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Making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 21, 2018

Mr. YODER, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported the following bill; which was committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed

A BILL

Making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, 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 Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September
6 30, 2019, and for other purposes, namely:

7 TITLE I

8 LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

9 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

11 For salaries and expenses of the House of Represent-
12 atives, \$1,232,143,035, as follows:

13 HOUSE LEADERSHIP OFFICES

14 For salaries and expenses, as authorized by law,
15 \$25,378,875, including: Office of the Speaker,
16 \$7,123,634, including \$25,000 for official expenses of the
17 Speaker; Office of the Majority Floor Leader, \$2,642,739,
18 including \$10,000 for official expenses of the Majority
19 Leader; Office of the Minority Floor Leader, \$7,751,946,
20 including \$10,000 for official expenses of the Minority
21 Leader; Office of the Majority Whip, including the Chief
22 Deputy Majority Whip, \$2,197,163, including \$5,000 for
23 official expenses of the Majority Whip; Office of the Mi-
24 nority Whip, including the Chief Deputy Minority Whip,
25 \$1,700,079, including \$5,000 for official expenses of the

1 Minority Whip; Republican Conference, \$2,186,819;
2 Democratic Caucus, \$1,776,495: *Provided*, That such
3 amount for salaries and expenses shall remain available
4 from January 3, 2019 until January 2, 2020.

5 MEMBERS' REPRESENTATIONAL ALLOWANCES
6 INCLUDING MEMBERS' CLERK HIRE, OFFICIAL
7 EXPENSES OF MEMBERS, AND OFFICIAL MAIL

8 For Members' representational allowances, including
9 Members' clerk hire, official expenses, and official mail,
10 \$573,630,000.

11 COMMITTEE EMPLOYEES

12 STANDING COMMITTEES, SPECIAL AND SELECT

13 For salaries and expenses of standing committees,
14 special and select, authorized by House resolutions,
15 \$127,903,173: *Provided*, That such amount shall remain
16 available for such salaries and expenses until December
17 31, 2020, except that \$4,000,000 of such amount shall
18 remain available until expended for committee room up-
19 grading.

20 COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

21 For salaries and expenses of the Committee on Ap-
22 propriations, \$23,112,971, including studies and examina-
23 tions of executive agencies and temporary personal serv-
24 ices for such committee, to be expended in accordance with
25 section 202(b) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of

1 1946 and to be available for reimbursement to agencies
2 for services performed: *Provided*, That such amount shall
3 remain available for such salaries and expenses until De-
4 cember 31, 2020.

5 TOM LANTOS HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

6 For salaries and expenses of the Tom Lantos Human
7 Rights Commission established under House Resolution
8 1451, One Hundred Tenth Congress, \$230,000: *Provided*,
9 That such amount shall remain available for such salaries
10 and expenses from January 3, 2019 until January 3,
11 2020.

12 SALARIES, OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES

13 For compensation and expenses of officers and em-
14 ployees, as authorized by law, \$217,845,000, including:
15 for salaries and expenses of the Office of the Clerk, includ-
16 ing the positions of the Chaplain and the Historian, and
17 including not more than \$25,000 for official representa-
18 tion and reception expenses, of which not more than
19 \$20,000 is for the Family Room and not more than
20 \$2,000 is for the Office of the Chaplain, \$28,305,000; for
21 salaries and expenses of the Office of the Sergeant at
22 Arms, including the position of Superintendent of Garages
23 and the Office of Emergency Management, and including
24 not more than \$3,000 for official representation and re-
25 ception expenses, \$18,773,000 of which \$5,524,000 shall

1 remain available until expended; for salaries and expenses
2 of the Office of the Chief Administrative Officer including
3 not more than \$3,000 for official representation and re-
4 ception expenses, \$147,558,000, of which \$11,631,000
5 shall remain available until expended; for salaries and ex-
6 penses of the Office of the Inspector General, \$5,019,000;
7 for salaries and expenses of the Office of General Counsel,
8 \$1,502,000; for salaries and expenses of the Office of the
9 Parliamentarian, including the Parliamentarian, \$2,000
10 for preparing the Digest of Rules, and not more than
11 \$1,000 for official representation and reception expenses,
12 \$2,026,000; for salaries and expenses of the Office of the
13 Law Revision Counsel of the House, \$3,327,000; for sala-
14 ries and expenses of the Office of the Legislative Counsel
15 of the House, \$9,937,000; for salaries and expenses of the
16 Office of Interparliamentary Affairs, \$814,000; for other
17 authorized employees, \$584,000.

18 ALLOWANCES AND EXPENSES

19 For allowances and expenses as authorized by House
20 resolution or law, \$264,043,016, including: supplies, mate-
21 rials, administrative costs and Federal tort claims,
22 \$525,016; official mail for committees, leadership offices,
23 and administrative offices of the House, \$190,000; Gov-
24 ernment contributions for health, retirement, Social Secu-
25 rity, and other applicable employee benefits,

1 \$239,000,000, to remain available until March 31, 2020;
2 Business Continuity and Disaster Recovery, \$16,186,000
3 of which \$5,000,000 shall remain available until expended;
4 transition activities for new members and staff,
5 \$3,000,000, to remain available until expended; Wounded
6 Warrior Program \$2,750,000, to remain available until
7 expended; Office of Congressional Ethics, \$1,670,000; and
8 miscellaneous items including purchase, exchange, mainte-
9 nance, repair and operation of House motor vehicles,
10 interparliamentary receptions, and gratuities to heirs of
11 deceased employees of the House, \$722,000.

12 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

13 REQUIRING AMOUNTS REMAINING IN MEMBERS' REP-
14 RESENTATIONAL ALLOWANCES TO BE USED FOR
15 DEFICIT REDUCTION OR TO REDUCE THE FEDERAL
16 DEBT

17 SEC. 110. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision
18 of law, any amounts appropriated under this Act for
19 "HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES—SALARIES AND
20 EXPENSES—MEMBERS' REPRESENTATIONAL ALLOW-
21 ANCES" shall be available only for fiscal year 2019. Any
22 amount remaining after all payments are made under such
23 allowances for fiscal year 2019 shall be deposited in the
24 Treasury and used for deficit reduction (or, if there is no
25 Federal budget deficit after all such payments have been

1 made, for reducing the Federal debt, in such manner as
2 the Secretary of the Treasury considers appropriate).

3 (b) REGULATIONS.—The Committee on House Ad-
4 ministration of the House of Representatives shall have
5 authority to prescribe regulations to carry out this section.

6 (c) DEFINITION.—As used in this section, the term
7 “Member of the House of Representatives” means a Rep-
8 resentative in, or a Delegate or Resident Commissioner
9 to, the Congress.

10 DELIVERY OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

11 SEC. 111. (a) None of the funds made available in
12 any fiscal year may be used to deliver a printed copy of
13 a bill, joint resolution, or resolution to the office of a Mem-
14 ber of the House of Representatives (including a Delegate
15 or Resident Commissioner to the Congress) unless the
16 Member requests a copy.

17 (b) This section shall apply with respect to fiscal year
18 2019 and each succeeding fiscal year.

19 DELIVERY OF CONGRESSIONAL RECORD

20 SEC. 112. (a) None of the funds made available in
21 any fiscal year may be used to deliver a printed copy of
22 any version of the Congressional Record to the office of
23 a Member of the House of Representatives (including a
24 Delegate or Resident Commissioner to the Congress).

1 (b) This section shall apply with respect to fiscal year
2 2019 and each succeeding fiscal year.

3 LIMITATION ON AMOUNT AVAILABLE TO LEASE VEHICLES

4 SEC. 113. None of the funds made available in this
5 Act may be used by the Chief Administrative Officer of
6 the House of Representatives to make any payments from
7 any Members' Representational Allowance for the leasing
8 of a vehicle, excluding mobile district offices, in an aggre-
9 gate amount that exceeds \$1,000 for the vehicle in any
10 month.

11 LIMITATION ON PRINTED COPIES OF U.S. CODE TO

12 HOUSE

13 SEC. 114. (a) None of the funds made available in
14 any fiscal year may be to provide an aggregate number
15 of more than 50 printed copies of any edition of the
16 United States Code to all offices of the House of Rep-
17 resentatives.

18 (b) This section shall apply with respect to fiscal year
19 2019 and each succeeding fiscal year.

20 DELIVERY OF REPORTS OF DISBURSEMENTS

21 SEC. 115. (a) None of the funds made available in
22 any fiscal year may be used to deliver a printed copy of
23 the report of disbursements for the operations of the
24 House of Representatives under section 106 of the House
25 of Representatives Administration Reform Technical Cor-

1 rections Act (2 U.S.C. 5535) to the office of a Member
2 of the House of Representatives (including a Delegate or
3 Resident Commissioner to the Congress).

4 (b) This section shall apply with respect to fiscal year
5 2019 and each succeeding fiscal year.

6 DELIVERY OF DAILY CALENDAR

7 SEC. 116. (a) None of the funds made available in
8 any fiscal year may be used to deliver to the office of a
9 Member of the House of Representatives (including a Del-
10 egate or Resident Commissioner to the Congress) a print-
11 ed copy of the Daily Calendar of the House of Representa-
12 tives which is prepared by the Clerk of the House of Rep-
13 resentatives.

14 (b) This section shall apply with respect to fiscal year
15 2019 and each succeeding fiscal year.

16 DELIVERY OF CONGRESSIONAL PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

17 SEC. 117. (a) None of the funds made available in
18 any fiscal year may be used to deliver a printed copy of
19 the Congressional Pictorial Directory to the office of a
20 Member of the House of Representatives (including a Del-
21 egate or Resident Commissioner to the Congress).

22 (b) This section shall apply with respect to fiscal year
23 2019 and each succeeding fiscal year.

1 REPEAL OF AUTHORIZATIONS FOR FORMER SPEAKERS

2 SEC. 118. (a) REPEAL OF AUTHORIZATIONS FOR OF-
3 FICE SPACE, OFFICE EXPENSES, FRANKING AND PRINT-
4 ING PRIVILEGES, AND STAFF.—The first section and sec-
5 tions 2, 4, 5, and 8 of House Resolution 1238, Ninety-
6 first Congress, agreed to December 22, 1970 (as enacted
7 into permanent law by chapter VIII of the Supplemental
8 Appropriations Act, 1971) (2 U.S.C. 5125(a), 5126, 5127,
9 5128, and 5129) are repealed.

10 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Subsection (b) of
11 the first section of Public Law 93–532 (2 U.S.C. 5125(b))
12 is repealed.

13 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
14 this section shall apply with respect to any individual who
15 serves as a Representative in Congress during the One
16 Hundred Fifteenth Congress or any succeeding Congress.

17 ADJUSTMENTS TO COMPENSATION

18 SEC. 119. Notwithstanding any other provision of
19 law, no adjustment shall be made under section 601(a)
20 of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946 (2 U.S.C.
21 4501) (relating to cost of living adjustments for Members
22 of Congress) during fiscal year 2019.

23 TRANSFER AUTHORITY

24 SEC. 120. (a) AUTHORITY TO MAKE TRANSFERS
25 AMONG HOUSE LEADERSHIP OFFICES.—Section 101 of

1 the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 1993 (2
2 U.S.C. 5507) is amended by adding at the end the fol-
3 lowing new subsection:

4 “(f) Amounts appropriated for any fiscal year for the
5 House of Representatives under the heading ‘House Lead-
6 ership Offices’ may be transferred among and merged with
7 the various offices and activities under such heading, ef-
8 fective upon the expiration of the 21-day period (or such
9 alternative period that may be imposed by the Committee
10 on Appropriations of the House of Representatives) which
11 begins on the date such Committee has been notified of
12 the transfer.”.

13 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
14 subsection (a) shall apply with respect to fiscal year 2019
15 and each succeeding fiscal year.

16 JOINT ITEMS

17 For Joint Committees, as follows:

18 JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE

19 For salaries and expenses of the Joint Economic
20 Committee, \$4,203,000, to be disbursed by the Secretary
21 of the Senate.

22 JOINT COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

23 For salaries and expenses of the Joint Committee on
24 Taxation, \$11,169,000, to be disbursed by the Chief Ad-
25 ministrative Officer of the House of Representatives.

1 For other joint items, as follows:

2 OFFICE OF THE ATTENDING PHYSICIAN

3 For medical supplies, equipment, and contingent ex-
4 penses of the emergency rooms, and for the Attending
5 Physician and his assistants, including:

6 (1) an allowance of \$2,175 per month to the
7 Attending Physician;

8 (2) an allowance of \$1,300 per month to the
9 Senior Medical Officer;

10 (3) an allowance of \$725 per month each to
11 three medical officers while on duty in the Office of
12 the Attending Physician;

13 (4) an allowance of \$725 per month to 2 assist-
14 ants and \$580 per month each not to exceed 11 as-
15 sistants on the basis heretofore provided for such as-
16 sistants; and

17 (5) \$2,740,000 for reimbursement to the De-
18 partment of the Navy for expenses incurred for staff
19 and equipment assigned to the Office of the Attend-
20 ing Physician, which shall be advanced and credited
21 to the applicable appropriation or appropriations
22 from which such salaries, allowances, and other ex-
23 penses are payable and shall be available for all the
24 purposes thereof, \$3,798,000, to be disbursed by the

1 Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Rep-
2 resentatives.

3 OFFICE OF CONGRESSIONAL ACCESSIBILITY SERVICES

4 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

5 For salaries and expenses of the Office of Congres-
6 sional Accessibility Services, \$1,486,000, to be disbursed
7 by the Secretary of the Senate.

8 CAPITOL POLICE

9 SALARIES

10 For salaries of employees of the Capitol Police, in-
11 cluding overtime, hazardous duty pay, and Government
12 contributions for health, retirement, social security, pro-
13 fessional liability insurance, and other applicable employee
14 benefits, \$374,804,000 of which overtime shall not exceed
15 \$47,000,000 unless the Committee on Appropriations of
16 the House and Senate are notified, to be disbursed by the
17 Chief of the Capitol Police or his designee.

18 GENERAL EXPENSES

19 For necessary expenses of the Capitol Police, includ-
20 ing motor vehicles, communications and other equipment,
21 security equipment and installation, uniforms, weapons,
22 supplies, materials, training, medical services, forensic
23 services, stenographic services, personal and professional
24 services, the employee assistance program, the awards pro-
25 gram, postage, communication services, travel advances,

1 relocation of instructor and liaison personnel for the Fed-
2 eral Law Enforcement Training Center, and not more
3 than \$5,000 to be expended on the certification of the
4 Chief of the Capitol Police in connection with official rep-
5 resentation and reception expenses, \$81,554,000, to be
6 disbursed by the Chief of the Capitol Police or his des-
7 ignee: *Provided*, That, notwithstanding any other provi-
8 sion of law, the cost of basic training for the Capitol Police
9 at the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center for fis-
10 cal year 2019 shall be paid by the Secretary of Homeland
11 Security from funds available to the Department of Home-
12 land Security.

13 OFFICE OF COMPLIANCE

14 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

15 For salaries and expenses of the Office of Compli-
16 ance, as authorized by section 305 of the Congressional
17 Accountability Act of 1995 (2 U.S.C. 1385), \$5,410,000,
18 of which \$550,000 shall remain available until September
19 30, 2019: *Provided*, That not more than \$500 may be ex-
20 pended on the certification of the Executive Director of
21 the Office of Compliance in connection with official rep-
22 resentation and reception expenses.

1 CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE

2 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

3 For salaries and expenses necessary for operation of
4 the Congressional Budget Office, including not more than
5 \$6,000 to be expended on the certification of the Director
6 of the Congressional Budget Office in connection with offi-
7 cial representation and reception expenses, \$50,737,000.

8 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISION

9 RELOCATION EXPENSES

10 SEC. 130. (a) AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF RELOCA-
11 TION EXPENSES.—Amounts made available for salaries
12 and expenses of the Congressional Budget Office for a fis-
13 cal year may be used to reimburse new employees of the
14 Office for relocation expenses if the Director of the Office
15 determines that reimbursing such expenses is of sufficient
16 benefit or value to the Office.

17 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section shall apply with
18 respect to fiscal year 2019 and each succeeding fiscal year.

19 ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL

20 CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATIONS

21 For salaries for the Architect of the Capitol, and
22 other personal services, at rates of pay provided by law;
23 for all necessary expenses for surveys and studies, con-
24 struction, operation, and general and administrative sup-
25 port in connection with facilities and activities under the

1 care of the Architect of the Capitol including the Botanic
2 Garden; electrical substations of the Capitol, Senate and
3 House office buildings, and other facilities under the juris-
4 diction of the Architect of the Capitol; including fur-
5 nishings and office equipment; including not more than
6 \$5,000 for official reception and representation expenses,
7 to be expended as the Architect of the Capitol may ap-
8 prove; for purchase or exchange, maintenance, and oper-
9 ation of a passenger motor vehicle, \$103,962,000.

10 CAPITOL BUILDING

11 For all necessary expenses for the maintenance, care
12 and operation of the Capitol, \$44,379,000, of which
13 \$17,731,000 shall remain available until September 30,
14 2023.

15 CAPITOL GROUNDS

16 For all necessary expenses for care and improvement
17 of grounds surrounding the Capitol, the Senate and House
18 office buildings, and the Capitol Power Plant,
19 \$16,761,000, of which \$5,519,000 shall remain available
20 until September 30, 2023.

21 HOUSE OFFICE BUILDINGS

22 For all necessary expenses for the maintenance, care
23 and operation of the House office buildings,
24 \$187,098,000, of which \$127,552,000 shall remain avail-
25 able until September 30, 2023, and of which \$62,000,000

1 shall remain available until expended for the restoration
2 and renovation of the Cannon House Office Building; *Pro-*
3 *vided*, That of the amount made available under this head-
4 ing, \$7,000,000 shall be derived by transfer from the
5 House Office Building Fund established under section
6 176(d) of the Continuing Appropriations Act, 2017, as
7 added by section 101(3) of the Further Continuing Appro-
8 priation Act, 2017 (Public Law 114-254; 2 U.S.C. 2001
9 note).

10 In addition, for a payment to the House Historic
11 Buildings Revitalization Trust Fund, \$10,000,000, to re-
12 main available until expended.

13 CAPITOL POWER PLANT

14 For all necessary expenses for the maintenance, care
15 and operation of the Capitol Power Plant; lighting, heat-
16 ing, power (including the purchase of electrical energy)
17 and water and sewer services for the Capitol, Senate and
18 House office buildings, Library of Congress buildings, and
19 the grounds about the same, Botanic Garden, Senate ga-
20 rage, and air conditioning refrigeration not supplied from
21 plants in any of such buildings; heating the Government
22 Publishing Office and Washington City Post Office, and
23 heating and chilled water for air conditioning for the Su-
24 preme Court Building, the Union Station complex, the
25 Thurgood Marshall Federal Judiciary Building and the

1 Folger Shakespeare Library, expenses for which shall be
2 advanced or reimbursed upon request of the Architect of
3 the Capitol and amounts so received shall be deposited
4 into the Treasury to the credit of this appropriation,
5 \$118,980,000, of which \$36,292,000 shall remain avail-
6 able until September 30, 2023: *Provided*, That not more
7 than \$9,000,000 of the funds credited or to be reimbursed
8 to this appropriation as herein provided shall be available
9 for obligation during fiscal year 2019.

10 LIBRARY BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

11 For all necessary expenses for the mechanical and
12 structural maintenance, care and operation of the Library
13 buildings and grounds, \$70,201,000, of which
14 \$42,079,000 shall remain available until September 30,
15 2023.

16 CAPITOL POLICE BUILDINGS, GROUNDS AND SECURITY

17 For all necessary expenses for the maintenance, care
18 and operation of buildings, grounds and security enhance-
19 ments of the United States Capitol Police, wherever lo-
20 cated, the Alternate Computing Facility, and Architect of
21 the Capitol security operations, \$52,542,000, of which
22 \$26,605,000 shall remain available until September 30,
23 2023.

1 BOTANIC GARDEN

2 For all necessary expenses for the maintenance, care
3 and operation of the Botanic Garden and the nurseries,
4 buildings, grounds, and collections; and purchase and ex-
5 change, maintenance, repair, and operation of a passenger
6 motor vehicle; all under the direction of the Joint Com-
7 mittee on the Library, \$14,759,000, of which \$3,559,000
8 shall remain available until September 30, 2023: *Provided*,
9 That, of the amount made available under this heading,
10 the Architect of the Capitol may obligate and expend such
11 sums as may be necessary for the maintenance, care and
12 operation of the National Garden established under sec-
13 tion 307E of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act,
14 1989 (2 U.S.C. 2146), upon vouchers approved by the Ar-
15 chitect of the Capitol or a duly authorized designee.

16 CAPITOL VISITOR CENTER

17 For all necessary expenses for the operation of the
18 Capitol Visitor Center, \$23,322,000.

19 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

20 NO BONUSES FOR CONTRACTORS BEHIND SCHEDULE OR
21 OVER BUDGET

22 SEC. 140. None of the funds made available in this
23 Act for the Architect of the Capitol may be used to make
24 incentive or award payments to contractors for work on
25 contracts or programs for which the contractor is behind

1 schedule or over budget, unless the Architect of the Cap-
2 itol, or agency-employed designee, determines that any
3 such deviations are due to unforeseeable events, govern-
4 ment-driven scope changes, or are not significant within
5 the overall scope of the project and/or program.

6 SCRIMS

7 SEC. 141. (a) None of the funds made available in
8 any fiscal year may be used for scrims containing photo-
9 graphs of building facades during restoration or construc-
10 tion projects performed by the Architect of the Capitol.

11 (b) This section shall apply with respect to fiscal year
12 2019 and each succeeding fiscal year.

13 SECURITY PROGRAMS

14 SEC. 142. (a) PURPOSE OF PROGRAMS.—Section
15 906(b) of the 2002 Supplemental Appropriations Act for
16 Further Recovery From and Response To Terrorist At-
17 tacks on the United States (2 U.S.C. 1865(b)) is amended
18 to read as follows:

19 “(b) Funds in the account shall be used by the Archi-
20 tect of the Capitol for all necessary expenses for—

21 “(1) resilience and security programs of the Ar-
22 chitect of the Capitol; and

23 “(2) the maintenance, care, and operation of
24 buildings, grounds, and security enhancements for
25 facilities of the United States Capitol Police and for

1 other facilities associated with such resilience and
2 security programs at any location.”.

3 (b) TRANSFERS OF FUNDS.—Section 906 of such Act
4 (2 U.S.C. 1865) is amended—

5 (1) by redesignating subsection (c) as sub-
6 section (d); and

7 (2) by inserting after subsection (b) the fol-
8 lowing new subsection:

9 “(c)(1) For carrying out the purposes of the account,
10 the Architect of the Capitol may receive transfers of ap-
11 propriations from any agency or instrumentality of the
12 United States Government upon the approval of—

13 “(A) the Committee on Appropriations of the
14 House of Representatives, in the case of a transfer
15 from an office of the House of Representatives;

16 “(B) the Committee on Appropriations of the
17 Senate, in the case of a transfer from an office of
18 the Senate; or

19 “(C) the Committees on Appropriations of the
20 House of Representatives and the Senate, in the
21 case of a transfer from any other office of the Gov-
22 ernment.

23 “(2) Amounts transferred under this subsection shall
24 be merged with the account and made available under this
25 section.

1 “(3) This subsection shall apply with respect to fiscal
2 year 2019 and each succeeding fiscal year.”.

3 INCREASE IN THRESHOLD FOR SMALL PURCHASE

4 CONTRACTING AUTHORITY

5 SEC. 143. (a) INCREASE.—Section 1201(a)(1) of the
6 Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2003 (2 U.S.C.
7 1821(a)(1)) is amended by striking “\$100,000” and in-
8 serting “\$250,000”.

9 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
10 subsection (a) shall apply with respect to fiscal year 2019
11 and each succeeding fiscal year.

12 INTERAGENCY DETAILS

13 SEC. 144. (a) AUTHORIZING DETAILS OF EMPLOY-
14 EES UNDER JOINT AGENCY AGREEMENTS.—In addition
15 to any other authority relating to the detail of employees,
16 the Architect of the Capitol and the head of any other
17 department, agency, or instrumentality of the United
18 States Government may enter into a joint agency agree-
19 ment under which—

20 (1) employees of the Office of the Architect of
21 the Capitol (including employees of the United
22 States Botanic Garden) may be detailed to such de-
23 partment, agency, or instrumentality on a reimburs-
24 able or non-reimbursable basis; and

1 (2) employees of such department, agency, or
2 instrumentality may be detailed to the Office of the
3 Architect of the Capitol on a reimbursable or non-
4 reimbursable basis.

5 (b) DURATION.—The detail of an employee under a
6 joint agency agreement under this section shall be for such
7 duration as may be provided in the agreement, except that
8 in the case of a detail made on a non-reimbursable basis,
9 the duration of the detail may not exceed one year unless
10 the Architect of the Capitol and the head of the depart-
11 ment, agency, or instrumentality involved each determine
12 that an extension of the detail of the employee is in the
13 public interest.

14 (c) NO EFFECT ON APPROPRIATIONS OF RECIPIENT
15 OF NON-REIMBURSABLE DETAIL.—For purposes of any
16 law, rule, or regulation, the detail of an employee on a
17 non-reimbursable basis under a joint agency agreement
18 under this section for a fiscal year shall not be treated
19 as an increase or modification of the appropriation for the
20 fiscal year of the office to whom the employee is detailed.

21 (d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section shall apply with
22 respect to fiscal year 2019 and each succeeding fiscal year.

1 ACCEPTANCE OF TRAVEL EXPENSES FROM NON-FEDERAL
2 SOURCES

3 SEC. 145. (a) PERMITTING ACCEPTANCE OF EX-
4 PENSES.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the
5 Architect of the Capitol may accept payment or authorize
6 an employee of the Office of the Architect of the Capitol
7 to accept payment on the Office’s behalf from non-Federal
8 sources for travel, subsistence, and related expenses with
9 respect to attendance of the employee (or the spouse of
10 such employee) at any meeting or similar function relating
11 to the employee’s official duties. Any cash payment so ac-
12 cepted shall be credited to the appropriation applicable to
13 such expenses. In the case of a payment in kind so accept-
14 ed, a pro rata reduction shall be made in any entitlement
15 of the employee to payment from the Government for such
16 expenses.

17 (b) PROHIBITING ACCEPTANCE FROM OTHER
18 SOURCES.—Except as provided in this section or section
19 7342 of title 5, United States Code, the Office or an em-
20 ployee of the Office may not accept payment for expenses
21 referred to in subsection (a). An employee who accepts any
22 payment in violation of the preceding sentence—

23 (1) may be required, in addition to any penalty
24 provided by law, to repay, for deposit in the general

1 fund of the Treasury, an amount equal to the
2 amount of the payment so accepted; and

3 (2) in the case of a repayment under paragraph
4 (1), shall not be entitled to any payment from the
5 Government for such expenses.

6 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section shall apply with
7 respect to fiscal year 2019 and each succeeding fiscal year.

8 LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

9 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

10 For all necessary expenses of the Library of Congress
11 not otherwise provided for, including development and
12 maintenance of the Library's catalogs; custody and custo-
13 dial care of the Library buildings; special clothing; clean-
14 ing, laundering and repair of uniforms; preservation of
15 motion pictures in the custody of the Library; operation
16 and maintenance of the American Folklife Center in the
17 Library; preparation and distribution of catalog records
18 and other publications of the Library; hire or purchase
19 of one passenger motor vehicle; and expenses of the Li-
20 brary of Congress Trust Fund Board not properly charge-
21 able to the income of any trust fund held by the Board,
22 \$493,818,272, of which not more than \$6,000,000 shall
23 be derived from collections credited to this appropriation
24 during fiscal year 2019, and shall remain available until
25 expended, under the Act of June 28, 1902 (chapter 1301;

1 32 Stat. 480; 2 U.S.C. 150): *Provided*, That the Library
2 of Congress may not obligate or expend any funds derived
3 from collections under the Act of June 28, 1902, in excess
4 of the amount authorized for obligation or expenditure in
5 appropriations Acts: *Provided further*, That the total
6 amount available for obligation shall be reduced by the
7 amount by which collections are less than \$6,350,000:
8 *Provided further*, That of the total amount appropriated,
9 not more than \$12,000 may be expended, on the certifi-
10 cation of the Librarian of Congress, in connection with
11 official representation and reception expenses for the
12 Overseas Field Offices: *Provided further*, That of the total
13 amount appropriated, \$8,589,000 shall remain available
14 until expended for the digital collections and educational
15 curricula program: *Provided further*, That of the total
16 amount appropriated, \$1,133,000 shall remain available
17 until expended for upgrade of the Legislative Branch Fi-
18 nancial Management System: *Provided further*, That of
19 the total amount appropriated, \$20,000,000 is provided
20 to enhance public exhibits and visitor services at the Li-
21 brary to remain available until expended, may be obligated
22 and expended only upon written approval by the Com-
23 mittee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives
24 and the Senate, following review of a project plan.

1 COPYRIGHT OFFICE

2 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

3 For all necessary expenses of the Copyright Office,
4 \$93,407,000, of which not more than \$39,218,000, to re-
5 main available until expended, shall be derived from collec-
6 tions credited to this appropriation during fiscal year 2019
7 under section 708(d) of title 17, United States Code: *Pro-*
8 *vided*, That the Copyright Office may not obligate or ex-
9 pend any funds derived from collections under such sec-
10 tion, in excess of the amount authorized for obligation or
11 expenditure in appropriations Acts: *Provided further*, That
12 not more than \$6,272,000 shall be derived from collections
13 during fiscal year 2019 under sections 111(d)(2),
14 119(b)(3), 803(e), 1005, and 1316 of such title: *Provided*
15 *further*, That the total amount available for obligation
16 shall be reduced by the amount by which collections are
17 less than \$45,490,000: *Provided further*, That \$4,328,000
18 shall be derived from prior year unobligated balances: *Pro-*
19 *vided further*, That not more than \$100,000 of the amount
20 appropriated is available for the maintenance of an “Inter-
21 national Copyright Institute” in the Copyright Office of
22 the Library of Congress for the purpose of training nation-
23 als of developing countries in intellectual property laws
24 and policies: *Provided further*, That not more than \$6,500
25 may be expended, on the certification of the Librarian of

1 Congress, in connection with official representation and
2 reception expenses for activities of the International Copy-
3 right Institute and for copyright delegations, visitors, and
4 seminars: *Provided further*, That, notwithstanding any
5 provision of chapter 8 of title 17, United States Code, any
6 amounts made available under this heading which are at-
7 tributable to royalty fees and payments received by the
8 Copyright Office pursuant to sections 111, 119, and chap-
9 ter 10 of such title may be used for the costs incurred
10 in the administration of the Copyright Royalty Judges
11 program, with the exception of the costs of salaries and
12 benefits for the Copyright Royalty Judges and staff under
13 section 802(e).

14 CONGRESSIONAL RESEARCH SERVICE

15 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

16 For all necessary expenses to carry out the provisions
17 of section 203 of the Legislative Reorganization Act of
18 1946 (2 U.S.C. 166) and to revise and extend the Anno-
19 tated Constitution of the United States of America,
20 \$125,688,000: *Provided*, That no part of such amount
21 may be used to pay any salary or expense in connection
22 with any publication, or preparation of material therefor
23 (except the Digest of Public General Bills), to be issued
24 by the Library of Congress unless such publication has
25 obtained prior approval of either the Committee on House

1 Administration of the House of Representatives or the
 2 Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate:
 3 *Provided further*, That this prohibition does not apply to
 4 publication of non-confidential Congressional Research
 5 Service (CRS) products: *Provided further*, That a non-con-
 6 fidential CRS product includes any written product con-
 7 taining research or analysis that is currently available for
 8 general congressional access on the CRS Congressional
 9 Intranet, or that would be made available on the CRS
 10 Congressional Intranet in the normal course of business
 11 and does not include material prepared in response to
 12 Congressional requests for confidential analysis or re-
 13 search.

14 BOOKS FOR THE BLIND AND PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED
 15 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

16 For all necessary expenses to carry out the Act of
 17 March 3, 1931 (chapter 400; 46 Stat. 1487; 2 U.S.C.
 18 135a), \$52,783,000: *Provided*, That of the total amount
 19 appropriated, \$650,000 shall be available to contract to
 20 provide newspapers to blind and physically handicapped
 21 residents at no cost to the individual.

22 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

23 REIMBURSABLE AND REVOLVING FUND ACTIVITIES

24 SEC. 150. (a) IN GENERAL.—For fiscal year 2019,
 25 the obligational authority of the Library of Congress for

1 the activities described in subsection (b) may not exceed
2 \$194,608,000.

3 (b) ACTIVITIES.—The activities referred to in sub-
4 section (a) are reimbursable and revolving fund activities
5 that are funded from sources other than appropriations
6 to the Library in appropriations Acts for the legislative
7 branch.

8 GOVERNMENT PUBLISHING OFFICE

9 CONGRESSIONAL PUBLISHING

10 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

11 For authorized publishing of congressional informa-
12 tion and the distribution of congressional information in
13 any format; publishing of Government publications au-
14 thorized by law to be distributed to Members of Congress;
15 and publishing, and distribution of Government publica-
16 tions authorized by law to be distributed without charge
17 to the recipient, \$79,000,000: *Provided*, That this appro-
18 priation shall not be available for paper copies of the per-
19 manent edition of the Congressional Record for individual
20 Representatives, Resident Commissioners or Delegates au-
21 thorized under section 906 of title 44, United States Code:
22 *Provided further*, That this appropriation shall be available
23 for the payment of obligations incurred under the appro-
24 priations for similar purposes for fiscal year 2019: *Pro-*
25 *vided further*, That notwithstanding the 2-year limitation

1 under section 718 of title 44, United States Code, none
2 of the funds appropriated or made available under this Act
3 or any other Act for printing and binding and related serv-
4 ices provided to Congress under chapter 7 of title 44,
5 United States Code, may be expended to print a docu-
6 ment, report, or publication after the 27-month period be-
7 ginning on the date that such document, report, or publi-
8 cation is authorized by Congress to be printed, unless Con-
9 gress reauthorizes such printing in accordance with sec-
10 tion 718 of title 44, United States Code: *Provided further*,
11 That any unobligated or unexpended balances in this ac-
12 count or accounts for similar purposes for fiscal year 2019
13 and each succeeding fiscal year may be transferred to the
14 Government Publishing Office Business Operations Re-
15 volving Fund for carrying out the purposes of this head-
16 ing, subject to the approval of the Committees on Appro-
17 priations of the House of Representatives and Senate:
18 *Provided further*, That notwithstanding sections 901, 902,
19 and 906 of title 44, United States Code, this appropriation
20 may be used to prepare indexes to the Congressional
21 Record on only a monthly and session basis.

1 PUBLIC INFORMATION PROGRAMS OF THE
2 SUPERINTENDENT OF DOCUMENTS
3 SALARIES AND EXPENSES
4 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

5 For expenses of the public information programs of
6 the Office of Superintendent of Documents necessary to
7 provide for the cataloging and indexing of Government
8 publications and their distribution to the public, Members
9 of Congress, other Government agencies, and designated
10 depository and international exchange libraries as author-
11 ized by law, \$32,000,000: *Provided*, That amounts of not
12 more than \$2,000,000 from current year appropriations
13 are authorized for producing and disseminating Congres-
14 sional serial sets and other related publications for fiscal
15 years 2017 and 2018 to depository and other designated
16 libraries: *Provided further*, That any unobligated or unex-
17 pended balances in this account or accounts for similar
18 purposes for fiscal year 2019 and each succeeding fiscal
19 year may be transferred to the Government Publishing Of-
20 fice Business Operations Revolving Fund for carrying out
21 the purposes of this heading, subject to the approval of
22 the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Rep-
23 resentatives and Senate.

1 GOVERNMENT PUBLISHING OFFICE BUSINESS
2 OPERATIONS REVOLVING FUND

3 For payment to the Government Publishing Office
4 Business Operations Revolving Fund, \$6,000,000, to re-
5 main available until expended, for information technology
6 development and facilities repair: *Provided*, That the Gov-
7 ernment Publishing Office is hereby authorized to make
8 such expenditures, within the limits of funds available and
9 in accordance with law, and to make such contracts and
10 commitments without regard to fiscal year limitations as
11 provided by section 9104 of title 31, United States Code,
12 as may be necessary in carrying out the programs and
13 purposes set forth in the budget for the current fiscal year
14 for the Government Publishing Office Business Operations
15 Revolving Fund: *Provided further*, That not more than
16 \$7,500 may be expended on the certification of the Direc-
17 tor of the Government Publishing Office in connection
18 with official representation and reception expenses: *Pro-*
19 *vided further*, That the Business Operations Revolving
20 Fund shall be available for the hire or purchase of not
21 more than 12 passenger motor vehicles: *Provided further*,
22 That expenditures in connection with travel expenses of
23 the advisory councils to the Director of the Government
24 Publishing Office shall be deemed necessary to carry out
25 the provisions of title 44, United States Code: *Provided*

1 *further*, That the Business Operations Revolving Fund
2 shall be available for temporary or intermittent services
3 under section 3109(b) of title 5, United States Code, but
4 at rates for individuals not more than the daily equivalent
5 of the annual rate of basic pay for level V of the Executive
6 Schedule under section 5316 of such title: *Provided fur-*
7 *ther*, That activities financed through the Business Oper-
8 ations Revolving Fund may provide information in any
9 format: *Provided further*, That the Business Operations
10 Revolving Fund and the funds provided under the heading
11 “Public Information Programs of the Superintendent of
12 Documents” may not be used for contracted security serv-
13 ices at Government Publishing Office’s passport facility in
14 the District of Columbia.

15 GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE

16 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

17 For necessary expenses of the Government Account-
18 ability Office, including not more than \$12,500 to be ex-
19 pended on the certification of the Comptroller General of
20 the United States in connection with official representa-
21 tion and reception expenses; temporary or intermittent
22 services under section 3109(b) of title 5, United States
23 Code, but at rates for individuals not more than the daily
24 equivalent of the annual rate of basic pay for level IV of
25 the Executive Schedule under section 5315 of such title;

1 hire of one passenger motor vehicle; advance payments in
2 foreign countries in accordance with section 3324 of title
3 31, United States Code; benefits comparable to those pay-
4 able under sections 901(5), (6), and (8) of the Foreign
5 Service Act of 1980 (22 U.S.C. 4081(5), (6), and (8));
6 and under regulations prescribed by the Comptroller Gen-
7 eral of the United States, rental of living quarters in for-
8 eign countries, \$578,916,653: *Provided*, That, in addition,
9 \$23,800,000 of payments received under sections 782,
10 791, 3521, and 9105 of title 31, United States Code, shall
11 be available without fiscal year limitation: *Provided fur-*
12 *ther*, That this appropriation and appropriations for ad-
13 ministrative expenses of any other department or agency
14 which is a member of the National Intergovernmental
15 Audit Forum or a Regional Intergovernmental Audit
16 Forum shall be available to finance an appropriate share
17 of either Forum's costs as determined by the respective
18 Forum, including necessary travel expenses of non-Federal
19 participants: *Provided further*, That payments hereunder
20 to the Forum may be credited as reimbursements to any
21 appropriation from which costs involved are initially fi-
22 nanced: *Provided further*, That this appropriation shall be
23 available to transfer amounts to the Department of the
24 Army for the construction of an Army facility at Redstone
25 Arsenal for the sole, unlimited use of GAO: *Provided fur-*

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TITLE II

GENERAL PROVISIONS

MAINTENANCE AND CARE OF PRIVATE VEHICLES

SEC. 201. No part of the funds appropriated in this Act shall be used for the maintenance or care of private vehicles, except for emergency assistance and cleaning as may be provided under regulations relating to parking facilities for the House of Representatives issued by the Committee on House Administration and for the Senate issued by the Committee on Rules and Administration.

FISCAL YEAR LIMITATION

SEC. 202. No part of the funds appropriated in this Act shall remain available for obligation beyond fiscal year 2019 unless expressly so provided in this Act.

RATES OF COMPENSATION AND DESIGNATION

SEC. 203. Whenever in this Act any office or position not specifically established by the Legislative Pay Act of 1929 (46 Stat. 32 et seq.) is appropriated for or the rate of compensation or designation of any office or position appropriated for is different from that specifically established by such Act, the rate of compensation and the designation in this Act shall be the permanent law with respect thereto: *Provided*, That the provisions in this Act for the various items of official expenses of Members, officers, and committees of the Senate and House of Rep-

1 representatives, and clerk hire for Senators and Members of
2 the House of Representatives shall be the permanent law
3 with respect thereto.

4 CONSULTING SERVICES

5 SEC. 204. The expenditure of any appropriation
6 under this Act for any consulting service through procure-
7 ment contract, under section 3109 of title 5, United States
8 Code, shall be limited to those contracts where such ex-
9 penditures are a matter of public record and available for
10 public inspection, except where otherwise provided under
11 existing law, or under existing Executive order issued
12 under existing law.

13 COSTS OF LBFMC

14 SEC. 205. Amounts available for administrative ex-
15 penses of any legislative branch entity which participates
16 in the Legislative Branch Financial Managers Council
17 (LBFMC) established by charter on March 26, 1996, shall
18 be available to finance an appropriate share of LBFMC
19 costs as determined by the LBFMC, except that the total
20 LBFMC costs to be shared among all participating legisla-
21 tive branch entities (in such allocations among the entities
22 as the entities may determine) may not exceed \$2,000.

23 LIMITATION ON TRANSFERS

24 SEC. 206. None of the funds made available in this
25 Act may be transferred to any department, agency, or in-

1 strumentality of the United States Government, except
2 pursuant to a transfer made by, or transfer authority pro-
3 vided in, this Act or any other appropriation Act.

4 GUIDED TOURS OF THE CAPITOL

5 SEC. 207. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b),
6 none of the funds made available to the Architect of the
7 Capitol in this Act may be used to eliminate or restrict
8 guided tours of the United States Capitol which are led
9 by employees and interns of offices of Members of Con-
10 gress and other offices of the House of Representatives
11 and Senate, unless through regulations as authorized by
12 section 402(b)(8) of the Capitol Visitor Center Act of
13 2008 (2 U.S.C. 2242(b)(8)).

14 (b) At the direction of the Capitol Police Board, or
15 at the direction of the Architect of the Capitol with the
16 approval of the Capitol Police Board, guided tours of the
17 United States Capitol which are led by employees and in-
18 terns described in subsection (a) may be suspended tempo-
19 rarily or otherwise subject to restriction for security or re-
20 lated reasons to the same extent as guided tours of the
21 United States Capitol which are led by the Architect of
22 the Capitol.

23 SPENDING REDUCTION ACCOUNT

24 SEC. 208. \$0.

1 This Act may be cited as the “Legislative Branch Ap-
2 propriations Act, 2019”.

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