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1 *Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives*
2 *of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 That the following sums are hereby appropriated, out of
2 any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated,
3 and out of applicable corporate or other revenues, receipts,
4 and funds, for the several departments, agencies, corpora-
5 tions, and other organizational units of Government for
6 the fiscal year 1996, and for other purposes, namely:

7 SEC. 101. (a) Such amounts as may be necessary
8 under the authority and conditions provided in the appli-
9 cable appropriations Acts for the fiscal year 1995 for con-
10 tinuing the following projects or activities including the
11 costs of direct loans and loan guarantees (not otherwise
12 specifically provided for in this joint resolution) which
13 were conducted in the fiscal year 1995:

14 (1) All projects and activities necessary to pro-
15 vide for the expenses of Medicare contractors under
16 title XVIII of the Social Security Act under the ac-
17 count heading "Program management" under the
18 Health Care Financing Administration in the De-
19 partment of Health and Human Services.

20 (2) All projects and activities funded under the
21 account heading "Limitation on administrative ex-
22 penses" under the Social Security Administration.

23 (3) All projects and activities necessary to proc-
24 ess and provide for veterans compensation, pension
25 payments, dependency and indemnity compensation

1 (DIC) payments, and to provide for veterans medical
2 care under the Department of Veterans Affairs.

3 (b) Whenever the amount which would be made avail-
4 able or the authority which would be granted under an
5 Act which included funding for fiscal year 1996 for the
6 projects and activities listed in this section as passed by
7 the House as of October 1, 1995, is different from that
8 which would be available or granted under such Act as
9 passed by the Senate as of October 1, 1995, the pertinent
10 project or activity shall be continued at a rate for oper-
11 ations not exceeding the average of the rates permitted
12 by the action of the House or the Senate under the author-
13 ity and conditions provided in the applicable appropria-
14 tions Act for the fiscal year 1995.

15 (c) Whenever an Act which included funding for fiscal
16 year 1996 for the projects and activities listed in this sec-
17 tion has been passed by only the House or only the Senate
18 as of October 1, 1995, the pertinent project or activity
19 shall be continued under the appropriation, fund, or au-
20 thority granted by the one House at a rate for operations
21 not exceeding the current rate or the rate permitted by
22 the action of the one House, whichever is lower, and under
23 the authority and conditions provided in the applicable ap-
24 propriations Act for the fiscal year 1995.

1 SEC. 102. Appropriations made by section 101 shall
2 be available to the extent and in the manner which would
3 be provided by the pertinent appropriations Act.

4 SEC. 103. No appropriations or funds made available
5 or authority granted pursuant to section 101 shall be used
6 to initiate or resume any project or activity for which ap-
7 propriations, funds, or other authority were not available
8 during the fiscal year 1995.

9 SEC. 104. No provision which is included in an appro-
10 priations Act enumerated in section 101 but which was
11 not included in the applicable appropriations Act for fiscal
12 year 1995 and which by its terms is applicable to more
13 than one appropriation, fund, or authority shall be appli-
14 cable to any appropriation, fund, or authority provided in
15 this joint resolution.

16 SEC. 105. Unless otherwise provided for in this joint
17 resolution or in the applicable appropriations Act, appro-
18 priations and funds made available and authority granted
19 pursuant to this joint resolution shall be available until
20 (a) enactment into law of an appropriation for any project
21 or activity provided for in this joint resolution, or (b) the
22 enactment of the applicable appropriations Act by both
23 Houses without any provision for such project or activity,
24 or (c) September 30, 1996, whichever first occurs.

1 SEC. 106. Appropriations made and authority grant-
2 ed pursuant to this joint resolution shall cover all obliga-
3 tions or expenditures incurred for any program, project,
4 or activity during the period for which funds or authority
5 for such project or activity are available under this joint
6 resolution.

7 SEC. 107. Expenditures made pursuant to this joint
8 resolution shall be charged to the applicable appropriation,
9 fund, or authorization whenever a bill in which such appli-
10 cable appropriation, fund, or authorization is contained is
11 enacted into law.

12 SEC. 108. No provision in the appropriations Act for
13 the fiscal year 1996 referred to in section 101 of this joint
14 resolution that makes the availability of any appropriation
15 provided therein dependent upon the enactment of addi-
16 tional authorizing or other legislation shall be effective be-
17 fore the date set forth in section 105(c) of this joint reso-
18 lution.

19 SEC. 109. Appropriations and funds made available
20 by or authority granted pursuant to this joint resolution
21 may be used without regard to the time limitations for
22 submission and approval of apportionments set forth in
23 section 1513 of title 31, United States Code, but nothing

1 herein shall be construed to waive any other provision of
2 law governing the apportionment of funds.

Passed the House of Representatives November 18,
1995.

Attest:

Clerk.