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[Report No. 114-____]

Making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2016, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. DENT, 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 military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2016, 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
5 military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs,
6 and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September
7 30, 2016, and for other purposes, namely:

8 TITLE I
9 DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
10 MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, ARMY

11 For acquisition, construction, installation, and equip-
12 ment of temporary or permanent public works, military
13 installations, facilities, and real property for the Army as
14 currently authorized by law, including personnel in the
15 Army Corps of Engineers and other personal services nec-
16 essary for the purposes of this appropriation, and for con-
17 struction and operation of facilities in support of the func-
18 tions of the Commander in Chief, \$663,245,000, to re-
19 main available until September 30, 2020: *Provided*, That
20 of this amount, not to exceed \$109,245,000 shall be avail-
21 able for study, planning, design, architect and engineer
22 services, and host nation support, as authorized by law,
23 unless the Secretary of the Army determines that addi-
24 tional obligations are necessary for such purposes and no-

1 tifies the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses
2 of Congress of the determination and the reasons therefor.

3 MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, NAVY AND MARINE CORPS

4 For acquisition, construction, installation, and equip-
5 ment of temporary or permanent public works, naval in-
6 stallations, facilities, and real property for the Navy and
7 Marine Corps as currently authorized by law, including
8 personnel in the Naval Facilities Engineering Command
9 and other personal services necessary for the purposes of
10 this appropriation, \$1,349,678,000, to remain available
11 until September 30, 2020: *Provided*, That of this amount,
12 not to exceed \$91,649,000 shall be available for study,
13 planning, design, and architect and engineer services, as
14 authorized by law, unless the Secretary of the Navy deter-
15 mines that additional obligations are necessary for such
16 purposes and notifies the Committees on Appropriations
17 of both Houses of Congress of the determination and the
18 reasons therefor.

19 MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, AIR FORCE

20 For acquisition, construction, installation, and equip-
21 ment of temporary or permanent public works, military
22 installations, facilities, and real property for the Air Force
23 as currently authorized by law, \$1,237,055,000, to remain
24 available until September 30, 2020: *Provided*, That of this
25 amount, not to exceed \$89,164,000 shall be available for

1 study, planning, design, and architect and engineer serv-
2 ices, as authorized by law, unless the Secretary of the Air
3 Force determines that additional obligations are necessary
4 for such purposes and notifies the Committees on Appro-
5 priations of both Houses of Congress of the determination
6 and the reasons therefor.

7 MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, DEFENSE-WIDE

8 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

9 For acquisition, construction, installation, and equip-
10 ment of temporary or permanent public works, installa-
11 tions, facilities, and real property for activities and agen-
12 cies of the Department of Defense (other than the military
13 departments), as currently authorized by law,
14 \$1,931,456,000, to remain available until September 30,
15 2020: *Provided*, That such amounts of this appropriation
16 as may be determined by the Secretary of Defense may
17 be transferred to such appropriations of the Department
18 of Defense available for military construction or family
19 housing as the Secretary may designate, to be merged with
20 and to be available for the same purposes, and for the
21 same time period, as the appropriation or fund to which
22 transferred: *Provided further*, That of the amount appro-
23 priated, not to exceed \$160,404,000 shall be available for
24 study, planning, design, and architect and engineer serv-
25 ices, as authorized by law, unless the Secretary of Defense

1 determines that additional obligations are necessary for
2 such purposes and notifies the Committees on Appropria-
3 tions of both Houses of Congress of the determination and
4 the reasons therefor: *Provided further*, That none of the
5 funds made available by this title may be used to construct
6 any fiscal year 2016 special operations command military
7 construction projects until the Commander of the Special
8 Operations Command has certified in writing and submits
9 to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of
10 Congress a report that includes the following:

11 (1) A definition of “Special Operations Forces-
12 peculiar” as it applies to the use of United States
13 Special Operations Command (USSOCOM) funding
14 to meet military construction requirements for facili-
15 ties that provide healthcare services or support fit-
16 ness activities.

17 (2) A description of the decision-making process
18 used to determine whether a military construction
19 project that provides healthcare facilities or supports
20 fitness activities should be funded by the USSOCOM
21 or the military departments.

22 (3) Provides a schematic of the human perform-
23 ance centers by installation, a listing of the planned
24 equipment related to training and resiliency and a
25 description of the mission-critical benefit of each

1 item, an explanation of why the unique physical and
2 psychological health services incorporated could not
3 be provided by the Defense Health Agency or mili-
4 tary services, and a planned staffing breakdown.

5 MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, ARMY NATIONAL GUARD

6 For construction, acquisition, expansion, rehabilita-
7 tion, and conversion of facilities for the training and ad-
8 ministration of the Army National Guard, and contribu-
9 tions therefor, as authorized by chapter 1803 of title 10,
10 United States Code, and Military Construction Authoriza-
11 tion Acts, \$167,437,000, to remain available until Sep-
12 tember 30, 2020: *Provided*, That of the amount appro-
13 priated, not to exceed \$20,337,000 shall be available for
14 study, planning, design, and architect and engineer serv-
15 ices, as authorized by law, unless the Director of the Army
16 National Guard determines that additional obligations are
17 necessary for such purposes and notifies the Committees
18 on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress of the de-
19 termination and the reasons therefor.

20 MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, AIR NATIONAL GUARD

21 For construction, acquisition, expansion, rehabilita-
22 tion, and conversion of facilities for the training and ad-
23 ministration of the Air National Guard, and contributions
24 therefor, as authorized by chapter 1803 of title 10, United
25 States Code, and Military Construction Authorization

1 Acts, \$138,738,000, to remain available until September
2 30, 2020: *Provided*, That of the amount appropriated, not
3 to exceed \$5,104,000 shall be available for study, plan-
4 ning, design, and architect and engineer services, as au-
5 thorized by law, unless the Director of the Air National
6 Guard determines that additional obligations are nec-
7 essary for such purposes and notifies the Committees on
8 Appropriations of both Houses of Congress of the deter-
9 mination and the reasons therefor.

10 MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, ARMY RESERVE

11 For construction, acquisition, expansion, rehabilita-
12 tion, and conversion of facilities for the training and ad-
13 ministration of the Army Reserve as authorized by chapter
14 1803 of title 10, United States Code, and Military Con-
15 struction Authorization Acts, \$104,295,000, to remain
16 available until September 30, 2020: *Provided*, That of the
17 amount appropriated, not to exceed \$9,318,000 shall be
18 available for study, planning, design, and architect and en-
19 gineer services, as authorized by law, unless the Chief of
20 the Army Reserve determines that additional obligations
21 are necessary for such purposes and notifies the Commit-
22 tees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress of the
23 determination and the reasons therefor.

1 MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, NAVY RESERVE

2 For construction, acquisition, expansion, rehabilita-
3 tion, and conversion of facilities for the training and ad-
4 ministration of the reserve components of the Navy and
5 Marine Corps as authorized by chapter 1803 of title 10,
6 United States Code, and Military Construction Authoriza-
7 tion Acts, \$36,078,000, to remain available until Sep-
8 tember 30, 2020: *Provided*, That of the amount appro-
9 priated, not to exceed \$2,208,000 shall be available for
10 study, planning, design, and architect and engineer serv-
11 ices, as authorized by law, unless the Secretary of the
12 Navy determines that additional obligations are necessary
13 for such purposes and notifies the Committees on Appro-
14 priations of both Houses of Congress of the determination
15 and the reasons therefor.

16 MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, AIR FORCE RESERVE

17 For construction, acquisition, expansion, rehabilita-
18 tion, and conversion of facilities for the training and ad-
19 ministration of the Air Force Reserve as authorized by
20 chapter 1803 of title 10, United States Code, and Military
21 Construction Authorization Acts, \$65,021,000, to remain
22 available until September 30, 2020: *Provided*, That of the
23 amount appropriated, not to exceed \$13,400,000 shall be
24 available for study, planning, design, and architect and en-
25 gineer services, as authorized by law, unless the Chief of

1 the Air Force Reserve determines that additional obliga-
2 tions are necessary for such purposes and notifies the
3 Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress
4 of the determination and the reasons therefor.

5 NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANIZATION
6 SECURITY INVESTMENT PROGRAM

7 For the United States share of the cost of the North
8 Atlantic Treaty Organization Security Investment Pro-
9 gram for the acquisition and construction of military fa-
10 cilities and installations (including international military
11 headquarters) and for related expenses for the collective
12 defense of the North Atlantic Treaty Area as authorized
13 by section 2806 of title 10, United States Code, and Mili-
14 tary Construction Authorization Acts, \$150,000,000, to
15 remain available until expended.

16 FAMILY HOUSING CONSTRUCTION, ARMY

17 For expenses of family housing for the Army for con-
18 struction, including acquisition, replacement, addition, ex-
19 pansion, extension, and alteration, as authorized by law,
20 \$99,695,000, to remain available until September 30,
21 2020.

22 FAMILY HOUSING OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE,
23 ARMY

24 For expenses of family housing for the Army for op-
25 eration and maintenance, including debt payment, leasing,

1 minor construction, principal and interest charges, and in-
2 surance premiums, as authorized by law, \$393,511,000.

3 FAMILY HOUSING CONSTRUCTION, NAVY AND MARINE
4 CORPS

5 For expenses of family housing for the Navy and Ma-
6 rine Corps for construction, including acquisition, replace-
7 ment, addition, expansion, extension, and alteration, as
8 authorized by law, \$16,541,000, to remain available until
9 September 30, 2020.

10 FAMILY HOUSING OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE,
11 NAVY AND MARINE CORPS

12 For expenses of family housing for the Navy and Ma-
13 rine Corps for operation and maintenance, including debt
14 payment, leasing, minor construction, principal and inter-
15 est charges, and insurance premiums, as authorized by
16 law, \$353,036,000.

17 FAMILY HOUSING CONSTRUCTION, AIR FORCE

18 For expenses of family housing for the Air Force for
19 construction, including acquisition, replacement, addition,
20 expansion, extension, and alteration, as authorized by law,
21 \$160,498,000, to remain available until September 30,
22 2020.

1 FAMILY HOUSING OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, AIR
2 FORCE

3 For expenses of family housing for the Air Force for
4 operation and maintenance, including debt payment, leas-
5 ing, minor construction, principal and interest charges,
6 and insurance premiums, as authorized by law,
7 \$331,232,000.

8 FAMILY HOUSING OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE,
9 DEFENSE-WIDE

10 For expenses of family housing for the activities and
11 agencies of the Department of Defense (other than the
12 military departments) for operation and maintenance,
13 leasing, and minor construction, as authorized by law,
14 \$58,668,000.

15 DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE BASE CLOSURE ACCOUNT

16 For deposit into the Department of Defense Base
17 Closure Account, established by section 2906(a) of the De-
18 fense Base Closure and Realignment Act of 1990 (10
19 U.S.C. 2687 note), \$251,334,000, to remain available
20 until expended.

21 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

22 SEC. 101. None of the funds made available in this
23 title shall be expended for payments under a cost-plus-a-
24 fixed-fee contract for construction, where cost estimates
25 exceed \$25,000, to be performed within the United States,

1 except Alaska, without the specific approval in writing of
2 the Secretary of Defense setting forth the reasons there-
3 for.

4 SEC. 102. Funds made available in this title for con-
5 struction shall be available for hire of passenger motor ve-
6 hicles.

7 SEC. 103. Funds made available in this title for con-
8 struction may be used for advances to the Federal High-
9 way Administration, Department of Transportation, for
10 the construction of access roads as authorized by section
11 210 of title 23, United States Code, when projects author-
12 ized therein are certified as important to the national de-
13 fense by the Secretary of Defense.

14 SEC. 104. None of the funds made available in this
15 title may be used to begin construction of new bases in
16 the United States for which specific appropriations have
17 not been made.

18 SEC. 105. None of the funds made available in this
19 title shall be used for purchase of land or land easements
20 in excess of 100 percent of the value as determined by
21 the Army Corps of Engineers or the Naval Facilities Engi-
22 neering Command, except: (1) where there is a determina-
23 tion of value by a Federal court; (2) purchases negotiated
24 by the Attorney General or the designee of the Attorney
25 General; (3) where the estimated value is less than

1 \$25,000; or (4) as otherwise determined by the Secretary
2 of Defense to be in the public interest.

3 SEC. 106. None of the funds made available in this
4 title shall be used to: (1) acquire land; (2) provide for site
5 preparation; or (3) install utilities for any family housing,
6 except housing for which funds have been made available
7 in annual Acts making appropriations for military con-
8 struction.

9 SEC. 107. None of the funds made available in this
10 title for minor construction may be used to transfer or
11 relocate any activity from one base or installation to an-
12 other, without prior notification to the Committees on Ap-
13 propriations of both Houses of Congress.

14 SEC. 108. None of the funds made available in this
15 title may be used for the procurement of steel for any con-
16 struction project or activity for which American steel pro-
17 ducers, fabricators, and manufacturers have been denied
18 the opportunity to compete for such steel procurement.

19 SEC. 109. None of the funds available to the Depart-
20 ment of Defense for military construction or family hous-
21 ing during the current fiscal year may be used to pay real
22 property taxes in any foreign nation.

23 SEC. 110. None of the funds made available in this
24 title may be used to initiate a new installation overseas

1 without prior notification to the Committees on Appro-
2 priations of both Houses of Congress.

3 SEC. 111. None of the funds made available in this
4 title may be obligated for architect and engineer contracts
5 estimated by the Government to exceed \$500,000 for
6 projects to be accomplished in Japan, in any North Atlan-
7 tic Treaty Organization member country, or in countries
8 bordering the Arabian Gulf, unless such contracts are
9 awarded to United States firms or United States firms
10 in joint venture with host nation firms.

11 SEC. 112. None of the funds made available in this
12 title for military construction in the United States terri-
13 tories and possessions in the Pacific and on Kwajalein
14 Atoll, or in countries bordering the Arabian Gulf, may be
15 used to award any contract estimated by the Government
16 to exceed \$1,000,000 to a foreign contractor: *Provided*,
17 That this section shall not be applicable to contract
18 awards for which the lowest responsive and responsible bid
19 of a United States contractor exceeds the lowest respon-
20 sive and responsible bid of a foreign contractor by greater
21 than 20 percent: *Provided further*, That this section shall
22 not apply to contract awards for military construction on
23 Kwajalein Atoll for which the lowest responsive and re-
24 sponsible bid is submitted by a Marshallese contractor.

1 SEC. 113. The Secretary of Defense shall inform the
2 appropriate committees of both Houses of Congress, in-
3 cluding the Committees on Appropriations, of plans and
4 scope of any proposed military exercise involving United
5 States personnel 30 days prior to its occurring, if amounts
6 expended for construction, either temporary or permanent,
7 are anticipated to exceed \$100,000.

8 SEC. 114. Funds appropriated to the Department of
9 Defense for construction in prior years shall be available
10 for construction authorized for each such military depart-
11 ment by the authorizations enacted into law during the
12 current session of Congress.

13 SEC. 115. For military construction or family housing
14 projects that are being completed with funds otherwise ex-
15 pired or lapsed for obligation, expired or lapsed funds may
16 be used to pay the cost of associated supervision, inspec-
17 tion, overhead, engineering and design on those projects
18 and on subsequent claims, if any.

19 SEC. 116. Notwithstanding any other provision of
20 law, any funds made available to a military department
21 or defense agency for the construction of military projects
22 may be obligated for a military construction project or
23 contract, or for any portion of such a project or contract,
24 at any time before the end of the fourth fiscal year after
25 the fiscal year for which funds for such project were made

1 available, if the funds obligated for such project: (1) are
2 obligated from funds available for military construction
3 projects; and (2) do not exceed the amount appropriated
4 for such project, plus any amount by which the cost of
5 such project is increased pursuant to law.

6 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

7 SEC. 117. Subject to 30 days prior notification, or
8 14 days for a notification provided in an electronic me-
9 dium pursuant to sections 480 and 2883 of title 10,
10 United States Code, to the Committees on Appropriations
11 of both Houses of Congress, such additional amounts as
12 may be determined by the Secretary of Defense may be
13 transferred to: (1) the Department of Defense Family
14 Housing Improvement Fund from amounts appropriated
15 for construction in “Family Housing” accounts, to be
16 merged with and to be available for the same purposes
17 and for the same period of time as amounts appropriated
18 directly to the Fund; or (2) the Department of Defense
19 Military Unaccompanied Housing Improvement Fund
20 from amounts appropriated for construction of military
21 unaccompanied housing in “Military Construction” ac-
22 counts, to be merged with and to be available for the same
23 purposes and for the same period of time as amounts ap-
24 propriated directly to the Fund: *Provided*, That appropria-
25 tions made available to the Funds shall be available to

1 cover the costs, as defined in section 502(5) of the Con-
2 gressional Budget Act of 1974, of direct loans or loan
3 guarantees issued by the Department of Defense pursuant
4 to the provisions of subchapter IV of chapter 169 of title
5 10, United States Code, pertaining to alternative means
6 of acquiring and improving military family housing, mili-
7 tary unaccompanied housing, and supporting facilities:
8 *Provided further*, That the transfer authority in this provi-
9 sion shall also be applicable to amounts appropriated for
10 construction in “Family Housing” accounts in section
11 2002 of Public Law 112–10.

12 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

13 SEC. 118. In addition to any other transfer authority
14 available to the Department of Defense, amounts may be
15 transferred from the Department of Defense Base Closure
16 Account to the fund established by section 1013(d) of the
17 Demonstration Cities and Metropolitan Development Act
18 of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 3374) to pay for expenses associated
19 with the Homeowners Assistance Program incurred under
20 42 U.S.C. 3374(a)(1)(A). Any amounts transferred shall
21 be merged with and be available for the same purposes
22 and for the same time period as the fund to which trans-
23 ferred.

24 SEC. 119. Notwithstanding any other provision of
25 law, funds made available in this title for operation and

1 maintenance of family housing shall be the exclusive
2 source of funds for repair and maintenance of all family
3 housing units, including general or flag officer quarters:
4 *Provided*, That not more than \$15,000 per unit may be
5 spent annually for the maintenance and repair of any gen-
6 eral or flag officer quarters without 30 days prior notifica-
7 tion, or 14 days for a notification provided in an electronic
8 medium pursuant to sections 480 and 2883 of title 10,
9 United States Code, to the Committees on Appropriations
10 of both Houses of Congress, except that an after-the-fact
11 notification shall be submitted if the limitation is exceeded
12 solely due to costs associated with environmental remedi-
13 ation that could not be reasonably anticipated at the time
14 of the budget submission.

15 SEC. 120. Amounts contained in the Ford Island Im-
16 provement Account established by subsection (h) of sec-
17 tion 2814 of title 10, United States Code, are appro-
18 priated and shall be available until expended for the pur-
19 poses specified in subsection (i)(1) of such section or until
20 transferred pursuant to subsection (i)(3) of such section.

21 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

22 SEC. 121. During the 5-year period after appropria-
23 tions available in this Act to the Department of Defense
24 for military construction and family housing operation and
25 maintenance and construction have expired for obligation,

1 upon a determination that such appropriations will not be
2 necessary for the liquidation of obligations or for making
3 authorized adjustments to such appropriations for obliga-
4 tions incurred during the period of availability of such ap-
5 propriations, unobligated balances of such appropriations
6 may be transferred into the appropriation “Foreign Cur-
7 rency Fluctuations, Construction, Defense”, to be merged
8 with and to be available for the same time period and for
9 the same purposes as the appropriation to which trans-
10 ferred.

11 SEC. 122. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b),
12 none of the funds made available in this Act may be used
13 by the Secretary of the Army to relocate a unit in the
14 Army that—

15 (1) performs a testing mission or function that
16 is not performed by any other unit in the Army and
17 is specifically stipulated in title 10, United States
18 Code; and

19 (2) is located at a military installation at which
20 the total number of civilian employees of the Depart-
21 ment of the Army and Army contractor personnel
22 employed exceeds 10 percent of the total number of
23 members of the regular and reserve components of
24 the Army assigned to the installation.

1 (b) EXCEPTION.—Subsection (a) shall not apply if
2 the Secretary of the Army certifies to the congressional
3 defense committees that in proposing the relocation of the
4 unit of the Army, the Secretary complied with Army Regu-
5 lation 5–10 relating to the policy, procedures, and respon-
6 sibilities for Army stationing actions.

7 SEC. 123. Amounts appropriated or otherwise made
8 available in an account funded under the headings in this
9 title may be transferred among projects and activities
10 within the account in accordance with the reprogramming
11 guidelines for military construction and family housing
12 construction contained in Department of Defense Finan-
13 cial Management Regulation 7000.14–R, Volume 3, Chap-
14 ter 7, of February 2009, as in effect on the date of enact-
15 ment of this Act.

16 SEC. 124. None of the funds made available in this
17 title may be obligated or expended for planning and design
18 and construction of projects at Arlington National Ceme-
19 tery.

20 (RESCISSION OF FUNDS)

21 SEC. 125. Of the unobligated balances available for
22 “Military Construction, Army”, from prior appropriation
23 Acts (other than appropriations designated by law as
24 being for contingency operations directly related to the

1 global war on terrorism or as an emergency requirement),
2 \$96,000,000 are hereby rescinded.

3 (RESCISSION OF FUNDS)

4 SEC. 126. Of the unobligated balances available for
5 “Military Construction, Air Force”, from prior appropria-
6 tion Acts (other than appropriations designated by law as
7 being for contingency operations directly related to the
8 global war on terrorism or as an emergency requirement),
9 \$52,600,000 are hereby rescinded.

10 (RESCISSION OF FUNDS)

11 SEC. 127. Of the unobligated balances available for
12 “Military Construction, Defense-Wide”, from prior appro-
13 priation Acts (other than appropriations designated by law
14 as being for contingency operations directly related to the
15 global war on terrorism or as an emergency requirement),
16 \$134,000,000 are hereby rescinded.

17 (RESCISSION OF FUNDS)

18 SEC. 128. Of the unobligated balances made available
19 in prior appropriation Acts for the fund established in sec-
20 tion 1013(d) of the Demonstration Cities and Metropoli-
21 tan Development Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 3374) (other
22 than appropriations designated by law as being for contin-
23 gency operations directly related to the global war on ter-
24 rorism or as an emergency requirement), \$103,918,000
25 are hereby rescinded.

1 SEC. 129. For the purposes of this Act, the term
2 “congressional defense committees” means the Commit-
3 tees on Armed Services of the House of Representatives
4 and the Senate, the Subcommittee on Military Construc-
5 tion and Veterans Affairs of the Committee on Appropria-
6 tions of the Senate, and the Subcommittee on Military
7 Construction and Veterans Affairs of the Committee on
8 Appropriations of the House of Representatives.

9 SEC. 130. None of the funds made available by this
10 Act may be used for the closure or abandonment of any
11 facility located at Lajes Field, Azores, Portugal.

12 SEC. 131. Notwithstanding section 124, for an addi-
13 tional amount for “Military Construction, Army” in this
14 title, \$30,000,000 is provided for advances to the Federal
15 Highway Administration, Department of Transportation,
16 for construction of access roads as authorized by section
17 210 of title 23, United States Code.

18 **TITLE II**

19 **DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**

20 **VETERANS BENEFITS ADMINISTRATION**

21 **COMPENSATION AND PENSIONS**

22 **(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)**

23 For the payment of compensation benefits to or on
24 behalf of veterans and a pilot program for disability ex-
25 aminations as authorized by section 107 and chapters 11,

1 13, 18, 51, 53, 55, and 61 of title 38, United States Code;
2 pension benefits to or on behalf of veterans as authorized
3 by chapters 15, 51, 53, 55, and 61 of title 38, United
4 States Code; and burial benefits, the Reinstated Entitle-
5 ment Program for Survivors, emergency and other offi-
6 cers' retirement pay, adjusted-service credits and certifi-
7 cates, payment of premiums due on commercial life insur-
8 ance policies guaranteed under the provisions of title IV
9 of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act (50 U.S.C. App.
10 541 et seq.) and for other benefits as authorized by sec-
11 tions 107, 1312, 1977, and 2106, and chapters 23, 51,
12 53, 55, and 61 of title 38, United States Code,
13 \$166,271,436,000, to remain available until expended, of
14 which \$87,146,761,000 shall become available on October
15 1, 2016: *Provided*, That not to exceed \$15,562,000 of the
16 amount made available for fiscal year 2016 and
17 \$16,021,000 of the amount made available for fiscal year
18 2017 under this heading shall be reimbursed to "General
19 Operating Expenses, Veterans Benefits Administration",
20 and "Information Technology Systems" for necessary ex-
21 penses in implementing the provisions of chapters 51, 53,
22 and 55 of title 38, United States Code, the funding source
23 for which is specifically provided as the "Compensation
24 and Pensions" appropriation: *Provided further*, That such
25 sums as may be earned on an actual qualifying patient

1 basis, shall be reimbursed to “Medical Care Collections
2 Fund” to augment the funding of individual medical facili-
3 ties for nursing home care provided to pensioners as au-
4 thorized.

5 READJUSTMENT BENEFITS

6 For the payment of readjustment and rehabilitation
7 benefits to or on behalf of veterans as authorized by chap-
8 ters 21, 30, 31, 33, 34, 35, 36, 39, 41, 51, 53, 55, and
9 61 of title 38, United States Code, \$32,088,826,000, to
10 remain available until expended, of which
11 \$16,743,904,000 shall become available on October 1,
12 2016: *Provided*, That expenses for rehabilitation program
13 services and assistance which the Secretary is authorized
14 to provide under subsection (a) of section 3104 of title
15 38, United States Code, other than under paragraphs (1),
16 (2), (5), and (11) of that subsection, shall be charged to
17 this account.

18 VETERANS INSURANCE AND INDEMNITIES

19 For military and naval insurance, national service life
20 insurance, servicemen’s indemnities, service-disabled vet-
21 erans insurance, and veterans mortgage life insurance as
22 authorized by chapters 19 and 21, title 38, United States
23 Code, \$169,080,000, to remain available until expended,
24 of which \$91,920,000 shall become available on October
25 1, 2016.

1 VETERANS HOUSING BENEFIT PROGRAM FUND

2 For the cost of direct and guaranteed loans, such
3 sums as may be necessary to carry out the program, as
4 authorized by subchapters I through III of chapter 37 of
5 title 38, United States Code: *Provided*, That such costs,
6 including the cost of modifying such loans, shall be as de-
7 fined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of
8 1974: *Provided further*, That during fiscal year 2016,
9 within the resources available, not to exceed \$500,000 in
10 gross obligations for direct loans are authorized for spe-
11 cially adapted housing loans.

12 In addition, for administrative expenses to carry out
13 the direct and guaranteed loan programs, \$164,558,000.

14 VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION LOANS PROGRAM ACCOUNT

15 For the cost of direct loans, \$31,000, as authorized
16 by chapter 31 of title 38, United States Code: *Provided*,
17 That such costs, including the cost of modifying such
18 loans, shall be as defined in section 502 of the Congres-
19 sional Budget Act of 1974: *Provided further*, That funds
20 made available under this heading are available to sub-
21 sidize gross obligations for the principal amount of direct
22 loans not to exceed \$2,952,000.

23 In addition, for administrative expenses necessary to
24 carry out the direct loan program, \$367,000, which may

1 be paid to the appropriation for “General Operating Ex-
2 penses, Veterans Benefits Administration”.

3 NATIVE AMERICAN VETERAN HOUSING LOAN PROGRAM

4 ACCOUNT

5 For administrative expenses to carry out the direct
6 loan program authorized by subchapter V of chapter 37
7 of title 38, United States Code, \$1,134,000.

8 VETERANS HEALTH ADMINISTRATION

9 MEDICAL SERVICES

10 For necessary expenses for furnishing, as authorized
11 by law, inpatient and outpatient care and treatment to
12 beneficiaries of the Department of Veterans Affairs and
13 veterans described in section 1705(a) of title 38, United
14 States Code, including care and treatment in facilities not
15 under the jurisdiction of the Department, and including
16 medical supplies and equipment, bioengineering services,
17 food services, and salaries and expenses of healthcare em-
18 ployees hired under title 38, United States Code, aid to
19 State homes as authorized by section 1741 of title 38,
20 United States Code, assistance and support services for
21 caregivers as authorized by section 1720G of title 38,
22 United States Code, loan repayments authorized by sec-
23 tion 604 of the Caregivers and Veterans Omnibus Health
24 Services Act of 2010 (Public Law 111–163; 124 Stat.
25 1174; 38 U.S.C. 7681 note), and hospital care and med-

1 ical services authorized by section 1787 of title 38, United
2 States Code; \$969,554,000, which shall be in addition to
3 funds previously appropriated under this heading that be-
4 came available on October 1, 2015; and, in addition,
5 \$51,673,000,000, plus reimbursements, shall become
6 available on October 1, 2016, and shall remain available
7 until September 30, 2017: *Provided*, That notwithstanding
8 any other provision of law, the Secretary of Veterans Af-
9 fairs shall establish a priority for the provision of medical
10 treatment for veterans who have service-connected disabil-
11 ities, lower income, or have special needs: *Provided further*,
12 That notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Sec-
13 retary of Veterans Affairs shall give priority funding for
14 the provision of basic medical benefits to veterans in en-
15 rollment priority groups 1 through 6: *Provided further*,
16 That notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Sec-
17 retary of Veterans Affairs may authorize the dispensing
18 of prescription drugs from Veterans Health Administra-
19 tion facilities to enrolled veterans with privately written
20 prescriptions based on requirements established by the
21 Secretary: *Provided further*, That the implementation of
22 the program described in the previous proviso shall incur
23 no additional cost to the Department of Veterans Affairs.

1 MEDICAL SUPPORT AND COMPLIANCE

2 For necessary expenses in the administration of the
3 medical, hospital, nursing home, domiciliary, construction,
4 supply, and research activities, as authorized by law; ad-
5 ministrative expenses in support of capital policy activi-
6 ties; and administrative and legal expenses of the Depart-
7 ment for collecting and recovering amounts owed the De-
8 partment as authorized under chapter 17 of title 38,
9 United States Code, and the Federal Medical Care Recov-
10 ery Act (42 U.S.C. 2651 et seq.), \$6,524,000,000, plus
11 reimbursements, shall become available on October 1,
12 2016, and shall remain available until September 30,
13 2017.

14 MEDICAL FACILITIES

15 For necessary expenses for the maintenance and op-
16 eration of hospitals, nursing homes, domiciliary facilities,
17 and other necessary facilities of the Veterans Health Ad-
18 ministration; for administrative expenses in support of
19 planning, design, project management, real property ac-
20 quisition and disposition, construction, and renovation of
21 any facility under the jurisdiction or for the use of the
22 Department; for oversight, engineering, and architectural
23 activities not charged to project costs; for repairing, alter-
24 ing, improving, or providing facilities in the several hos-
25 pitals and homes under the jurisdiction of the Depart-

1 ment, not otherwise provided for, either by contract or by
2 the hire of temporary employees and purchase of mate-
3 rials; for leases of facilities; and for laundry services,
4 \$5,074,000,000, plus reimbursements, shall become avail-
5 able on October 1, 2016, and shall remain available until
6 September 30, 2017.

7 MEDICAL AND PROSTHETIC RESEARCH

8 For necessary expenses in carrying out programs of
9 medical and prosthetic research and development as au-
10 thorized by chapter 73 of title 38, United States Code,
11 \$606,813,000, plus reimbursements, shall remain avail-
12 able until September 30, 2017.

13 NATIONAL CEMETERY ADMINISTRATION

14 For necessary expenses of the National Cemetery Ad-
15 ministration for operations and maintenance, not other-
16 wise provided for, including uniforms or allowances there-
17 for; cemeterial expenses as authorized by law; purchase
18 of one passenger motor vehicle for use in cemeterial oper-
19 ations; hire of passenger motor vehicles; and repair, alter-
20 ation or improvement of facilities under the jurisdiction
21 of the National Cemetery Administration, \$266,220,000,
22 of which not to exceed \$26,600,000 shall remain available
23 until September 30, 2017.

1 DEPARTMENTAL ADMINISTRATION

2 GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

3 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

4 For necessary operating expenses of the Department
5 of Veterans Affairs, not otherwise provided for, including
6 administrative expenses in support of Department-wide
7 capital planning, management and policy activities, uni-
8 forms, or allowances therefor; not to exceed \$25,000 for
9 official reception and representation expenses; hire of pas-
10 senger motor vehicles; and reimbursement of the General
11 Services Administration for security guard services,
12 \$336,659,000, of which not to exceed \$10,100,000 shall
13 remain available until September 30, 2017: *Provided,*
14 That funds provided under this heading may be trans-
15 ferred to “General Operating Expenses, Veterans Benefits
16 Administration”.

17 BOARD OF VETERANS APPEALS

18 For necessary operating expenses of the Board of
19 Veterans Appeals, \$107,884,000, of which not to exceed
20 \$10,788,000 shall remain available until September 30,
21 2017.

22 GENERAL OPERATING EXPENSES, VETERANS BENEFITS

23 ADMINISTRATION

24 For necessary operating expenses of the Veterans
25 Benefits Administration, not otherwise provided for, in-

1 cluding hire of passenger motor vehicles, reimbursement
2 of the General Services Administration for security guard
3 services, and reimbursement of the Department of De-
4 fense for the cost of overseas employee mail,
5 \$2,697,734,000: *Provided*, That expenses for services and
6 assistance authorized under paragraphs (1), (2), (5), and
7 (11) of section 3104(a) of title 38, United States Code,
8 that the Secretary of Veterans Affairs determines are nec-
9 essary to enable entitled veterans: (1) to the maximum ex-
10 tent feasible, to become employable and to obtain and
11 maintain suitable employment; or (2) to achieve maximum
12 independence in daily living, shall be charged to this ac-
13 count: *Provided further*, That of the funds made available
14 under this heading, not to exceed \$134,800,000 shall re-
15 main available until September 30, 2017.

16 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS
17 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

18 For necessary expenses for information technology
19 systems and telecommunications support, including devel-
20 opmental information systems and operational information
21 systems; for pay and associated costs; and for the capital
22 asset acquisition of information technology systems, in-
23 cluding management and related contractual costs of said
24 acquisitions, including contractual costs associated with
25 operations authorized by section 3109 of title 5, United

1 States Code, \$4,053,363,000, plus reimbursements: *Pro-*
2 *vided*, That \$1,115,757,000 shall be for pay and associ-
3 ated costs, of which not to exceed \$34,800,000 shall re-
4 main available until September 30, 2017: *Provided further*,
5 That \$2,432,863,000 shall be for operations and mainte-
6 nance, of which not to exceed \$167,900,000 shall remain
7 available until September 30, 2017: *Provided further*, That
8 \$504,743,000 shall be for information technology systems
9 development, modernization, and enhancement, and shall
10 remain available until September 30, 2017: *Provided fur-*
11 *ther*, That amounts made available for information tech-
12 nology systems development, modernization, and enhance-
13 ment may not be obligated or expended until the Secretary
14 of Veterans Affairs or the Chief Information Officer of
15 the Department of Veterans Affairs submits to the Com-
16 mittees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress a
17 certification of the amounts, in parts or in full, to be obli-
18 gated and expended for each development project: *Pro-*
19 *vided further*, That amounts made available for salaries
20 and expenses, operations and maintenance, and informa-
21 tion technology systems development, modernization, and
22 enhancement may be transferred among the three sub-
23 accounts after the Secretary of Veterans Affairs requests
24 from the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses
25 of Congress the authority to make the transfer and an

1 approval is issued: *Provided further*, That amounts made
2 available for the “Information Technology Systems” ac-
3 count for development, modernization, and enhancement
4 may be transferred among projects or to newly defined
5 projects: *Provided further*, That no project may be in-
6 creased or decreased by more than \$1,000,000 of cost
7 prior to submitting a request to the Committees on Appro-
8 priations of both Houses of Congress to make the transfer
9 and an approval is issued, or absent a response, a period
10 of 30 days has elapsed: *Provided further*, That funds under
11 this heading may be used by the Interagency Program Of-
12 fice through the Department of Veterans Affairs to define
13 data standards, code sets, and value sets used to enable
14 interoperability: *Provided further*, That of the funds made
15 available for information technology systems development,
16 modernization, and enhancement for VistA Evolution, not
17 more than 25 percent may be obligated or expended until
18 the Secretary of Veterans Affairs submits to the Commit-
19 tees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress, and
20 such Committees approve, a report that describes: (1) the
21 status of and changes to the VistA Evolution program
22 plan dated March 24, 2014 (hereinafter referred to as the
23 “Plan”), the VistA 4 product roadmap dated February 26,
24 2015 (“Roadmap”), and the VistA 4 Incremental Life
25 Cycle Cost Estimate, dated October 26, 2014; (2) any

1 changes to the scope or functionality of projects within
2 the VistA Evolution program as established in the Plan;
3 (3) actual program costs incurred to date; (4) progress
4 in meeting the schedule milestones that have been estab-
5 lished in the Plan; (5) a Project Management Account-
6 ability System (PMAS) Dashboard Progress report that
7 identifies each VistA Evolution project being tracked
8 through PMAS, what functionality it is intended to pro-
9 vide, and what evaluation scores it has received through-
10 out development; (6) the definition being used for inter-
11 operability between the electronic health record systems
12 of the Department of Defense and the Department of Vet-
13 erans Affairs, the metrics to measure the extent of inter-
14 operability, the milestones and timeline associated with
15 achieving interoperability, and the baseline measurements
16 associated with interoperability; (7) progress toward devel-
17 oping and implementing all components and levels of
18 interoperability, including semantic interoperability; (8)
19 the change management tools in place to facilitate the im-
20 plementation of VistA Evolution and interoperability; and
21 (9) any changes to the governance structure for the VistA
22 Evolution program and its chain of decisionmaking au-
23 thority: *Provided further*, That the funds made available
24 under this heading for information technology systems de-
25 velopment, modernization, and enhancement, shall be for

1 the projects, and in the amounts, specified under this
2 heading in the report accompanying this Act.

3 OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

4 For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector
5 General, to include information technology, in carrying out
6 the provisions of the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5
7 U.S.C. App.), \$131,766,000, of which not to exceed
8 \$12,600,000 shall remain available until September 30,
9 2017.

10 CONSTRUCTION, MAJOR PROJECTS

11 For constructing, altering, extending, and improving
12 any of the facilities, including parking projects, under the
13 jurisdiction or for the use of the Department of Veterans
14 Affairs, or for any of the purposes set forth in sections
15 316, 2404, 2406 and chapter 81 of title 38, United States
16 Code, not otherwise provided for, including planning, ar-
17 chitectural and engineering services, construction manage-
18 ment services, maintenance or guarantee period services
19 costs associated with equipment guarantees provided
20 under the project, services of claims analysts, offsite utility
21 and storm drainage system construction costs, and site ac-
22 quisition, where the estimated cost of a project is more
23 than the amount set forth in section 8104(a)(3)(A) of title
24 38, United States Code, or where funds for a project were
25 made available in a previous major project appropriation,

1 \$561,800,000, of which \$527,800,000 shall remain avail-
2 able until September 30, 2020, and of which \$34,000,000
3 shall remain available until expended: *Provided*, That ex-
4 cept for advance planning activities, including needs as-
5 sessments which may or may not lead to capital invest-
6 ments, and other capital asset management related activi-
7 ties, including portfolio development and management ac-
8 tivities, and investment strategy studies funded through
9 the advance planning fund and the planning and design
10 activities funded through the design fund, including needs
11 assessments which may or may not lead to capital invest-
12 ments, and salaries and associated costs of the resident
13 engineers who oversee those capital investments funded
14 through this account, and funds provided for the purchase
15 of land for the National Cemetery Administration through
16 the land acquisition line item, none of the funds made
17 available under this heading shall be used for any project
18 which has not been approved by the Congress in the budg-
19 etary process: *Provided further*, That funds made available
20 under this heading for fiscal year 2016, for each approved
21 project shall be obligated: (1) by the awarding of a con-
22 struction documents contract by September 30, 2016; and
23 (2) by the awarding of a construction contract by Sep-
24 tember 30, 2017: *Provided further*, That the Secretary of
25 Veterans Affairs shall promptly submit to the Committees

1 on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress a written
2 report on any approved major construction project for
3 which obligations are not incurred within the time limita-
4 tions established above.

5 CONSTRUCTION, MINOR PROJECTS

6 For constructing, altering, extending, and improving
7 any of the facilities, including parking projects, under the
8 jurisdiction or for the use of the Department of Veterans
9 Affairs, including planning and assessments of needs
10 which may lead to capital investments, architectural and
11 engineering services, maintenance or guarantee period
12 services costs associated with equipment guarantees pro-
13 vided under the project, services of claims analysts, offsite
14 utility and storm drainage system construction costs, and
15 site acquisition, or for any of the purposes set forth in
16 sections 316, 2404, 2406, and chapter 81 of title 38,
17 United States Code, not otherwise provided for, where the
18 estimated cost of a project is equal to or less than the
19 amount set forth in section 8104(a)(3)(A) of title 38,
20 United States Code, \$406,200,000, to remain available
21 until September 30, 2020, along with unobligated balances
22 of previous “Construction, Minor Projects” appropriations
23 which are hereby made available for any project where the
24 estimated cost is equal to or less than the amount set forth
25 in such section: *Provided*, That funds made available

1 under this heading shall be for: (1) repairs to any of the
2 nonmedical facilities under the jurisdiction or for the use
3 of the Department which are necessary because of loss or
4 damage caused by any natural disaster or catastrophe;
5 and (2) temporary measures necessary to prevent or to
6 minimize further loss by such causes.

7 GRANTS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF STATE EXTENDED CARE
8 FACILITIES

9 For grants to assist States to acquire or construct
10 State nursing home and domiciliary facilities and to re-
11 model, modify, or alter existing hospital, nursing home,
12 and domiciliary facilities in State homes, for furnishing
13 care to veterans as authorized by sections 8131 through
14 8137 of title 38, United States Code, \$80,000,000, to re-
15 main available until expended.

16 GRANTS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF VETERANS CEMETERIES

17 For grants to assist States and tribal organizations
18 in establishing, expanding, or improving veterans ceme-
19 teries as authorized by section 2408 of title 38, United
20 States Code, \$45,000,000, to remain available until ex-
21 pended.

22 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

23 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

24 SEC. 201. Any appropriation for fiscal year 2016 for
25 “Compensation and Pensions”, “Readjustment Benefits”,

1 and “Veterans Insurance and Indemnities” may be trans-
2 ferred as necessary to any other of the mentioned appro-
3 priations: *Provided*, That before a transfer may take place,
4 the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall request from the
5 Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress
6 the authority to make the transfer and such Committees
7 issue an approval, or absent a response, a period of 30
8 days has elapsed.

9 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

10 SEC. 202. Amounts made available for the Depart-
11 ment of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 2016, in this or
12 any other Act, under the “Medical Services”, “Medical
13 Support and Compliance”, and “Medical Facilities” ac-
14 counts may be transferred among the accounts: *Provided*,
15 That any transfers between the “Medical Services” and
16 “Medical Support and Compliance” accounts of 1 percent
17 or less of the total amount appropriated to the account
18 in this or any other Act may take place subject to notifica-
19 tion from the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to the Com-
20 mittees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress of
21 the amount and purpose of the transfer: *Provided further*,
22 That any transfers between the “Medical Services” and
23 “Medical Support and Compliance” accounts in excess of
24 1 percent, or exceeding the cumulative 1 percent for the
25 fiscal year, may take place only after the Secretary re-

1 quests from the Committees on Appropriations of both
2 Houses of Congress the authority to make the transfer
3 and an approval is issued: *Provided further*, That any
4 transfers to or from the “Medical Facilities” account may
5 take place only after the Secretary requests from the Com-
6 mittees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress the
7 authority to make the transfer and an approval is issued.

8 SEC. 203. Appropriations available in this title for
9 salaries and expenses shall be available for services au-
10 thorized by section 3109 of title 5, United States Code;
11 hire of passenger motor vehicles; lease of a facility or land
12 or both; and uniforms or allowances therefore, as author-
13 ized by sections 5901 through 5902 of title 5, United
14 States Code.

15 SEC. 204. No appropriations in this title (except the
16 appropriations for “Construction, Major Projects”, and
17 “Construction, Minor Projects”) shall be available for the
18 purchase of any site for or toward the construction of any
19 new hospital or home.

20 SEC. 205. No appropriations in this title shall be
21 available for hospitalization or examination of any persons
22 (except beneficiaries entitled to such hospitalization or ex-
23 amination under the laws providing such benefits to vet-
24 erans, and persons receiving such treatment under sec-
25 tions 7901 through 7904 of title 5, United States Code,

1 or the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency
2 Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq.)), unless reim-
3 bursement of the cost of such hospitalization or examina-
4 tion is made to the “Medical Services” account at such
5 rates as may be fixed by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

6 SEC. 206. Appropriations available in this title for
7 “Compensation and Pensions”, “Readjustment Benefits”,
8 and “Veterans Insurance and Indemnities” shall be avail-
9 able for payment of prior year accrued obligations re-
10 quired to be recorded by law against the corresponding
11 prior year accounts within the last quarter of fiscal year
12 2015.

13 SEC. 207. Appropriations available in this title shall
14 be available to pay prior year obligations of corresponding
15 prior year appropriations accounts resulting from sections
16 3328(a), 3334, and 3712(a) of title 31, United States
17 Code, except that if such obligations are from trust fund
18 accounts they shall be payable only from “Compensation
19 and Pensions”.

20 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

21 SEC. 208. Notwithstanding any other provision of
22 law, during fiscal year 2016, the Secretary of Veterans
23 Affairs shall, from the National Service Life Insurance
24 Fund under section 1920 of title 38, United States Code,
25 the Veterans’ Special Life Insurance Fund under section

1 1923 of title 38, United States Code, and the United
2 States Government Life Insurance Fund under section
3 1955 of title 38, United States Code, reimburse the “Gen-
4 eral Operating Expenses, Veterans Benefits Administra-
5 tion” and “Information Technology Systems” accounts for
6 the cost of administration of the insurance programs fi-
7 nanced through those accounts: *Provided*, That reimburse-
8 ment shall be made only from the surplus earnings accu-
9 mulated in such an insurance program during fiscal year
10 2016 that are available for dividends in that program after
11 claims have been paid and actuarially determined reserves
12 have been set aside: *Provided further*, That if the cost of
13 administration of such an insurance program exceeds the
14 amount of surplus earnings accumulated in that program,
15 reimbursement shall be made only to the extent of such
16 surplus earnings: *Provided further*, That the Secretary
17 shall determine the cost of administration for fiscal year
18 2016 which is properly allocable to the provision of each
19 such insurance program and to the provision of any total
20 disability income insurance included in that insurance pro-
21 gram.

22 SEC. 209. Amounts deducted from enhanced-use
23 lease proceeds to reimburse an account for expenses in-
24 curred by that account during a prior fiscal year for pro-

1 viding enhanced-use lease services, may be obligated dur-
2 ing the fiscal year in which the proceeds are received.

3 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

4 SEC. 210. Funds available in this title or funds for
5 salaries and other administrative expenses shall also be
6 available to reimburse the Office of Resolution Manage-
7 ment of the Department of Veterans Affairs and the Of-
8 fice of Employment Discrimination Complaint Adjudica-
9 tion under section 319 of title 38, United States Code,
10 for all services provided at rates which will recover actual
11 costs but not to exceed \$43,700,000 for the Office of Reso-
12 lution Management and \$3,400,000 for the Office of Em-
13 ployment Discrimination Complaint Adjudication: *Pro-*
14 *vided*, That payments may be made in advance for services
15 to be furnished based on estimated costs: *Provided further*,
16 That amounts received shall be credited to the “General
17 Administration” and “Information Technology Systems”
18 accounts for use by the office that provided the service.

19 SEC. 211. No appropriations in this title shall be
20 available to enter into any new lease of real property if
21 the estimated annual rental cost is more than \$1,000,000,
22 unless the Secretary of Veterans Affairs submits a request
23 to enter into such lease to the Committees on Appropria-
24 tions of both Houses of Congress and (1) the Committees
25 approve the request; or (2) the Committees have not re-

1 jected the request before the date that is 15 days after
2 the date on which the request is received.

3 SEC. 212. No funds of the Department of Veterans
4 Affairs shall be available for hospital care, nursing home
5 care, or medical services provided to any person under
6 chapter 17 of title 38, United States Code, for a non-serv-
7 ice-connected disability described in section 1729(a)(2) of
8 such title, unless that person has disclosed to the Sec-
9 retary of Veterans Affairs, in such form as the Secretary
10 may require, current, accurate third-party reimbursement
11 information for purposes of section 1729 of such title: *Pro-*
12 *vided*, That the Secretary may recover, in the same man-
13 ner as any other debt due the United States, the reason-
14 able charges for such care or services from any person who
15 does not make such disclosure as required: *Provided fur-*
16 *ther*, That any amounts so recovered for care or services
17 provided in a prior fiscal year may be obligated by the
18 Secretary during the fiscal year in which amounts are re-
19 ceived.

20 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

21 SEC. 213. Notwithstanding any other provision of
22 law, proceeds or revenues derived from enhanced-use leas-
23 ing activities (including disposal) may be deposited into
24 the “Construction, Major Projects” and “Construction,
25 Minor Projects” accounts and be used for construction

1 (including site acquisition and disposition), alterations,
2 and improvements of any medical facility under the juris-
3 diction or for the use of the Department of Veterans Af-
4 fairs. Such sums as realized are in addition to the amount
5 provided for in “Construction, Major Projects” and “Con-
6 struction, Minor Projects”.

7 SEC. 214. Amounts made available under “Medical
8 Services” are available—

9 (1) for furnishing recreational facilities, sup-
10 plies, and equipment; and

11 (2) for funeral expenses, burial expenses, and
12 other expenses incidental to funerals and burials for
13 beneficiaries receiving care in the Department.

14 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

15 SEC. 215. Such sums as may be deposited to the
16 Medical Care Collections Fund pursuant to section 1729A
17 of title 38, United States Code, may be transferred to
18 “Medical Services”, to remain available until expended for
19 the purposes of that account.

20 SEC. 216. The Secretary of Veterans Affairs may
21 enter into agreements with Indian tribes and tribal organi-
22 zations which are party to the Alaska Native Health Com-
23 pact with the Indian Health Service, and Indian tribes and
24 tribal organizations serving rural Alaska which have en-
25 tered into contracts with the Indian Health Service under

1 the Indian Self Determination and Educational Assistance
2 Act, to provide healthcare, including behavioral health and
3 dental care. The Secretary shall require participating vet-
4 erans and facilities to comply with all appropriate rules
5 and regulations, as established by the Secretary. The term
6 “rural Alaska” shall mean those lands sited within the ex-
7 ternal boundaries of the Alaska Native regions specified
8 in sections 7(a)(1)–(4) and (7)–(12) of the Alaska Native
9 Claims Settlement Act, as amended (43 U.S.C. 1606), and
10 those lands within the Alaska Native regions specified in
11 sections 7(a)(5) and 7(a)(6) of the Alaska Native Claims
12 Settlement Act, as amended (43 U.S.C. 1606), which are
13 not within the boundaries of the municipality of Anchor-
14 age, the Fairbanks North Star Borough, the Kenai Penin-
15 sula Borough or the Matanuska Susitna Borough.

16 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

17 SEC. 217. Such sums as may be deposited to the De-
18 partment of Veterans Affairs Capital Asset Fund pursu-
19 ant to section 8118 of title 38, United States Code, may
20 be transferred to the “Construction, Major Projects” and
21 “Construction, Minor Projects” accounts, to remain avail-
22 able until expended for the purposes of these accounts.

23 SEC. 218. None of the funds made available in this
24 title may be used to implement any policy prohibiting the
25 Directors of the Veterans Integrated Service Networks

1 from conducting outreach or marketing to enroll new vet-
2 erans within their respective Networks.

3 SEC. 219. The Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall
4 submit to the Committees on Appropriations of both
5 Houses of Congress a quarterly report on the financial
6 status of the Veterans Health Administration.

7 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

8 SEC. 220. Amounts made available under the “Med-
9 ical Services”, “Medical Support and Compliance”, “Med-
10 ical Facilities”, “General Operating Expenses, Veterans
11 Benefits Administration”, “General Administration”, and
12 “National Cemetery Administration” accounts for fiscal
13 year 2016 may be transferred to or from the “Information
14 Technology Systems” account: *Provided*, That such trans-
15 fers may not result in a more than 10 percent aggregate
16 increase in the total amount made available by this Act
17 for the “Information Technology Systems” account: *Pro-*
18 *vided further*, That before a transfer may take place, the
19 Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall request from the Com-
20 mittees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress the
21 authority to make the transfer and an approval is issued.

22 SEC. 221. Of the amounts made available to the De-
23 partment of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 2016, in this
24 or any other Act, under the “Medical Facilities” account
25 for nonrecurring maintenance, not more than 20 percent

1 of the funds made available shall be obligated during the
2 last 2 months of that fiscal year: *Provided*, That the Sec-
3 retary may waive this requirement after providing written
4 notice to the Committees on Appropriations of both
5 Houses of Congress.

6 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

7 SEC. 222. Of the amounts appropriated to the De-
8 partment of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 2016 for
9 “Medical Services”, “Medical Support and Compliance”,
10 “Medical Facilities”, “Construction, Minor Projects”, and
11 “Information Technology Systems”, up to \$266,303,000,
12 plus reimbursements, may be transferred to the Joint De-
13 partment of Defense-Department of Veterans Affairs
14 Medical Facility Demonstration Fund, established by sec-
15 tion 1704 of the National Defense Authorization Act for
16 Fiscal Year 2010 (Public Law 111–84; 123 Stat. 3571)
17 and may be used for operation of the facilities designated
18 as combined Federal medical facilities as described by sec-
19 tion 706 of the Duncan Hunter National Defense Author-
20 ization Act for Fiscal Year 2009 (Public Law 110–417;
21 122 Stat. 4500): *Provided*, That additional funds may be
22 transferred from accounts designated in this section to the
23 Joint Department of Defense-Department of Veterans Af-
24 fairs Medical Facility Demonstration Fund upon written
25 notification by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to the

1 Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Con-
2 gress: *Provided further*, That section 223 of Title II of
3 Division I of Public Law 113-235 is repealed.

4 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

5 SEC. 223. Of the amounts appropriated to the De-
6 partment of Veterans Affairs which become available on
7 October 1, 2016, for “Medical Services”, “Medical Sup-
8 port and Compliance”, and “Medical Facilities”, up to
9 \$265,675,000, plus reimbursements, may be transferred
10 to the Joint Department of Defense-Department of Vet-
11 erans Affairs Medical Facility Demonstration Fund, es-
12 tablished by section 1704 of the National Defense Author-
13 ization Act for Fiscal Year 2010 (Public Law 111–84; 123
14 Stat. 3571) and may be used for operation of the facilities
15 designated as combined Federal medical facilities as de-
16 scribed by section 706 of the Duncan Hunter National De-
17 fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2009 (Public Law
18 110–417; 122 Stat. 4500): *Provided*, That additional
19 funds may be transferred from accounts designated in this
20 section to the Joint Department of Defense-Department
21 of Veterans Affairs Medical Facility Demonstration Fund
22 upon written notification by the Secretary of Veterans Af-
23 fairs to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses
24 of Congress.

1 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

2 SEC. 224. Such sums as may be deposited to the
3 Medical Care Collections Fund pursuant to section 1729A
4 of title 38, United States Code, for healthcare provided
5 at facilities designated as combined Federal medical facili-
6 ties as described by section 706 of the Duncan Hunter
7 National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2009
8 (Public Law 110–417; 122 Stat. 4500) shall also be avail-
9 able: (1) for transfer to the Joint Department of Defense-
10 Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Facility Dem-
11 onstration Fund, established by section 1704 of the Na-
12 tional Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010
13 (Public Law 111–84; 123 Stat. 3571); and (2) for oper-
14 ations of the facilities designated as combined Federal
15 medical facilities as described by section 706 of the Dun-
16 can Hunter National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal
17 Year 2009 (Public Law 110–417; 122 Stat. 4500).

18 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

19 SEC. 225. Of the amounts available in this title for
20 “Medical Services”, “Medical Support and Compliance”,
21 and “Medical Facilities”, a minimum of \$15,000,000 shall
22 be transferred to the DOD–VA Health Care Sharing In-
23 centive Fund, as authorized by section 8111(d) of title 38,
24 United States Code, to remain available until expended,

1 for any purpose authorized by section 8111 of title 38,
2 United States Code.

3 (INCLUDING RESCISSIONS OF FUNDS)

4 SEC. 226. (a) Of the funds appropriated in title II
5 of division I of Public Law 113–235, the following
6 amounts which became available on October 1, 2015, are
7 hereby rescinded from the following accounts in the
8 amounts specified:

9 (1) “Department of Veterans Affairs, Medical
10 Services”, \$1,400,000,000.

11 (2) “Department of Veterans Affairs, Medical
12 Support and Compliance”, \$100,000,000.

13 (3) “Department of Veterans Affairs, Medical
14 Facilities”, \$250,000,000.

15 (b) In addition to amounts provided elsewhere in this
16 Act, an additional amount is appropriated to the following
17 accounts in the amounts specified to remain available until
18 September 30, 2017:

19 (1) “Department of Veterans Affairs, Medical
20 Services”, \$1,400,000,000.

21 (2) “Department of Veterans Affairs, Medical
22 Support and Compliance”, \$100,000,000.

23 (3) “Department of Veterans Affairs, Medical
24 Facilities”, \$250,000,000.

1 SEC. 227. The Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall no-
2 tify the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of
3 Congress of all bid savings for a major construction
4 project within 15 days of being identified that total at
5 least \$5,000,000, or 5 percent of the programmed amount
6 of the project, whichever is less.

7 SEC. 228. None of the funds made available for
8 “Construction, Major Projects” may be used for a project
9 in excess of the scope specified for that project in the origi-
10 nal justification data provided to the Congress as part of
11 the request for appropriations unless the Secretary of Vet-
12 erans Affairs receives approval from the Committees on
13 Appropriations of both Houses of Congress.

14 SEC. 229. The Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall
15 submit to the Committees on Appropriations of both
16 Houses of Congress a quarterly report that contains the
17 following information from each Veterans Benefits Admin-
18 istration Regional Office: (1) the average time to complete
19 a disability compensation claim; (2) the number of claims
20 pending more than 125 days; (3) error rates; (4) the num-
21 ber of claims personnel; (5) any corrective action taken
22 within the quarter to address poor performance; (6) train-
23 ing programs undertaken; and (7) the number and results
24 of Quality Review Team audits: *Provided*, That each quar-

1 terly report shall be submitted no later than 30 days after
2 the end of the respective quarter.

3 SEC. 230. The Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall
4 submit to the Committees on Appropriations of both
5 Houses of Congress a reprogramming request if at any
6 point during fiscal year 2016 the funding allocated for a
7 medical care program that is not estimated through the
8 Enrollee Health Care Projection Model is adjusted by
9 more than \$25,000,000 from the allocation shown in the
10 corresponding congressional budget justification. Amounts
11 may only be reprogrammed as requested under this section
12 if (1) the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses
13 of Congress approve the request; or (2) the Committees
14 have not rejected the request before the date that is 15
15 days after the date on which the request is received.

16 SEC. 231. Of the funds provided to the Department
17 of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 2016 for “Medical Serv-
18 ices” and “Medical Support and Compliance”, a maximum
19 of \$5,000,000 may be obligated from the “Medical Serv-
20 ices” account and a maximum of \$154,596,000 may be
21 obligated from the “Medical Support and Compliance” ac-
22 count for the VistA Evolution and electronic health record
23 interoperability projects: *Provided*, That funds in addition
24 to these amounts may be obligated for the VistA Evolution
25 and electronic health record interoperability projects upon

1 written notification by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs
2 to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of
3 Congress.

4 SEC. 232. The Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall
5 provide written notification to the Committees on Appro-
6 priations of both Houses of Congress 15 days prior to or-
7 ganizational changes which result in the transfer of 25 or
8 more full-time equivalents from one organizational unit of
9 the Department of Veterans Affairs to another.

10 (RESCISSION OF FUNDS)

11 SEC. 233. (a) There is hereby rescinded an aggregate
12 amount of \$101,000,000 from the total budget authority
13 provided for fiscal year 2016 for discretionary accounts
14 of the Department of Veterans Affairs in—

15 (1) this Act; or

16 (2) any advance appropriation for fiscal year
17 2016 in prior appropriation Acts.

18 (b) The Secretary shall submit to the Committees on
19 Appropriations of both Houses of Congress a report speci-
20 fying the account and amount of each rescission not later
21 than 20 days following enactment of this Act.

22 SEC. 234. The Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall
23 provide on a quarterly basis to the Committees on Appro-
24 priations of both Houses of Congress notification of any

1 single national outreach and awareness marketing cam-
2 paign in which obligations exceed \$2,000,000.

3 SEC. 235. None of the funds available to the Depart-
4 ment of Veterans Affairs, in this or any other Act, may
5 be used to replace the current system by which the Vet-
6 erans Integrated Service Networks select and contract for
7 diabetes monitoring supplies and equipment.

8 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

9 SEC. 236. The Secretary of Veterans Affairs, upon
10 determination that such action is necessary to address
11 needs of the Veterans Health Administration, may trans-
12 fer to the “Medical Services” account any discretionary
13 appropriations made available for fiscal year 2016 in this
14 title (except appropriations made to the “General Oper-
15 ating Expenses, Veterans Benefits Administration” ac-
16 count) or any discretionary unobligated balances within
17 the Department of Veterans Affairs, including those ap-
18 propriated for fiscal year 2016, that were provided in ad-
19 vance by appropriations Acts: *Provided*, That transfers
20 shall be made only with the approval of the Office of Man-
21 agement and Budget: *Provided further*, That the transfer
22 authority provided in this section is in addition to any
23 other transfer authority provided by law: *Provided further*,
24 That no amounts may be transferred from amounts that
25 were designated by Congress as an emergency requirement

1 pursuant to a concurrent resolution on the budget or the
2 Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of
3 1985: *Provided further*, That such authority to transfer
4 may not be used unless for higher priority items, based
5 on emergent healthcare requirements, than those for
6 which originally appropriated and in no case where the
7 item for which funds are requested has been denied by
8 Congress: *Provided further*, That, upon determination that
9 all or part of the funds transferred from an appropriation
10 are not necessary, such amounts may be transferred back
11 to that appropriation and shall be available for the same
12 purposes as originally appropriated: *Provided further*,
13 That before a transfer may take place, the Secretary of
14 Veterans Affairs shall request from the Committees on
15 Appropriations of both Houses of Congress the authority
16 to make the transfer and receive approval of that request.

17 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

18 SEC. 237. Amounts made available for the Depart-
19 ment of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 2016, under the
20 “Board of Veterans Appeals” and the “General Operating
21 Expenses, Veterans Benefits Administration” accounts
22 may be transferred between such accounts: *Provided*, That
23 before a transfer may take place, the Secretary of Vet-
24 erans Affairs shall request from the Committees on Appro-
25 priations of both Houses of Congress the authority to

1 make the transfer and receive approval from such Com-
2 mittees for such request.

3 (RESCISSION OF FUNDS)

4 SEC. 238. Of the unobligated balances available with-
5 in the “DOD–VA Health Care Sharing Incentive Fund”,
6 \$15,000,000 are hereby rescinded.

7 SEC. 239. The Secretary of Veterans Affairs may not
8 reprogram funds among major construction projects or
9 programs if such instance of reprogramming will exceed
10 \$5,000,000, unless such reprogramming is approved by
11 the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Con-
12 gress.

13 (RESCISSIONS OF FUNDS)

14 SEC. 240. Of the discretionary funds made available
15 in Public Law 113-235 for the Department of Veterans
16 Affairs for fiscal year 2016, \$197,923,000 are rescinded
17 from “Medical Services”, \$42,272,000 are rescinded from
18 “Medical Support and Compliance”, and \$15,353,000 are
19 rescinded from “Medical Facilities”.

20 SEC. 241. The amounts otherwise made available by
21 this Act for the following accounts of the Department of
22 Veterans Affairs are hereby reduced by the following
23 amounts:

24 (1) “Veterans Benefits Administration—Vet-
25 erans Housing Benefit Program Fund”, \$3,098,000.

1 (2) “Veterans Benefits Administration—Voca-
2 tional Rehabilitation Loans Program Account”,
3 \$10,000.

4 (3) “Veterans Benefits Administration—Native
5 American Veteran Housing Loan Program Ac-
6 count”, \$25,000.

7 (4) “Veterans Health Administration—Medical
8 and Prosthetic Research”, \$3,109,000.

9 (5) “National Cemetery Administration”,
10 \$1,654,000.

11 (6) “Departmental Administration—General
12 Administration”, \$3,877,000.

13 (7) “Departmental Administration—Board of
14 Veterans Appeals”, \$786,000.

15 (8) “Departmental Administration—General
16 Operating Expenses, Veterans Benefits Administra-
17 tion”, \$36,568,000.

18 (9) “Departmental Administration—Informa-
19 tion Technology Systems”, \$7,958,000.

20 (10) “Departmental Administration—Office of
21 Inspector General”, \$993,000.

1 TITLE III
2 RELATED AGENCIES
3 AMERICAN BATTLE MONUMENTS COMMISSION
4 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

5 For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for,
6 of the American Battle Monuments Commission, including
7 the acquisition of land or interest in land in foreign coun-
8 tries; purchases and repair of uniforms for caretakers of
9 national cemeteries and monuments outside of the United
10 States and its territories and possessions; rent of office
11 and garage space in foreign countries; purchase (one-for-
12 one replacement basis only) and hire of passenger motor
13 vehicles; not to exceed \$7,500 for official reception and
14 representation expenses; and insurance of official motor
15 vehicles in foreign countries, when required by law of such
16 countries, \$75,100,000, to remain available until ex-
17 pended.

18 FOREIGN CURRENCY FLUCTUATIONS ACCOUNT

19 For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for,
20 of the American Battle Monuments Commission, such
21 sums as may be necessary, to remain available until ex-
22 pended, for purposes authorized by section 2109 of title
23 36, United States Code.

1 UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR VETERANS

2 CLAIMS

3 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

4 For necessary expenses for the operation of the
5 United States Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims as
6 authorized by sections 7251 through 7299 of title 38,
7 United States Code, \$32,141,000: *Provided*, That
8 \$2,500,000 shall be available for the purpose of providing
9 financial assistance as described, and in accordance with
10 the process and reporting procedures set forth, under this
11 heading in Public Law 102–229.

12 DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE—CIVIL

13 CEMETERIAL EXPENSES, ARMY

14 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

15 For necessary expenses for maintenance, operation,
16 and improvement of Arlington National Cemetery and Sol-
17 diers' and Airmen's Home National Cemetery, including
18 the purchase or lease of passenger motor vehicles for re-
19 placement on a one-for-one basis only, and not to exceed
20 \$1,000 for official reception and representation expenses,
21 \$70,800,000, of which not to exceed \$5,000,000 shall re-
22 main available until September 30, 2017. In addition,
23 such sums as may be necessary for parking maintenance,
24 repairs and replacement, to be derived from the "Lease

1 of Department of Defense Real Property for Defense
2 Agencies’’ account.

3 ARMED FORCES RETIREMENT HOME

4 TRUST FUND

5 For expenses necessary for the Armed Forces Retire-
6 ment Home to operate and maintain the Armed Forces
7 Retirement Home—Washington, District of Columbia,
8 and the Armed Forces Retirement Home—Gulfport, Mis-
9 sissippi, to be paid from funds available in the Armed
10 Forces Retirement Home Trust Fund, \$64,300,000, of
11 which \$1,000,000 shall remain available until expended
12 for construction and renovation of the physical plants at
13 the Armed Forces Retirement Home—Washington, Dis-
14 trict of Columbia, and the Armed Forces Retirement
15 Home—Gulfport, Mississippi.

16 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

17 SEC. 301. Funds appropriated in this Act under the
18 heading “Department of Defense—Civil, Cemeterial Ex-
19 penses, Army”, may be provided to Arlington County, Vir-
20 ginia, for the relocation of the federally owned water main
21 at Arlington National Cemetery, making additional land
22 available for ground burials.

23 SEC. 302. Amounts deposited during the current fis-
24 cal year into the special account established under 10
25 U.S.C. 4727 are appropriated and shall be available until

1 expended to support activities at the Army National Military
2 tary Cemeteries.

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TITLE IV

4

OVERSEAS CONTINGENCY OPERATIONS

5

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

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MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, NAVY AND MARINE CORPS

7 For an additional amount for “Military Construction,
8 Navy and Marine Corps”, \$244,004,000 to remain available
9 until September 30, 2020, for projects outside of the
10 United States: *Provided*, That such amount is designated
11 by the Congress for Overseas Contingency Operations/
12 Global War on Terrorism pursuant to section
13 251(b)(2)(A)(ii) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency
14 Deficit Control Act of 1985.

15

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, AIR FORCE

16 For an additional amount for “Military Construction,
17 Air Force” \$75,000,000 to remain available until Sep-
18 tember 30, 2020, for projects outside of the United States:
19 *Provided*, That such amount is designated by the Congress
20 for Overseas Contingency Operations/Global War on Ter-
21 rorism pursuant to section 215(b)(2)(A)(ii) of the Bal-
22 anced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

23

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, DEFENSE-WIDE

24 For an additional amount for “Military Construction,
25 Defense-Wide”, \$212,996,000 to remain available until

1 September 30, 2020, for projects outside of the United
2 States: *Provided*, That such amount is designated by the
3 Congress for Overseas Contingency Operations/Global
4 War on Terrorism pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(ii) of
5 the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act
6 of 1985.

7 TITLE V

8 GENERAL PROVISIONS

9 SEC. 501. No part of any appropriation contained in
10 this Act shall remain available for obligation beyond the
11 current fiscal year unless expressly so provided herein.

12 SEC. 502. None of the funds made available in this
13 Act may be used for any program, project, or activity,
14 when it is made known to the Federal entity or official
15 to which the funds are made available that the program,
16 project, or activity is not in compliance with any Federal
17 law relating to risk assessment, the protection of private
18 property rights, or unfunded mandates.

19 SEC. 503. All departments and agencies funded under
20 this Act are encouraged, within the limits of the existing
21 statutory authorities and funding, to expand their use of
22 “E-Commerce” technologies and procedures in the con-
23 duct of their business practices and public service activi-
24 ties.

1 SEC. 504. Unless stated otherwise, all reports and no-
2 tifications required by this Act shall be submitted to the
3 Subcommittee on Military Construction and Veterans Af-
4 fairs, and Related Agencies of the Committee on Appro-
5 priations of the House of Representatives and the Sub-
6 committee on Military Construction and Veterans Affairs,
7 and Related Agencies of the Committee on Appropriations
8 of the Senate.

9 SEC. 505. None of the funds made available in this
10 Act may be transferred to any department, agency, or in-
11 strumentality of the United States Government except
12 pursuant to a transfer made by, or transfer authority pro-
13 vided in, this or any other appropriations Act.

14 SEC. 506. None of the funds made available in this
15 Act may be used for a project or program named for an
16 individual serving as a Member, Delegate, or Resident
17 Commissioner of the United States House of Representa-
18 tives.

19 SEC. 507. (a) Any agency receiving funds made avail-
20 able in this Act, shall, subject to subsections (b) and (c),
21 post on the public Web site of that agency any report re-
22 quired to be submitted by the Congress in this or any
23 other Act, upon the determination by the head of the agen-
24 cy that it shall serve the national interest.

25 (b) Subsection (a) shall not apply to a report if—

1 (1) the public posting of the report com-
2 promises national security; or

3 (2) the report contains confidential or propri-
4 etary information.

5 (c) The head of the agency posting such report shall
6 do so only after such report has been made available to
7 the requesting Committee or Committees of Congress for
8 no less than 45 days.

9 SEC. 508. (a) None of the funds made available in
10 this Act may be used to maintain or establish a computer
11 network unless such network blocks the viewing,
12 downloading, and exchanging of pornography.

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

17 SEC. 509. None of the funds made available in this
18 Act may be used by an agency of the executive branch
19 to pay for first-class travel by an employee of the agency
20 in contravention of sections 301–10.122 through 301–
21 10.124 of title 41, Code of Federal Regulations.

22 SEC. 510. None of the funds made available in this
23 Act may be used to execute a contract for goods or serv-
24 ices, including construction services, where the contractor
25 has not complied with Executive Order No. 12989.

1 SEC. 511. None of the funds made available by this
2 Act may be used by the Department of Defense or the
3 Department of Veterans Affairs to lease or purchase new
4 light duty vehicles for any executive fleet, or for an agen-
5 cy's fleet inventory, except in accordance with Presidential
6 Memorandum—Federal Fleet Performance, dated May
7 24, 2011.

8 SEC. 512. (a) IN GENERAL.—None of the funds ap-
9 propriated or otherwise made available to the Department
10 of Defense in this Act may be used to construct, renovate,
11 or expand any facility in the United States, its territories,
12 or possessions to house any individual detained at United
13 States Naval Station, Guantánamo Bay, Cuba, for the
14 purposes of detention or imprisonment in the custody or
15 under the control of the Department of Defense.

16 (b) The prohibition in subsection (a) shall not apply
17 to any modification of facilities at United States Naval
18 Station, Guantánamo Bay, Cuba.

19 (c) An individual described in this subsection is any
20 individual who, as of June 24, 2009, is located at United
21 States Naval Station, Guantánamo Bay, Cuba, and who—

22 (1) is not a citizen of the United States or a
23 member of the Armed Forces of the United States;
24 and

25 (2) is—

1 (A) in the custody or under the effective
2 control of the Department of Defense; or

3 (B) otherwise under detention at United
4 States Naval Station, Guantánamo Bay, Cuba.

5 SPENDING REDUCTION ACCOUNT

6 SEC. 513. The amount by which the applicable alloca-
7 tion of new budget authority made by the Committee on
8 Appropriations of the House of Representatives under sec-
9 tion 302(b) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 ex-
10 ceeds the amount of proposed new budget authority is \$0.

11 This Act may be cited as the “Military Construction
12 and Veterans Affairs and Related Agencies Appropriations
13 Act, 2016”.

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