S.C. 1715z-13a), that are unobligated, including
20 recaptures and carryover, may be available to subsidize
21 total loan principal, any part of which is to be guaranteed,
22 not to exceed \$1,200,000,000, to remain available until
23 September 30, 2027.

1 NATIVE HAWAIIAN HOUSING BLOCK GRANT

2 For the Native Hawaiian housing block grant pro-
3 gram, as authorized under title VIII of the Native Amer-
4 ican Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of
5 1996 (25 U.S.C. 4221 et seq.), \$22,300,000, to remain
6 available until September 30, 2030: *Provided*, That not-
7 withstanding section 812(b) of such Act, the Department
8 of Hawaiian Home Lands may not invest grant amounts
9 made available under this heading in investment securities
10 and other obligations: *Provided further*, That amounts
11 made available under this heading in this and prior fiscal
12 years may be used to provide rental assistance to eligible
13 Native Hawaiian families both on and off the Hawaiian
14 Home Lands, notwithstanding any other provision of law:
15 *Provided further*, That up to \$1,000,000 of the amounts
16 made available under this heading may be for training and
17 technical assistance related to amounts made available
18 under this heading and other headings in this Act for the
19 needs of Native Hawaiians and the Department of Hawai-
20 ian Home Lands.

21 NATIVE HAWAIIAN HOUSING LOAN GUARANTEE FUND

22 PROGRAM ACCOUNT

23 New commitments to guarantee loans, as authorized
24 by section 184A of the Housing and Community Develop-
25 ment Act of 1992 (12 U.S.C. 1715z–13b), any part of

1 which is to be guaranteed, shall not exceed \$28,000,000
 2 in total loan principal, to remain available until September
 3 30, 2027: *Provided*, That the Secretary may enter into
 4 commitments to guarantee loans used for refinancing.

5 COMMUNITY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

6 HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONS WITH AIDS

7 For carrying out the housing opportunities for per-
 8 sons with AIDS program, as authorized by the AIDS
 9 Housing Opportunity Act (42 U.S.C. 12901 et seq.),
 10 \$529,000,000, to remain available until September 30,
 11 2029: *Provided*, That the Secretary shall renew or replace
 12 all expiring contracts for permanent supportive housing
 13 that initially were funded under section 854(c)(5) of such
 14 Act from funds made available under this heading in fiscal
 15 year 2010 and prior fiscal years that meet all program
 16 requirements before awarding funds for new contracts
 17 under such section: *Provided further*, That the process for
 18 submitting amendments and approving replacement con-
 19 tracts shall be established by the Secretary in a notice:
 20 *Provided further*, That the Department shall notify grant-
 21 ees of their formula allocation within 60 days of enactment
 22 of this Act.

23 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND

24 For assistance to States and units of general local
 25 government, and other entities, for economic and commu-

1 nity development activities, and other purposes,
 2 \$4,541,397,000, to remain available until September 30,
 3 2029: *Provided*, That of the sums appropriated under this
 4 heading—

5 (1) \$3,100,000,000 shall be available for car-
 6 rying out the community development block grant
 7 program under title I of the Housing and Commu-
 8 nity Development Act of 1974, as amended (42
 9 U.S.C. 5301 et seq.) (in this heading “the Act”):
 10 *Provided*, That not to exceed 20 percent of any
 11 grant made with funds made available under this
 12 paragraph shall be expended for planning and man-
 13 agement development and administration: *Provided*
 14 *further*, That a metropolitan city, urban county, unit
 15 of general local government, or insular area that di-
 16 rectly or indirectly receives funds under this para-
 17 graph may not sell, trade, or otherwise transfer all
 18 or any portion of such funds to another such entity
 19 in exchange for any other funds, credits, or non-
 20 Federal considerations, but shall use such funds for
 21 activities eligible under title I of the Act: *Provided*
 22 *further*, That notwithstanding section 105(e)(1) of
 23 the Act, no funds made available under this para-
 24 graph may be provided to a for-profit entity for an
 25 economic development project under section

1 105(a)(17) unless such project has been evaluated
2 and selected in accordance with guidelines required
3 under subsection (e)(2) of section 105;

4 (2) \$60,000,000 shall be available for the Sec-
5 retary to award grants on a competitive basis to
6 State and local governments, metropolitan planning
7 organizations, and multijurisdictional entities for ad-
8 ditional activities under title I of the Act for the
9 identification and removal of barriers to affordable
10 housing production and preservation, including new
11 housing construction: *Provided*, That eligible uses of
12 such grants include activities to further develop,
13 evaluate, and implement housing policy plans, im-
14 prove housing strategies, and facilitate affordable
15 housing production and preservation: *Provided fur-*
16 *ther*, That the Secretary shall select applicants that
17 (A) have enacted or implemented (or caused another
18 entity to enact or implement) less restrictive zoning,
19 land use, or permitting laws and regulations, that
20 are reasonably expected to preserve or produce new
21 housing units; and (B) can demonstrate an acute
22 need for housing affordable to households with in-
23 comes below 100 percent of the area median income:
24 *Provided further*, That grantees shall report to the
25 Secretary on their activities and housing supply out-

1 comes: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall
2 analyze observable housing production, preservation,
3 and cost trends in the participating jurisdictions or
4 geographic areas: *Provided further*, That the Sec-
5 retary shall annually report to the House and Senate
6 Committees on Appropriations, and make publicly
7 available, a summary of the information collected in
8 the preceding two provisos: *Provided further*, That
9 funds allocated for such grants shall not adversely
10 affect the amount of any formula assistance received
11 by a jurisdiction under paragraph (1) of this head-
12 ing: *Provided further*, That in administering such
13 amounts the Secretary may waive or specify alter-
14 native requirements for any provision of title I of the
15 Act except for requirements related to fair housing,
16 nondiscrimination, labor standards, the environment,
17 and requirements that activities benefit persons of
18 low- and moderate-income, upon a finding that any
19 such waivers or alternative requirements are nec-
20 essary to expedite or facilitate the use of such
21 amounts: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall
22 issue a Notice of Funding Opportunity not later
23 than 120 days after the date of enactment of this
24 Act: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall

1 make grant awards not later than 300 days after the
2 date of enactment of this Act;

3 (3) \$30,000,000 shall be available for activities
4 authorized under section 8071 of the SUPPORT for
5 Patients and Communities Act (Public Law 115–
6 271): *Provided*, That funds allocated pursuant to
7 this paragraph shall not adversely affect the amount
8 of any formula assistance received by a State under
9 paragraph (1) of this heading: *Provided further*,
10 That the Secretary shall allocate the funds for such
11 activities based on the notice establishing the fund-
12 ing formula published in 84 FR 16027 (April 17,
13 2019) except that the formula shall use age-adjusted
14 rates of drug overdose deaths for 2023 based on
15 data from the Centers for Disease Control and Pre-
16 vention; and

17 (4) \$1,351,397,000 shall be available for grants
18 for the economic development initiative (EDI) for
19 the projects, and in the amounts, specified for con-
20 gressionally directed spending in the table entitled
21 “Congressionally Directed Spending” included in the
22 report accompanying this Act: *Provided*, That
23 amounts made available under this paragraph for
24 such projects shall not diminish or prejudice any ap-
25 plication or geographic region for other discretionary

1 grant or loan awards made by the Department of
 2 Housing and Urban Development: *Provided further*,
 3 That eligible expenses of such grants in this and
 4 prior Acts may include administrative, planning, op-
 5 erations and maintenance, and other costs: *Provided*
 6 *further*, That such grants for the EDI shall be avail-
 7 able for reimbursement of otherwise eligible expenses
 8 incurred on or after the date of enactment of this
 9 Act and prior to the date of grant execution: *Pro-*
 10 *vided further*, That none of the amounts made avail-
 11 able under this paragraph for grants for the EDI
 12 shall be used for reimbursement of expenses in-
 13 curred prior to the date of enactment of this Act:
 14 *Provided further*, That for amounts made available under
 15 paragraphs (1) and (3), the Secretary shall notify grantees
 16 of their formula allocation within 60 days of enactment
 17 of this Act.

18 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT LOAN GUARANTEES

19 PROGRAM ACCOUNT

20 Subject to section 502 of the Congressional Budget
 21 Act of 1974 (2 U.S.C. 661a), during fiscal year 2026,
 22 commitments to guarantee loans under section 108 of the
 23 Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (42
 24 U.S.C. 5308), any part of which is guaranteed, shall not
 25 exceed a total principal amount of \$400,000,000, notwith-

1 standing any aggregate limitation on outstanding obliga-
 2 tions guaranteed in subsection (k) of such section 108:
 3 *Provided*, That the Secretary shall collect fees from bor-
 4 rowers, notwithstanding subsection (m) of such section
 5 108, to result in a credit subsidy cost of zero for guaran-
 6 teeing such loans, and any such fees shall be collected in
 7 accordance with section 502(7) of the Congressional
 8 Budget Act of 1974: *Provided further*, That such commit-
 9 ment authority funded by fees may be used to guarantee,
 10 or make commitments to guarantee, notes or other obliga-
 11 tions issued by any State on behalf of non-entitlement
 12 communities in the State in accordance with the require-
 13 ments of such section 108: *Provided further*, That any
 14 State receiving such a guarantee or commitment under the
 15 preceding proviso shall distribute all funds subject to such
 16 guarantee to the units of general local government in non-
 17 entitlement areas that received the commitment.

18 HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM

19 For the HOME investment partnerships program, as
 20 authorized under title II of the Cranston-Gonzalez Na-
 21 tional Affordable Housing Act, as amended (42 U.S.C.
 22 12721 et seq.), \$1,250,000,000, to remain available until
 23 September 30, 2029: *Provided*, That the threshold reduc-
 24 tion requirements in sections 216(10) and 217(b)(4) of
 25 such Act (42 U.S.C. 12746(10), 12747(b)(4)) shall not

1 apply to the amounts made available under this heading:
2 *Provided further*, That notwithstanding section 231(b) of
3 such Act (42 U.S.C. 12771(b)), all unobligated balances
4 remaining from amounts recaptured pursuant to such sec-
5 tion that remain available until expended shall be com-
6 bined with amounts made available under this heading and
7 allocated in accordance with the formula under section
8 217(b)(1)(A) of such Act (42 U.S.C. 12747(b)(1)(A)):
9 *Provided further*, That the Department shall notify grant-
10 ees of their formula allocations within 60 days after enact-
11 ment of this Act: *Provided further*, That section 218(g)
12 of such Act (42 U.S.C. 12748(g)) shall not apply with re-
13 spect to the right of a jurisdiction to draw funds from
14 its HOME Investment Trust Fund that otherwise expired
15 or would expire in any calendar year from 2020 through
16 2028 under that section: *Provided further*, That section
17 231(b) of such Act (42 U.S.C. 12771(b)) shall not apply
18 to any uninvested funds that otherwise were deducted or
19 would be deducted from the line of credit in the partici-
20 pating jurisdiction's HOME Investment Trust Fund in
21 any calendar year from 2020 through 2028 under that
22 section.

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1 ture, planning, resident and community services (including
 2 relocation assistance and eviction prevention), resiliency
 3 activities, and providing other assistance to residents or
 4 owners of manufactured homes, which may include pro-
 5 viding assistance for manufactured housing land and site
 6 acquisition: *Provided further*, That, except as determined
 7 by the Secretary, participation in this program shall not
 8 encumber the future transfer of title or use of property
 9 by the residents, owners, or communities: *Provided further*,
 10 That when selecting recipients, the Secretary shall
 11 prioritize applications that primarily benefit low- or mod-
 12 erately low-income residents and preserve long-term hous-
 13 ing affordability for residents of manufactured housing or
 14 a manufactured housing community: *Provided further*,
 15 That eligible manufactured housing communities may in-
 16 clude those that are—

17 (1) owned by the residents of the manufactured
 18 housing community through a resident-controlled en-
 19 tity, as defined by the Secretary; or

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

23 *Provided further*, That resiliency activities means the re-
 24 construction, repair, or replacement of manufactured
 25 housing and manufactured housing communities to pro-

1 tect the health and safety of manufactured housing resi-
 2 dents and to address weatherization and energy efficiency
 3 needs, except that for pre-1976 mobile homes, funds made
 4 available under this heading may be used only for replace-
 5 ment: *Provided further*, That the Secretary may waive or
 6 specify alternative requirements for any provision of any
 7 statute or regulation that the Secretary administers in
 8 connection with the use of amounts made available under
 9 this heading (except for requirements related to fair hous-
 10 ing, nondiscrimination, labor standards, and the environ-
 11 ment), upon a finding that such waiver or alternative re-
 12 quirement is necessary to facilitate the use of such
 13 amounts.

14 SELF-HELP AND ASSISTED HOMEOWNERSHIP

15 OPPORTUNITY PROGRAM

16 For the self-help and assisted homeownership oppor-
 17 tunity program, as authorized under section 11 of the
 18 Housing Opportunity Program Extension Act of 1996 (42
 19 U.S.C. 12805 note), and for related activities and assist-
 20 ance, \$70,000,000, to remain available until September
 21 30, 2028: *Provided*, That of the sums appropriated under
 22 this heading—

23 (1) \$13,000,000 shall be available for the self-
 24 help homeownership opportunity program as author-
 25 ized under such section 11;

1 (2) \$49,000,000 shall be available for the sec-
 2 ond, third, and fourth capacity building entities
 3 specified in section 4(a) of the HUD Demonstration
 4 Act of 1993 (42 U.S.C. 9816 note), of which not
 5 less than \$5,000,000 shall be for rural capacity
 6 building activities; and

7 (3) \$8,000,000 shall be available for capacity
 8 building by national rural housing organizations hav-
 9 ing experience assessing national rural conditions
 10 and providing financing, training, technical assist-
 11 ance, information, and research to local nonprofit or-
 12 ganizations, local governments, and Indian Tribes
 13 serving high need rural communities.

14 HOMELESS ASSISTANCE GRANTS

15 For assistance under title IV of the McKinney-Vento
 16 Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11360 et seq.), and
 17 for related activities and assistance, \$4,530,000,000, to
 18 remain available until September 30, 2028: *Provided*,
 19 That of the sums appropriated under this heading—

20 (1) \$290,000,000 shall be available for the
 21 emergency solutions grants program authorized
 22 under subtitle B of such title IV (42 U.S.C. 11371
 23 et seq.): *Provided*, That the Department shall notify
 24 grantees of their formula allocation from amounts
 25 allocated (which may represent initial or final

1 amounts allocated) for the emergency solutions
2 grant program not later than 60 days after enact-
3 ment of this Act;

4 (2) \$4,023,000,000 shall be available for the
5 continuum of care program authorized under sub-
6 title C of such title IV (42 U.S.C. 11381 et seq.)
7 and the rural housing stability assistance programs
8 authorized under subtitle D of such title IV (42
9 U.S.C. 11408): *Provided*, That the Secretary shall
10 prioritize funding under the continuum of care pro-
11 gram to continuums of care that have demonstrated
12 a capacity to reallocate funding from lower per-
13 forming projects to higher performing projects: *Pro-*
14 *vided further*, That the Secretary shall make reason-
15 able adjustments to renewal amounts to enable re-
16 newal projects to operate at substantially the same
17 levels, including cost-of-living adjustments for sup-
18 portive services from the prior grant: *Provided fur-*
19 *ther*, That the Secretary shall provide incentives to
20 create projects that coordinate with housing pro-
21 viders and healthcare organizations to provide per-
22 manent supportive housing and rapid re-housing
23 services: *Provided further*, That the Secretary may
24 establish by notice an alternative maximum amount
25 for administrative costs related to the requirements

1 described in sections 402(f)(1) and 402(f)(2) of sub-
2 title A of such title IV of no more than 5 percent
3 or \$50,000, whichever is greater, notwithstanding
4 the 3 percent limitation in section 423(a)(10) of
5 such subtitle C: *Provided further*, That of the
6 amounts made available for the continuum of care
7 program under this paragraph, \$52,000,000 shall be
8 for grants for new rapid re-housing projects and
9 supportive service projects providing coordinated
10 entry, and for eligible activities that the Secretary
11 determines to be critical in order to assist survivors
12 of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault,
13 or stalking, except that the Secretary may make ad-
14 ditional grants for such projects and purposes from
15 amounts made available for such continuum of care
16 program: *Provided further*, That amounts made
17 available for the continuum of care program under
18 this paragraph and any remaining unobligated bal-
19 ances under this heading in prior Acts shall be used
20 to competitively or non-competitively renew or re-
21 place grants for youth homelessness demonstration
22 projects under the continuum of care program, not-
23 withstanding any conflict with the requirements of
24 the continuum of care program: *Provided further*,
25 That any continuum of care, in consultation with

1 their youth action board, that determines it no
2 longer has an identified need for funds to renew a
3 youth homelessness demonstration project shall no-
4 tify the Secretary, and the Secretary shall recapture
5 such assistance from the continuum of care and
6 competitively award it to any other continuum of
7 care with the amounts provided under this heading
8 under paragraph (4): *Provided further*, That the Sec-
9 retary shall issue the notice of funding opportunity
10 for the amounts made available in this paragraph
11 not later than June 1, 2026 and such amounts shall
12 be awarded not later than December 1, 2026: *Pro-*
13 *vided further*, That for fiscal years 2026 and 2027,
14 the Secretary shall issue a 2-year notice of funding
15 opportunity, including any alternative procedures or
16 requirements as may be necessary to allocate future
17 appropriations in the second year, for the award of
18 amounts made available for the continuum of care
19 program under subtitle C of title IV of the McKin-
20 ney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C.
21 11381 et seq.), notwithstanding any conflict with the
22 requirements of the continuum of care program;
23 (3) \$10,000,000 shall be available for the na-
24 tional homeless data analysis project: *Provided*, That
25 notwithstanding the provisions of the Federal Grant

1 and Cooperative Agreements Act of 1977 (31 U.S.C.
2 6301–6308), the amounts made available under this
3 paragraph and any remaining unobligated balances
4 under this heading for such purposes in prior Acts
5 may be used by the Secretary to enter into coopera-
6 tive agreements with such entities as may be deter-
7 mined by the Secretary, including public and private
8 organizations, agencies, and institutions;

9 (4) \$107,000,000 shall be available to imple-
10 ment projects to demonstrate how a comprehensive
11 approach to serving homeless youth, age 24 and
12 under, in up to 25 communities with a priority for
13 communities with substantial rural populations in up
14 to eight locations, can dramatically reduce youth
15 homelessness: *Provided*, That of the amount made
16 available under this paragraph, up to \$25,000,000
17 may be for youth homelessness system improvement
18 grants to support communities, including but not
19 limited to the communities assisted under the matter
20 preceding this proviso, in establishing and imple-
21 menting an evidence-based response system for
22 youth homelessness, or for improving their existing
23 system, including through the establishment of local
24 youth advisory boards, collaboration with youth with
25 lived experience of homelessness in project design

1 and implementation, improving data collection, man-
2 agement, utilization and evaluation, cross-system
3 partnerships with juvenile justice, child welfare, and
4 education systems: *Provided further*, That of the
5 amount made available under this paragraph, up to
6 \$10,000,000 shall be to provide technical assistance
7 to communities, including but not limited to the
8 communities assisted in the preceding proviso and
9 the matter preceding such proviso, on improving sys-
10 tem responses to youth homelessness, and collection,
11 analysis, use, and reporting of data and performance
12 measures under the comprehensive approaches to
13 serve homeless youth, in addition to and in coordina-
14 tion with other technical assistance funds provided
15 under this title: *Provided further*, That the Secretary
16 may use up to 10 percent of the amount made avail-
17 able under the preceding proviso to build the capac-
18 ity of current technical assistance providers or to
19 train new technical assistance providers with
20 verifiable prior experience with systems and pro-
21 grams for youth experiencing homelessness; and

22 (5) \$100,000,000 shall be available for one-time
23 awards under the continuum of care program for
24 new construction, acquisition, or rehabilitation of
25 new permanent supportive housing, of which not

1 more than 20 percent of such awards may be used
2 for other continuum of care eligible activities associ-
3 ated with such projects and not more than 10 per-
4 cent of such awards may be used for project admin-
5 istration: *Provided*, That these amounts shall be
6 awarded on a competitive basis, based on need and
7 other factors to be determined by the Secretary, in-
8 cluding incentives to establish projects that coordi-
9 nate with housing providers, healthcare organiza-
10 tions and social service providers: *Provided further*,
11 That not less than \$35,000,000 shall be awarded to
12 applicants for projects within States with popu-
13 lations less than 2,500,000, except that if such
14 amount is undersubscribed any remaining amounts
15 may be awarded to qualified applicants for projects
16 in any State: *Provided further*, That the grants for
17 ongoing costs associated with such projects shall be
18 eligible for renewal under the continuum of care pro-
19 gram subject to the same terms and conditions as
20 other renewal applicants:
21 *Provided further*, That youth aged 24 and under seeking
22 assistance under this heading shall not be required to pro-
23 vide third party documentation to establish their eligibility
24 under subsection (a) or (b) of section 103 of the McKin-
25 ney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11302) to

1 receive services: *Provided further*, That unaccompanied
 2 youth aged 24 and under or families headed by youth aged
 3 24 and under who are living in unsafe situations may be
 4 served by youth-serving providers funded under this head-
 5 ing: *Provided further*, That recipients of funds provided
 6 under this heading in this Act or any prior Act may estab-
 7 lish preferences for elderly individuals or families (except
 8 for programs provided to serve homeless youth), or dis-
 9 abled individuals or families, when implementing the pro-
 10 grams: *Provided further*, That persons eligible under sec-
 11 tion 103(a)(5) of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assist-
 12 ance Act may be served by any project funded under this
 13 heading to provide both transitional housing and rapid re-
 14 housing: *Provided further*, That for all matching funds re-
 15 quirements applicable to funds made available under this
 16 heading for this fiscal year and prior fiscal years, a grant-
 17 ee may use (or could have used) as a source of match
 18 funds other funds administered by the Secretary and other
 19 Federal agencies unless there is (or was) a specific statu-
 20 tory prohibition on any such use of any such funds: *Pro-*
 21 *vided further*, That none of the funds made available under
 22 this heading shall be available to provide funding for new
 23 projects, except for projects created through reallocation,
 24 unless the Secretary determines that the continuum of
 25 care has demonstrated that projects are evaluated and

1 ranked based on the degree to which they improve the con-
 2 tinuum of care's system performance: *Provided further*,
 3 That any unobligated amounts remaining from funds
 4 made available under this heading in fiscal year 2012 and
 5 prior years for project-based rental assistance for rehabili-
 6 tation projects with 10-year grant terms may be used for
 7 purposes under this heading, notwithstanding the pur-
 8 poses for which such funds were appropriated: *Provided*
 9 *further*, That unobligated balances, including recaptures
 10 and carryover, remaining from funds transferred to or ap-
 11 propriated under this heading in fiscal year 2019 or prior
 12 years, except for rental assistance amounts that were re-
 13 captured and made available until expended, shall be avail-
 14 able for the current purposes authorized under this head-
 15 ing in addition to the purposes for which such funds origi-
 16 nally were appropriated.

17 HOUSING PROGRAMS

18 PROJECT-BASED RENTAL ASSISTANCE

19 For activities and assistance for the provision of
 20 project-based subsidy contracts under the United States
 21 Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437 et seq.) ("the
 22 Act"), not otherwise provided for, \$17,404,000,000, to re-
 23 main available until expended, shall be available on Octo-
 24 ber 1, 2025 (in addition to the \$400,000,000 previously
 25 appropriated under this heading that became available Oc-

1 tober 1, 2025), and \$400,000,000, to remain available
 2 until expended, shall be available on October 1, 2026: *Pro-*
 3 *vided*, That the amounts made available under this head-
 4 ing shall be available for expiring or terminating section
 5 8 project-based subsidy contracts (including section 8
 6 moderate rehabilitation contracts), for amendments to sec-
 7 tion 8 project-based subsidy contracts (including section
 8 8 moderate rehabilitation contracts), for contracts entered
 9 into pursuant to section 441 of the McKinney-Vento
 10 Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11401), for renewal
 11 of section 8 contracts for units in projects that are subject
 12 to approved plans of action under the Emergency Low In-
 13 come Housing Preservation Act of 1987 or the Low-In-
 14 come Housing Preservation and Resident Homeownership
 15 Act of 1990, and for administrative and other expenses
 16 associated with project-based activities and assistance
 17 funded under this heading: *Provided further*, That of the
 18 total amounts provided under this heading, not to exceed
 19 \$509,000,000 shall be available for performance-based
 20 contract administrators for section 8 project-based assist-
 21 ance, for carrying out 42 U.S.C. 1437(f): *Provided further*,
 22 That the Secretary may also use such amounts in the pre-
 23 ceding proviso for performance-based contract administra-
 24 tors for the administration of: interest reduction payments
 25 pursuant to section 236(a) of the National Housing Act

1 (12 U.S.C. 1715z-1(a)); rent supplement payments pur-
 2 suant to section 101 of the Housing and Urban Develop-
 3 ment Act of 1965 (12 U.S.C. 1701s); section 236(f)(2)
 4 rental assistance payments (12 U.S.C. 1715z-1(f)(2));
 5 project rental assistance contracts for the elderly under
 6 section 202(c)(2) of the Housing Act of 1959 (12 U.S.C.
 7 1701q); project rental assistance contracts for supportive
 8 housing for persons with disabilities under section
 9 811(d)(2) of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable
 10 Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 8013(d)(2)); project assistance
 11 contracts pursuant to section 202(h) of the Housing Act
 12 of 1959 (Public Law 86-372; 73 Stat. 667); and loans
 13 under section 202 of the Housing Act of 1959 (Public Law
 14 86-372; 73 Stat. 667): *Provided further*, That amounts
 15 recaptured under this heading, the heading “Annual Con-
 16 tributions for Assisted Housing”, or the heading “Housing
 17 Certificate Fund”, may be used for renewals of or amend-
 18 ments to section 8 project-based contracts or for perform-
 19 ance-based contract administrators, notwithstanding the
 20 purposes for which such amounts were appropriated: *Pro-*
 21 *vided further*, That, notwithstanding any other provision
 22 of law, upon the request of the Secretary, project funds
 23 that are held in residual receipts accounts for any project
 24 subject to a section 8 project-based housing assistance
 25 payments contract that authorizes the Department or a

1 housing finance agency to require that surplus project
 2 funds be deposited in an interest-bearing residual receipts
 3 account and that are in excess of an amount to be deter-
 4 mined by the Secretary, shall be remitted to the Depart-
 5 ment and deposited in this account, to be available until
 6 expended: *Provided further*, That amounts deposited pur-
 7 suant to the preceding proviso shall be available in addi-
 8 tion to the amount otherwise provided by this heading for
 9 uses authorized under this heading.

10 HOUSING FOR THE ELDERLY

11 For capital advances, including amendments to cap-
 12 ital advance contracts, for housing for the elderly, as au-
 13 thorized by section 202 of the Housing Act of 1959 (12
 14 U.S.C. 1701q), for project rental assistance for the elderly
 15 under section 202(c)(2) of such Act, including amend-
 16 ments to contracts for such assistance and renewal of ex-
 17 piring contracts for such assistance for up to a 5-year
 18 term, for senior preservation rental assistance contracts,
 19 including renewals, as authorized by section 811(e) of the
 20 American Homeownership and Economic Opportunity Act
 21 of 2000 (12 U.S.C. 1701q note), for supportive services
 22 associated with the housing, and for administrative and
 23 other expenses associated with assistance under this head-
 24 ing, \$972,000,000 to remain available until September 30,
 25 2029: *Provided*, That of the amount made available under

1 this heading, up to \$122,000,000 shall be for service coordi-
2 dinators and the continuation of existing congregate serv-
3 ice grants for residents of assisted housing projects: *Pro-*
4 *vided further*, That any funding for existing service coordi-
5 nators under the preceding proviso shall be provided with-
6 in 120 days of enactment of this Act: *Provided further*,
7 That the Secretary may enter into two-year agreements
8 as appropriate with such funding that are subject to the
9 availability of annual appropriations: *Provided further*,
10 That the Secretary may waive the provisions of section
11 202 governing the terms and conditions of project rental
12 assistance, except that the initial contract term for such
13 assistance shall not exceed 5 years in duration: *Provided*
14 *further*, That upon request of the Secretary, project funds
15 that are held in residual receipts accounts for any project
16 subject to a section 202 project rental assistance contract,
17 and that upon termination of such contract are in excess
18 of an amount to be determined by the Secretary, shall be
19 remitted to the Department and deposited in this account,
20 to remain available until September 30, 2029: *Provided*
21 *further*, That amounts deposited in this account pursuant
22 to the preceding proviso shall be available, in addition to
23 the amounts otherwise provided by this heading, for the
24 purposes authorized under this heading: *Provided further*,
25 That unobligated balances, including recaptures and car-

1 ryover, remaining from funds transferred to or appro-
 2 priated under this heading shall be available for the cur-
 3 rent purposes authorized under this heading in addition
 4 to the purposes for which such funds originally were ap-
 5 propriated: *Provided further*, That of the total amount
 6 made available under this heading, up to \$4,000,000 shall
 7 be used by the Secretary to support preservation trans-
 8 actions of housing for the elderly originally developed with
 9 a capital advance and assisted by a project rental assist-
 10 ance contract under the provisions of section 202(c) of the
 11 Housing Act of 1959.

12 HOUSING FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

13 For capital advances, including amendments to cap-
 14 ital advance contracts, for supportive housing for persons
 15 with disabilities, as authorized by section 811 of the Cran-
 16 ston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act (42
 17 U.S.C. 8013), for project rental assistance for supportive
 18 housing for persons with disabilities under section
 19 811(d)(2) of such Act, for project assistance contracts
 20 pursuant to subsection (h) of section 202 of the Housing
 21 Act of 1959, as added by section 205(a) of the Housing
 22 and Community Development Amendments of 1978 (Pub-
 23 lic Law 95–557: 92 Stat. 2090), including amendments
 24 to contracts for such assistance and renewal of expiring
 25 contracts for such assistance for up to a 5-year term, for

1 project rental assistance to State housing finance agencies
2 and other appropriate entities as authorized under section
3 811(b)(3) of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable
4 Housing Act, for supportive services associated with the
5 housing for persons with disabilities as authorized by sec-
6 tion 811(b)(1) of such Act, and for administrative and
7 other expenses associated with assistance funded under
8 this heading, \$265,000,000, to remain available until Sep-
9 tember 30, 2029: *Provided*, That, upon the request of the
10 Secretary, project funds that are held in residual receipts
11 accounts for any project subject to a section 811 project
12 rental assistance contract, and that upon termination of
13 such contract are in excess of an amount to be determined
14 by the Secretary, shall be remitted to the Department and
15 deposited in this account, to remain available until Sep-
16 tember 30, 2029: *Provided further*, That amounts depos-
17 ited in this account pursuant to the preceding proviso shall
18 be available in addition to the amounts otherwise provided
19 by this heading for the purposes authorized under this
20 heading: *Provided further*, That unobligated balances, in-
21 cluding recaptures and carryover, remaining from funds
22 transferred to or appropriated under this heading shall be
23 used for the current purposes authorized under this head-
24 ing in addition to the purposes for which such funds origi-
25 nally were appropriated.

HOUSING COUNSELING ASSISTANCE

For contracts, grants, and other assistance excluding loans, as authorized under section 106 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, \$57,500,000, to remain available until September 30, 2027, including up to \$4,500,000 for administrative contract services: *Provided*, That funds shall be used for providing counseling and advice to tenants and homeowners, both current and prospective, with respect to property maintenance, financial management or literacy, and such other matters as may be appropriate to assist them in improving their housing conditions, meeting their financial needs, and fulfilling the responsibilities of tenancy or homeownership; for program administration; and for housing counselor training: *Provided further*, That for purposes of awarding grants from amounts provided under this heading, the Secretary may enter into multiyear agreements, as appropriate, subject to the availability of annual appropriations.

PAYMENT TO MANUFACTURED HOUSING FEES TRUST

FUND

For necessary expenses as authorized by the National Manufactured Housing Construction and Safety Standards Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5401 et seq.), up to \$14,000,000, to remain available until expended, of which

1 \$14,000,000 shall be derived from the Manufactured
2 Housing Fees Trust Fund (established under section
3 620(e) of such Act (42 U.S.C. 5419(e)): *Provided*, That
4 not to exceed the total amount appropriated under this
5 heading shall be available from the general fund of the
6 Treasury to the extent necessary to incur obligations and
7 make expenditures pending the receipt of collections to the
8 Fund pursuant to section 620 of such Act: *Provided fur-*
9 *ther*, That the amount made available under this heading
10 from the general fund shall be reduced as such collections
11 are received during fiscal year 2026 so as to result in a
12 final fiscal year 2026 appropriation from the general fund
13 estimated at zero, and fees pursuant to such section 620
14 shall be modified as necessary to ensure such a final fiscal
15 year 2026 appropriation: *Provided further*, That for the
16 dispute resolution and installation programs, the Sec-
17 retary may assess and collect fees from any program par-
18 ticipant: *Provided further*, That such collections shall be
19 deposited into the Trust Fund, and the Secretary, as pro-
20 vided herein, may use such collections, as well as fees col-
21 lected under section 620 of such Act, for necessary ex-
22 penses of such Act: *Provided further*, That, notwith-
23 standing the requirements of section 620 of such Act, the
24 Secretary may carry out responsibilities of the Secretary
25 under such Act through the use of approved service pro-

1 viders that are paid directly by the recipients of their serv-
 2 ices.

3 FEDERAL HOUSING ADMINISTRATION

4 MUTUAL MORTGAGE INSURANCE PROGRAM ACCOUNT

5 New commitments to guarantee single family loans
 6 insured under the Mutual Mortgage Insurance Fund shall
 7 not exceed \$400,000,000,000, to remain available until
 8 September 30, 2027: *Provided*, That during fiscal year
 9 2026, obligations to make direct loans to carry out the
 10 purposes of section 204(g) of the National Housing Act,
 11 as amended, shall not exceed \$1,000,000: *Provided fur-*
 12 *ther*, That the foregoing amount in the preceding proviso
 13 shall be for loans to nonprofit and governmental entities
 14 in connection with sales of single family real properties
 15 owned by the Secretary and formerly insured under the
 16 Mutual Mortgage Insurance Fund: *Provided further*, That
 17 for administrative contract expenses of the Federal Hous-
 18 ing Administration, \$160,000,000, to remain available
 19 until September 30, 2027: *Provided further*, That to the
 20 extent guaranteed loan commitments exceed
 21 \$200,000,000,000 on or before April 1, 2026, an addi-
 22 tional \$1,400 for administrative contract expenses shall be
 23 available for each \$1,000,000 in additional guaranteed
 24 loan commitments (including a pro rata amount for any
 25 amount below \$1,000,000), but in no case shall funds

1 made available by this proviso exceed \$30,000,000: *Pro-*
 2 *vided further*, That notwithstanding the limitation in the
 3 first sentence of section 255(g) of the National Housing
 4 Act (12 U.S.C. 1715z–20(g)), during fiscal year 2026 the
 5 Secretary may insure and enter into new commitments to
 6 insure mortgages under section 255 of the National Hous-
 7 ing Act only to the extent that the net credit subsidy cost
 8 for such insurance does not exceed zero.

9 GENERAL AND SPECIAL RISK PROGRAM ACCOUNT

10 New commitments to guarantee loans insured under
 11 the General and Special Risk Insurance Funds, as author-
 12 ized by sections 238 and 519 of the National Housing Act
 13 (12 U.S.C. 1715z–3 and 1735c), shall not exceed
 14 \$35,000,000,000 in total loan principal, any part of which
 15 is to be guaranteed, to remain available until September
 16 30, 2027: *Provided*, That during fiscal year 2026, gross
 17 obligations for the principal amount of direct loans, as au-
 18 thorized by sections 204(g), 207(l), 238, and 519(a) of
 19 the National Housing Act, shall not exceed \$1,000,000,
 20 which shall be for loans to nonprofit and governmental en-
 21 tities in connection with the sale of single family real prop-
 22 erties owned by the Secretary and formerly insured under
 23 such Act.

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

4 New commitments to issue guarantees to carry out
5 the purposes of section 306 of the National Housing Act,
6 as amended (12 U.S.C. 1721(g)), shall not exceed
7 \$550,000,000,000, to remain available until September
8 30, 2027: *Provided*, That \$56,000,000, to remain avail-
9 able until September 30, 2027, shall be for necessary sala-
10 ries and expenses of the Government National Mortgage
11 Association: *Provided further*, That to the extent that
12 guaranteed loan commitments exceed \$155,000,000,000
13 on or before April 1, 2026, an additional \$100 for nec-
14 essary salaries and expenses shall be available until ex-
15 pended for each \$1,000,000 in additional guaranteed loan
16 commitments (including a pro rata amount for any
17 amount below \$1,000,000), but in no case shall funds
18 made available by this proviso exceed \$3,000,000: *Pro-*
19 *vided further*, That receipts from Commitment and
20 Multiclass fees collected pursuant to title III of the Na-
21 tional Housing Act (12 U.S.C. 1716 et seq.) shall be cred-
22 ited as offsetting collections to this account.

POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND RESEARCH

RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY

For contracts, grants, and necessary expenses of programs of research and studies relating to housing and urban problems, not otherwise provided for, as authorized by title V of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1970 (12 U.S.C. 1701z–1 et seq.), including carrying out the functions of the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development under section 1(a)(1)(i) of Reorganization Plan No. 2 of 1968, and for technical assistance, \$131,028,000, to remain available until September 30, 2027: *Provided*, That of the amounts made available under this heading, \$40,000,000 shall be for technical assistance, of which \$5,000,000 shall be for the distressed cities technical assistance program: *Provided further*, That with respect to amounts made available under this heading, notwithstanding section 203 of this title, the Secretary may enter into cooperative agreements with philanthropic entities, other Federal agencies, State or local governments and their agencies, Indian Tribes, Tribally designated housing entities, or colleges or universities for research projects: *Provided further*, That with respect to the preceding proviso, such partners to the cooperative agreements shall contribute at least a 50 percent match toward the cost of the project: *Provided further*, That for non-

1 competitive agreements entered into in accordance with
2 the preceding two provisos, the Secretary shall comply
3 with section 2(b) of the Federal Funding Accountability
4 and Transparency Act of 2006 (Public Law 109–282; 31
5 U.S.C. note) in lieu of compliance with section
6 102(a)(4)(C) of the Department of Housing and Urban
7 Development Reform Act of 1989 (42 U.S.C.
8 3545(a)(4)(C)) with respect to documentation of award
9 decisions: *Provided further*, That of the total amounts pro-
10 vided under this heading, \$15,000,000 shall be for com-
11 petitive grants to nonprofit or governmental entities to
12 provide legal assistance (including assistance related to
13 pretrial activities, trial activities, post-trial activities and
14 alternative dispute resolution) at no cost to eligible low-
15 income tenants at risk of or subject to eviction: *Provided*
16 *further*, That in awarding grants under the preceding pro-
17 viso, the Secretary shall give preference to applicants that
18 include a marketing strategy for residents of areas with
19 high rates of eviction, have experience providing no-cost
20 legal assistance to low-income individuals, and have suffi-
21 cient capacity to administer such assistance: *Provided fur-*
22 *ther*, That the Secretary shall ensure, to the extent prac-
23 ticable, that the proportion of eligible tenants living in
24 rural areas who will receive legal assistance with grant
25 funds made available under this heading is not less than

1 the overall proportion of eligible tenants who live in rural
 2 areas: *Provided further*, That the Department shall main-
 3 tain on its publicly accessible website all completed re-
 4 search funded under this heading by this or any prior Act:
 5 *Provided further*, That the Department shall release and
 6 publish such research without regard to the findings with-
 7 in 6 months of submission of the final report.

8 FAIR HOUSING AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITY

9 FAIR HOUSING ACTIVITIES

10 For contracts, grants, and other assistance, not oth-
 11 erwise provided for, as authorized by title VIII of the Civil
 12 Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 3601 et seq.), section 561
 13 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1987
 14 (42 U.S.C. 3616a), and this heading, \$86,355,000, to re-
 15 main available until September 30, 2027: *Provided*, That
 16 of the sums appropriated under this heading—

17 (1) \$26,355,000 shall be for the fair housing
 18 assistance program under such title VIII;

19 (2) \$56,000,000 shall be for the fair housing
 20 initiatives program under such section 561, of
 21 which, not less than \$10,400,000 shall be available
 22 for education and outreach programs, not less than
 23 \$3,700,000 shall be available for fair housing orga-
 24 nization initiatives, and up to \$40,500,000 shall be
 25 available for the private enforcement initiative, ex-

1 cept that if any program or initiative is undersub-
2 scribed any remaining amounts may be awarded to
3 qualified applicants of other programs or initiatives
4 under this paragraph: *Provided*, That the Secretary
5 shall issue each notice of funding opportunity for the
6 fair housing initiatives program not later than 150
7 days after the date of enactment of this Act: *Pro-*
8 *vided further*, That the Secretary, for each such no-
9 tice, shall make all grant awards not later than 270
10 days after the date of enactment of this Act and exe-
11 cute all grant agreements with recipients not later
12 than 330 days after the date of enactment of this
13 Act;

14 (3) \$1,000,000 shall be for the Secretary for
15 the creation and promotion of translated materials
16 and other programs that support the assistance of
17 persons with limited English proficiency in utilizing
18 the services provided by the Department of Housing
19 and Urban Development; and

20 (4) \$3,000,000 shall be for the national fair
21 housing training academy: *Provided*, That notwith-
22 standing section 3302 of title 31, United States
23 Code, the Secretary may also assess and collect fees
24 to cover the costs of such academy, and may use

1 such funds to develop online courses and provide
 2 such training:

3 *Provided further*, That none of the funds made available
 4 under this heading may be used to lobby the executive or
 5 legislative branches of the Federal Government in connec-
 6 tion with a specific contract, grant, or loan.

7 OFFICE OF LEAD HAZARD CONTROL AND HEALTHY

8 HOMES

9 LEAD HAZARD REDUCTION

10 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

11 For the lead hazard reduction program, as authorized
 12 by section 1011 of the Residential Lead-Based Paint Haz-
 13 ard Reduction Act of 1992 (42 U.S.C. 4852), the healthy
 14 homes initiative, pursuant to sections 501 and 502 of the
 15 Housing and Urban Development Act of 1970 (12 U.S.C.
 16 1701z-1 and 1701z-2), and for related activities and as-
 17 sistance, \$295,600,000, to remain available until Sep-
 18 tember 30, 2028: *Provided*, That the amounts made avail-
 19 able under this heading are provided as follows:

20 (1) \$155,600,000 shall be for the award of
 21 grants pursuant to such section 1011, of which not
 22 less than \$105,000,000 shall be provided to areas
 23 with the highest lead-based paint abatement need;

24 (2) \$140,000,000 shall be for the healthy
 25 homes initiative, pursuant to sections 501 and 502

1 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of
2 1970, which shall include research, studies, testing,
3 and demonstration efforts, including education and
4 outreach concerning lead-based paint poisoning and
5 other housing-related diseases and hazards, and
6 mitigating housing-related health and safety hazards
7 in housing of low-income families: *Provided*, That
8 \$30,000,000 of such amount shall be for grants to
9 experienced non-profit organizations, States, local
10 governments, or public housing agencies for safety
11 and functional home modification repairs and ren-
12 ovations to meet the needs of low-income seniors to
13 enable them to remain in their primary residence, of
14 which no less than \$10,000,000 shall be available to
15 meet such needs in communities with substantial
16 rural populations: *Provided further*, That for funds
17 made available for such grants in the preceding pro-
18 viso or under this heading or the heading “Housing
19 for the Elderly” in prior Acts, all eligible activities,
20 except those that would alter the existing footprint
21 of a structure or improvement in a floodplain or a
22 wetland, are exempt from environmental review and
23 not subject to the Federal laws and authorities cited
24 in section 58.5 of title 24, Code of Federal Regula-
25 tions; and

1 (3) up to \$2,000,000 in total of the amounts
2 made available under paragraph (2) may be trans-
3 ferred to the heading “Research and Technology”
4 for the purposes of conducting research and studies
5 and for use in accordance with the provisos under
6 that heading for non-competitive agreements:

7 *Provided further*, That for purposes of environmental re-
8 view, pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act
9 of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.) and other provisions of
10 law that further the purposes of such Act, a grant under
11 the healthy homes initiative, or the lead technical studies
12 program, or other demonstrations or programs under this
13 heading or under prior appropriations Acts for such pur-
14 poses under this heading, or under the heading “Housing
15 for the Elderly” under prior Appropriations Acts, shall be
16 considered to be funds for a special project for purposes
17 of section 305(c) of the Multifamily Housing Property
18 Disposition Reform Act of 1994: *Provided further*, That
19 each applicant for a grant or cooperative agreement under
20 this heading shall certify adequate capacity that is accept-
21 able to the Secretary to carry out the proposed use of
22 funds pursuant to a notice of funding opportunity: *Pro-*
23 *vided further*, That amounts made available under the fifth
24 paragraph under this heading by the Full-Year Continuing
25 Appropriations and Extensions Act, 2025 (Public Law

1 119–4) shall be transferred to and merged with the
 2 amounts provided under the fifth paragraph under the
 3 heading “Public Housing Fund” in this Act and
 4 prioritized for qualified projects where the primary pur-
 5 pose is radon testing and mitigation, except any transfer
 6 pursuant to this provision shall retain its original avail-
 7 ability: *Provided further*, That amounts made available
 8 under this heading, in this or prior appropriations Acts,
 9 still remaining available, may be used for any purpose
 10 under this heading notwithstanding the purpose for which
 11 such amounts were appropriated if a program competition
 12 is undersubscribed and there are other program competi-
 13 tions under this heading that are oversubscribed.

14 OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

15 For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of
 16 Inspector General in carrying out the Inspector General
 17 Act of 1978, as amended, \$146,000,000: *Provided*, That
 18 the Inspector General shall have independent authority
 19 over all personnel and acquisition issues within this office.

20 GENERAL PROVISIONS—DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND

21 URBAN DEVELOPMENT

22 (INCLUDING RESCISSIONS)

23 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

24 SEC. 201. Fifty percent of the amounts of budget au-
 25 thority, or in lieu thereof 50 percent of the cash amounts

1 associated with such budget authority, that are recaptured
2 from projects described in section 1012(a) of the Stewart
3 B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Amendments Act of
4 1988 (42 U.S.C. 1437f note) shall be rescinded or in the
5 case of cash, shall be remitted to the Treasury, and such
6 amounts of budget authority or cash recaptured and not
7 rescinded or remitted to the Treasury shall be used by
8 State housing finance agencies or local governments or
9 local housing agencies with projects approved by the Sec-
10 retary of Housing and Urban Development for which set-
11 tlement occurred after January 1, 1992, in accordance
12 with such section. Notwithstanding the previous sentence,
13 the Secretary may award up to 15 percent of the budget
14 authority or cash recaptured and not rescinded or remitted
15 to the Treasury to provide project owners with incentives
16 to refinance their project at a lower interest rate.

17 SEC. 202. None of the funds made available by this
18 Act may be used to investigate or prosecute under the Fair
19 Housing Act any otherwise lawful activity engaged in by
20 one or more persons, including the filing or maintaining
21 of a nonfrivolous legal action, that is engaged in solely
22 for the purpose of achieving or preventing action by a Gov-
23 ernment official or entity, or a court of competent jurisdic-
24 tion.

1 SEC. 203. Except as explicitly provided in law, any
2 grant, cooperative agreement or other assistance made
3 pursuant to title II of this Act shall be made on a competi-
4 tive basis and in accordance with section 102 of the De-
5 partment of Housing and Urban Development Reform Act
6 of 1989 (42 U.S.C. 3545).

7 SEC. 204. Funds of the Department of Housing and
8 Urban Development subject to the Government Corpora-
9 tion Control Act or section 402 of the Housing Act of
10 1950 shall be available, without regard to the limitations
11 on administrative expenses, for legal services on a contract
12 or fee basis, and for utilizing and making payment for
13 services and facilities of the Federal National Mortgage
14 Association, Government National Mortgage Association,
15 Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, Federal Fi-
16 nancing Bank, Federal Reserve banks or any member
17 thereof, Federal Home Loan banks, and any insured bank
18 within the meaning of the Federal Deposit Insurance Cor-
19 poration Act, as amended (12 U.S.C. 1811–1).

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

1 SEC. 206. Corporations and agencies of the Depart-
2 ment of Housing and Urban Development which are sub-
3 ject to the Government Corporation Control Act are here-
4 by authorized to make such expenditures, within the limits
5 of funds and borrowing authority available to each such
6 corporation or agency and in accordance with law, and to
7 make such contracts and commitments without regard to
8 fiscal year limitations as provided by section 104 of such
9 Act as may be necessary in carrying out the programs set
10 forth in the budget for 2026 for such corporation or agen-
11 cy except as hereinafter provided: *Provided*, That collec-
12 tions of these corporations and agencies may be used for
13 new loan or mortgage purchase commitments only to the
14 extent expressly provided for in this Act (unless such loans
15 are in support of other forms of assistance provided for
16 in this or prior appropriations Acts), except that this pro-
17 viso shall not apply to the mortgage insurance or guaranty
18 operations of these corporations, or where loans or mort-
19 gage purchases are necessary to protect the financial in-
20 terest of the United States Government.

21 SEC. 207. None of the funds made available by this
22 title may be used for an audit of the Government National
23 Mortgage Association that makes applicable requirements
24 under the Federal Credit Reform Act of 1990 (2 U.S.C.
25 661 et seq.).

1 SEC. 208. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision
2 of law, subject to the conditions listed under this section,
3 for fiscal years 2026 and 2027, the Secretary of Housing
4 and Urban Development may authorize the transfer of
5 some or all project-based assistance, debt held or insured
6 by the Secretary and statutorily required low-income and
7 very low-income use restrictions if any, associated with one
8 or more multifamily housing project or projects to another
9 multifamily housing project or projects.

10 (b) PHASED TRANSFERS.—Transfers of project-
11 based assistance under this section may be done in phases
12 to accommodate the financing and other requirements re-
13 lated to rehabilitating or constructing the project or
14 projects to which the assistance is transferred, to ensure
15 that such project or projects meet the standards under
16 subsection (c).

17 (c) The transfer authorized in subsection (a) is sub-
18 ject to the following conditions:

19 (1) NUMBER AND BEDROOM SIZE OF UNITS.—

20 (A) For occupied units in the transferring
21 project: The number of low-income and very
22 low-income units and the configuration (i.e.,
23 bedroom size) provided by the transferring
24 project shall be no less than when transferred
25 to the receiving project or projects and the net

1 dollar amount of Federal assistance provided to
2 the transferring project shall remain the same
3 in the receiving project or projects. The Sec-
4 retary, upon determination of good cause, in-
5 cluding a determination that there will be no
6 loss of assistance to currently assisted house-
7 holds, may authorize a different number of such
8 units or a change in such configuration, or
9 both, at the receiving project or projects in the
10 event there is a transfer of use restrictions
11 without an associated transfer of project-based
12 assistance to the receiving project. The Sec-
13 retary shall publish a notice in the Federal Reg-
14 ister for public comment containing the criteria
15 for determinations of good cause no less than
16 60 days before the effective date of such notice.

17 (B) For unoccupied units in the transfer-
18 ring project: The Secretary may authorize a re-
19 duction in the number of dwelling units in the
20 receiving project or projects to allow for a re-
21 configuration of bedroom sizes to meet current
22 market demands, as determined by the Sec-
23 retary and provided there is no increase in the
24 project-based assistance budget authority.

1 (2) The transferring project shall, as deter-
2 mined by the Secretary, be either physically obsolete
3 or economically nonviable, or be reasonably expected
4 to become economically nonviable when complying
5 with State or Federal requirements for community
6 integration and reduced concentration of individuals
7 with disabilities.

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

11 (4) The owner or mortgagor of the transferring
12 project shall notify and consult with the tenants re-
13 siding in the transferring project and provide a cer-
14 tification of approval by all appropriate local govern-
15 mental officials.

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

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

24 (7) If either the transferring project or the re-
25 ceiving project or projects meets the condition speci-

1 fied in subsection (d)(2)(A), any lien on the receiv-
2 ing project resulting from additional financing ob-
3 tained by the owner shall be subordinate to any
4 FHA-insured mortgage lien transferred to, or placed
5 on, such project by the Secretary, except that the
6 Secretary may waive this requirement upon deter-
7 mination that such a waiver is necessary to facilitate
8 the financing of acquisition, construction, and/or re-
9 habilitation of the receiving project or projects.

10 (8) If the transferring project meets the re-
11 quirements of subsection (d)(2), the owner or mort-
12 gagor of the receiving project or projects shall exe-
13 cute and record either a continuation of the existing
14 use agreement or a new use agreement for the
15 project where, in either case, any use restrictions in
16 such agreement are of no lesser duration than the
17 existing use restrictions.

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

24 (d) For purposes of this section—

1 (1) the terms “low-income” and “very low-in-
2 come” shall have the meanings provided by the stat-
3 ute and/or regulations governing the program under
4 which the project is insured or assisted;

5 (2) the term “multifamily housing project”
6 means housing that meets one of the following con-
7 ditions—

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

10 (B) housing that has project-based assist-
11 ance attached to the structure including
12 projects undergoing mark to market debt re-
13 structuring under the Multifamily Assisted
14 Housing Reform and Affordability Housing Act;

15 (C) housing that is assisted under section
16 202 of the Housing Act of 1959 (12 U.S.C.
17 1701q);

18 (D) housing that is assisted under section
19 202 of the Housing Act of 1959 (12 U.S.C.
20 1701q), as such section existed before the en-
21 actment of the Cranston-Gonzales National Af-
22 fordable Housing Act;

23 (E) housing that is assisted under section
24 811 of the Cranston-Gonzales National Afford-
25 able Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 8013); or

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

3 (3) the term “project-based assistance”
4 means—

5 (A) assistance provided under section 8(b)
6 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42
7 U.S.C. 1437f(b));

8 (B) assistance for housing constructed or
9 substantially rehabilitated pursuant to assist-
10 ance provided under section 8(b)(2) of such Act
11 (as such section existed immediately before Oc-
12 tober 1, 1983);

13 (C) rent supplement payments under sec-
14 tion 101 of the Housing and Urban Develop-
15 ment Act of 1965 (12 U.S.C. 1701s);

16 (D) interest reduction payments under sec-
17 tion 236 and/or additional assistance payments
18 under section 236(f)(2) of the National Hous-
19 ing Act (12 U.S.C. 1715z–1);

20 (E) assistance payments made under sec-
21 tion 202(c)(2) of the Housing Act of 1959 (12
22 U.S.C. 1701q(c)(2)); and

23 (F) assistance payments made under sec-
24 tion 811(d)(2) of the Cranston-Gonzalez Na-

1 tional Affordable Housing Act (42 U.S.C.
2 8013(d)(2));

3 (4) the term “receiving project or projects”
4 means the multifamily housing project or projects to
5 which some or all of the project-based assistance,
6 debt, and statutorily required low-income and very
7 low-income use restrictions are to be transferred;

8 (5) the term “transferring project” means the
9 multifamily housing project which is transferring
10 some or all of the project-based assistance, debt, and
11 the statutorily required low-income and very low-in-
12 come use restrictions to the receiving project or
13 projects; and

14 (6) the term “Secretary” means the Secretary
15 of Housing and Urban Development.

16 (e) RESEARCH REPORT.—The Secretary shall con-
17 duct an evaluation of the transfer authority under this sec-
18 tion, including the effect of such transfers on the oper-
19 ational efficiency, contract rents, physical and financial
20 conditions, and long-term preservation of the affected
21 properties.

22 SEC. 209. No assistance shall be provided under sec-
23 tion 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42
24 U.S.C. 1437f) to any individual who—

1 (1) is enrolled as a student at an institution of
2 higher education (as defined under section 102 of
3 the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C.
4 1002));

5 (2) is under 24 years of age;

6 (3) is not a veteran;

7 (4) is unmarried;

8 (5) does not have a dependent child;

9 (6) is not a person with disabilities, as such
10 term is defined in section 3(b)(3)(E) of the United
11 States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C.
12 1437a(b)(3)(E)) and was not receiving assistance
13 under such section 8 as of November 30, 2005;

14 (7) is not a youth who left foster care at age
15 14 or older and is at risk of becoming homeless; and

16 (8) is not otherwise individually eligible, or has
17 parents who, individually or jointly, are not eligible,
18 to receive assistance under section 8 of the United
19 States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437f).

20 SEC. 210. The funds made available for Native Alas-
21 kans under paragraph (1) under the heading “Native
22 American Programs” in title II of this Act shall be allo-
23 cated to the same Native Alaskan housing block grant re-
24 cipients that received funds in fiscal year 2005, and only

1 such recipients shall be eligible to apply for funds made
2 available under paragraph (2) of such heading.

3 SEC. 211. Notwithstanding any other provision of
4 law, in fiscal year 2026, in managing and disposing of any
5 multifamily property that is owned or has a mortgage held
6 by the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, and
7 during the process of foreclosure on any property with a
8 contract for rental assistance payments under section 8
9 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C.
10 1437f) or any other Federal programs, the Secretary shall
11 maintain any rental assistance payments under section 8
12 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 and other pro-
13 grams that are attached to any dwelling units in the prop-
14 erty. To the extent the Secretary determines, in consulta-
15 tion with the tenants and the local government that such
16 a multifamily property owned or having a mortgage held
17 by the Secretary is not feasible for continued rental assist-
18 ance payments under such section 8 or other programs,
19 based on consideration of (1) the costs of rehabilitating
20 and operating the property and all available Federal,
21 State, and local resources, including rent adjustments
22 under section 524 of the Multifamily Assisted Housing
23 Reform and Affordability Act of 1997 (in this section
24 “MAHRAA”) (42 U.S.C. 1437f note), and (2) environ-
25 mental conditions that cannot be remedied in a cost-effec-

1 tive fashion, the Secretary may, in consultation with the
2 tenants of that property, contract for project-based rental
3 assistance payments with an owner or owners of other ex-
4 isting housing properties, or provide other rental assist-
5 ance. The Secretary shall also take appropriate steps to
6 ensure that project-based contracts remain in effect prior
7 to foreclosure, subject to the exercise of contractual abate-
8 ment remedies to assist relocation of tenants for imminent
9 major threats to health and safety after written notice to
10 and informed consent of the affected tenants and use of
11 other available remedies, such as partial abatements or re-
12 ceivership. After disposition of any multifamily property
13 described in this section, the contract and allowable rent
14 levels on such properties shall be subject to the require-
15 ments under section 524 of MAHRAA.

16 SEC. 212. Public housing agencies that own and oper-
17 ate 400 or fewer public housing units may elect to be ex-
18 empt from any asset management requirement imposed by
19 the Secretary in connection with the operating fund rule:
20 *Provided*, That an agency seeking a discontinuance of a
21 reduction of subsidy under the operating fund formula
22 shall not be exempt from asset management requirements.

23 SEC. 213. With respect to the use of amounts pro-
24 vided in this Act and in future Acts for the operation, cap-
25 ital improvement, and management of public housing as

1 authorized by sections 9(d) and 9(e) of the United States
 2 Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437g(d), (e)), the Sec-
 3 retary shall not impose any requirement or guideline relat-
 4 ing to asset management that restricts or limits in any
 5 way the use of capital funds for central office costs pursu-
 6 ant to paragraph (1) or (2) of section 9(g) of the United
 7 States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437g(g)(1), (2)):
 8 *Provided*, That a public housing agency may not use cap-
 9 ital funds authorized under section 9(d) for activities that
 10 are eligible under section 9(e) for assistance with amounts
 11 from the operating fund in excess of the amounts per-
 12 mitted under paragraph (1) or (2) of section 9(g).

13 SEC. 214. No official or employee of the Department
 14 of Housing and Urban Development shall be designated
 15 as an allotment holder unless the Office of the Chief Fi-
 16 nancial Officer has determined that such allotment holder
 17 has implemented an adequate system of funds control and
 18 has received training in funds control procedures and di-
 19 rectives. The Chief Financial Officer shall ensure that
 20 there is a trained allotment holder for each HUD appro-
 21 priation under the accounts “Executive Offices”, “Admin-
 22 istrative Support Offices”, “Program Offices”, “Govern-
 23 ment National Mortgage Association—Guarantees of
 24 Mortgage-Backed Securities Loan Guarantee Program

1 Account”, and “Office of Inspector General” within the
2 Department of Housing and Urban Development.

3 SEC. 215. Notwithstanding any other provision of
4 law, for fiscal year 2026, the Secretary may make a notice
5 of funding opportunity, and a notice of any funding deci-
6 sion, for any program or discretionary fund administered
7 by the Secretary that is to be competitively awarded avail-
8 able only on the Internet at the appropriate Government
9 website or through other electronic media, as determined
10 by the Secretary.

11 SEC. 216. Payment of attorney fees in program-re-
12 lated litigation shall be paid from the individual program
13 office and Office of General Counsel salaries and expenses
14 appropriations.

15 SEC. 217. The Secretary is authorized to transfer up
16 to 10 percent or \$5,000,000, whichever is less, of funds
17 appropriated for any office under the headings “Adminis-
18 trative Support Offices” or “Program Offices” to any
19 other such office under such headings: *Provided*, That the
20 Secretary shall provide notification to such Committees 5
21 business days in advance of any such transfers.

22 SEC. 218. (a) Any entity receiving housing assistance
23 payments shall maintain decent, safe, and sanitary condi-
24 tions, as determined by the Secretary, and comply with
25 any standards under applicable State or local laws, rules,

1 ordinances, or regulations relating to the physical condi-
2 tion of any property covered under a housing assistance
3 payment contract.

4 (b) The Secretary shall take action under subsection
5 (c) when a multifamily housing project with a contract
6 under section 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937
7 (42 U.S.C. 1437f) or a contract for similar project-based
8 assistance—

9 (1) receives a failing score under the uniform
10 physical condition standards (UPCS) or successor
11 standard; or

12 (2) fails to certify in writing to the Secretary
13 within 3 days that all exigent health and safety defi-
14 ciencies, or those deficiencies requiring correction
15 within 24 hours, identified by the inspector at the
16 project have been corrected.

17 Such requirements shall apply to insured and non-
18 insured projects with assistance attached to the units
19 under section 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937
20 (42 U.S.C. 1437f), but shall not apply to such units as-
21 sisted under section 8(o)(13) of such Act (42 U.S.C.
22 1437f(o)(13)) or to public housing units assisted with cap-
23 ital or operating funds under section 9 of the United
24 States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437g).

1 (c)(1) Within 15 days of the issuance of the Real Es-
2 tate Assessment Center (“REAC”) inspection, the Sec-
3 retary shall provide the owner with a notice of default with
4 a specified timetable, determined by the Secretary, for cor-
5 recting all deficiencies. The Secretary shall provide a copy
6 of the notice of default to the tenants, the local govern-
7 ment, any mortgagees, and any contract administrator. If
8 the owner’s appeal results in a passing score, the Sec-
9 retary may withdraw the notice of default.

10 (2) At the end of the time period for correcting all
11 deficiencies specified in the notice of default, if the owner
12 fails to fully correct such deficiencies, the Secretary may—

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

16 (B) impose civil money penalties, which shall be
17 used solely for the purpose of supporting safe and
18 sanitary conditions at applicable properties, as des-
19 ignated by the Secretary, with priority given to the
20 tenants of the property affected by the penalty;

21 (C) abate the section 8 contract, including par-
22 tial abatement, as determined by the Secretary, until
23 all deficiencies have been corrected;

24 (D) pursue transfer of the project to an owner,
25 approved by the Secretary under established proce-

1 dures, who will be obligated to promptly make all re-
2 quired repairs and to accept renewal of the assist-
3 ance contract if such renewal is offered;

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

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

8 (G) seek judicial appointment of a receiver to
9 manage the property and cure all project deficiencies
10 or seek a judicial order of specific performance re-
11 quiring the owner to cure all project deficiencies;

12 (H) work with the owner, lender, or other re-
13 lated party to stabilize the property in an attempt
14 to preserve the property through compliance, trans-
15 fer of ownership, or an infusion of capital provided
16 by a third-party that requires time to effectuate; or

17 (I) take any other regulatory or contractual
18 remedies available as deemed necessary and appro-
19 priate by the Secretary.

20 (d) The Secretary shall take appropriate steps to en-
21 sure that project-based contracts remain in effect, subject
22 to the exercise of contractual abatement remedies to assist
23 relocation of tenants for major threats to health and safety
24 after written notice to the affected tenants. To the extent
25 the Secretary determines, in consultation with the tenants

1 and the local government, that the property is not feasible
2 for continued rental assistance payments under such sec-
3 tion 8 or other programs, based on consideration of—

4 (1) the costs of rehabilitating and operating the
5 property and all available Federal, State, and local
6 resources, including rent adjustments under section
7 524 of the Multifamily Assisted Housing Reform
8 and Affordability Act of 1997 (“MAHRAA”); and

9 (2) environmental conditions that cannot be
10 remedied in a cost-effective fashion, the Secretary
11 may contract for project-based rental assistance pay-
12 ments with an owner or owners of other existing
13 housing properties, or provide other rental assist-
14 ance.

15 (e) The Secretary shall report semi-annually on all
16 properties covered by this section that are assessed
17 through the Real Estate Assessment Center and have fail-
18 ing physical inspection scores or have received an unsatis-
19 factory management and occupancy review within the past
20 36 months. The report shall include—

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

1 (2) identification of actions that the Depart-
2 ment of Housing and Urban Development is taking
3 to protect tenants of such identified properties; and

4 (3) any administrative or legislative rec-
5 ommendations to further improve the living condi-
6 tions at properties covered under a housing assist-
7 ance payment contract.

8 The first report shall be submitted to the Senate and
9 House Committees on Appropriations not later than 30
10 days after the enactment of this Act, and the second re-
11 port shall be submitted within 180 days of the transmittal
12 of the first report.

13 SEC. 219. None of the funds made available by this
14 Act, or any other Act, for purposes authorized under sec-
15 tion 8 (only with respect to the tenant-based rental assist-
16 ance program) and section 9 of the United States Housing
17 Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437 et seq.), may be used by
18 any public housing agency for any amount of salary, in-
19 cluding bonuses, for the chief executive officer of which,
20 or any other official or employee of which, that exceeds
21 the annual rate of basic pay payable for a position at level
22 IV of the Executive Schedule at any time during any pub-
23 lic housing agency fiscal year 2026.

24 SEC. 220. None of the funds made available by this
25 Act and provided to the Department of Housing and

1 Urban Development may be used to make, modify the
2 scope or terms and conditions of, terminate, rescind, or
3 reduce a grant award unless the Secretary notifies the
4 House and Senate Committees on Appropriations not less
5 than 3 full business days before any project, State, local-
6 ity, housing authority, Tribe, nonprofit organization, or
7 other entity selected to receive a grant award is announced
8 or is notified of such changes by the Department or its
9 offices: *Provided*, That such notification shall list each
10 grant award and project description by State and congres-
11 sional district.

12 SEC. 221. None of the funds made available in this
13 Act shall be used by the Federal Housing Administration,
14 the Government National Mortgage Association, or the
15 Department of Housing and Urban Development to in-
16 sure, securitize, or establish a Federal guarantee of any
17 mortgage or mortgage backed security that refinances or
18 otherwise replaces a mortgage that has been subject to
19 eminent domain condemnation or seizure, by a State, mu-
20 nicipality, or any other political subdivision of a State.

21 SEC. 222. None of the funds made available by this
22 Act may be used to terminate the status of a unit of gen-
23 eral local government as a metropolitan city (as defined
24 in section 102 of the Housing and Community Develop-

1 ment Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5302)) with respect to
2 grants under section 106 of such Act (42 U.S.C. 5306).

3 SEC. 223. Amounts made available by this Act that
4 are appropriated, allocated, advanced on a reimbursable
5 basis, or transferred to the Office of Policy Development
6 and Research of the Department of Housing and Urban
7 Development and functions thereof, for research, evalua-
8 tion, or statistical purposes, and that are unexpended at
9 the time of completion of a contract, grant, or cooperative
10 agreement, may be deobligated and shall immediately be-
11 come available and may be reobligated in that fiscal year
12 or the subsequent fiscal year for the research, evaluation,
13 or statistical purposes for which the amounts are made
14 available to that Office subject to reprogramming require-
15 ments in section 405 of this Act.

16 SEC. 224. None of the funds provided in this Act or
17 any other Act may be used for awards, including perform-
18 ance, special act, or spot, for any employee of the Depart-
19 ment of Housing and Urban Development subject to ad-
20 ministrative discipline (including suspension from work),
21 in this fiscal year, but this prohibition shall not be effec-
22 tive prior to the effective date of any such administrative
23 discipline or after any final decision over-turning such dis-
24 cipline.

1 SEC. 225. With respect to grant amounts awarded
2 under the heading “Homeless Assistance Grants” for fis-
3 cal years 2015 through 2026 for the continuum of care
4 (CoC) program as authorized under subtitle C of title IV
5 of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, costs
6 paid by program income of grant recipients may count to-
7 ward meeting the recipient’s matching requirements, pro-
8 vided the costs are eligible CoC costs that supplement the
9 recipient’s CoC program.

10 SEC. 226. (a) From amounts made available under
11 this title under the heading “Homeless Assistance
12 Grants”, the Secretary may award 1-year transition
13 grants to recipients of funds for activities under subtitle
14 C of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42
15 U.S.C. 11381 et seq.) to transition from one continuum
16 of care program component to another.

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

21 SEC. 227. The promise zone designations and prom-
22 ise zone designation agreements entered into pursuant to
23 such designations, made by the Secretary in prior fiscal
24 years, shall remain in effect in accordance with the terms

1 and conditions of such agreements (including designation
2 and agreement time periods).

3 SEC. 228. Any public housing agency designated as
4 a Moving to Work agency pursuant to section 239 of divi-
5 sion L of Public Law 114–113 (42 U.S.C. 1437f note;
6 129 Stat. 2897) may, upon such designation, use funds
7 (except for special purpose funding, including special pur-
8 pose vouchers) previously allocated to any such public
9 housing agency under section 8 or 9 of the United States
10 Housing Act of 1937, including any reserve funds held by
11 the public housing agency or funds held by the Depart-
12 ment of Housing and Urban Development, pursuant to the
13 authority for use of section 8 or 9 funding provided under
14 such section and section 204 of title II of the Departments
15 of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development
16 and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act, 1996
17 (Public Law 104–134; 110 Stat. 1321–28), notwith-
18 standing the purposes for which such funds were appro-
19 priated.

20 SEC. 229. None of the amounts made available by
21 this Act may be used to prohibit any public housing agen-
22 cy under receivership or the direction of a Federal monitor
23 from applying for, receiving, or using funds made available
24 under the heading “Public Housing Fund” for competitive
25 grants to evaluate and reduce lead-based paint hazards in

1 this Act or that remain available and not awarded from
2 prior Acts, or be used to prohibit a public housing agency
3 from using such funds to carry out any required work pur-
4 suant to a settlement agreement, consent decree, vol-
5 untary agreement, or similar document for a violation of
6 the lead safe housing or lead disclosure rules.

7 SEC. 230. For fiscal year 2026, if the Secretary de-
8 termines or has determined, for any prior formula grant
9 allocation administered by the Secretary through the Of-
10 fices of Public and Indian Housing, Community Planning
11 and Development, or Housing, that a recipient received
12 an allocation greater than the amount such recipient
13 should have received for a formula allocation cycle pursu-
14 ant to applicable statutes and regulations, the Secretary
15 may adjust for any such funding error in the next applica-
16 ble formula allocation cycle by (a) offsetting each such re-
17 cipient's formula allocation (if eligible for a formula alloca-
18 tion in the next applicable formula allocation cycle) by the
19 amount of any such funding error, and (b) reallocating
20 any available balances that are attributable to the offset
21 to the recipient or recipients that would have been allo-
22 cated additional funds in the formula allocation cycle in
23 which any such error occurred (if such recipient or recipi-
24 ents are eligible for a formula allocation in the next appli-
25 cable formula allocation cycle) in an amount proportionate

1 to such recipient's eligibility under the next applicable for-
2 mula allocation cycle: *Provided*, That all offsets and re-
3 allocations from such available balances shall be recorded
4 against funds available for the next applicable formula al-
5 location cycle: *Provided further*, That the term "next appli-
6 cable formula allocation cycle" means the first formula al-
7 location cycle for a program that is reasonably available
8 for correction following such a Secretarial determination:
9 *Provided further*, That if, upon request by a recipient and
10 giving consideration to all Federal resources available to
11 the recipient for the same grant purposes, the Secretary
12 determines that the offset in the next applicable formula
13 allocation cycle would critically impair the recipient's abil-
14 ity to accomplish the purpose of the formula grant, the
15 Secretary may adjust for the funding error across two or
16 more formula allocation cycles.

17 SEC. 231. The Secretary may transfer from amounts
18 made available for salaries and expenses under this title
19 (excluding amounts made available under the heading
20 "Office of Inspector General") to the heading "Informa-
21 tion Technology Fund" for unforeseen information tech-
22 nology needs, including for additional development, mod-
23 ernization, and enhancement, to remain available until
24 September 30, 2028: *Provided*, That the total amount of
25 such transfers shall not exceed \$5,000,000: *Provided fur-*

1 *ther*, That this transfer authority shall not be used to fund
 2 information technology projects or activities that have
 3 known out-year development, modernization, or enhance-
 4 ment costs in excess of \$500,000: *Provided further*, That
 5 this transfer authority shall not be used to allocate costs
 6 across offices for broader departmental information tech-
 7 nology needs: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall
 8 provide notification to the House and Senate Committees
 9 on Appropriations no fewer than 10 business days in ad-
 10 vance of any such transfer.

11 SEC. 232. The Secretary shall comply with all process
 12 requirements, including public notice and comment, when
 13 seeking to revise any annual contributions contract: *Pro-*
 14 *vided*, That the Secretary shall provide public housing au-
 15 thorities not less than 60 days for public comment, and
 16 the Secretary shall consider and respond to submitted
 17 comments.

18 SEC. 233. Amounts made available to the Secretary
 19 in this or any prior Act under the headings “Project-
 20 Based Rental Assistance” or “Housing Certificate Fund”
 21 for performance-based contract administrators to carry
 22 out section 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937
 23 (the Act) (42 U.S.C. 1437f), as implemented by the Sec-
 24 retary in chapter VIII of title 24, Code of Federal Regula-
 25 tions, may be awarded through a notice of funding oppor-

1 tunity not subject to procurement laws or regulations, not-
2 withstanding chapter 63 of title 31, United States Code:
3 *Provided*, That such awards shall be deemed for all pur-
4 poses to be cooperative agreements: *Provided further*, That
5 the Secretary shall award one cooperative agreement for
6 each State or territory, except that the Secretary may
7 award more than one agreement for a State or territory
8 if the population of such State or territory exceeds
9 35,000,000: *Provided further*, That any cooperative agree-
10 ments issued by the Secretary shall, at minimum, assign
11 the rights and responsibilities as provided in section 8 of
12 the Act: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall assign
13 such rights and responsibilities to the furthest extent pos-
14 sible to ensure effective and efficient program oversight
15 and monitoring: *Provided further*, That when selecting a
16 performance-based contract administrator, the Secretary
17 shall provide a preference to applicants that have dem-
18 onstrated experience with properties receiving project-
19 based assistance, experience in multifamily housing pres-
20 ervation, addressing the concerns of low-income tenants,
21 making assistance payments to owners, and performing
22 the other functions assigned to a public housing agency
23 under section 8(b) of the Act: *Provided further*, That if,
24 for any State or territory, no qualified applicant applies
25 under the relevant notice of funding opportunity, the Sec-

1 retary may utilize a procurement contract subject to all
 2 procurement laws and regulations to assist in carrying out
 3 section 8 of the Act in such State or territory: *Provided*
 4 *further*, That the Secretary shall provide for incentive-
 5 based fees as part of such awards: *Provided further*, That
 6 for notice of funding opportunity-based awards under this
 7 section, eligible applicants are public housing agencies as
 8 defined by section 3(b)(6)(A) of the Act, which shall in-
 9 clude nonprofits of such agencies when operating outside
 10 of the State or territory in which such agency is estab-
 11 lished.

12 SEC. 234. None of the amounts made available in this
 13 or prior Acts may be used to consider family self-suffi-
 14 ciency achievement metrics (FAM) in determining funding
 15 awards for programs receiving family self-sufficiency pro-
 16 gram coordinator funding provided in this or prior Acts
 17 except to provide bonus awards as expressly made avail-
 18 able in this or prior Acts for self-sufficiency programs as-
 19 signed a ranking of performance category 1 based on their
 20 publicly available FAM scores.

21 SEC. 235. The Secretary may, upon a finding that
 22 a waiver or alternative requirement is necessary for the
 23 effective delivery and administration of funds made avail-
 24 able for new incremental voucher assistance or renewals
 25 for the mainstream program and the family unification

1 program (including the foster youth to independence pro-
 2 gram) in this and prior Acts, waive or specify alternative
 3 requirements, other than requirements related to tenant
 4 rights and protections, rent setting, fair housing, non-
 5 discrimination, labor standards, and the environment,
 6 for—

7 (1) section 8(o)(6)(A) of the United States
 8 Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437f(o)(6)(A))
 9 and regulatory provisions related to the administra-
 10 tion of waiting lists, local preferences, and the initial
 11 term and extensions of tenant-based vouchers; and

12 (2) section 8(x)(2) of the United States Hous-
 13 ing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437f(x)(2)) regarding
 14 the timing of referral of youth leaving foster care.

15 SEC. 236. The Secretary shall fulfill their responsibil-
 16 ities to enforce the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3601
 17 et seq.): *Provided*, That none of the funds made available
 18 by this Act may be used by the Department of Housing
 19 and Urban Development to direct a grantee to undertake
 20 specific changes to existing zoning laws as part of carrying
 21 out the interim final rule entitled “Affirmatively Fur-
 22 thering Fair Housing Revisions” (90 Fed. Reg. 11020
 23 (March 3, 2025)).

24 SEC. 237. The whistleblower protections in section
 25 4712 of title 41, United States Code, shall apply to any

1 contract, subcontract, grant, subgrant, or personal serv-
 2 ices contract funded from amounts made available in this
 3 or prior Acts (including carryover and recaptures), regard-
 4 less of when the agreement was executed.

5 SEC. 238. (a) For fiscal years 2026 through 2028,
 6 upon request from the owner, the Secretary of Housing
 7 and Urban Development (“Secretary”) may forgive or re-
 8 structure the terms of any indebtedness relating to any
 9 remaining principal and interest under financial assistance
 10 made available under section 201 of the Housing and
 11 Community Development Amendments of 1978 (12
 12 U.S.C. 1715z–1a) (“Flex Sub loan”).

13 (b) The Secretary may only forgive or restructure
 14 loans under this section for properties with—

15 (1) 200 or fewer assisted units;

16 (2) a Flex Sub loan with an unpaid principal
 17 balance of \$2,000,000 or less;

18 (3) a score of 80 or higher on the most recent
 19 REAC inspection; and

20 (4) a most recent management and occupancy
 21 review score of “above average” or “superior.”

22 (c) The Secretary may set such terms and conditions
 23 as the Secretary determines are appropriate for forgive-
 24 ness or restructuring under this section, including:

1 (1) Different maturity dates or interest rate
2 terms.

3 (2) Extension of affordability use agreements.

4 (3) Other measures to ensure the long-term sta-
5 bility of operations at the property.

6 (d) There is hereby appropriated \$3,328,000, to re-
7 main available until September 30, 2029, to carry out the
8 purposes of this section, in addition to amounts otherwise
9 available for such purposes.

10 SEC. 239. (a) Funds previously made available in the
11 Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act,
12 2012 (Public Law 112–55) for initial project rental assist-
13 ance contracts associated with the demonstration program
14 under the heading “Housing for Persons with Disabilities”
15 that were available for obligation through fiscal year 2015
16 are to remain available through fiscal year 2030 for the
17 liquidation of valid obligations incurred in fiscal years
18 2012 through 2015; and

19 (b) Funds previously made available by the Consoli-
20 dated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2013
21 (Public Law 113–6) for initial project rental assistance
22 contracts associated with the demonstration program
23 under the heading “Housing for Persons with Disabilities”
24 in the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropria-
25 tions Act, 2012 (Public Law 112–55) that were available

1 for obligation through fiscal year 2016 are to remain avail-
2 able through fiscal year 2031 for the liquidation of valid
3 obligations incurred in fiscal years 2013 through 2016.

4 SEC. 240. Amounts made available for the Office of
5 Housing under the heading “Program Offices” in this and
6 prior Acts shall also be available, without additional com-
7 petition, for cooperative agreements with participating ad-
8 ministrative entities that have been selected under section
9 513(b) of the Multifamily Assisted Housing Reform and
10 Affordability Act of 1997 (42 U.S.C. 1437f note)
11 (MAHRAA) to provide direct support, including carrying
12 out due diligence and underwriting functions for owners
13 and for technical assistance activities, on conditions estab-
14 lished by the Secretary for small properties and owners
15 converting assistance under the first component or the
16 second component under the heading “Rental Assistance
17 Demonstration” in the Department of Housing and Urban
18 Development Appropriations Act, 2012 (title II of division
19 C of Public Law 112–55).

20 SEC. 241. None of the funds made available by this
21 Act or any other Act may be used to close or relocate any
22 field or regional office, unless such action is provided for
23 in this Act or the report accompanying this Act: *Provided,*
24 That the Secretary shall maintain at least one adequately
25 staffed and functional field office in each state, consistent

1 with section 1735f–12 of title 12, United States Code,
2 with no fewer than one full-time employee per field office,
3 except for short-term periods of normal staffing turnover.

4 SEC. 242. The Secretary shall conduct all rulemaking
5 in accordance with the policies of part 10 of title 24 of
6 the Code of Federal Regulations and Executive Order
7 12866, as amended, including providing for public partici-
8 pation and not less than 60 days for the submission of
9 written comments.

10 SEC. 243. Not later than 180 days after enactment
11 of this Act, the Secretary shall transmit to the House and
12 Senate Committees on Appropriations a report that pro-
13 vides a list of (1) each grant, federally funded cooperative
14 agreement, and contract that was obligated and subse-
15 quently terminated or reduced in scope in fiscal year 2025,
16 and remains terminated or reduced in scope as of the date
17 of enactment of this Act, and (2) each grant, federally
18 funded cooperative agreement, and contract for which the
19 terms and conditions of agreements were changed or modi-
20 fied in fiscal year 2025: *Provided*, That such report shall
21 include an explanation for each termination or modifica-
22 tion, the recipient, the location of the project or service,
23 and the source of funding.

24 SEC. 244. For fiscal year 2026, the costs of any rent
25 incentives as authorized pursuant to waivers or alternative

1 requirements of the jobs-plus initiative as described under
2 the heading “Self-Sufficiency Programs” shall not be
3 charged against the competitive grant amounts made
4 available under such heading: *Provided*, That the amount
5 of any forgone increases in tenant rent payments due to
6 the implementation of such rent incentives shall be
7 factored into the public housing agency’s general oper-
8 ating fund eligibility pursuant to the formula under the
9 heading “Public Housing Fund”: *Provided further*, That
10 the amount of any foregone increases in tenant rent pay-
11 ments due to the implementation of such rent incentives
12 implemented on behalf of residents of a project with as-
13 sistance converted from public housing to project-based
14 rental assistance under section 8 of the United States
15 Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437f) or assistance
16 under section 8(o)(13) of such Act under the heading
17 “Rental Assistance Demonstration” in the Department of
18 Housing and Urban Development Appropriations Act,
19 2012 (title II of division C of Public Law 112–55), as
20 amended (42 U.S.C. 1437f note) shall be factored into (1)
21 housing assistance payments made pursuant to project-
22 based subsidy contracts provided under the heading
23 “Project-Based Rental Assistance”; and (2) housing as-
24 sistance payments made by public housing agencies pursu-
25 ant to project-based assistance contracts under section

1 8(o)(13) of such Act, with these costs being renewed under
2 the heading “Tenant-Based Rental Assistance”.

3 SEC. 245. (a) With respect to the funds made avail-
4 able for the continuum of care program authorized under
5 subtitle C of title IV of the McKinney-Vento Homeless As-
6 sistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11381 et seq.) under the heading
7 “Homeless Assistance Grants” in this and prior Acts and
8 under section 231 of the Department of Housing and
9 Urban Development Appropriations Act, 2020 (42 U.S.C.
10 11364a)—

11 (1) title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42
12 U.S.C. 2000d et seq.) and title VIII of the Civil
13 Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 3601 et seq.) shall
14 not apply to applications by or awards for projects
15 to be carried out—

16 (A) on or off reservation or trust lands for
17 awards made to Indian Tribes or Tribally des-
18 ignated housing entities; or

19 (B) on reservation or trust lands for
20 awards made to eligible entities as defined in
21 section 401 of the McKinney-Vento Homeless
22 Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11360);

23 (2) Indian Tribes and Tribally designated hous-
24 ing entities shall also be eligible to administer per-
25 manent housing rental assistance under section

1 423(g) of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance
2 Act (42 U.S.C. 11383(g)).

3 (b) With respect to funds made available for the con-
4 tinuum of care program authorized under subtitle C of
5 title IV of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act
6 (42 U.S.C. 11381 et seq.) under the heading “Homeless
7 Assistance Grants” in this title or under section 231 of
8 the Department of Housing and Urban Development Ap-
9 propriations Act, 2020 (42 U.S.C. 11364a)—

10 (1) applications for projects to be carried out
11 on reservations or trust land shall contain a certifi-
12 cation of consistency with an approved Indian hous-
13 ing plan developed under section 102 of the Native
14 American Housing Assistance and Self-Determina-
15 tion Act (NAHASDA) (25 U.S.C. 4112), notwith-
16 standing section 106 of the Cranston-Gonzalez Na-
17 tional Affordable Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 12706)
18 and section 403 of the McKinney-Vento Homeless
19 Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11361);

20 (2) Indian Tribes and Tribally designated hous-
21 ing entities that are recipients of awards for projects
22 on reservations or trust land shall certify that they
23 are following an approved housing plan developed
24 under section 102 of NAHASDA (25 U.S.C. 4112);
25 and

1 (3) a collaborative applicant for a continuum of
2 care whose geographic area includes only reservation
3 and trust land is not required to meet the require-
4 ment in section 402(f)(2) of the McKinney-Vento
5 Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11360a(f)(2)).

6 SEC. 246. (a) Section 184(a) of the Housing and
7 Community Development Act of 1992 (12 U.S.C. 1715z–
8 13a(a)) is amended to read as follows:

9 “(a) AUTHORITY.—To provide access to sources of
10 private financing to Indian families, Indian housing au-
11 thorities, and Indian Tribes, who otherwise could not ac-
12 quire housing financing because of the unique legal status
13 of Indian lands and the unique nature of Tribal econo-
14 mies; and to expand homeownership opportunities to In-
15 dian families, Indian housing authorities and Indian
16 Tribes on fee simple lands, the Secretary may guarantee
17 not to exceed 100 percent of the unpaid principal and in-
18 terest due on any loan eligible under subsection (b) made
19 to an Indian family, Indian housing authority, or Indian
20 Tribe on trust land and fee simple land.”.

21 (b) Section 184(b)(2) of the Housing and Community
22 Development Act of 1992 (12 U.S.C. 1715z–13a(b)(2)) is
23 amended to read as follows:

1 “(2) ELIGIBLE HOUSING.—The loan shall be
2 used to construct, acquire, refinance, or rehabilitate
3 1- to 4-family dwellings that are standard housing.”.

4 (c) Section 184A of the Housing and Community De-
5 velopment Act of 1992 (12 U.S.C. 1715z–13b) is amend-
6 ed—

7 (1) in subsection (b), by inserting “, and to ex-
8 pand homeownership opportunities to Native Hawai-
9 ian families who are eligible to receive a homestead
10 under the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act, 1920
11 (42 Stat. 108) on fee simple lands in the State of
12 Hawaii” after “markets”; and

13 (2) in subsection (c), by striking paragraph (2)
14 and inserting the following:

15 “(2) ELIGIBLE HOUSING.—The loan shall be
16 used to construct, acquire, refinance, or rehabilitate
17 1- to 4-family dwellings that are standard housing.”.

18 SEC. 247. (a) Section 184(b)(5)(A) of the Housing
19 and Community Development Act of 1992 (12 U.S.C.
20 1715z–13a(b)(5)(A)) is amended to read as follows:

21 “(5) TERMS.—The loan shall—

22 “(A) be made for a term not exceeding 30
23 years, except as determined by the Secretary,
24 when there is a loan modification under sub-

1 section (h)(1)(B), the loan shall not exceed 40
2 years;”.

3 (b) Section 184A(c)(5)(A) of the Housing and Com-
4 munity Development Act of 1992 (12 U.S.C. 1715z-
5 13b(c)(5)(A)) is amended to read as follows:

6 “(5) TERMS.—The loan shall—

7 “(A) be made for a term not exceeding 30
8 years; except, as determined by the Secretary,
9 when there is a loan modification under sub-
10 section (i)(1)(B) the term of the loan shall not
11 exceed 40 years;”.

12 SEC. 248. Section 105 of the Housing and Commu-
13 nity Development Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5305) is amend-
14 ed by adding at the end the following new subsection:

15 “(j) SPECIAL ACTIVITIES BY INDIAN TRIBES.—In-
16 dian Tribes receiving grants under section 5306(a)(1) of
17 this title (section 106(a)(1) of this Act) shall be authorized
18 to carry out activities described in subsection (a)(15) di-
19 rectly.”.

20 SEC. 249. (a) Any unobligated balances from
21 amounts made available under the heading, “Community
22 Development Fund” in chapter 9 of title II of the Emer-
23 gency Supplemental Appropriations Act for Defense, the
24 Global War on Terror, and Hurricane Recovery, 2006
25 (Public Law 109–234) that were transferred to “Manage-

1 ment and Administration, Salaries and Expenses” are
2 hereby permanently rescinded.

3 (b) Any unobligated balances included under Treas-
4 ury Appropriation Fund Symbol 86 X 0108 from amounts
5 transferred to the Department of Housing and Urban De-
6 velopment from amounts made available under the head-
7 ing, “Unanticipated Needs” in chapter 8 of title I of the
8 Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act of 1994
9 (Public Law 103–211) are hereby permanently rescinded.

10 (c) Any unobligated balances included under Treas-
11 ury Appropriation Fund Symbol 86 X 0148, 86–2023/
12 2027–0483 and 86 X 0163 are hereby permanently re-
13 scinded.

14 (d) Of the unobligated balances from amounts in-
15 cluded under Treasury Appropriation Fund Symbol 86 X
16 0304, \$4,729,103.98 are hereby permanently rescinded.

17 (e) Of the unobligated balances from appropriations
18 made available under the heading “Community Develop-
19 ment Fund” prior to fiscal year 2011, \$176,688.49 in
20 Economic Development Initiative grant funds and
21 \$336,275.98 in Special Purpose Grant funds are hereby
22 rescinded.

23 (f) Of the unobligated balances from amounts made
24 available under the heading “Assisted Housing Inspec-
25 tions and Risk Assessments”, in the Full-Year Continuing

1 Appropriations and Extensions Act, 2025 (Public Law
2 119–4), \$25,000,000 are hereby permanently rescinded.

3 (g) The remaining unobligated balances, as of Sep-
4 tember 30, 2025, from amounts made available under the
5 heading “Assisted Housing Inspections and Risk Assess-
6 ments” in division F of the Consolidated Appropriations
7 Act, 2024 (Public Law 118–42) are hereby permanently
8 rescinded, and an amount of additional new budget au-
9 thority equivalent to the amount rescinded is hereby ap-
10 propriated on September 30, 2025, to remain available
11 until September 30, 2027: *Provided*, That this subsection
12 shall become effective immediately upon enactment of this
13 Act.

14 (h) Of the unobligated balances from amounts in-
15 cluded under Treasury Appropriation Fund Symbol 86 X
16 0313, \$1.74 is hereby permanently rescinded.

17 SEC. 250. If this Act is enacted on or before Sep-
18 tember 30, 2025, the remaining unobligated balances, as
19 of September 30, 2025, from amounts made available
20 under the heading “Fair Housing Activities” in division
21 F of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2024 (Public
22 Law 118–42) are hereby permanently rescinded, and an
23 amount of additional new budget authority equivalent to
24 the amount rescinded is hereby appropriated on Sep-
25 tember 30, 2025, to remain available until September 30,

1 2026, and shall be available for completing the funding
2 of awards made pursuant to the fiscal year 2024 fair hous-
3 ing initiatives program under section 561 of the Housing
4 and Community Development Act of 1987 (42 U.S.C.
5 3616a), in addition to amounts otherwise available for
6 such purposes: *Provided*, That this section shall become
7 effective immediately upon enactment of this Act.

8 This title may be cited as the “Department of Hous-
9 ing and Urban Development Appropriations Act, 2026”.

1 TITLE III
2 RELATED AGENCIES
3 ACCESS BOARD
4 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

5 For expenses necessary for the Access Board, as au-
6 thorized by section 502 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973
7 (29 U.S.C. 792), \$9,955,000: *Provided*, That, notwith-
8 standing any other provision of law, there may be credited
9 to this appropriation funds received for publications and
10 training expenses.

11 FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION
12 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

13 For necessary expenses of the Federal Maritime
14 Commission as authorized by section 46107 of title 46,
15 United States Code, including services as authorized by
16 section 3109 of title 5, United States Code; hire of pas-
17 senger motor vehicles as authorized by section 1343(b) of
18 title 31, United States Code; and uniforms or allowances
19 therefor, as authorized by sections 5901 and 5902 of title
20 5, United States Code, \$40,000,000, of which \$2,000,000
21 shall remain available until September 30, 2027: *Provided*,
22 That not to exceed \$3,500 shall be for official reception
23 and representation expenses.

1 NATIONAL RAILROAD PASSENGER CORPORATION
2 OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL
3 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

4 For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector
5 General for the National Railroad Passenger Corporation
6 to carry out the provisions of the Inspector General Act
7 of 1978 (5 U.S.C. Chapter 4), \$29,240,000: *Provided*,
8 That the Inspector General shall have all necessary au-
9 thority, in carrying out the duties specified in such Act,
10 to investigate allegations of fraud, including false state-
11 ments to the Government under section 1001 of title 18,
12 United States Code, by any person or entity that is subject
13 to regulation by the National Railroad Passenger Corpora-
14 tion: *Provided further*, That the Inspector General may
15 enter into contracts and other arrangements for audits,
16 studies, analyses, and other services with public agencies
17 and with private persons, subject to the applicable laws
18 and regulations that govern the obtaining of such services
19 within the National Railroad Passenger Corporation: *Pro-*
20 *vided further*, That the Inspector General may select, ap-
21 point, and employ such officers and employees as may be
22 necessary for carrying out the functions, powers, and du-
23 ties of the Office of Inspector General, subject to the appli-
24 cable laws and regulations that govern such selections, ap-
25 pointments, and employment within the National Railroad

1 Passenger Corporation: *Provided further*, That concurrent
 2 with the President's budget request for fiscal year 2027,
 3 the Inspector General shall submit to the House and Sen-
 4 ate Committees on Appropriations a budget request for
 5 fiscal year 2027 in similar format and substance to budget
 6 requests submitted by executive agencies of the Federal
 7 Government.

8 NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD

9 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

10 For necessary expenses of the National Transpor-
 11 tation Safety Board, including hire of passenger motor ve-
 12 hicles and aircraft; services as authorized by section 3109
 13 of title 5, United States Code, but at rates for individuals
 14 not to exceed the per diem rate equivalent to the rate for
 15 a GS-15; uniforms, or allowances therefor, as authorized
 16 by sections 5901 and 5902 of title 5, United States Code,
 17 \$145,000,000, of which not to exceed \$1,000 may be used
 18 for official reception and representation expenses.

19 NEIGHBORHOOD REINVESTMENT CORPORATION

20 PAYMENT TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD REINVESTMENT

21 CORPORATION

22 For payment to the Neighborhood Reinvestment Cor-
 23 poration for use in neighborhood reinvestment activities,
 24 as authorized by the Neighborhood Reinvestment Corpora-
 25 tion Act (42 U.S.C. 8101–8107), \$158,000,000: *Provided*,

1 That the Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation shall
 2 notify network organizations of their full formula grant
 3 award by the latter of 60 days after enactment of this
 4 Act or March 1, 2026.

5 SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

6 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

7 For necessary expenses of the Surface Transpor-
 8 tation Board, including services authorized by section
 9 3109 of title 5, United States Code, \$40,799,000: *Pro-*
 10 *vided*, That, notwithstanding any other provision of law,
 11 not to exceed \$1,250,000 from fees established by the Sur-
 12 face Transportation Board shall be credited to this appro-
 13 priation as offsetting collections and used for necessary
 14 and authorized expenses under this heading: *Provided fur-*
 15 *ther*, That the amounts made available under this heading
 16 from the general fund shall be reduced on a dollar-for-
 17 dollar basis as such offsetting collections are received dur-
 18 ing fiscal year 2026, to result in a final appropriation from
 19 the general fund estimated at not more than \$39,549,000.

20 UNITED STATES INTERAGENCY COUNCIL ON

21 HOMELESSNESS

22 OPERATING EXPENSES

23 For necessary expenses, including payment of sala-
 24 ries, authorized travel, hire of passenger motor vehicles,
 25 the rental of conference rooms, and the employment of ex-

1 perts and consultants under section 3109 of title 5, United
2 States Code, of the United States Interagency Council on
3 Homelessness (in this heading “the Council”) in carrying
4 out the functions pursuant to title II of the McKinney-
5 Vento Homeless Assistance Act, as amended, \$2,000,000:
6 *Provided*, That the Council shall be staffed in accordance
7 with section 11313(a)(5) of title 42, United States Code,
8 and regional coordinators shall have the proven expertise
9 and demonstrated experience needed to carry out the du-
10 ties specified in such section: *Provided further*, That each
11 meeting of the Council shall be open to the public, and
12 the Council shall post a public notification of each Council
13 meeting not less than 30 days in advance of each meeting
14 on its website and include the agenda for each meeting
15 in such posting.

TITLE IV

GENERAL PROVISIONS—THIS ACT

SEC. 401. None of the funds in this Act shall be used for the planning or execution of any program to pay the expenses of, or otherwise compensate, non-Federal parties intervening in regulatory or adjudicatory proceedings funded in this Act.

SEC. 402. None of the funds appropriated in this Act shall remain available for obligation beyond the current fiscal year, nor may any be transferred to other appropriations, unless expressly so provided herein.

SEC. 403. The expenditure of any appropriation under this Act for any consulting service through a procurement contract pursuant to section 3109 of title 5, United States Code, shall be limited to those contracts where such expenditures are a matter of public record and available for public inspection, except where otherwise provided under existing law, or under existing Executive Order issued pursuant to existing law.

SEC. 404. (a) None of the funds made available in this Act may be obligated or expended for any employee training that—

(1) does not meet identified needs for knowledge, skills, and abilities bearing directly upon the performance of official duties;

1 (2) contains elements likely to induce high lev-
2 els of emotional response or psychological stress in
3 some participants;

4 (3) does not require prior employee notification
5 of the content and methods to be used in the train-
6 ing and written end of course evaluation;

7 (4) contains any methods or content associated
8 with religious or quasi-religious belief systems or
9 “new age” belief systems as defined in Equal Em-
10 ployment Opportunity Commission Notice N-
11 915.022, dated September 2, 1988; or

12 (5) is offensive to, or designed to change, par-
13 ticipants’ personal values or lifestyle outside the
14 workplace.

15 (b) Nothing in this section shall prohibit, restrict, or
16 otherwise preclude an agency from conducting training
17 bearing directly upon the performance of official duties.

18 SEC. 405. Except as otherwise provided in this Act
19 or the report accompanying this Act, and unless the House
20 and Senate Committees on Appropriations are notified in
21 writing at least 30 days in advance of any reprogramming
22 of funds and provide prior written approval, none of the
23 funds provided in this Act or provided by previous appro-
24 priations Acts to the agencies or entities funded in this
25 Act that remain available for obligation or expenditure in

1 fiscal year 2026, or provided from any accounts in the
2 Treasury derived by the collection of fees and available
3 to the agencies funded by this Act, shall be available for
4 obligation or expenditure through a reprogramming of
5 funds that—

6 (1) creates a new program;

7 (2) eliminates a program, project, or activity;

8 (3) increases funds or personnel for any pro-
9 gram, project, or activity for which funds have been
10 denied or restricted by the Congress;

11 (4) proposes to use funds directed for a specific
12 activity by either the House or Senate Committees
13 on Appropriations for a different purpose;

14 (5) augments existing programs, projects, or ac-
15 tivities in excess of \$5,000,000 or 10 percent, which-
16 ever is less;

17 (6) reduces existing programs, projects, or ac-
18 tivities by \$5,000,000 or 10 percent, whichever is
19 less;

20 or

21 (7) creates, reorganizes, or restructures a
22 branch, division, office, bureau, board, commission,
23 agency, administration, or department different from
24 the budget justifications or most recent organiza-
25 tional charts submitted to the Committees on Appro-

1 priations or the report accompanying this Act,
2 whichever is more detailed:

3 *Provided*, That not later than 60 days after the date of
4 enactment of this Act, each agency funded by this Act
5 shall submit an operating plan to the Committees on Ap-
6 propriations of the Senate and of the House of Represent-
7 atives to establish the baseline for application of re-
8 programming and transfer authorities for the current fis-
9 cal year: *Provided further*, That the operating plan shall
10 include—

11 (1) a table for each appropriation with a sepa-
12 rate column to display the prior year enacted level,
13 the President's budget request, adjustments made by
14 Congress, adjustments due to enacted rescissions, if
15 appropriate, and the fiscal year enacted level;

16 (2) a delineation in the table for each appro-
17 priation and its respective prior year enacted level by
18 object class and program, project, and activity as de-
19 tailed in this Act, the report accompanying this Act,
20 or in the budget appendix for the respective appro-
21 priations, whichever is more detailed, and shall apply
22 to all items for which a dollar amount is specified
23 and to all programs for which new budget
24 (obligational) authority is provided, as well as to dis-

1 cretionary grants and discretionary grant alloca-
2 tions;

3 (3) an organizational chart with the number of
4 full-time personnel on-board as of the end of the
5 most recent pay period for each office as approved
6 by this Act or the report accompanying this Act that
7 provides the same level of detail provided in the
8 budget justifications or most recent organizational
9 charts submitted to the Committees on Appropria-
10 tions, except as otherwise directed by this Act or the
11 report accompanying this Act; and

12 (4) an identification of items of special congres-
13 sional interest.

14 SEC. 406. Except as otherwise provided in this Act
15 or the report accompanying this Act, the Departments and
16 agencies funded in this Act shall not relocate an office or
17 reduce personnel as a result of a reduction-in-force, de-
18 ferred resignation program, use of administrative leave for
19 purposes unrelated to misconduct, or other workforce re-
20 structuring, unless the House and Senate Committees on
21 Appropriations are notified 30 days before such changes
22 are initiated.

23 SEC. 407. The Department of Transportation and the
24 Department of Housing and Urban Development shall

1 provide the House and Senate Committees on Appropria-
2 tions:

3 (1) quarterly reports on the status of all funds,
4 including the start of year unobligated and uncom-
5 mitted balances, and the total obligations and recap-
6 tures for the fiscal year, by program, project, and
7 activity;

8 (2) semiannual reports on staffing levels,
9 hirings, and separations (including through the de-
10 ferred resignation program and any other voluntary
11 retirement programs), consistent with direction pro-
12 vided in this Act or any report accompanying this
13 Act; and

14 (3) additional, updated budget or financial tech-
15 nical assistance, upon request.

16 SEC. 408. Except as otherwise specifically provided
17 by law, not to exceed 50 percent of unobligated balances
18 remaining available at the end of fiscal year 2026 from
19 appropriations made available for salaries and expenses
20 for fiscal year 2026 in this Act, shall remain available
21 through September 30, 2027, for each such account for
22 the purposes authorized: *Provided*, That a request shall
23 be submitted to the House and Senate Committees on Ap-
24 propriations for approval prior to the expenditure of such
25 funds: *Provided further*, That these requests shall be made

1 in compliance with reprogramming guidelines under sec-
2 tion 405 of this Act.

3 SEC. 409. No funds in this Act may be used to sup-
4 port any Federal, State, or local projects that seek to use
5 the power of eminent domain, unless eminent domain is
6 employed only for a public use: *Provided*, That for pur-
7 poses of this section, public use shall not be construed to
8 include economic development that primarily benefits pri-
9 vate entities: *Provided further*, That any use of funds for
10 mass transit, railroad, airport, seaport or highway
11 projects, as well as utility projects which benefit or serve
12 the general public (including energy-related, communica-
13 tion-related, water-related and wastewater-related infra-
14 structure), other structures designated for use by the gen-
15 eral public or which have other common-carrier or public-
16 utility functions that serve the general public and are sub-
17 ject to regulation and oversight by the government, and
18 projects for the removal of an immediate threat to public
19 health and safety or brownfields as defined in the Small
20 Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization
21 Act (Public Law 107–118) shall be considered a public
22 use for purposes of eminent domain.

23 SEC. 410. None of the funds made available in this
24 Act may be transferred to any department, agency, or in-
25 strumentality of the United States Government, except

1 pursuant to a transfer made by, or transfer authority pro-
2 vided in, this Act or any other appropriations Act.

3 SEC. 411. No funds appropriated pursuant to this
4 Act may be expended by an entity unless the entity agrees
5 that in expending the assistance the entity will comply
6 with sections 2 through 4 of the Act of March 3, 1933
7 (41 U.S.C. 8301–8305, popularly known as the “Buy
8 American Act”).

9 SEC. 412. No funds appropriated or otherwise made
10 available under this Act shall be made available to any
11 person or entity that has been convicted of violating the
12 Buy American Act (41 U.S.C. 8301–8305).

13 SEC. 413. None of the funds made available in this
14 Act may be used for first-class airline accommodations in
15 contravention of sections 301–10.122 and 301–10.123 of
16 title 41, Code of Federal Regulations.

17 SEC. 414. None of the funds made available in this
18 Act may be used to send or otherwise pay for the attend-
19 ance of more than 50 employees of a single agency or de-
20 partment of the United States Government, who are sta-
21 tioned in the United States, at any single international
22 conference unless the relevant Secretary reports to the
23 House and Senate Committees on Appropriations at least
24 5 days in advance that such attendance is important to
25 the national interest: *Provided*, That for purposes of this

1 section the term “international conference” shall mean a
2 conference occurring outside of the United States attended
3 by representatives of the United States Government and
4 of foreign governments, international organizations, or
5 nongovernmental organizations.

6 SEC. 415. None of the funds appropriated or other-
7 wise made available under this Act may be used by the
8 Surface Transportation Board to charge or collect any fil-
9 ing fee for rate or practice complaints filed with the Board
10 in an amount in excess of the amount authorized for dis-
11 trict court civil suit filing fees under section 1914 of title
12 28, United States Code.

13 SEC. 416. (a) None of the funds made available in
14 this Act may be used to maintain or establish a computer
15 network unless such network blocks the viewing,
16 downloading, and exchanging of pornography.

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

22 SEC. 417. (a) None of the funds made available in
23 this Act may be used to deny an Inspector General funded
24 under this Act timely access to any records, documents,
25 or other materials available to the department or agency

1 over which that Inspector General has responsibilities
2 under the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.),
3 or to prevent or impede that Inspector General's access
4 to such records, documents, or other materials, under any
5 provision of law, except a provision of law that expressly
6 refers to the Inspector General and expressly limits the
7 Inspector General's right of access.

8 (b) A department or agency covered by this section
9 shall provide its Inspector General with access to all such
10 records, documents, and other materials in a timely man-
11 ner.

12 (c) Each Inspector General shall ensure compliance
13 with statutory limitations on disclosure relevant to the in-
14 formation provided by the establishment over which that
15 Inspector General has responsibilities under the Inspector
16 General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.).

17 (d) Each Inspector General covered by this section
18 shall report to the Committees on Appropriations of the
19 House of Representatives and the Senate within 5 cal-
20 endar days any failures to comply with this requirement.

21 SEC. 418. None of the funds appropriated or other-
22 wise made available by this Act may be used to pay award
23 or incentive fees for contractors whose performance has
24 been judged to be below satisfactory, behind schedule, over
25 budget, or has failed to meet the basic requirements of

1 a contract, unless the Agency determines that any such
2 deviations are due to unforeseeable events, government-
3 driven scope changes, or are not significant within the
4 overall scope of the project and/or program unless such
5 awards or incentive fees are consistent with 16.401(e)(2)
6 of the Federal Acquisition Regulations.

7 SEC. 419. No part of any appropriation contained in
8 this Act shall be available to pay the salary for any person
9 filling a position, other than a temporary position, for-
10 merly held by an employee who has left to enter the Armed
11 Forces of the United States and has satisfactorily com-
12 pleted his or her period of active military or naval service,
13 and has within 90 days after his or her release from such
14 service or from hospitalization continuing after discharge
15 for a period of not more than 1 year, made application
16 for restoration to his or her former position and has been
17 certified by the Office of Personnel Management as still
18 qualified to perform the duties of his or her former posi-
19 tion and has not been restored thereto.

20 SEC. 420. (a) None of the funds made available by
21 this Act may be used to approve a new foreign air carrier
22 permit under sections 41301 through 41305 of title 49,
23 United States Code, or exemption application under sec-
24 tion 40109 of that title of an air carrier already holding
25 an air operators certificate issued by a country that is

1 party to the U.S.-E.U.-Iceland-Norway Air Transport
2 Agreement where such approval would contravene United
3 States law or Article 17 bis of the U.S.-E.U.-Iceland-Nor-
4 way Air Transport Agreement.

5 (b) Nothing in this section shall prohibit, restrict or
6 otherwise preclude the Secretary of Transportation from
7 granting a foreign air carrier permit or an exemption to
8 such an air carrier where such authorization is consistent
9 with the U.S.-E.U.-Iceland-Norway Air Transport Agree-
10 ment and United States law.

11 SEC. 421. (a) In the table of projects in the explana-
12 tory statement referenced in section 417 of the Transpor-
13 tation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related
14 Agencies Appropriations Act, 2022 (division L of Public
15 Law 117–103)—

16 (1) the item relating to “Kansas Rail Safety
17 Improvement Project” is deemed to be amended by
18 striking recipient “Pittsburg Port Authority (KS)”
19 and inserting “Kansas Department of Transpor-
20 tation”; and

21 (2) the item relating to “The Barkers Creek In-
22 dustrial Park Power Expansion” is deemed to be
23 amended by striking “The Barkers Creek Industrial
24 Park Power Expansion” and inserting “Barkers
25 Creek Industrial Park Access Bridge, Phase II”.

1 (b) In the table of projects entitled “Community
2 Project Funding/Congressionally Directed Spending” in
3 the explanatory statement for division L of the Consoli-
4 dated Appropriations Act, 2023 (Public Law 117–328) de-
5 scribed in section 4 in the matter preceding division A of
6 such Act—

7 (1) the item relating to “Lower Shore Clinic
8 Co-Occurring Disorder Treatment Facility Housing”
9 is deemed to be amended by:

10 (A) striking “Lower Shore Clinic Co-Oc-
11 ccurring Disorder Treatment Facility Housing”
12 and inserting “HealthPort Co-Occurring Dis-
13 order Treatment Facility”; and

14 (B) striking recipient “Lower Shore Clinic
15 Inc.” and inserting “HealthPort, Inc.”; and

16 (2) the item relating to “Metra Zero Emission
17 Locomotive Commuter Rail Pilot” is deemed to be
18 amended by striking “Locomotive”.

19 (c) In the table of projects entitled “Community
20 Project Funding/Congressionally Directed Spending” in
21 the explanatory statement for division F of the Consoli-
22 dated Appropriations Act, 2024 (Public Law 118–42) de-
23 scribed in section 4 in the matter preceding division A of
24 such Act—

1 (1) the item relating to “Hardwoods Permanent
2 Supportive Housing” is deemed to be amended by
3 striking “Hardwoods”;

4 (2) the item relating to “Cle Elum—First
5 Street Downtown Revitalization” is deemed to be
6 amended by striking “First Street”; and

7 (3) the item relating to “Center for Community
8 Programs in Livermore Falls and Jay” is deemed to
9 be amended by striking recipient “United Way of
10 the Tri-Valley Area” and inserting “Town of Jay”.

11 SEC. 422. (a) Amounts made available under the
12 heading “Department of Transportation—Consolidated
13 Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements” for the
14 item relating to “Midway Crossing” in the table of
15 projects entitled “Community Project Funding/Congres-
16 sionally Directed Spending” in the explanatory statement
17 for division L of the Consolidated Appropriations Act,
18 2023 (Public Law 117–328) described in section 4 in the
19 matter preceding division A of such Act shall be trans-
20 ferred to “Department of Transportation—Transit Infra-
21 structure Grants” and shall be available under the heading
22 to which transferred for its original purpose.

23 (b) The item relating to “Midway Crossing” is
24 deemed to be amended by striking account “Consolidated
25 Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements” and insert-

1 ing “Transit Infrastructure Grants” in the table of
2 projects entitled “Community Project Funding/Congres-
3 sionally Directed Spending” in the explanatory statement
4 for division L of the Consolidated Appropriations Act,
5 2023 (Public Law 117–328) described in section 4 in the
6 matter preceding division A of such Act.

7 SEC. 423. Each Department and agency funded in
8 this Act shall maintain on its publicly accessible website:

9 (1) all notices of funding opportunities (includ-
10 ing any amendments) for all competitive grant pro-
11 grams issued in the most recent 10 years;

12 (2) a searchable list of all grant awards for the
13 most recent 10 years, including any grant awards
14 that have been modified, terminated, or rescinded;
15 and

16 (3) all programmatic notices, guidance, and
17 grant agreement templates that remain in effect for
18 any active grant program.

19 SEC. 424. The congressional budget justifications for
20 fiscal year 2027 to be submitted to the House and Senate
21 Committees on Appropriations shall —

22 (1) use or provide a comparison to the account
23 and sub-account structure provided under this Act
24 or report accompanying this Act, whichever is more
25 detailed;

1 (2) present all available budgetary resources
2 from contract authority, mandatory budget author-
3 ity, advance appropriations, and discretionary au-
4 thority, including disaster and emergency-designed
5 funding;

6 (3) provide detailed information on all pro-
7 grams, including detailed discussion of proposed new
8 initiatives or changes to the agency financial plan;
9 and

10 (4) provide detailed tables and organizational
11 charts that delineate funding for salaries and ex-
12 penses and the number of full-time equivalent and
13 full-time positions, as well as justifications for all
14 funding and staffing changes, reorganizations, or
15 restructurings: *Provided*, That such information
16 shall be provided at the same level of detail as pro-
17 vided to support the fiscal year 2025 budget jus-
18 tifications and amounts provided for salaries and ex-
19 penses by the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs
20 Act (Public Law 117–58), and any supplemental dis-
21 aster or emergency-designated funding shall be pre-
22 sented separately and distinctly.

23 SEC. 425. No later than 30 days after the date of
24 enactment of this Act, and quarterly thereafter, the De-
25 partments and agencies funded under this Act shall sub-

1 mit a report to the House and Senate Committees on Ap-
2 propriations on current staffing levels for all political and
3 Presidential appointees in such Departments and agencies
4 and categorized by which office within such Departments
5 and agencies such employee is funded from, the office in
6 which such employee carries out their daily work, such em-
7 ployee's title, and such employee's pay grade or the equiv-
8 alent level based on the GS-scale.

9 SEC. 426. (a) Prior to issuing any termination notice
10 of any discretionary award, as defined by section 200.1
11 of title 2, Code of Federal Regulations, solely under the
12 authority provided in section 200.340(a)(4) of title 2,
13 Code of Federal Regulations, the Secretary of the Depart-
14 ment of Transportation or the Secretary of the Depart-
15 ment of Housing and Urban Development shall provide
16 written notification to the House and Senate Committees
17 on Appropriations and the discretionary award recipient.

18 (b) Any such written notification shall be provided
19 to the recipients not less than 120 days prior to the effec-
20 tive date of any proposed termination, of which not less
21 than 90 days shall be provided to restructure or re-scope
22 the discretionary award to better effectuate program goals
23 or agency priorities as determined by the relevant Sec-
24 retary: *Provided*, That the recipients shall continue to re-
25 ceive disbursements for valid obligations during the period

1 provided to restructure or re-scope the discretionary
2 award.

3 (c) If a recipient is unable to restructure or re-scope
4 the discretionary award subject to subsection (b) as deter-
5 mined by the relevant Secretary and the discretionary
6 award is subsequently terminated, the applicable Depart-
7 ment should first prioritize any eligible and qualified appli-
8 cations received from such entities in response to the next
9 available notice of funding opportunity for the relevant
10 program.

11 (d) The relevant Secretary shall meet all notification
12 of termination requirements under section 200.341 of title
13 2, Code of Federal Regulations.

14 (e) The requirements under this section shall only
15 apply to discretionary awards from funds made avail-
16 able—

17 (1) by this Act;

18 (2) by prior Transportation, Housing and
19 Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appro-
20 priations Acts, except for amounts previously des-
21 ignated by the Congress as an emergency or disaster
22 relief requirement pursuant to a concurrent resolu-
23 tion on the budget or the Balanced Budget and
24 Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985; and

1 (3) in title VIII of division J of the Infrastruc-
2 ture Investment and Jobs Act (Public Law 117–58):
3 *Provided*, That this section shall not apply to discretionary
4 award announcements or awards publicly awarded after
5 November 1, 2024: *Provided further*, That this section
6 shall not apply to any non-discretionary awards, as defined
7 by section 200.1 of title 2, Code of Federal Regulations.

8 (f) Amounts repurposed pursuant to this section shall
9 continue to be treated as amounts specified in section
10 103(b) of division A of Public Law 118–5.

11 SEC. 427. If this Act is enacted on or before Sep-
12 tember 30, 2025, the remaining unobligated balances, as
13 of September 30, 2025, from amounts made available for
14 “United States Interagency Council on Homelessness—
15 Operating Expenses” under Public Law 119–4, for fiscal
16 year 2025 are hereby permanently rescinded, and an
17 amount of additional new budget authority equivalent to
18 the amount rescinded pursuant to this section is hereby
19 appropriated on September 30, 2025, for an additional
20 amount for fiscal year 2025, to remain available until Sep-
21 tember 30, 2026, and shall be available in addition to
22 other funds as may be available for such purposes: *Pro-*
23 *vided*, That this section shall become effective immediately
24 upon enactment of this Act.

1 This Act may be cited as the “Transportation, Hous-
2 ing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appro-
3 priations Act, 2026”.

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Making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, and for other purposes.

JULY 24, 2025

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