

***In the Senate of the United States,***

*September 24, 1999.*

*Resolved*, That the bill from the House of Representatives (H.R. 2684) entitled “An Act making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, and for other purposes.”, do pass with the following

**AMENDMENT:**

1 Page 2, strike out all after line 9, over to and includ-  
2 ing line 3 on page 95, and insert:

3 *TITLE I—DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS*

4 *VETERANS BENEFITS ADMINISTRATION*

5 *COMPENSATION AND PENSIONS*

6 *For the payment of compensation benefits to or on be-*  
7 *half of veterans and a pilot program for disability examina-*  
8 *tions as authorized by law (38 U.S.C. 107, chapters 11, 13,*  
9 *18, 51, 53, 55, and 61); pension benefits to or on behalf*  
10 *of veterans as authorized by law (38 U.S.C. chapters 15,*

1 51, 53, 55, and 61; 92 Stat. 2508); and burial benefits,  
2 emergency and other officers' retirement pay, adjusted-serv-  
3 ice credits and certificates, payment of premiums due on  
4 commercial life insurance policies guaranteed under the  
5 provisions of Article IV of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil  
6 Relief Act of 1940, as amended, and for other benefits as  
7 authorized by law (38 U.S.C. 107, 1312, 1977, and 2106,  
8 chapters 23, 51, 53, 55, and 61; 50 U.S.C. App. 540–548;  
9 43 Stat. 122, 123; 45 Stat. 735; 76 Stat. 1198),  
10 \$21,568,364,000, to remain available until expended: Pro-  
11 vided, That not to exceed \$38,079,000 of the amount appro-  
12 priated shall be reimbursed to "General operating expenses"  
13 and "Medical care" for necessary expenses in implementing  
14 those provisions authorized in the Omnibus Budget Rec-  
15 onciliation Act of 1990, and in the Veterans' Benefits Act  
16 of 1992 (38 U.S.C. chapters 51, 53, and 55), the funding  
17 source for which is specifically provided as the "Compensa-  
18 tion and pensions" appropriation: Provided further, That  
19 such sums as may be earned on an actual qualifying pa-  
20 tient basis, shall be reimbursed to "Medical facilities revolv-  
21 ing fund" to augment the funding of individual medical  
22 facilities for nursing home care provided to pensioners as  
23 authorized.

24 *READJUSTMENT BENEFITS*

25 *For the payment of readjustment and rehabilitation*  
26 *benefits to or on behalf of veterans as authorized by 38*

1 *U.S.C. chapters 21, 30, 31, 34, 35, 36, 39, 51, 53, 55, and*  
2 *61, \$1,469,000,000, to remain available until expended:*  
3 *Provided, That funds shall be available to pay any court*  
4 *order, court award or any compromise settlement arising*  
5 *from litigation involving the vocational training program*  
6 *authorized by section 18 of Public Law 98-77, as amended.*

7 *VETERANS INSURANCE AND INDEMNITIES*

8 *For military and naval insurance, national service life*  
9 *insurance, servicemen's indemnities, service-disabled vet-*  
10 *erans insurance, and veterans mortgage life insurance as*  
11 *authorized by 38 U.S.C. chapter 19; 70 Stat. 887; 72 Stat.*  
12 *487, \$28,670,000, to remain available until expended.*

13 *VETERANS HOUSING BENEFIT PROGRAM FUND PROGRAM*

14 *ACCOUNT*

15 *(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)*

16 *For the cost of direct and guaranteed loans, such sums*  
17 *as may be necessary to carry out the program, as authorized*  
18 *by 38 U.S.C. chapter 37, as amended: Provided, That such*  
19 *costs, including the cost of modifying such loans, shall be*  
20 *as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act*  
21 *of 1974, as amended: Provided further, That during fiscal*  
22 *year 2000, within the resources available, not to exceed*  
23 *\$300,000 in gross obligations for direct loans are authorized*  
24 *for specially adapted housing loans.*

25 *In addition, for administrative expenses to carry out*  
26 *the direct and guaranteed loan programs, \$156,958,000,*

1 *which may be transferred to and merged with the appro-*  
2 *priation for “General operating expenses”.*

3 *EDUCATION LOAN FUND PROGRAM ACCOUNT*

4 *(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)*

5 *For the cost of direct loans, \$1,000, as authorized by*  
6 *38 U.S.C. 3698, as amended: Provided, That such costs, in-*  
7 *cluding the cost of modifying such loans, shall be as defined*  
8 *in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, as*  
9 *amended: Provided further, That these funds are available*  
10 *to subsidize gross obligations for the principal amount of*  
11 *direct loans not to exceed \$3,000.*

12 *In addition, for administrative expenses necessary to*  
13 *carry out the direct loan program, \$214,000, which may*  
14 *be transferred to and merged with the appropriation for*  
15 *“General operating expenses”.*

16 *VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION LOANS PROGRAM ACCOUNT*

17 *(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)*

18 *For the cost of direct loans, \$57,000, as authorized by*  
19 *38 U.S.C. chapter 31, as amended: Provided, That such*  
20 *costs, including the cost of modifying such loans, shall be*  
21 *as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act*  
22 *of 1974, as amended: Provided further, That these funds are*  
23 *available to subsidize gross obligations for the principal*  
24 *amount of direct loans not to exceed \$2,531,000.*

25 *In addition, for administrative expenses necessary to*  
26 *carry out the direct loan program, \$415,000, which may*

1 *be transferred to and merged with the appropriation for*  
2 *“General operating expenses”.*

3 *NATIVE AMERICAN VETERAN HOUSING LOAN PROGRAM*

4 *ACCOUNT*

5 *(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)*

6 *For administrative expenses to carry out the direct*  
7 *loan program authorized by 38 U.S.C. chapter 37, sub-*  
8 *chapter V, as amended, \$520,000, which may be transferred*  
9 *to and merged with the appropriation for “General oper-*  
10 *ating expenses”.*

11 *GUARANTEED TRANSITIONAL HOUSING LOANS FOR*

12 *HOMELESS VETERANS PROGRAM ACCOUNT*

13 *(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)*

14 *For the cost, as defined in section 13201 of the Budget*  
15 *Enforcement Act of 1990, including the cost of modifying*  
16 *loans, of guaranteed loans as authorized by 38 U.S.C. chap-*  
17 *ter 37 subchapter VI, \$48,250,000, to remain available until*  
18 *expended: Provided, That no more than five loans may be*  
19 *guaranteed under this program prior to November 11, 2001:*  
20 *Provided further, That no more than fifteen loans may be*  
21 *guaranteed under this program: Provided further, That the*  
22 *total principal amount of loans guaranteed under this pro-*  
23 *gram may not exceed \$100,000,000: Provided further, That*  
24 *not to exceed \$750,000 of the amounts appropriated by this*  
25 *Act for “General operating expenses” and “Medical care”*  
26 *may be expended for the administrative expenses to carry*

1 *out the guaranteed loan program authorized by 38 U.S.C.*  
2 *chapter 37, subchapter VI.*

3 *VETERANS HEALTH ADMINISTRATION*

4 *MEDICAL CARE*

5 *(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)*

6 *For necessary expenses for the maintenance and oper-*  
7 *ation of hospitals, nursing homes, and domiciliary facili-*  
8 *ties; for furnishing, as authorized by law, inpatient and*  
9 *outpatient care and treatment to beneficiaries of the De-*  
10 *partment of Veterans Affairs, including care and treatment*  
11 *in facilities not under the jurisdiction of the Department;*  
12 *and furnishing recreational facilities, supplies, and equip-*  
13 *ment; funeral, burial, and other expenses incidental thereto*  
14 *for beneficiaries receiving care in the Department; adminis-*  
15 *trative expenses in support of planning, design, project*  
16 *management, real property acquisition and disposition,*  
17 *construction and renovation of any facility under the juris-*  
18 *isdiction or for the use of the Department; oversight, engineer-*  
19 *ing and architectural activities not charged to project cost;*  
20 *repairing, altering, improving or providing facilities in the*  
21 *several hospitals and homes under the jurisdiction of the*  
22 *Department, not otherwise provided for, either by contract*  
23 *or by the hire of temporary employees and purchase of ma-*  
24 *terials; uniforms or allowances therefor, as authorized by*  
25 *5 U.S.C. 5901–5902; aid to State homes as authorized by*  
26 *38 U.S.C. 1741; administrative and legal expenses of the*

1 *Department for collecting and recovering amounts owed the*  
2 *Department as authorized under 38 U.S.C. chapter 17, and*  
3 *the Federal Medical Care Recovery Act, 42 U.S.C. 2651 et*  
4 *seq.; and not to exceed \$8,000,000 to fund cost comparison*  
5 *studies as referred to in 38 U.S.C. 8110(a)(5),*  
6 *\$19,006,000,000, plus reimbursements: Provided, That of*  
7 *the funds made available under this heading, \$600,000,000*  
8 *is designated by Congress as an emergency requirement*  
9 *pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A) of the Balanced Budget*  
10 *and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 and shall be*  
11 *available only to the extent that an official budget request*  
12 *that includes designation of the entire amount of the request*  
13 *as an emergency requirement (as defined in the Balanced*  
14 *Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985) is*  
15 *transmitted by the President to Congress: Provided further,*  
16 *That of the funds made available under this heading,*  
17 *\$635,000,000 is for the equipment and land and structures*  
18 *object classifications only, which amount shall not become*  
19 *available for obligation until August 1, 2000, and shall re-*  
20 *main available until September 30, 2001: Provided further,*  
21 *That of the funds made available under this heading, not*  
22 *to exceed \$900,000,000 shall be available until September*  
23 *30, 2001: Provided further, That of the funds made avail-*  
24 *able under this heading, not to exceed \$27,907,000 may be*  
25 *transferred to and merged with the appropriation for “Gen-*

1 eral operating expenses”: Provided further, That the De-  
2 partment shall conduct by contract a program of recovery  
3 audits with respect to payments for hospital care; and, not-  
4 withstanding 31 U.S.C. 3302(b), amounts collected, by setoff  
5 or otherwise, as the result of such audits shall be available,  
6 without fiscal year limitation, for the purposes for which  
7 funds are appropriated under this heading and the pur-  
8 poses of paying a contractor a percent of the amount col-  
9 lected as a result of an audit carried out by the contractor:  
10 Provided further, That all amounts so collected under the  
11 preceding proviso with respect to a designated health care  
12 region (as that term is defined in 38 U.S.C. 1729A(d)(2))  
13 shall be allocated, net of payments to the contractor, to that  
14 region.

15       In addition, in conformance with Public Law 105–33  
16 establishing the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical  
17 Care Collections Fund, such sums as may be deposited to  
18 such Fund pursuant to 38 U.S.C. 1729A may be transferred  
19 to this account, to remain available until expended for the  
20 purposes of this account.

21                   MEDICAL AND PROSTHETIC RESEARCH

22       For necessary expenses in carrying out programs of  
23 medical and prosthetic research and development as author-  
24 ized by 38 U.S.C. chapter 73, to remain available until  
25 September 30, 2001, \$316,000,000, plus reimbursements.



1         *MEDICAL ADMINISTRATION AND MISCELLANEOUS*

2                         *OPERATING EXPENSES*

3         *For necessary expenses in the administration of the*  
 4 *medical, hospital, nursing home, domiciliary, construction,*  
 5 *supply, and research activities, as authorized by law; ad-*  
 6 *ministrative expenses in support of capital policy activities,*  
 7 *\$60,703,000 plus reimbursements: Provided, That project*  
 8 *technical and consulting services offered by the Facilities*  
 9 *Management Service Delivery Office, including technical*  
 10 *consulting services, project management, real property ad-*  
 11 *ministration (including leases, site acquisition and disposal*  
 12 *activities directly supporting projects), shall be provided to*  
 13 *Department of Veterans Affairs components only on a reim-*  
 14 *bursable basis, and such amounts will remain available*  
 15 *until September 30, 2000.*

16                         *GENERAL POST FUND, NATIONAL HOMES*

17                                 *(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)*

18         *For the cost of direct loans, \$7,000, as authorized by*  
 19 *Public Law 102-54, section 8, which shall be transferred*  
 20 *from the "General post fund": Provided, That such costs,*  
 21 *including the cost of modifying such loans, shall be as de-*  
 22 *finied in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of*  
 23 *1974, as amended: Provided further, That these funds are*  
 24 *available to subsidize gross obligations for the principal*  
 25 *amount of direct loans not to exceed \$70,000.*

1        *In addition, for administrative expenses to carry out*  
2 *the direct loan programs, \$54,000, which shall be trans-*  
3 *ferred from the “General post fund”, as authorized by Pub-*  
4 *lic Law 102–54, section 8.*

5                                *DEPARTMENTAL ADMINISTRATION*

6                                *GENERAL OPERATING EXPENSES*

7        *For necessary operating expenses of the Department of*  
8 *Veterans Affairs, not otherwise provided for, including uni-*  
9 *forms or allowances therefor; not to exceed \$25,000 for offi-*  
10 *cial reception and representation expenses; hire of passenger*  
11 *motor vehicles; and reimbursement of the General Services*  
12 *Administration for security guard services, and the Depart-*  
13 *ment of Defense for the cost of overseas employee mail,*  
14 *\$912,594,000: Provided, That funds under this heading*  
15 *shall be available to administer the Service Members Occu-*  
16 *pational Conversion and Training Act: Provided further,*  
17 *That travel expenditures for the immediate Office of the*  
18 *Secretary shall not exceed \$100,000.*

19                                *NATIONAL CEMETERY ADMINISTRATION*

20                                *(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)*

21        *For necessary expenses for the maintenance and oper-*  
22 *ation of the National Cemetery Administration, not other-*  
23 *wise provided for, including uniforms or allowances there-*  
24 *for; cemeterial expenses as authorized by law; purchase of*  
25 *two passenger motor vehicles for use in cemeterial oper-*  
26 *ations; and hire of passenger motor vehicles, \$97,256,000:*

1 *Provided, That of the amount made available under this*  
2 *heading, not to exceed \$117,000 may be transferred to and*  
3 *merged with the appropriation for “General operating ex-*  
4 *penses”.*

5 *OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL*  
6 *(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)*

7 *For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector Gen-*  
8 *eral in carrying out the Inspector General Act of 1978, as*  
9 *amended, \$43,200,000: Provided, That of the amount made*  
10 *available under this heading, not to exceed \$30,000 may*  
11 *be transferred to and merged with the appropriation for*  
12 *“General operating expenses”.*

13 *CONSTRUCTION, MAJOR PROJECTS*

14 *For constructing, altering, extending and improving*  
15 *any of the facilities under the jurisdiction or for the use*  
16 *of the Department of Veterans Affairs, or for any of the*  
17 *purposes set forth in sections 316, 2404, 2406, 8102, 8103,*  
18 *8106, 8108, 8109, 8110, and 8122 of title 38, United States*  
19 *Code, including planning, architectural and engineering*  
20 *services, maintenance or guarantee period services costs as-*  
21 *sociated with equipment guarantees provided under the*  
22 *project, services of claims analysts, offsite utility and storm*  
23 *drainage system construction costs, and site acquisition,*  
24 *where the estimated cost of a project is \$4,000,000 or more*  
25 *or where funds for a project were made available in a pre-*  
26 *vious major project appropriation, \$70,140,000, to remain*

1 *available until expended: Provided, That except for advance*  
2 *planning of projects (including market-based assessments of*  
3 *health care needs which may or may not lead to capital*  
4 *investments) funded through the advance planning fund*  
5 *and the design of projects funded through the design fund,*  
6 *none of these funds shall be used for any project which has*  
7 *not been considered and approved by the Congress in the*  
8 *budgetary process: Provided further, That funds provided*  
9 *in this appropriation for fiscal year 2000, for each ap-*  
10 *proved project shall be obligated: (1) by the awarding of*  
11 *a construction documents contract by September 30, 2000;*  
12 *and (2) by the awarding of a construction contract by Sep-*  
13 *tember 30, 2001: Provided further, That the Secretary shall*  
14 *promptly report in writing to the Committees on Appro-*  
15 *priations any approved major construction project in which*  
16 *obligations are not incurred within the time limitations es-*  
17 *tablished above: Provided further, That no funds from any*  
18 *other account except the "Parking revolving fund", may be*  
19 *obligated for constructing, altering, extending, or improving*  
20 *a project which was approved in the budget process and*  
21 *funded in this account until one year after substantial com-*  
22 *pletion and beneficial occupancy by the Department of Vet-*  
23 *erans Affairs of the project or any part thereof with respect*  
24 *to that part only.*

1                                    *CONSTRUCTION, MINOR PROJECTS*

2            *For constructing, altering, extending, and improving*  
3 *any of the facilities under the jurisdiction or for the use*  
4 *of the Department of Veterans Affairs, including planning,*  
5 *architectural and engineering services, maintenance or*  
6 *guarantee period services costs associated with equipment*  
7 *guarantees provided under the project, services of claims an-*  
8 *alysts, offsite utility and storm drainage system construc-*  
9 *tion costs, and site acquisition, or for any of the purposes*  
10 *set forth in sections 316, 2404, 2406, 8102, 8103, 8106,*  
11 *8108, 8109, 8110, and 8122 of title 38, United States Code,*  
12 *where the estimated cost of a project is less than \$4,000,000,*  
13 *\$175,000,000, to remain available until expended, along*  
14 *with unobligated balances of previous "Construction, minor*  
15 *projects" appropriations which are hereby made available*  
16 *for any project where the estimated cost is less than*  
17 *\$4,000,000: Provided, That funds in this account shall be*  
18 *available for: (1) repairs to any of the nonmedical facilities*  
19 *under the jurisdiction or for the use of the Department*  
20 *which are necessary because of loss or damage caused by*  
21 *any natural disaster or catastrophe; and (2) temporary*  
22 *measures necessary to prevent or to minimize further loss*  
23 *by such causes.*

24                                    *PARKING REVOLVING FUND*

25            *For the parking revolving fund as authorized by 38*  
26 *U.S.C. 8109, income from fees collected, to remain available*

1 *until expended, which shall be available for all authorized*  
2 *expenses except operations and maintenance costs, which*  
3 *will be funded from “Medical care”.*

4 *GRANTS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF STATE EXTENDED CARE*  
5 *FACILITIES*

6 *For grants to assist States to acquire or construct*  
7 *State nursing home and domiciliary facilities and to re-*  
8 *model, modify or alter existing hospital, nursing home and*  
9 *domiciliary facilities in State homes, for furnishing care*  
10 *to veterans as authorized by 38 U.S.C. 8131–8137,*  
11 *\$90,000,000, to remain available until expended.*

12 *GRANTS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF STATE VETERANS*  
13 *CEMETERIES*

14 *For grants to aid States in establishing, expanding,*  
15 *or improving State veteran cemeteries as authorized by 38*  
16 *U.S.C. 2408, \$25,000,000, to remain available until ex-*  
17 *pended.*

18 *ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS*  
19 *(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)*

20 *SEC. 101. Any appropriation for fiscal year 2000 for*  
21 *“Compensation and pensions”, “Readjustment benefits”,*  
22 *and “Veterans insurance and indemnities” may be trans-*  
23 *ferred to any other of the mentioned appropriations.*

24 *SEC. 102. Appropriations available to the Department*  
25 *of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 2000 for salaries and ex-*

1 *penses shall be available for services authorized by 5 U.S.C.*  
2 *3109.*

3 *SEC. 103. No appropriations in this Act for the De-*  
4 *partment of Veterans Affairs (except the appropriations for*  
5 *“Construction, major projects”, “Construction, minor*  
6 *projects”, and the “Parking revolving fund”) shall be avail-*  
7 *able for the purchase of any site for or toward the construc-*  
8 *tion of any new hospital or home.*

9 *SEC. 104. No appropriations in this Act for the De-*  
10 *partment of Veterans Affairs shall be available for hos-*  
11 *pitalization or examination of any persons (except bene-*  
12 *ficiaries entitled under the laws bestowing such benefits to*  
13 *veterans, and persons receiving such treatment under 5*  
14 *U.S.C. 7901–7904 or 42 U.S.C. 5141–5204), unless reim-*  
15 *bursement of cost is made to the “Medical care” account*  
16 *at such rates as may be fixed by the Secretary of Veterans*  
17 *Affairs.*

18 *SEC. 105. Appropriations available to the Department*  
19 *of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 2000 for “Compensation*  
20 *and pensions”, “Readjustment benefits”, and “Veterans in-*  
21 *surance and indemnities” shall be available for payment*  
22 *of prior year accrued obligations required to be recorded*  
23 *by law against the corresponding prior year accounts with-*  
24 *in the last quarter of fiscal year 1999.*

1       *SEC. 106. Appropriations accounts available to the De-*  
2 *partment of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 2000 shall be*  
3 *available to pay prior year obligations of corresponding*  
4 *prior year appropriations accounts resulting from title X*  
5 *of the Competitive Equality Banking Act, Public Law 100-*  
6 *86, except that if such obligations are from trust fund ac-*  
7 *counts they shall be payable from “Compensation and pen-*  
8 *sions”.*

9       *SEC. 107. Notwithstanding any other provision of law,*  
10 *during fiscal year 2000, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs*  
11 *shall, from the National Service Life Insurance Fund (38*  
12 *U.S.C. 1920), the Veterans’ Special Life Insurance Fund*  
13 *(38 U.S.C. 1923), and the United States Government Life*  
14 *Insurance Fund (38 U.S.C. 1955), reimburse the “General*  
15 *operating expenses” account for the cost of administration*  
16 *of the insurance programs financed through those accounts:*  
17 *Provided, That reimbursement shall be made only from the*  
18 *surplus earnings accumulated in an insurance program in*  
19 *fiscal year 2000, that are available for dividends in that*  
20 *program after claims have been paid and actuarially deter-*  
21 *mined reserves have been set aside: Provided further, That*  
22 *if the cost of administration of an insurance program ex-*  
23 *ceeds the amount of surplus earnings accumulated in that*  
24 *program, reimbursement shall be made only to the extent*  
25 *of such surplus earnings: Provided further, That the Sec-*



1 *retary shall determine the cost of administration for fiscal*  
2 *year 2000, which is properly allocable to the provision of*  
3 *each insurance program and to the provision of any total*  
4 *disability income insurance included in such insurance*  
5 *program.*

6 *SEC. 108. (a) SENSE OF SENATE.—It is the sense of*  
7 *the Senate that it should be the goal of the Department of*  
8 *Veterans Affairs to serve all veterans equitably at health*  
9 *care facilities in urban and rural areas.*

10 *(b) REPORT REQUIRED.—(1) Not later than six*  
11 *months after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-*  
12 *retary of Veterans Affairs shall submit to the Committees*  
13 *on Veterans' Affairs of the Senate and the House of Rep-*  
14 *resentatives a report on the impact of the allocation of funds*  
15 *under the Veterans Equitable Resource Allocation (VERA)*  
16 *funding formula on the rural subregions of the health care*  
17 *system administered by the Veterans Health Administra-*  
18 *tion.*

19 *(2) The report shall include the following:*

20 *(A) An assessment of impact of the allocation of*  
21 *funds under the VERA formula on—*

22 *(i) travel times to veterans health care in*  
23 *rural areas;*

24 *(ii) waiting periods for appointments for*  
25 *veterans health care in rural areas;*

1           (iii) the cost associated with additional  
2           community-based outpatient clinics;

3           (iv) transportation costs; and

4           (v) the unique challenges that Department  
5           of Veterans Affairs medical centers in rural, low-  
6           population subregions face in attempting to in-  
7           crease efficiency without large economies of scale.

8           (B) The recommendations of the Secretary, if  
9           any, on how rural veterans' access to health care serv-  
10          ices might be enhanced.

11          SEC. 109. Notwithstanding any other provision of this  
12          Act, none of the funds appropriated or otherwise made  
13          available in this Act for the Medical Care appropriation  
14          of the Department of Veterans Affairs may be obligated for  
15          the realignment of the health care delivery system in VISN  
16          12 until 60 days after the Secretary of Veterans Affairs cer-  
17          tifies that the Department has (1) consulted with veterans  
18          organizations, medical school affiliates, employee represent-  
19          atives, State veterans and health associations, and other in-  
20          terested parties with respect to the realignment plan to be  
21          implemented, and (2) made available to the Congress and  
22          the public information from the consultations regarding  
23          possible impacts on the accessibility of veterans health care  
24          services to affected veterans.

1        *SEC. 110. (a) FINDINGS.—The Senate makes the fol-*  
2 *lowing findings:*

3            (1) *One of the most outrageous examples of the*  
4 *failure of the Federal Government to honor its obliga-*  
5 *tions to veterans involves the so-called “atomic vet-*  
6 *erans”, patriotic Americans who were exposed to ra-*  
7 *diation at Hiroshima and Nagasaki and at nuclear*  
8 *test sites.*

9            (2) *For more than 50 years, many atomic vet-*  
10 *erans have been denied veterans compensation for dis-*  
11 *eases, known as radiogenic diseases, that the Depart-*  
12 *ment of Veterans Affairs recognizes as being linked to*  
13 *exposure to radiation. Many of these diseases are le-*  
14 *thal forms of cancer.*

15           (3) *The Department of Veterans Affairs almost*  
16 *invariably denies the claims for compensation of*  
17 *atomic veterans on the grounds that the radiation*  
18 *doses received by such veterans were too low to result*  
19 *in radiogenic disease, even though many scientists*  
20 *and former Under Secretary for Health Kenneth*  
21 *Kizer agree that the dose reconstruction analyses con-*  
22 *ducted by the Department of Defense are unreliable.*

23           (4) *Although the Department of Veterans Affairs*  
24 *already has a list of radiogenic diseases that are pre-*  
25 *sumed to be service-connected, the Department omits*

1       *three diseases—lung cancer, colon cancer, and central*  
2       *nervous system cancer—from that list, notwith-*  
3       *standing the agreement of scientists that the evidence*  
4       *of a link between the three diseases and low-level ex-*  
5       *posure to radiation is very convincing and, in many*  
6       *cases, is stronger than the evidence of a link between*  
7       *such exposure and other radiogenic diseases currently*  
8       *on that list.*

9       *(b) SENSE OF SENATE.—It is the sense of the Senate*  
10      *that lung cancer, colon cancer, and brain and central nerv-*  
11      *ous system cancer should be added to the list of radiogenic*  
12      *diseases that are presumed by the Department of Veterans*  
13      *Affairs to be service-connected disabilities.*

14           *TITLE II—DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND*  
15                    *URBAN DEVELOPMENT*  
16                    *PUBLIC AND INDIAN HOUSING*  
17                    *HOUSING CERTIFICATE FUND*  
18                    *(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)*

19       *For activities and assistance to prevent the involun-*  
20      *tary displacement of low-income families, the elderly and*  
21      *the disabled because of the loss of affordable housing stock,*  
22      *expiration of subsidy contracts (other than contracts for*  
23      *which amounts are provided under another heading in this*  
24      *Act) or expiration of use restrictions, or other changes in*  
25      *housing assistance arrangements, and for other purposes,*  
26      *\$11,051,135,000, to remain available until expended: Pro-*

1 vided, That of the total amount provided under this head-  
2 ing, \$10,855,135,000, of which \$6,655,135,000 shall be  
3 available on October 1, 1999 and \$4,200,000,000 shall be  
4 available on October 1, 2000, shall be for assistance under  
5 the United States Housing Act of 1937 (“The Act” herein)  
6 (42 U.S.C. 1437) for use in connection with expiring or  
7 terminating section 8 subsidy contracts, for enhanced  
8 vouchers (including renewals) as provided under the “Pre-  
9 serving Existing Housing Investment” account in the De-  
10 partments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban De-  
11 velopment, and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act,  
12 1997 (Public Law 104–204) for families eligible for assist-  
13 ance under such Act, and contracts entered into pursuant  
14 to section 441 of the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assist-  
15 ance Act: Provided further, That the Secretary may deter-  
16 mine not to apply section 8(o)(6)(B) of the Act to housing  
17 vouchers during fiscal year 2000: Provided further, That  
18 of the total amount provided under this heading,  
19 \$156,000,000 shall be for section 8 rental assistance under  
20 the Act including assistance to relocate residents of prop-  
21 erties: (1) that are owned by the Secretary and being dis-  
22 posed of; or (2) that are discontinuing section 8 project-  
23 based assistance; for relocation and replacement housing for  
24 units that are demolished or disposed of from the public  
25 housing inventory (in addition to amounts that may be

1 available for such purposes under this and other headings);  
2 for the conversion of section 23 projects to assistance under  
3 section 8; for funds to carry out the family unification pro-  
4 gram; and for the relocation of witnesses in connection with  
5 efforts to combat crime in public and assisted housing pur-  
6 suant to a request from a law enforcement or prosecution  
7 agency: Provided further, That of the total amount provided  
8 under this heading, \$40,000,000 shall be made available to  
9 nonelderly disabled families affected by the designation of  
10 a public housing development under section 7 of such Act,  
11 the establishment of preferences in accordance with section  
12 651 of the Housing and Community Development Act of  
13 1992 (42 U.S.C. 1361l), or the restriction of occupancy to  
14 elderly families in accordance with section 658 of such Act,  
15 and to the extent the Secretary determines that such amount  
16 is not needed to fund applications for such affected families,  
17 to other nonelderly disabled families: Provided further, That  
18 no funds under this heading may be used for Regional Op-  
19 portunity Counseling: Provided further, That all balances  
20 for the section 8 rental assistance, section 8 counseling, new  
21 construction sub-rehabilitation, relocation/replacement/  
22 demolition, section 23 conversions, rental and disaster  
23 vouchers, loan management set-aside, section 514 technical  
24 assistance, and programs previously funded within the  
25 “Annual Contributions” account shall be transferred to this

1 account, to be available for the purposes for which they were  
2 originally appropriated: Provided further, That all bal-  
3 ances previously recaptured in the “Section 8 Reserve Pres-  
4 ervation” account shall be transferred to this account, to  
5 be available for the purposes for which they were originally  
6 appropriated: Provided further, That the unexpended  
7 amounts previously appropriated for special purpose grants  
8 within the “Annual Contributions for Assisted Housing”  
9 account shall be recaptured and transferred to this account,  
10 to be available for assistance under the Act for use in con-  
11 nection with expiring or terminating section 8 subsidy con-  
12 tracts: Provided further, That of the amounts previously ap-  
13 propriated for property disposition within the “Annual  
14 Contributions for Assisted Housing” account, up to  
15 \$79,000,000 shall be transferred to this account, to be avail-  
16 able for assistance under the Act for use in connection with  
17 expiring or terminating section 8 subsidy contracts: Pro-  
18 vided further, That of the unexpended amounts previously  
19 appropriated for carrying out the Low-Income Housing  
20 Preservation and Resident Homeownership Act of 1990 and  
21 the Emergency Low-Income Housing Preservation Act of  
22 1987, other than amounts made available for rental assist-  
23 ance, within the “Annual Contributions for Assisted Hous-  
24 ing” and “Preserving Existing Housing Investments” ac-  
25 counts, shall be recaptured and transferred to this account,

1 *to be available for assistance under the Act for use in con-*  
2 *nection with expiring or terminating section 8 subsidy con-*  
3 *tracts.*

4 *PUBLIC HOUSING CAPITAL FUND*

5 *(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)*

6 *For the Public Housing Capital Fund Program to*  
7 *carry out capital and management activities for public*  
8 *housing agencies, as authorized under section 9 of the*  
9 *United States Housing Act of 1937, as amended (42 U.S.C.*  
10 *1437), \$2,555,000,000, to remain available until expended:*  
11 *Provided, That of the total amount, up to \$100,000,000*  
12 *shall be for carrying out activities under section 9(d) of*  
13 *such Act, and technical assistance for the inspection of pub-*  
14 *lic housing units, contract expertise, and training and tech-*  
15 *nical assistance directly or indirectly, under grants, con-*  
16 *tracts, or cooperative agreements, to assist in the oversight*  
17 *and management of public housing related to capital activi-*  
18 *ties for lease adjustments to section 23 projects: Provided*  
19 *further, That no funds may be used under this heading for*  
20 *the purposes specified in section 9(k) of the United States*  
21 *Housing Act of 1937, as in effect immediately before enact-*  
22 *ment of this Act: Provided further, That all balances for*  
23 *debt service for Public and Indian Housing and Public and*  
24 *Indian Housing Grants previously funded within the “An-*  
25 *ual Contributions for Assisted Housing” account shall be*



1 transferred to this account, to be available for the purposes  
2 for which they were originally appropriated.

3 PUBLIC HOUSING OPERATING FUND

4 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

5 For payments to public housing agencies for the oper-  
6 ation and management of public housing, as authorized by  
7 section 9(e) of the United States Housing Act of 1937, as  
8 amended (42 U.S.C. 1437g), \$2,900,000,000, to remain  
9 available until expended: Provided, That no funds may be  
10 used under this heading for the purposes specified in section  
11 9(k) of the United States Housing Act of 1937, as in effect  
12 immediately before enactment of this Act.

13 DRUG ELIMINATION GRANTS FOR LOW-INCOME HOUSING

14 For grants to public housing agencies and Indian  
15 tribes and their tribally designated housing entities for use  
16 in eliminating crime in public housing projects authorized  
17 by 42 U.S.C. 11901–11908, for grants for federally assisted  
18 low-income housing authorized by 42 U.S.C. 11909, and for  
19 drug information clearinghouse services authorized by 42  
20 U.S.C. 11921–11925, \$310,000,000, to remain available  
21 until expended: Provided, That of the total amount provided  
22 under this heading, up to \$5,000,000 shall be solely for tech-  
23 nical assistance, training, and program assessment for or  
24 on behalf of public housing agencies, resident organizations,  
25 and Indian tribes and their tribally designated housing en-  
26 tities (including up to \$250,000 for the cost of necessary

1 *travel for participants in such training): Provided further,*  
2 *That of the amount provided under this heading,*  
3 *\$10,000,000 shall be used in connection with efforts to com-*  
4 *bat violent crime in public and assisted housing under the*  
5 *Operation Safe Home Program administered by the Inspec-*  
6 *tor General of the Department of Housing and Urban De-*  
7 *velopment: Provided further, That of the amount under this*  
8 *heading, \$10,000,000 shall be provided to the Office of In-*  
9 *spector General for Operation Safe Home: Provided further,*  
10 *That of the amount under this heading, \$20,000,000 shall*  
11 *be available for a program named the New Approach Anti-*  
12 *Drug program which will provide competitive grants to en-*  
13 *tities managing or operating public housing developments,*  
14 *federally assisted multifamily housing developments, or*  
15 *other multifamily housing developments for low-income*  
16 *families supported by non-Federal governmental entities or*  
17 *similar housing developments supported by nonprofit pri-*  
18 *vate sources in order to provide or augment security (in-*  
19 *cluding personnel costs), to assist in the investigation and/*  
20 *or prosecution of drug related criminal activity in and*  
21 *around such developments, and to provide assistance for the*  
22 *development of capital improvements at such developments*  
23 *directly relating to the security of such developments: Pro-*  
24 *vided further, That grants for the New Approach Anti-Drug*  
25 *program shall be made on a competitive basis as specified*

1 *in section 102 of the Department of Housing and Urban*  
2 *Development Reform Act of 1989: Provided further, That*  
3 *the term “drug-related crime”, as defined in 42 U.S.C.*  
4 *11905(2), shall also include other types of crime as deter-*  
5 *mined by the Secretary: Provided further, That none of the*  
6 *funds under this heading may be awarded pursuant to a*  
7 *Notice of Funding Availability which contains substantive*  
8 *program changes unless such program changes have been*  
9 *subject to review under notice and comment rulemaking:*  
10 *Provided further, That, notwithstanding section 5130(c) of*  
11 *the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988 (42 U.S.C. 11909(c)), the*  
12 *Secretary may determine not to use any such funds to pro-*  
13 *vide public housing youth sports grants.*

14 *REVITALIZATION OF SEVERELY DISTRESSED PUBLIC*  
15 *HOUSING (HOPE VI)*

16 *For grants to public housing agencies for demolition,*  
17 *site revitalization, replacement housing, and tenant-based*  
18 *assistance grants to projects as authorized by section 24 of*  
19 *the United States Housing Act of 1937, \$500,000,000 to re-*  
20 *main available until expended: Provided, That for purposes*  
21 *of environmental review pursuant to the National Environ-*  
22 *mental Policy Act of 1969, a grant under this heading or*  
23 *under prior appropriations Acts for use for the purposes*  
24 *under this heading shall be treated as assistance under title*  
25 *I of the United States Housing Act of 1937 and shall be*  
26 *subject to the regulations issued by the Secretary to imple-*

1 *ment section 26 of such Act: Provided further, That none*  
2 *of such funds shall be used directly or indirectly by granting*  
3 *competitive advantage in awards to settle litigation or pay*  
4 *judgments, unless expressly permitted herein.*

5 *NATIVE AMERICAN HOUSING BLOCK GRANTS*

6 *For the Native American Housing Block Grants pro-*  
7 *gram, as authorized under title I of the Native American*  
8 *Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996*  
9 *(NAHASDA) (Public Law 104–330), \$620,000,000, to re-*  
10 *main available until expended, of which \$4,000,000 shall*  
11 *be used by the National American Indian Housing Council*  
12 *and up to \$2,000,000 by the Secretary to support the in-*  
13 *spection of Indian housing units, contract expertise, train-*  
14 *ing, and technical assistance in the oversight and manage-*  
15 *ment of Indian housing and tenant-based assistance, in-*  
16 *cluding up to \$300,000 for related travel: Provided, That*  
17 *of the amount provided under this heading, \$6,000,000 shall*  
18 *be made available for the cost of guaranteed notes and other*  
19 *obligations, as authorized by title VI of NAHASDA: Pro-*  
20 *vided further, That such costs, including the costs of modi-*  
21 *fying such notes and other obligations, shall be as defined*  
22 *in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, as*  
23 *amended: Provided further, That these funds are available*  
24 *to subsidize the total principal amount of any notes and*  
25 *other obligations, any part of which is to be guaranteed,*  
26 *not to exceed \$54,600,000: Provided further, That for ad-*

1 *ministrative expenses to carry out the guaranteed loan pro-*  
2 *gram, up to \$200,000 from amounts in the first proviso,*  
3 *which shall be transferred to and merged with the appro-*  
4 *priation for departmental salaries and expenses, to be used*  
5 *only for the administrative costs of these guarantees.*

6 *INDIAN HOUSING LOAN GUARANTEE FUND PROGRAM*

7 *ACCOUNT*

8 *For the cost of guaranteed loans, as authorized by sec-*  
9 *tion 184 of the Housing and Community Development Act*  
10 *of 1992 (106 Stat. 3739), \$6,000,000, to remain available*  
11 *until expended: Provided, That such costs, including the*  
12 *costs of modifying such loans, shall be as defined in section*  
13 *502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, as amended:*  
14 *Provided further, That these funds are available to subsidize*  
15 *total loan principal, any part of which is to be guaranteed,*  
16 *not to exceed \$71,956,000.*

17 *In addition, for administrative expenses to carry out*  
18 *the guaranteed loan program, up to \$150,000 from amounts*  
19 *in the first paragraph, which shall be transferred to and*  
20 *merged with the appropriation for departmental salaries*  
21 *and expenses, to be used only for the administrative costs*  
22 *of these guarantees.*

23 *RURAL HOUSING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT*

24 *For an Office of Rural Housing and Economic Devel-*  
25 *opment to be established in the Department of Housing and*  
26 *Urban Development, \$25,000,000, to remain available until*

1 *expended: Provided, That of the amount under this heading,*  
2 *up to \$3,000,000 shall be used to develop capacity at the*  
3 *State and local level for developing rural housing and for*  
4 *rural economic development and for maintaining a clear-*  
5 *inghouse of ideas for innovative strategies for rural housing*  
6 *and economic development and revitalization: Provided fur-*  
7 *ther, That of the amount under this heading, at least*  
8 *\$22,000,000 which amount shall be awarded by June 1,*  
9 *2000 to Indian tribes, State housing finance agencies, State*  
10 *community and/or economic development agencies, local*  
11 *rural nonprofits and community development corporations*  
12 *to support innovative housing and economic development*  
13 *activities in rural areas: Provided further, That all grants*  
14 *shall be awarded on a competitive basis as specified in sec-*  
15 *tion 102 of the HUD Reform Act.*

16 *COMMUNITY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT*

17 *HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONS WITH AIDS*

18 *For carrying out the Housing Opportunities for Per-*  
19 *sons with AIDS program, as authorized by the AIDS Hous-*  
20 *ing Opportunity Act (42 U.S.C. 12901), \$232,000,000, to*  
21 *remain available until expended: Provided, That, notwith-*  
22 *standing any other provision of law, the funds under this*  
23 *heading shall be awarded on a priority basis to renew and*  
24 *maintain existing programs funded under this heading:*

1 *Provided further, That the Secretary may use up to 1 per-*  
2 *cent of the funds under this heading for technical assistance.*

3 *COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANTS*

4 *(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)*

5 *For grants to States and units of general local govern-*  
6 *ment and for related expenses, not otherwise provided for,*  
7 *to carry out a community development grants program as*  
8 *authorized by title I of the Housing and Community Devel-*  
9 *opment Act of 1974, as amended (the “Act” herein) (42*  
10 *U.S.C. 5301), \$4,800,000,000, to remain available until*  
11 *September 30, 2002: Provided, That \$67,000,000 shall be*  
12 *for grants to Indian tribes notwithstanding section*  
13 *106(a)(1) of such Act, \$3,000,000 shall be available as a*  
14 *grant to the Housing Assistance Council, \$2,000,000 shall*  
15 *be available to support Alaska Native serving institutions*  
16 *and native Hawaiian serving institutions as defined under*  
17 *the Higher Education Act, as amended, \$1,800,000 shall be*  
18 *available as a grant to the National American Indian*  
19 *Housing Council, and \$45,500,000 shall be for grants pur-*  
20 *suant to section 107 of the Act: Provided further, That all*  
21 *funding decisions under section 107 except as specified here-*  
22 *in shall be subject to a reprogramming request unless other-*  
23 *wise specified in accordance with the terms and conditions*  
24 *specified in the committee report accompanying this Act:*  
25 *Provided further, That not to exceed 20 percent of any grant*  
26 *made with funds appropriated herein (other than a grant*

1 *made available in this paragraph to the Housing Assistance*  
2 *Council or the National American Indian Housing Council,*  
3 *or a grant using funds under section 107(b)(3) of the Hous-*  
4 *ing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended)*  
5 *shall be expended for “Planning and Management Develop-*  
6 *ment” and “Administration” as defined in regulations pro-*  
7 *mulgated by the Department: Provided further, That all*  
8 *balances for the Economic Development Initiative grants*  
9 *program, the John Heinz Neighborhood Development pro-*  
10 *gram, grants to Self Help Housing Opportunity program,*  
11 *and the Moving to Work Demonstration program previously*  
12 *funded within the “Annual Contributions for Assisted*  
13 *Housing” account shall be transferred to this account, to*  
14 *be available for the purposes for which they were originally*  
15 *appropriated.*

16 *Of the amount made available under this heading,*  
17 *\$25,000,000 shall be made available for “Capacity Building*  
18 *for Community Development and Affordable Housing,” for*  
19 *LISC and the Enterprise Foundation for activities as au-*  
20 *thorized by section 4 of the HUD Demonstration Act of*  
21 *1993 (Public Law 103–120), as in effect immediately before*  
22 *June 12, 1997, with not less than \$5,000,000 of the funding*  
23 *to be used in rural areas, including tribal areas.*

24 *Of the amount made available under this heading, the*  
25 *Secretary of Housing and Urban Development may use up*



1 to \$45,000,000 for supportive services for public housing  
2 residents, as authorized by section 34 of the United States  
3 Housing Act of 1937, as amended, and not less than  
4 \$10,000,000 for grants for service coordinators and con-  
5 gregate services for the elderly and disabled residents of pub-  
6 lic and assisted housing: Provided further, That amounts  
7 made available for congregate services and service coordina-  
8 tors for the elderly and disabled under this heading and  
9 in prior fiscal years may be used by grantees to reimburse  
10 themselves for costs incurred in connection with providing  
11 service coordinators previously advanced by grantees out of  
12 other funds due to delays in the granting by or receipt of  
13 funds from the Secretary, and the funds so made available  
14 to grantees for congregate services or service coordinators  
15 under this heading or in prior years shall be considered  
16 as expended by the grantees upon such reimbursement. The  
17 Secretary shall not condition the availability of funding  
18 made available under this heading or in prior years for  
19 congregate services or service coordinators upon any grant-  
20 ee's obligation or expenditure of any prior funding.

21       Of the amount made available under this heading, not-  
22 withstanding any other provision of law, \$42,500,000 shall  
23 be available for YouthBuild program activities authorized  
24 by subtitle D of title IV of the Cranston-Gonzalez National  
25 Affordable Housing Act, as amended, and such activities

1 *shall be an eligible activity with respect to any funds made*  
2 *available under this heading: Provided, That local*  
3 *YouthBuild programs that demonstrate an ability to lever-*  
4 *age private and nonprofit funding shall be given a priority*  
5 *for YouthBuild funding: Provided further, That up to*  
6 *\$2,500,000 may be used for capacity buildings efforts.*

7 *Of the amount made available under this heading,*  
8 *\$110,000,000 shall be available for grants for the Economic*  
9 *Development Initiative (EDI) to finance a variety of eco-*  
10 *nomie development efforts, including \$95,000,000 for mak-*  
11 *ing individual grants for targeted economic investments in*  
12 *accordance with the terms and conditions specified for such*  
13 *grants in the committee report accompanying this Act.*

14 *For the cost of guaranteed loans, \$29,000,000, as au-*  
15 *thorized by section 108 of the Housing and Community De-*  
16 *velopment Act of 1974: Provided, That such costs, including*  
17 *the cost of modifying such loans, shall be as defined in sec-*  
18 *tion 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, as*  
19 *amended: Provided further, That these funds are available*  
20 *to subsidize total loan principal, any part of which is to*  
21 *be guaranteed, not to exceed \$1,261,000,000, notwith-*  
22 *standing any aggregate limitation on outstanding obliga-*  
23 *tions guaranteed in section 108(k) of the Housing and Com-*  
24 *munity Development Act of 1974: Provided further, That*  
25 *in addition, for administrative expenses to carry out the*

1 *guaranteed loan program, \$1,000,000, which shall be trans-*  
2 *ferred to and merged with the appropriation for depart-*  
3 *mental salaries and expenses.*

4 *The Secretary is directed to transfer the administra-*  
5 *tion of the small cities component of the Community Devel-*  
6 *opment Block Grant Program for fiscal year 2000 and all*  
7 *fiscal years thereafter to the State of New York. No funds*  
8 *under this heading may be made available to grantees until*  
9 *the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development transfers*  
10 *the administration of the Small Cities component of the*  
11 *Community Development Block Grants program to the*  
12 *State of New York.*

13 *BROWNFIELDS REDEVELOPMENT*

14 *For Economic Development Grants, as authorized by*  
15 *section 108(q) of the Housing and Community Development*  
16 *Act of 1974, as amended, for Brownfields redevelopment*  
17 *projects, \$25,000,000, to remain available until expended:*  
18 *Provided, That the Secretary of Housing and Urban Devel-*  
19 *opment shall make these grants available on a competitive*  
20 *basis as specified in section 102 of the Department of Hous-*  
21 *ing and Urban Development Reform Act of 1989.*

22 *HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM*

23 *For the HOME investment partnerships program, as*  
24 *authorized under title II of the Cranston-Gonzalez National*  
25 *Affordable Housing Act (Public Law 101-625), as amended,*  
26 *\$1,600,000,000, to remain available until expended: Pro-*

1 vided, That up to \$20,000,000 of these funds shall be avail-  
2 able for Housing Counseling under section 106 of the Hous-  
3 ing and Urban Development Act of 1968: Provided further,  
4 That all Housing Counseling program balances previously  
5 appropriated in the "Housing Counseling Assistance" ac-  
6 count shall be transferred to this account, to be available  
7 for the purposes for which they were originally appro-  
8 priated.

9 *HOMELESS ASSISTANCE GRANTS*

10 *For the emergency shelter grants program (as author-*  
11 *ized under subtitle B of title IV of the Stewart B. McKinney*  
12 *Homeless Assistance Act, as amended); the supportive hous-*  
13 *ing program (as authorized under subtitle C of title IV of*  
14 *such Act); the section 8 moderate rehabilitation single room*  
15 *occupancy program (as authorized under the United States*  
16 *Housing Act of 1937, as amended) to assist homeless indi-*  
17 *viduals pursuant to section 441 of the Stewart B. McKinney*  
18 *Homeless Assistance Act; and the shelter plus care program*  
19 *(as authorized under subtitle F of title IV of such Act),*  
20 *\$1,020,000,000, to remain available until expended: Pro-*  
21 *vided, That not less than 30 percent of these funds shall*  
22 *be used for permanent housing, and all funding for services*  
23 *must be matched by 25 percent in funding by each grantee:*  
24 *Provided further, That the Secretary of Housing and Urban*  
25 *Development shall conduct a review of any balances of*  
26 *amounts provided under this heading in this or any pre-*

1 *vious appropriations Act that have been obligated but re-*  
2 *main unexpended and shall deobligate any such amounts*  
3 *that the Secretary determines were obligated for contracts*  
4 *that are unlikely to be performed and award such amounts*  
5 *during this fiscal year: Provided further, That up to 1 per-*  
6 *cent of the funds appropriated under this heading may be*  
7 *used for technical assistance: Provided further, That all bal-*  
8 *ances previously appropriated in the “Emergency Shelter*  
9 *Grants,” “Supportive Housing,” “Supplemental Assistance*  
10 *for Facilities to Assist the Homeless,” “Shelter Plus Care,”*  
11 *“Section 8 Moderate Rehabilitation Single Room Occu-*  
12 *pancy,” and “Innovative Homeless Initiatives Demonstra-*  
13 *tion” accounts shall be transferred to and merged with this*  
14 *account, to be available for any authorized purpose under*  
15 *this heading.*

## 16 *HOUSING PROGRAMS*

### 17 *HOUSING FOR SPECIAL POPULATIONS*

18 *For assistance for the purchase, construction, acquisi-*  
19 *tion, or development of additional public and subsidized*  
20 *housing units for low income families not otherwise pro-*  
21 *vided for, \$911,000,000, to remain available until expended:*  
22 *Provided, That \$710,000,000 shall be for capital advances,*  
23 *including amendments to capital advance contracts, for*  
24 *housing for the elderly, as authorized by section 202 of the*  
25 *Housing Act of 1959, as amended, and for project rental*

1 assistance, and amendments to contracts for project rental  
2 assistance, for the elderly under such section 202(c)(2), and  
3 for supportive services associated with the housing of which  
4 amount \$50,000,000 shall be for service coordinators and  
5 continuation of existing congregate services grants for resi-  
6 dents of assisted housing projects, and for other eligible el-  
7 derly persons residing in the neighborhood in which such  
8 projects are located on an exception basis, and of which  
9 amount \$50,000,000 shall be for grants for conversion of  
10 existing section 202 projects, or portions thereof, to assisted  
11 living or related use, subject to the provision that the Sec-  
12 retary shall select existing section 202 projects to receive  
13 such assistance on a competitive basis based on a set of con-  
14 ditions that take into account the need for and quality of  
15 the proposed alterations, the extent to which the application  
16 demonstrates the ability to complete the alterations prompt-  
17 ly and successfully, past history of successful deliverance of  
18 services to the elderly, and such other factors as the Sec-  
19 retary deems appropriate: Provided further, That of the  
20 amount under this heading, \$201,000,000 shall be for cap-  
21 ital advances, including amendments to capital advance  
22 contracts, for supportive housing for persons with disabili-  
23 ties, as authorized by section 811 of the Cranston-Gonzalez  
24 National Affordable Housing Act, for project rental assist-  
25 ance, for amendments to contracts for project rental assist-

1 *ance, and supportive services associated with the housing*  
2 *for persons with disabilities as authorized by section 811*  
3 *of such Act: Provided further, That the Secretary may des-*  
4 *ignate up to 25 percent of the amounts earmarked under*  
5 *this paragraph for section 811 of such Act for tenant-based*  
6 *assistance, as authorized under that section, including such*  
7 *authority as may be waived under the next proviso, which*  
8 *assistance is five years in duration: Provided further, That*  
9 *the Secretary may waive any provision of such section 202*  
10 *and such section 811 (including the provisions governing*  
11 *the terms and conditions of project rental assistance and*  
12 *tenant-based assistance) that the Secretary determines is*  
13 *not necessary to achieve the objectives of these programs,*  
14 *or that otherwise impedes the ability to develop, operate or*  
15 *administer projects assisted under these programs, and may*  
16 *make provision for alternative conditions or terms where*  
17 *appropriate.*

18 *FLEXIBLE SUBSIDY FUND*

19 *(TRANSFER OF FUNDS)*

20 *From the Rental Housing Assistance Fund, all uncom-*  
21 *mited balances of excess rental charges as of September 30,*  
22 *1999, and any collections made during fiscal year 2000,*  
23 *shall be transferred to the Flexible Subsidy Fund, as author-*  
24 *ized by section 236(g) of the National Housing Act, as*  
25 *amended.*

1                    *FEDERAL HOUSING ADMINISTRATION*  
2    *FHA—MUTUAL MORTGAGE INSURANCE PROGRAM ACCOUNT*  
3                    *(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)*

4            *During fiscal year 2000, commitments to guarantee*  
5 *loans to carry out the purposes of section 203(b) of the Na-*  
6 *tional Housing Act, as amended, shall not exceed a loan*  
7 *principal of \$120,000,000,000.*

8            *During fiscal year 2000, obligations to make direct*  
9 *loans to carry out the purposes of section 204(g) of the Na-*  
10 *tional Housing Act, as amended, shall not exceed*  
11 *\$100,000,000: Provided, That the foregoing amount shall be*  
12 *for loans to nonprofit and governmental entities in connec-*  
13 *tion with sales of single family real properties owned by*  
14 *the Secretary and formerly insured under the Mutual Mort-*  
15 *gage Insurance Fund: Provided further, That no amounts*  
16 *made available to provide housing assistance with respect*  
17 *to the purchase of any single family real property owned*  
18 *by the Secretary or the Federal Housing Administration*  
19 *may discriminate between public and private elementary*  
20 *and secondary school teachers.*

21            *For administrative expenses necessary to carry out the*  
22 *guaranteed and direct loan program, \$330,888,000, of*  
23 *which not to exceed \$324,866,000 shall be transferred to the*  
24 *appropriation for departmental salaries and expenses; not*  
25 *to exceed \$4,022,000 shall be transferred to the appropria-*  
26 *tion for the Office of Inspector General. In addition, for*



1 *administrative contract expenses, \$160,000,000: Provided,*  
2 *That to the extent guaranteed loan commitments exceed*  
3 *\$49,664,000,000 on or before April 1, 2000, an additional*  
4 *\$1,400 for administrative contract expenses shall be avail-*  
5 *able for each \$1,000,000 in additional guaranteed loan*  
6 *commitments (including a pro rata amount for any*  
7 *amount below \$1,000,000), but in no case shall funds made*  
8 *available by this proviso exceed \$16,000,000.*

9 *FHA—GENERAL AND SPECIAL RISK PROGRAM ACCOUNT*

10 *(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)*

11 *For the cost of guaranteed loans, as authorized by sec-*  
12 *tions 238 and 519 of the National Housing Act (12 U.S.C.*  
13 *1715z-3 and 1735c), including the cost of loan guarantee*  
14 *modifications (as that term is defined in section 502 of the*  
15 *Congressional Budget Act of 1974, as amended),*  
16 *\$153,000,000, including not to exceed \$153,000,000 from*  
17 *unobligated balances previously appropriated under this*  
18 *heading, to remain available until expended: Provided,*  
19 *That these funds are available to subsidize total loan prin-*  
20 *cipal, any part of which is to be guaranteed, of up to*  
21 *\$18,100,000,000: Provided further, That any amounts made*  
22 *available in any prior appropriations Act for the cost (as*  
23 *such term is defined in section 502 of the Congressional*  
24 *Budget Act of 1974) of guaranteed loans that are obliga-*  
25 *tions of the funds established under section 238 or 519 of*  
26 *the National Housing Act that have not been obligated or*

1 *that are deobligated shall be available to the Secretary of*  
2 *Housing and Urban Development in connection with the*  
3 *making of such guarantees and shall remain available until*  
4 *expended, notwithstanding the expiration of any period of*  
5 *availability otherwise applicable to such amounts.*

6 *Gross obligations for the principal amount of direct*  
7 *loans, as authorized by sections 204(g), 207(l), 238, and*  
8 *519(a) of the National Housing Act, shall not exceed*  
9 *\$50,000,000; of which not to exceed \$30,000,000 shall be for*  
10 *bridge financing in connection with the sale of multifamily*  
11 *real properties owned by the Secretary and formerly in-*  
12 *sured under such Act; and of which not to exceed*  
13 *\$20,000,000 shall be for loans to nonprofit and govern-*  
14 *mental entities in connection with the sale of single-family*  
15 *real properties owned by the Secretary and formerly in-*  
16 *sured under such Act: Provided further, That no amounts*  
17 *made available to provide housing assistance with respect*  
18 *to the purchase of any single family real property owned*  
19 *by the Secretary or the Federal Housing Administration*  
20 *may discriminate between public and private elementary*  
21 *and secondary school teachers.*

22 *In addition, for administrative expenses necessary to*  
23 *carry out the guaranteed and direct loan programs,*  
24 *\$211,455,000 (including not to exceed \$147,000,000 from*  
25 *unobligated balances previously appropriated under this*

1 heading), of which \$193,134,000, shall be transferred to the  
2 appropriation for departmental salaries and expenses; and  
3 of which \$18,321,000 shall be transferred to the appropria-  
4 tion for the Office of Inspector General. In addition, for  
5 administrative contract expenses necessary to carry out the  
6 guaranteed and direct loan programs, \$144,000,000: Pro-  
7 vided, That to the extent guaranteed loan commitments ex-  
8 ceed \$7,263,000,000 on or before April 1, 2000, an addi-  
9 tional \$19,800 for administrative contract expenses shall be  
10 available for each \$1,000,000 in additional guaranteed loan  
11 commitments over \$7,263,000,000 (including a pro rata  
12 amount for any increment below \$1,000,000), but in no case  
13 shall funds made available by this proviso exceed  
14 \$14,400,000.

15        *GOVERNMENT NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION*  
16        *GUARANTEES OF MORTGAGE-BACKED SECURITIES LOAN*  
17                        *GUARANTEE PROGRAM ACCOUNT*  
18                        *(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)*

19        *During fiscal year 2000, new commitments to issue*  
20 *guarantees to carry out the purposes of section 306 of the*  
21 *National Housing Act, as amended (12 U.S.C. 1721(g)),*  
22 *shall not exceed \$200,000,000,000.*

23        *For administrative expenses necessary to carry out the*  
24 *guaranteed mortgage-backed securities program,*  
25 *\$15,383,000, of which not to exceed \$9,383,000 shall be*

1 transferred to the appropriation for departmental salaries  
2 and expenses.

3 *POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND RESEARCH*

4 *RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY*

5 *For contracts, grants, and necessary expenses of pro-*  
6 *grams of research and studies relating to housing and*  
7 *urban problems, not otherwise provided for, as authorized*  
8 *by title V of the Housing and Urban Development Act of*  
9 *1970, as amended (12 U.S.C. 1701z-1 et seq.), including*  
10 *carrying out the functions of the Secretary under section*  
11 *1(a)(1)(i) of Reorganization Plan No. 2 of 1968,*  
12 *\$35,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2001.*

13 *FAIR HOUSING AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITY*

14 *FAIR HOUSING ACTIVITIES*

15 *For contracts, grants, and other assistance, not other-*  
16 *wise provided for, as authorized by title VIII of the Civil*  
17 *Rights Act of 1968, as amended by the Fair Housing*  
18 *Amendments Act of 1988, and section 561 of the Housing*  
19 *and Community Development Act of 1987, as amended,*  
20 *\$40,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2001,*  
21 *of which \$20,000,000 shall be to carry out activities pursu-*  
22 *ant to such section 561: Provided, That no funds made*  
23 *available under this heading shall be used to lobby the exec-*  
24 *utive or legislative branches of the Federal Government in*  
25 *connection with a specific contract, grant or loan.*

1                    *OFFICE OF LEAD HAZARD CONTROL*

2                    *LEAD HAZARD REDUCTION*

3            *For the Lead Hazard Reduction Program, as author-*  
4 *ized by sections 1011 and 1053 of the Residential Lead-*  
5 *Based Hazard Reduction Act of 1992, \$80,000,000 to re-*  
6 *main available until expended, of which \$10,000,000 shall*  
7 *be for a Healthy Homes Initiative, which shall be a pro-*  
8 *gram pursuant to sections 501 and 502 of the Housing and*  
9 *Urban Development Act of 1970 that shall include research,*  
10 *studies, testing, and demonstration efforts, including edu-*  
11 *cation and outreach concerning lead-based paint poisoning*  
12 *and other housing-related environmental diseases and haz-*  
13 *ards: Provided, That all balances for the Lead Hazard Re-*  
14 *duction Programs previously funded in the Annual Con-*  
15 *tributions for Assisted Housing and Community Develop-*  
16 *ment Block Grant accounts shall be transferred to this ac-*  
17 *count, to be available for the purposes for which they were*  
18 *originally appropriated.*

19                    *MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION*

20                    *SALARIES AND EXPENSES*

21                    *(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)*

22            *For necessary administrative and non-administrative*  
23 *expenses of the Department of Housing and Urban Develop-*  
24 *ment, not otherwise provided for, including not to exceed*  
25 *\$7,000 for official reception and representation expenses,*  
26 *\$985,826,000, of which \$518,000,000 shall be provided from*

1 *the various funds of the Federal Housing Administration,*  
2 *\$9,383,000 shall be provided from funds of the Government*  
3 *National Mortgage Association, \$1,000,000 shall be pro-*  
4 *vided from the “Community Development Block Grants*  
5 *Program” account, \$150,000 shall be provided by transfer*  
6 *from the “Title VI Indian Federal Guarantees Program”*  
7 *account, and \$200,000 shall be provided by transfer from*  
8 *the “Indian Housing Loan Guarantee Fund Program” ac-*  
9 *count: Provided, That the Secretary is prohibited from*  
10 *using any funds under this heading or any other heading*  
11 *in this Act from employing more than 77 schedule C and*  
12 *20 noncareer Senior Executive Service employees: Provided*  
13 *further, That the Secretary is prohibited from using funds*  
14 *under this heading or any other heading in this Act to em-*  
15 *ploy more than 9,300 employees, including any contract*  
16 *employees working on site in the Department: Provided fur-*  
17 *ther, That the Secretary is prohibited from using funds*  
18 *under this heading or any other heading in this Act after*  
19 *February 1, 2000 to employ any external community build-*  
20 *ers or to convert any external community builder to career*  
21 *employee after August 1, 1999: Provided further, That the*  
22 *Secretary is prohibited from using funds under this heading*  
23 *or any other heading in this Act to employ more than 14*  
24 *employees in the Office of Public Affairs: Provided further,*  
25 *That the Secretary is prohibited from using funds in excess*

1 of \$1,000,000 under this heading or any other heading in  
2 this Act to pay for travel: Provided further, That the Sec-  
3 retary may not reduce the staffing level at any Department  
4 of Housing and Urban Development State or local office.

5 OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL  
6 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

7 For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector Gen-  
8 eral in carrying out the Inspector General Act of 1978, as  
9 amended, \$95,910,000, of which \$22,343,000 shall be pro-  
10 vided from the various funds of the Federal Housing Ad-  
11 ministration and \$10,000,000 shall be provided from the  
12 amount earmarked for Operation Safe Home in the “Drug  
13 Elimination Grants for Low-Income Housing” account:  
14 Provided, That the Inspector General shall have inde-  
15 pendent authority over all personnel issues within the Office  
16 of Inspector General: Provided further, That of the amount  
17 under this heading, \$10,000,000 shall be made available for  
18 the Inspector General to enter in contracts for independent  
19 financial audits of programs at the Department of Housing  
20 and Urban Development, including audits of internal fi-  
21 nancial accounts: Provided further, That the amount made  
22 available under the previous proviso shall remain available  
23 for obligation until September 30, 2001.

1 *OFFICE OF FEDERAL HOUSING ENTERPRISE OVERSIGHT*  
2 *SALARIES AND EXPENSES*  
3 *(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)*

4 *For carrying out the Federal Housing Enterprise Fi-*  
5 *nancial Safety and Soundness Act of 1992, \$19,493,000, to*  
6 *remain available until expended, to be derived from the*  
7 *Federal Housing Enterprise Oversight Fund: Provided,*  
8 *That not to exceed such amount shall be available from the*  
9 *General Fund of the Treasury to the extent necessary to*  
10 *incur obligations and make expenditures pending the re-*  
11 *ceipt of collections to the Fund: Provided further, That the*  
12 *General Fund amount shall be reduced as collections are*  
13 *received during the fiscal year so as to result in a final*  
14 *appropriation from the General Fund estimated at not*  
15 *more than \$0.*

16 *ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS*

17 *FINANCING ADJUSTMENT FACTORS*

18 *SEC. 201. Fifty percent of the amounts of budget au-*  
19 *thority, or in lieu thereof 50 percent of the cash amounts*  
20 *associated with such budget authority, that are recaptured*  
21 *from projects described in section 1012(a) of the Stewart*  
22 *B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Amendments Act of 1988*  
23 *(Public Law 100–628, 102 Stat. 3224, 3268) shall be re-*  
24 *scinded, or in the case of cash, shall be remitted to the*  
25 *Treasury, and such amounts of budget authority or cash*  
26 *recaptured and not rescinded or remitted to the Treasury*



1 *shall be used by State housing finance agencies or local gov-*  
2 *ernments or local housing agencies with projects approved*  
3 *by the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development for*  
4 *which settlement occurred after January 1, 1992, in accord-*  
5 *ance with such section. Notwithstanding the previous sen-*  
6 *tence, the Secretary may award up to 15 percent of the*  
7 *budget authority or cash recaptured and not rescinded or*  
8 *remitted to the Treasury to provide project owners with in-*  
9 *centives to refinance their project at a lower interest rate.*

10 *FAIR HOUSING AND FREE SPEECH*

11 *SEC. 202. None of the amounts made available under*  
12 *this Act may be used during fiscal year 2000 to investigate*  
13 *or prosecute under the Fair Housing Act any otherwise law-*  
14 *ful activity engaged in by one or more persons, including*  
15 *the filing or maintaining of a nonfrivolous legal action,*  
16 *that is engaged in solely for the purpose of achieving or*  
17 *preventing action by a government official or entity, or a*  
18 *court of competent jurisdiction.*

19 *ENHANCED DISPOSITION AUTHORITY*

20 *SEC. 203. Section 204 of the Departments of Veterans*  
21 *Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and Inde-*  
22 *pendent Agencies Appropriations Act, 1997, is amended by*  
23 *striking “fiscal years 1997, 1998 and 1999” and inserting*  
24 *“fiscal years 1999 and 2000”.*



1           (2) *in the first sentence of subsection (c)(4) by*  
2           *striking “during fiscal year 1999” and inserting “in*  
3           *each of fiscal years 1999 and 2000”.*

4           *CLARIFICATION OF OWNER’S RIGHT TO PREPAY*

5           *SEC. 206. (a) PREPAYMENT RIGHT.—Notwithstanding*  
6           *section 211 of the Housing and Community Development*  
7           *Act of 1987 or section 221 of the Housing and Community*  
8           *Development Act of 1987 (as in effect pursuant to section*  
9           *604(c) of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Hous-*  
10           *ing Act), subject to subsection (b), with respect to any*  
11           *project that is eligible low-income housing (as that term is*  
12           *defined in section 229 of the Housing and Community De-*  
13           *velopment Act of 1987)—*

14           (1) *the owner of the project may prepay, and the*  
15           *mortgagee may accept prepayment of, the mortgage*  
16           *on the project, and*

17           (2) *the owner may request voluntary termination*  
18           *of a mortgage insurance contract with respect to such*  
19           *project and the contract may be terminated notwith-*  
20           *standing any requirements under sections 229 and*  
21           *250 of the National Housing Act.*

22           (b) *CONDITIONS.—Any prepayment of a mortgage or*  
23           *termination of an insurance contract authorized under sub-*  
24           *section (a) may be made—*

25           (1) *only to the extent that such prepayment or*  
26           *termination is consistent with the terms and condi-*

1        *tions of the mortgage on or mortgage insurance con-*  
2        *tract for the project;*

3            *(2) only if the owner of the project involved*  
4        *agrees not to increase the rent charges for any dwell-*  
5        *ing unit in the project during the 60-day period be-*  
6        *ginning upon such prepayment or termination; and*

7            *(3) only if the owner of the project provides no-*  
8        *tice of intent to prepay or terminate, in such form as*  
9        *the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development*  
10       *may prescribe, to each tenant of the housing, the Sec-*  
11       *retary, and the chief executive officer of the appro-*  
12       *priate State or local government for the jurisdiction*  
13       *within which the housing is located, not less than 150*  
14       *days, but not more than 270 days, before such pre-*  
15       *payment or termination, except that such requirement*  
16       *shall not apply to a prepayment or termination*  
17       *that—*

18            *(A) occurs during the 150-day period imme-*  
19        *diately following the date of the enactment of*  
20        *this Act;*

21            *(B) is necessary to effect conversion to own-*  
22        *ership by a priority purchaser (as defined in sec-*  
23        *tion 231(a) of the Low-Income Housing Preser-*  
24        *vation and Resident Ownership Act of 1990 (12*  
25        *U.S.C. 4120(a)), or*

1           (C) will otherwise ensure that the project  
2 will continue to operate, at least until the matu-  
3 rity date of the loan or mortgage, in a manner  
4 that will provide rental housing on terms at  
5 least as advantageous to existing and future ten-  
6 ants as the terms required by the program under  
7 which the loan or mortgage was made or insured  
8 prior to the proposed prepayment or termi-  
9 nation.

10           *FUNDING OF CERTAIN PUBLIC HOUSING*

11           *SEC. 207. No funds in this Act or any other Act may*  
12 *hereafter be used by the Secretary of Housing and Urban*  
13 *Development to determine allocations or provide assistance*  
14 *for operating subsidies or modernization for certain State*  
15 *and city funded and locally developed public housing or as-*  
16 *sisted housing units, as described in section 9(n)(1)(B) of*  
17 *the United States Housing Act of 1937, unless such unit*  
18 *was so assisted before October 1, 1998.*

19           *FHA ADMINISTRATIVE CONTRACT EXPENSE AUTHORITY*

20           *SEC. 208. Section 1 of the National Housing Act (12*  
21 *U.S.C. 1702) is amended by inserting the following new*  
22 *sentence after the first proviso: "For the purposes of this*  
23 *section, the term "nonadministrative" shall not include*  
24 *contract expenses that are not capitalized or routinely de-*  
25 *ducted from the proceeds of sales, and such expenses shall*  
26 *not be payable from funds made available by this Act."*

1 *FULL PAYMENT OF CLAIMS*

2 *SEC. 209. (a) Section 541 of the National Housing Act*  
3 *is amended—*

4 *(1) by amending the heading to read as follows:*

5 *“PARTIAL PAYMENT OF CLAIMS ON DEFAULTED MORT-*  
6 *GAGES AND IN CONNECTION WITH MORTGAGE RE-*  
7 *STRUCTURING”;* and

8 *(2) in subsection (b), by striking “partial pay-*  
9 *ment of the claim under the mortgage insurance con-*  
10 *tract” and inserting, “partial or full payment of*  
11 *claim under one or more mortgage insurance con-*  
12 *tracts”.*

13 *(b) Section 517 of the Multifamily Assisted Housing*  
14 *Reform and Affordability Act of 1997 is amended by adding*  
15 *a new subsection (a)(6) to read as follows: “(6) The second*  
16 *mortgage under this section may be a first mortgage if no*  
17 *restructured or new first mortgage will meet the require-*  
18 *ment of paragraph (1)(A).”.*

19 *AVAILABILITY OF INCOME MATCHING INFORMATION*

20 *SEC. 210. (a) Section 3(f) of the United States Hous-*  
21 *ing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437a), as amended by section*  
22 *508(d)(1) of the Quality Housing and Work Responsibility*  
23 *Act of 1998, is further amended—*

24 *(1) in paragraph (1)—*

25 *(A) after the first appearance of “public*  
26 *housing agency”, by inserting “, or the owner re-*

1            *sponsible for determining the participant’s eligi-*  
2            *bility or level of benefits,”; and*

3            *(B) after “as applicable”, by inserting “, or*  
4            *to the owner responsible for determining the par-*  
5            *ticipant’s eligibility or level of benefits”; and*

6            *(2) in paragraph (2)—*

7            *(A) in subparagraph (A), by striking “or”;*

8            *(B) in subparagraph (B), by striking the*  
9            *period and inserting “, or”; and*

10           *(C) by inserting at the end the following*  
11           *new subparagraph:*

12           *“(C) for which project-based assistance is pro-*  
13           *vided under section 8, section 202, or section 811.”.*

14           *(b) Section 904(b) of the Stewart B. McKinney Home-*  
15           *less Assistance Amendments Act of 1988 (42 U.S.C. 3544),*  
16           *as amended by section 508(d)(2) of the Quality Housing*  
17           *and Work Responsibility Act of 1998, is further amended*  
18           *in paragraph (4)—*

19           *(1) by inserting after “public housing agency”*  
20           *the first time it appears the following: “, or the owner*  
21           *responsible for determining the participant’s eligi-*  
22           *bility or level of benefits,”; and*

23           *(2) by striking “the public housing agency*  
24           *verifying income” and inserting “verifying income”.*

1 *ELIMINATION OF SECRETARY PUBLIC HOUSING SET-ASIDE*  
2 *FUNDS*

3 *SEC. 211. Subsection (k) of section 9 of the United*  
4 *States Housing Act of 1937, as amended by the Quality*  
5 *Housing and Work Responsibility Act of 1998, is hereby*  
6 *deleted and the following subsections are redesignated, ac-*  
7 *ordingly.*

8 *TECHNICAL CORRECTION TO THE DEPARTMENTS OF VET-*  
9 *ERANS AFFAIRS AND HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOP-*  
10 *MENT, AND INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS*  
11 *ACT, 1998*

12 *SEC. 212. (a) EXEMPTIONS FROM RESTRUCTURING.—*  
13 *Section 514(h)(1) of the Departments of Veterans Affairs*  
14 *and Housing and Urban Development, and Independent*  
15 *Agencies Appropriations Act, 1998 is amended to read as*  
16 *follows:*

17 *“(1) the primary financing for the project was pro-*  
18 *vided by a unit of State government or a unit of general*  
19 *local government (or an agency or instrumentality of ei-*  
20 *ther) and the primary financing involves mortgage insur-*  
21 *ance under the National Housing Act, such that the imple-*  
22 *mentation of a mortgage restructuring and rental assist-*  
23 *ance sufficiency plan under this Act would be in conflict*  
24 *with applicable law or agreements governing such financ-*  
25 *ing;”.*





1 *the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development certifies*  
 2 *that such compensation should be increased on an indi-*  
 3 *vidual basis.*

4 *ADJUSTMENTS TO INCOME ELIGIBILITY FOR UNUSUALLY*  
 5 *HIGH OR LOW FAMILIES INCOMES IN ASSISTED HOUSING*

6 *SEC. 216. Section 16 of the United States Housing Act*  
 7 *of 1937 is amended—*

8 *(1) in subsection (a)(2)(A), by inserting before*  
 9 *the period the following: “; except that the Secretary*  
 10 *may establish income ceilings higher or lower than 30*  
 11 *percent of the area median income on the basis of the*  
 12 *Secretary’s findings that such variations are nec-*  
 13 *essary because of unusually high or low family in-*  
 14 *comes”; and*

15 *(2) in subsection (c)(3), by inserting before the*  
 16 *period the following: “; except that the Secretary may*  
 17 *establish income ceilings higher or lower than 30 per-*  
 18 *cent of the area median income on the basis of the*  
 19 *Secretary’s findings that such variations are nec-*  
 20 *essary because of unusually high or low family in-*  
 21 *comes”.*

22 *GAO REIMBURSEMENT*

23 *SEC. 217. The Comptroller General of the United*  
 24 *States shall certify to the Congress on a quarterly basis on*  
 25 *the cost of time attributable to the failure of the Department*  
 26 *of Housing and Urban Development to cooperate in any*

1 *investigation being conducted by the General Accounting*  
2 *Office with regard to the activities of the Department. With-*  
3 *in 30 days of such certification, the Secretary of Housing*  
4 *and Urban Development shall reimburse the General Ac-*  
5 *counting Office for such costs from the Salaries and Ex-*  
6 *penses account of the Department of Housing and Urban*  
7 *Development.*

8 *HOME TECHNICAL CORRECTION*

9 *SEC. 218. Section 212(a)(1) of the Cranston-Gonzalez*  
10 *National Affordable Housing Act is amended in the first*  
11 *sentence by inserting after “community housing develop-*  
12 *ment organizations,” the following: “to preserve housing as-*  
13 *sisted or previously assisted with section 8 assistance,”.*

14 *EXEMPTION FOR ALASKA AND MISSISSIPPI FROM*  
15 *REQUIREMENT OF RESIDENT ON BOARD*

16 *SEC. 219. Public housing agencies in the states of Alas-*  
17 *ka and Mississippi shall not be required to comply with*  
18 *section 2(b) of the United States Housing Act of 1937, as*  
19 *amended, during fiscal year 2000.*

20 *ADMINISTRATION OF THE CDBG PROGRAM BY NEW YORK*  
21 *STATE*

22 *SEC. 220. The Secretary of Housing and Urban Devel-*  
23 *opment shall transfer on October 1, 1999 the administra-*  
24 *tion of the Small Cities component of the Community De-*  
25 *velopment Block Grants program, as established in the*

1 *Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, to the*  
2 *State of New York to be administered by the Governor.*

3 *RENEWAL OF SECTION 8 PROJECT-BASED CONTRACTS*

4 *SEC. 221. (a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any*  
5 *other provision of law and except as provided in subsection*  
6 *(b) of this section, the Secretary may use amounts available*  
7 *for the renewal of assistance under section 8 of the United*  
8 *States Housing Act of 1937, upon the termination or expi-*  
9 *ration of a contract for assistance under section 8 (other*  
10 *than a contract for tenant-based assistance and notwith-*  
11 *standing section 8(v) of such Act for loan management as-*  
12 *sistance), to provide assistance under section 8 of such Act*  
13 *for a covered project (as defined under section 524(b)(2) of*  
14 *the Multifamily Assisted Housing Reform and Affordability*  
15 *Act) under this section at rent levels that do not exceed com-*  
16 *parable market rents for the market area.*

17 *(b) MANDATORY RENEWALS.—The Secretary shall*  
18 *offer to renew at up to rent levels that do not exceed com-*  
19 *parable market rents for the market area any contract for*  
20 *assistance under section 8 of the United States Housing Act*  
21 *of 1937 (other than a contract for tenant-based assistance*  
22 *and notwithstanding section 8(v) of such Act for loan man-*  
23 *agement assistance) that has expired for any covered project*  
24 *(as defined under section 524(b)(2) of the Multifamily As-*  
25 *sisted Housing Reform and Affordability Act)—*

26 *(1) in a low-vacancy area; or*

1           (2) *where a predominant number of units are oc-*  
2           *cupied by elderly families, disabled families, or elder-*  
3           *ly and disabled families.*

4           (c) *ESTABLISHMENT OF MARKET RENTS.—The Sec-*  
5           *retary shall establish for units assisted with project-based*  
6           *assistance in covered projects (as defined under section*  
7           *524(b)(2) of the Multifamily Assisted Housing Reform and*  
8           *Affordability Act) adjusted rent levels that are equivalent*  
9           *to rents based on appraisals that are derived from com-*  
10           *parable properties if the market rent determination is based*  
11           *on not less than 2 comparable properties, including, if there*  
12           *are no comparable properties in the same market area, 2*  
13           *properties that have been certified by the Secretary as simi-*  
14           *lar to the covered properties as to neighborhood (including*  
15           *risk of crime), type of location, access, street appeal, age,*  
16           *property size, apartment mix, physical configuration, prop-*  
17           *erty and unit amenities, utilities, and other relevant char-*  
18           *acteristics, provided that the comparable projects are not*  
19           *receiving project-based assistance.*

20           (d) *10-YEAR CONTRACTS.—Notwithstanding any other*  
21           *provision of law, the Secretary and owner of any covered*  
22           *project (as defined under section 524(b)(2) of the Multi-*  
23           *family Assisted Housing Reform and Affordability Act)*  
24           *may agree to up to a 10-year contract renewal for assist-*  
25           *ance under section 8 of the United States Housing Act of*

1 1937 (other than a contract for tenant-based assistance and  
2 notwithstanding section 8(v) of such Act for loan manage-  
3 ment assistance) under which payments shall be subject to  
4 the annual availability of appropriations.

5 *ENHANCED VOUCHER AUTHORITY*

6 *SEC. 222. (a) IN GENERAL.*—Section 8 of the United  
7 States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437f) is amended  
8 by inserting after subsection (s) the following new sub-  
9 section:

10 “(t) *ENHANCED VOUCHERS.*—

11 “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—Enhanced voucher assistance  
12 under this subsection for a family shall be voucher as-  
13 sistance under subsection (o), except that under such  
14 enhanced voucher assistance—

15 “(A) subject only to subparagraph (D), the  
16 assisted family shall pay as rent no less than the  
17 amount the family was paying on the date of the  
18 eligibility event for the project in which the fam-  
19 ily was residing on such date;

20 “(B) during any period that the assisted  
21 family continues residing in the same unit in  
22 which the family was residing on the date of the  
23 eligibility event for the project, if the rent for the  
24 dwelling unit of the family in such project ex-  
25 ceeds the applicable payment standard estab-  
26 lished pursuant to subsection (o) for the unit, the

1 amount of rental assistance provided on behalf of  
2 the family shall be determined using a payment  
3 standard that is equal to the rent for the dwell-  
4 ing unit (as such rent may be increased from  
5 time to time), subject to paragraph (10)(A) of  
6 subsection (o);

7 “(C) subparagraph (B) of this paragraph  
8 shall not apply and the payment standard for  
9 the dwelling unit occupied by the family shall be  
10 determined in accordance with subsection (o)  
11 if—

12 “(i) the assisted family moves, at any  
13 time, from such project; or

14 “(ii) the voucher is made available for  
15 use by any family other than the original  
16 family on behalf of whom the voucher was  
17 provided; and

18 “(D) if the income of the assisted family de-  
19 clines to a significant extent, the percentage of  
20 income paid by the family for rent shall not ex-  
21 ceed the greater of 30 percent or the percentage  
22 of income paid at the time of the eligibility event  
23 for the project.

24 “(2) *ELIGIBILITY EVENT.*—For purposes of this  
25 subsection, the term ‘eligibility event’ means, with re-

1        *spect to a multifamily housing project, the prepay-*  
2        *ment of the mortgage on such housing project, the vol-*  
3        *untary termination of the insurance contract for the*  
4        *mortgage for such housing project, or the termination*  
5        *or expiration of the contract for rental assistance*  
6        *under section 8 of the United States Housing Act of*  
7        *1937 for such housing project, that, under paragraphs*  
8        *(3) and (4) of section 515(c) or section 524(b) of the*  
9        *Multifamily Assisted Housing Reform and Afford-*  
10       *ability Act of 1997 (42 U.S.C. 1437f note) or section*  
11       *223(f) of the Low-Income Housing Preservation and*  
12       *Resident Homeownership Act of 1990 (12 U.S.C.*  
13       *4113(f)), results in tenants in such housing project*  
14       *being eligible for enhanced voucher assistance under*  
15       *this subsection.*

16                *“(3) TREATMENT OF ENHANCED VOUCHERS PRO-*  
17        *VIDED UNDER OTHER AUTHORITY.—*

18                *“(A) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any*  
19        *other provision of law, any enhanced voucher as-*  
20        *sistance provided under any authority specified*  
21        *in subparagraph (D) shall be treated, and subject*  
22        *to the same requirements, as enhanced voucher*  
23        *assistance under this subsection.*



1           “(B) *IDENTIFICATION OF OTHER AUTHOR-*  
2           *ITY.—The authority specified in this subpara-*  
3           *graph is the authority under—*

4                   “(i) *the 10th, 11th, and 12th provisos*  
5                   *under the ‘Preserving Existing Housing In-*  
6                   *vestment’ account in title II of the Depart-*  
7                   *ments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and*  
8                   *Urban Development, and Independent*  
9                   *Agencies Appropriations Act, 1997 (Public*  
10                   *Law 104–204; 110 Stat. 2884), pursuant to*  
11                   *such provisos, the first proviso under the*  
12                   *‘Housing Certificate Fund’ account in title*  
13                   *II of the Departments of Veterans Affairs*  
14                   *and Housing and Urban Development, and*  
15                   *Independent Agencies Appropriations Act,*  
16                   *1998 (Public Law 105–65; 111 Stat. 1351),*  
17                   *or the first proviso under the ‘Housing Cer-*  
18                   *tificate Fund’ account in title II of the De-*  
19                   *partments of Veterans Affairs and Housing*  
20                   *and Urban Development, and Independent*  
21                   *Agencies Appropriations Act, 1999 (Public*  
22                   *Law 105–276; 112 Stat. 2469); and*

23                   “(ii) *paragraphs (3) and (4) of section*  
24                   *515(c) of the Multifamily Assisted Housing*  
25                   *Reform and Affordability Act of 1997 (42*

1                   *U.S.C. 1437f note), as in effect before the*  
2                   *enactment of this Act.*

3                   “(4) *AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—*  
4                   *There are authorized to be appropriated for each of*  
5                   *fiscal years 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, and 2004 such*  
6                   *sums as may be necessary for enhanced voucher as-*  
7                   *sistance under this subsection.”.*

8                   (b) *ENHANCED VOUCHERS UNDER MAHRAA.—Sec-*  
9                   *tion 515(c) of the Multifamily Assisted Housing Reform*  
10                  *and Affordability Act of 1997 (42 U.S.C. 1437f note) is*  
11                  *amended by striking paragraph (4) and inserting the fol-*  
12                  *lowing new paragraph:*

13                  “(4) *ASSISTANCE THROUGH ENHANCED VOUCH-*  
14                  *ERS.—In the case of any family described in para-*  
15                  *graph (3) that resides in a project described in section*  
16                  *512(2)(B), the tenant-based assistance provided shall*  
17                  *be enhanced voucher assistance under section 8(t) of*  
18                  *the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C.*  
19                  *1437f(t)).”.*

20                  (c) *ENHANCED VOUCHERS FOR CERTAIN TENANTS IN*  
21                  *PREPAYMENT AND VOLUNTARY TERMINATION PROP-*  
22                  *ERTIES.—Section 223 of the Low-Income Housing Preser-*  
23                  *vation and Resident Homeownership Act of 1990 (12*  
24                  *U.S.C. 4113) is amended by adding at the end the following*  
25                  *new subsection:*

1       “(f) *ENHANCED VOUCHER ASSISTANCE FOR CERTAIN*  
2 *TENANTS.*—

3               “(1) *AUTHORITY.*—*In lieu of benefits under sub-*  
4 *sections (b), (c), and (d), and subject to the avail-*  
5 *ability of appropriated amounts, each family de-*  
6 *scribed in paragraph (2) shall be offered enhanced*  
7 *voucher assistance under section 8(t) of the United*  
8 *States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437f(t)).*

9               “(2) *ELIGIBLE FAMILIES.*—*A family described in*  
10 *this paragraph is a family that is—*

11                       “(A) *a low-income family or a moderate-in-*  
12 *come family;*

13                       “(B) *an elderly family, a disabled family,*  
14 *or residing in a low-vacancy area; and*

15                       “(C) *residing in eligible low-income housing*  
16 *on the date of the prepayment of the mortgage or*  
17 *voluntary termination of the insurance con-*  
18 *tract.”.*

19       “(d) *ENHANCED VOUCHERS FOR EXPIRING CON-*  
20 *TRACTS.*—*Section 524 of the Multifamily Assisted Housing*  
21 *Reform and Affordability Act of 1997 (42 U.S.C. 1437f*  
22 *note) is amended by adding at the end the following new*  
23 *subsection:*

24               “(b) *ENHANCED VOUCHER ASSISTANCE FOR COVERED*  
25 *RESIDENTS.*—

1           “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—*In the case of a contract for*  
2           *project-based assistance under section 8 for a covered*  
3           *project that is not renewed under subsection (a) of*  
4           *this section (or any other authority), to the extent*  
5           *that amounts for assistance under this subsection are*  
6           *provided in advance in appropriation Acts, upon the*  
7           *date of the expiration of such contract the*  
8           *Secretary—*

9           “(A) *shall make enhanced voucher assist-*  
10           *ance under section 8(t) of the United States*  
11           *Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437f(t)) avail-*  
12           *able on behalf of each covered resident of the cov-*  
13           *ered project; and*

14           “(B) *may make enhanced voucher assistance*  
15           *under such section available on behalf of any*  
16           *other low-income family who, upon the date of*  
17           *such expiration, is residing in an assisted dwell-*  
18           *ing unit in the covered project.*

19           “(2) *DEFINITIONS.*—*For purposes of this sub-*  
20           *section, the following definitions shall apply:*

21           “(A) *ASSISTED DWELLING UNIT.*—*The term*  
22           *‘assisted dwelling unit’ means a dwelling unit*  
23           *that—*

24           “(i) *is in a covered project; and*

1           “(ii) is covered by rental assistance  
2           provided under the contract for project-  
3           based assistance for the covered project.

4           “(B) COVERED PROJECT.—The term ‘cov-  
5           ered project’ means any housing that—

6           “(i) consists of more than 4 dwelling  
7           units;

8           “(ii) is covered in whole or in part by  
9           a contract for project-based assistance  
10          under—

11           “(I) the new construction or sub-  
12          stantial rehabilitation program under  
13          section 8(b)(2) of the United States  
14          Housing Act of 1937 (as in effect before  
15          October 1, 1983),

16           “(II) the property disposition pro-  
17          gram under section 8(b) of the United  
18          States Housing Act of 1937,

19           “(III) the moderate rehabilitation  
20          program under section 8(e)(2) of the  
21          United States Housing Act of 1937 (as  
22          in effect before October 1, 1991),

23           “(IV) the loan management assist-  
24          ance program under section 8 of the  
25          United States Housing Act of 1937,

1           “(V) section 23 of the United  
2           *States Housing Act of 1937 (as in ef-*  
3           *fect before January 1, 1975),*

4           “(VI) the rent supplement pro-  
5           *gram under section 101 of the Housing*  
6           *and Urban Development Act of 1965,*  
7           *or*

8           “(VII) section 8 of the United  
9           *States Housing Act of 1937, following*  
10          *conversion from assistance under sec-*  
11          *tion 101 of the Housing and Urban*  
12          *Development Act of 1965,*  
13          *which contract will under its own terms ex-*  
14          *pire during the period consisting of fiscal*  
15          *years 2000 through 2004;*

16          “(iii) is not housing for which resi-  
17          *dents are eligible for enhanced voucher as-*  
18          *istance pursuant to section 223(f) of the*  
19          *Low-Income Housing Preservation and*  
20          *Resident Homeownership Act of 1990 (12*  
21          *U.S.C. 4113(f)); and*

22          “(iv) is not housing for which residents  
23          *are eligible for enhanced voucher assistance*  
24          *pursuant to paragraphs (3) and (4) of sec-*  
25          *tion 515(c) of the Multifamily Assisted*

1           *Housing Reform and Affordability Act of*  
2           *1997 (42 U.S.C. 1437f note).*

3           “(C) *COVERED RESIDENT.*—*The term ‘cov-*  
4           *ered resident’ means a family who—*

5                     “(i) *upon the date of the expiration of*  
6                     *the contract for project-based assistance for*  
7                     *a covered project, is residing in an assisted*  
8                     *dwelling unit in the covered project; and*

9                     “(ii) *as a result of a rent increase oc-*  
10                    *curring after the date of such contract expi-*  
11                    *ration is subject to a rent for such unit that*  
12                    *exceeds 30 percent of adjusted income.”.*

13                    *HOUSING FINANCE AGENCIES*

14           *SEC. 223. The Secretary may contract with State or*  
15           *local housing finance agencies that have been selected as a*  
16           *Participating Administrative Entity under the Multi-*  
17           *family Assisted Housing Reform and Affordability Act of*  
18           *1997 for determining the market rental rates of a covered*  
19           *project as defined under such Act.*

20                    *SECTION 202 EXEMPTION*

21           *SEC. 224. Notwithstanding section 202 of the Housing*  
22           *Act of 1959 or any other provision of law, Peggy A. Burgin*  
23           *may not be disqualified on the basis of age from residing*  
24           *at Clark’s Landing in Groton, Vermont.*

1                    *DARLINTON PRESERVATION AMENDMENT*

2            *SEC. 225. Notwithstanding any other provision of law,*  
3 *upon prepayment of the FHA-insured Section 236 mort-*  
4 *gage, the Secretary shall continue to provide interest reduc-*  
5 *tion payment in accordance with the existing amortization*  
6 *schedule for Darlinton Manor Apartments, a 100-unit*  
7 *project located at 606 North 5th Street, Bozemen, Montana,*  
8 *which will continue as affordable housing pursuant to a*  
9 *use agreement with the State of Montana.*

10                    *SECTION 236 IRP REFORM*

11            *SEC. 226. Section 236(g) of the National Housing Act*  
12 *is amended, in the last sentence, by inserting “or a project*  
13 *owner with a mortgage formerly insured under this section*  
14 *(if such mortgage is held by the Secretary and such project*  
15 *owner is current with respect to the mortgage obligation),”*  
16 *before “may retain”.*

17                    *RISK-SHARING PRIORITY*

18            *SEC. 227. Section 517(b)(3) of the Departments of Vet-*  
19 *erans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and*  
20 *Independent Agencies Appropriations Act, 1998 is amended*  
21 *by inserting after “1992.” the following: “The Secretary*  
22 *shall give a priority to risk-shared financing under section*  
23 *542(c) of the Housing and Community Development Act of*  
24 *1992 for any mortgage restructuring, rehabilitation financ-*  
25 *ing, or debt refinancing included as part of a mortgage re-*  
26 *structuring and rental assistance sufficiency plan if the*



1 *terms and conditions will result in reduced risk of loss to*  
2 *the federal government.”.*

3 *TITLE III—INDEPENDENT AGENCIES*

4 *AMERICAN BATTLE MONUMENTS COMMISSION*

5 *SALARIES AND EXPENSES*

6 *For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for, of*  
7 *the American Battle Monuments Commission, including the*  
8 *acquisition of land or interest in land in foreign countries;*  
9 *purchases and repair of uniforms for caretakers of national*  
10 *cemeteries and monuments outside of the United States and*  
11 *its territories and possessions; rent of office and garage*  
12 *space in foreign countries; purchase (one for replacement*  
13 *only) and hire of passenger motor vehicles; and insurance*  
14 *of official motor vehicles in foreign countries, when required*  
15 *by law of such countries, \$26,467,000, to remain available*  
16 *until expended: Provided, That the American Battle Monu-*  
17 *ments Commission may borrow up to \$65,000,000 from the*  
18 *Treasury of the United States for the construction of the*  
19 *World War II memorial in the District of Columbia on such*  
20 *terms and conditions as required by the Secretary of the*  
21 *Treasury.*

22 *CHEMICAL SAFETY AND HAZARD INVESTIGATION BOARD*

23 *SALARIES AND EXPENSES*

24 *For necessary expenses in carrying out activities pur-*  
25 *suant to section 112(r)(6) of the Clean Air Act, including*

1 *hire of passenger vehicles, and for services authorized by*  
2 *5 U.S.C. 3109, but at rates for individuals not to exceed*  
3 *the per diem equivalent to the maximum rate payable for*  
4 *senior level positions under 5 U.S.C. 5376, \$6,500,000: Pro-*  
5 *vided, That the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation*  
6 *Board shall have not more than three career Senior Execu-*  
7 *tive Service positions.*

8 *DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY*  
9 *COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS*  
10 *COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS*  
11 *FUND PROGRAM ACCOUNT*

12 *For grants, loans, and technical assistance to quali-*  
13 *fying community development lenders, and administrative*  
14 *expenses of the Fund, including services authorized by 5*  
15 *U.S.C. 3109, but at rates for individuals not to exceed the*  
16 *per diem rate equivalent to the rate for ES-3, \$80,000,000,*  
17 *to remain available until September 30, 2001, of which*  
18 *\$12,000,000 may be used for the cost of direct loans, and*  
19 *up to \$1,000,000 may be used for administrative expenses*  
20 *to carry out the direct loan program: Provided, That the*  
21 *cost of direct loans, including the cost of modifying such*  
22 *loans, shall be as defined in section 502 of the Congressional*  
23 *Budget Act of 1974: Provided further, That these funds are*  
24 *available to subsidize gross obligations for the principal*  
25 *amount of direct loans not to exceed \$32,000,000: Provided*

1 *further, That not more than \$25,000,000 of the funds made*  
2 *available under this heading may be used for programs and*  
3 *activities authorized in section 114 of the Community De-*  
4 *velopment Banking and Financial Institutions Act of 1994.*

5 *CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION*

6 *SALARIES AND EXPENSES*

7 *For necessary expenses of the Consumer Product Safety*  
8 *Commission, including hire of passenger motor vehicles,*  
9 *services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109, but at rates for*  
10 *individuals not to exceed the per diem rate equivalent to*  
11 *the maximum rate payable under 5 U.S.C. 5376, purchase*  
12 *of nominal awards to recognize non-Federal officials' con-*  
13 *tributions to Commission activities, and not to exceed \$500*  
14 *for official reception and representation expenses,*  
15 *\$49,500,000.*

16 *CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE*

17 *NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAMS*

18 *OPERATING EXPENSES*

19 *(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)*

20 *For necessary expenses for the Corporation for Na-*  
21 *tional and Community Service (referred to in the matter*  
22 *under this heading as the "Corporation") in carrying out*  
23 *programs, activities, and initiatives under the National*  
24 *and Community Service Act of 1990 (referred to in the mat-*  
25 *ter under this heading as the "Act") (42 U.S.C. 12501 et*  
26 *seq.), \$423,500,000, to remain available until September*

1 30, 2000: *Provided, That not more than \$27,000,000 shall*  
2 *be available for administrative expenses authorized under*  
3 *section 501(a)(4) of the Act (42 U.S.C. 12671(a)(4)): Pro-*  
4 *vided further, That not more than \$2,500 shall be for offi-*  
5 *cial reception and representation expenses: Provided fur-*  
6 *ther, That not more than \$70,000,000, to remain available*  
7 *without fiscal year limitation, shall be transferred to the*  
8 *National Service Trust account for educational awards au-*  
9 *thorized under subtitle D of title I of the Act (42 U.S.C.*  
10 *12601 et seq.), of which not to exceed \$5,000,000 shall be*  
11 *available for national service scholarships for high school*  
12 *students performing community service: Provided further,*  
13 *That not more than \$224,500,000 of the amount provided*  
14 *under this heading shall be available for grants under the*  
15 *National Service Trust program authorized under subtitle*  
16 *C of title I of the Act (42 U.S.C. 12571 et seq.) (relating*  
17 *to activities including the AmeriCorps program), of which*  
18 *not more than \$40,000,000 may be used to administer, re-*  
19 *imburse, or support any national service program author-*  
20 *ized under section 121(d)(2) of such Act (42 U.S.C.*  
21 *12581(d)(2)): Provided further, That not more than*  
22 *\$7,500,000 of the funds made available under this heading*  
23 *shall be made available for the Points of Light Foundation*  
24 *for activities authorized under title III of the Act (42 U.S.C.*  
25 *12661 et seq.): Provided further, That no funds shall be*

1 available for national service programs run by Federal  
2 agencies authorized under section 121(b) of such Act (42  
3 U.S.C. 12571(b)): Provided further, That to the maximum  
4 extent feasible, funds appropriated under subtitle C of title  
5 I of the Act shall be provided in a manner that is consistent  
6 with the recommendations of peer review panels in order  
7 to ensure that priority is given to programs that dem-  
8 onstrate quality, innovation, replicability, and sustain-  
9 ability: Provided further, That not more than \$18,000,000  
10 of the funds made available under this heading shall be  
11 available for the Civilian Community Corps authorized  
12 under subtitle E of title I of the Act (42 U.S.C. 12611 et  
13 seq.): Provided further, That not more than \$43,000,000  
14 shall be available for school-based and community-based  
15 service-learning programs authorized under subtitle B of  
16 title I of the Act (42 U.S.C. 12521 et seq.): Provided further,  
17 That not more than \$28,500,000 shall be available for qual-  
18 ity and innovation activities authorized under subtitle H  
19 of title I of the Act (42 U.S.C. 12853 et seq.): Provided fur-  
20 ther, That not more than \$5,000,000 shall be available for  
21 audits and other evaluations authorized under section 179  
22 of the Act (42 U.S.C. 12639): Provided further, That to the  
23 maximum extent practicable, the Corporation shall increase  
24 significantly the level of matching funds and in-kind con-  
25 tributions provided by the private sector, shall expand sig-

1 *nificantly the number of educational awards provided*  
2 *under subtitle D of title I, and shall reduce the total Federal*  
3 *costs per participant in all programs: Provided further,*  
4 *That of amounts available in the National Service Trust*  
5 *account from previous appropriations acts, \$80,000,000*  
6 *shall be rescinded.*

7 *OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL*

8 *For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector Gen-*  
9 *eral in carrying out the Inspector General Act of 1978, as*  
10 *amended, \$5,000,000.*

11 *COURT OF VETERANS APPEALS*

12 *SALARIES AND EXPENSES*

13 *For necessary expenses for the operation of the United*  
14 *States Court of Veterans Appeals as authorized by 38*  
15 *U.S.C. 7251–7298, \$11,450,000, of which \$910,000, shall be*  
16 *available for the purpose of providing financial assistance*  
17 *as de scribed, and in accordance with the process and re-*  
18 *porting procedures set forth, under this heading in Public*  
19 *Law 102–229.*

20 *DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE—CIVIL*

21 *CEMETERIAL EXPENSES, ARMY*

22 *SALARIES AND EXPENSES*

23 *For necessary expenses, as authorized by law, for*  
24 *maintenance, operation, and improvement of Arlington Na-*  
25 *tional Cemetery and Soldiers' and Airmen's Home Na-*  
26 *tional Cemetery, including the purchase of one passenger*

1 *motor vehicle for replacement only, and not to exceed \$1,000*  
2 *for official reception and representation expenses,*  
3 *\$12,473,000, to remain available until expended.*

4 *ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY*  
5 *SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY*  
6 *(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)*

7 *For science and technology, including research and de-*  
8 *velopment activities, which shall include research and devel-*  
9 *opment activities under the Comprehensive Environmental*  
10 *Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980*  
11 *(CERCLA), as amended; necessary expenses for personnel*  
12 *and related costs and travel expenses, including uniforms,*  
13 *or allowances therefore, as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 5901–*  
14 *5902; services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109, but at rates*  
15 *for individuals not to exceed the per diem rate equivalent*  
16 *to the maximum rate payable for senior level positions*  
17 *under 5 U.S.C. 5376; procurement of laboratory equipment*  
18 *and supplies; other operating expenses in support of re-*  
19 *search and development; construction, alteration, repair, re-*  
20 *habilitation, and renovation of facilities, not to exceed*  
21 *\$75,000 per project, \$642,483,000, which shall remain*  
22 *available until September 30, 2001: Provided, That the obli-*  
23 *gated balance of sums available in this account shall re-*  
24 *main available through September 30, 2008 for liquidating*  
25 *obligations made in fiscal years 2000 and 2001: Provided*  
26 *further, That the obligated balance of funds transferred to*

1 *this account in Public Law 105–276 shall remain available*  
2 *through September 30, 2007 for liquidating obligations*  
3 *made in fiscal years 1999 and 2000.*

4 *ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS AND MANAGEMENT*

5 *For environmental programs and management, in-*  
6 *cluding necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for, for*  
7 *personnel and related costs and travel expenses, including*  
8 *uniforms, or allowances therefore, as authorized by 5 U.S.C.*  
9 *5901–5902; services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109, but*  
10 *at rates for individuals not to exceed the per diem rate*  
11 *equivalent to the maximum rate payable for senior level po-*  
12 *sitions under 5 U.S.C. 5376; hire of passenger motor vehi-*  
13 *cles; hire, maintenance, and operation of aircraft; purchase*  
14 *of reprints; library memberships in societies or associations*  
15 *which issue publications to members only or at a price to*  
16 *members lower than to subscribers who are not members;*  
17 *construction, alteration, repair, rehabilitation, and renova-*  
18 *tion of facilities, not to exceed \$75,000 per project; and not*  
19 *to exceed \$6,000 for official reception and representation*  
20 *expenses, \$1,897,000,000, which shall remain available*  
21 *until September 30, 2001, and of which not less than*  
22 *\$12,000,000 shall be derived from pro rata transfers of*  
23 *amounts made available under each other heading under*  
24 *the heading “ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY” and*  
25 *shall be available for the Montreal Protocol Fund: Provided,*  
26 *That the obligated balance of such sums shall remain avail-*



1 *able through September 30, 2008 for liquidating obligations*  
2 *made in fiscal years 2000 and 2001: Provided further, That*  
3 *personnel compensation and benefits costs shall not exceed*  
4 *\$900,000,000: Provided further, That none of the funds ap-*  
5 *propriated by this Act shall be used to propose or issue*  
6 *rules, regulations, decrees, or orders for the purpose of im-*  
7 *plementation, or in preparation for implementation, of the*  
8 *Kyoto Protocol which was adopted on December 11, 1997,*  
9 *in Kyoto, Japan at the Third Conference of the Parties to*  
10 *the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate*  
11 *Change, which has not been submitted to the Senate for ad-*  
12 *vice and consent to ratification pursuant to article II, sec-*  
13 *tion 2, clause 2, of the United States Constitution, and*  
14 *which has not entered into force pursuant to article 25 of*  
15 *the Protocol: Provided further, That notwithstanding 7*  
16 *U.S.C. 136r and 15 U.S.C. 2609, beginning in fiscal year*  
17 *2000 and thereafter, grants awarded under section 20 of*  
18 *the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act, as*  
19 *amended, and section 10 of the Toxic Substances Control*  
20 *Act, as amended, shall be available for research, develop-*  
21 *ment, monitoring, public education, training, demonstra-*  
22 *tions, and studies.*

23 *OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL*

24 *For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector Gen-*  
25 *eral in carrying out the provisions of the Inspector General*  
26 *Act of 1978, as amended, and for construction, alteration,*

1 *repair, rehabilitation, and renovation of facilities, not to*  
2 *exceed \$75,000 per project, \$32,409,000, to remain available*  
3 *until September 30, 2001: Provided, That the sums avail-*  
4 *able in this account shall remain available through Sep-*  
5 *tember 30, 2008 for liquidating obligations made in fiscal*  
6 *years 2000 and 2001: Provided further, That the obligated*  
7 *balance of funds transferred to this account in Public Law*  
8 *105–276 shall remain available through September 30, 2007*  
9 *for liquidating obligations made in fiscal years 1999 and*  
10 *2000.*

11 *BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES*

12 *For construction, repair, improvement, extension, al-*  
13 *teration, and purchase of fixed equipment or facilities of,*  
14 *or for use by, the Environmental Protection Agency,*  
15 *\$25,930,000, to remain available until expended.*

16 *HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE SUPERFUND*

17 *(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)*

18 *For necessary expenses to carry out the Comprehensive*  
19 *Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act*  
20 *of 1980 (CERCLA), as amended, including sections*  
21 *111(c)(3), (c)(5), (c)(6), and (e)(4) (42 U.S.C. 9611), and*  
22 *for construction, alteration, repair, rehabilitation, and ren-*  
23 *ovation of facilities, not to exceed \$75,000 per project; not*  
24 *to exceed \$1,400,000,000 (of which \$100,000,000 shall not*  
25 *become available until September 1, 2000), including*  
26 *\$650,000,000 as appropriated under this heading in Public*

1 *Law 105–276, notwithstanding the language in the sixth*  
2 *proviso under this heading of such Act which conditions the*  
3 *availability of such funds for obligation upon enactment by*  
4 *August 1, 1999 of specific Superfund reauthorization legis-*  
5 *lation, and the seventh proviso; all of which is to remain*  
6 *available until expended, consisting of \$700,000,000, as au-*  
7 *thorized by section 517(a) of the Superfund Amendments*  
8 *and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA), as amended by*  
9 *Public Law 101–508, and \$700,000,000 as a payment from*  
10 *general revenues to the Hazardous Substance Superfund for*  
11 *purposes as authorized by section 517(b) of SARA, as*  
12 *amended by Public Law 101–508: Provided, That funds ap-*  
13 *propriated under this heading may be allocated to other*  
14 *Federal agencies in accordance with section 111(a) of*  
15 *CERCLA: Provided further, That \$10,753,100 of the funds*  
16 *appropriated under this heading shall be transferred to the*  
17 *“Office of Inspector General” appropriation to remain*  
18 *available until September 30, 2001: Provided further, That*  
19 *notwithstanding section 111(m) of CERCLA or any other*  
20 *provision of law, \$70,000,000 of the funds appropriated*  
21 *under this heading shall be available to the Agency for*  
22 *Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) to carry*  
23 *out activities described in sections 104(i), 111(c)(4), and*  
24 *111(c)(14) of CERCLA and section 118(f) of SARA: Pro-*  
25 *vided further, That notwithstanding any other provision of*

1 *law, in lieu of performing a health assessment under section*  
2 *104(i)(6) of CERCLA, the Administrator of ATSDR may*  
3 *conduct other appropriate health studies, evaluations or ac-*  
4 *tivities, including, without limitation, biomedical testing,*  
5 *clinical evaluations, medical monitoring, and referral to ac-*  
6 *credited health care providers: Provided further, That in*  
7 *performing any such health assessment or health study,*  
8 *evaluation, or activity, the Administrator of ATSDR shall*  
9 *not be bound by the deadlines in section 104(i)(6)(A): Pro-*  
10 *vided further, That \$38,000,000 of the funds appropriated*  
11 *under this heading shall be transferred to the “Science and*  
12 *Technology” appropriation to remain available until Sep-*  
13 *tember 30, 2001: Provided further, That none of the funds*  
14 *appropriated under this heading shall be available for the*  
15 *Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry to issue*  
16 *in excess of 40 toxicological profiles pursuant to section*  
17 *104(i) of CERCLA during fiscal year 2000.*

18 *LEAKING UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK TRUST FUND*  
19 *(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)*

20 *For necessary expenses to carry out leaking under-*  
21 *ground storage tank cleanup activities authorized by section*  
22 *205 of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act*  
23 *of 1986, and for construction, alteration, repair, rehabilita-*  
24 *tion, and renovation of facilities, not to exceed \$75,000 per*  
25 *project, \$71,556,000, to remain available until expended.*

## 1 OIL SPILL RESPONSE

2 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

3 *For expenses necessary to carry out the Environmental*  
4 *Protection Agency's responsibilities under the Oil Pollution*  
5 *Act of 1990, \$15,000,000, to be derived from the Oil Spill*  
6 *Liability trust fund, and to remain available until ex-*  
7 *pended.*

## 8 STATE AND TRIBAL ASSISTANCE GRANTS

9 *For environmental programs and infrastructure as-*  
10 *sistance, including capitalization grants for State revolving*  
11 *funds and performance partnership grants, \$3,250,000,000,*  
12 *to remain available until expended, of which*  
13 *\$1,350,000,000 shall be for making capitalization grants for*  
14 *the Clean Water State Revolving Funds under title VI of*  
15 *the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended;*  
16 *\$825,000,000 shall be for capitalization grants for the*  
17 *Drinking Water State Revolving Funds under section 1452*  
18 *of the Safe Drinking Water Act, as amended, except that,*  
19 *notwithstanding section 1452(n) of the Safe Drinking*  
20 *Water Act, as amended, none of the funds made available*  
21 *under this heading in this Act, or in previous appropria-*  
22 *tions acts, shall be reserved by the Administrator for health*  
23 *effects studies on drinking water contaminants; \$50,000,000*  
24 *shall be for architectural, engineering, planning, design,*  
25 *construction and related activities in connection with the*  
26 *construction of high priority water and wastewater facili-*

1 *ties in the area of the United States-Mexico Border, after*  
2 *consultation with the appropriate border commission;*  
3 *\$30,000,000 shall be for grants to the State of Alaska to*  
4 *address drinking water and wastewater infrastructure*  
5 *needs of rural and Alaska Native Villages; \$100,000,000*  
6 *shall be for making grants for the construction of waste-*  
7 *water and water treatment facilities and groundwater pro-*  
8 *tection infrastructure in accordance with the terms and*  
9 *conditions specified for such grants in Senate Report 106-*  
10 *161 accompanying this Act (S. 1596); \$885,000,000 shall*  
11 *be for grants, including associated program support costs,*  
12 *to States, federally recognized tribes, interstate agencies,*  
13 *tribal consortia, and air pollution control agencies for*  
14 *multi-media or single media pollution prevention, control*  
15 *and abatement and related activities, including activities*  
16 *pursuant to the provisions set forth under this heading in*  
17 *Public Law 104-134, and for making grants under section*  
18 *103 of the Clean Air Act for particulate matter monitoring*  
19 *and data collection activities; and \$10,000,000 for competi-*  
20 *tive grants to States and federally-recognized Indian tribes*  
21 *to develop and implement integrated information systems*  
22 *to improve environmental decisionmaking, reduce the bur-*  
23 *den on regulated entities and improve the reliability of in-*  
24 *formation available to the public: Provided, That notwith-*  
25 *standing section 603(d)(7) of the Federal Water Pollution*

1 *Control Act, as amended, the limitation on the amounts in*  
2 *a State water pollution control revolving fund that may*  
3 *be used by a State to administer the fund shall not apply*  
4 *to amounts included as principal in loans made by such*  
5 *fund in fiscal year 2000 and hereafter where such amounts*  
6 *represent costs of administering the fund, to the extent that*  
7 *such amounts are or were deemed reasonable by the Admin-*  
8 *istrator, accounted for separately from other assets in the*  
9 *fund, and used for eligible purposes of the fund, including*  
10 *administration: Provided further, That beginning in fiscal*  
11 *year 2000 and thereafter, notwithstanding section 518(f) of*  
12 *the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, the Administrator*  
13 *is authorized to use the amounts appropriated for any fiscal*  
14 *year under section 319 of that Act to make grants to Indian*  
15 *Tribes pursuant to section 319(h) and 518(e) of that Act:*  
16 *Provided further, That the \$2,200,000 appropriated in Pub-*  
17 *lic Law 105-276 in accordance with House Report No.*  
18 *105-769, for a grant to the Charleston, Utah Water Conser-*  
19 *vancy District, as amended by Public Law 106-31, shall*  
20 *be awarded to Wasatch County, Utah, for water and sewer*  
21 *needs: Provided further, That the funds appropriated under*  
22 *this heading in Public Law 105-276 for the City of Fair-*  
23 *banks, Alaska, water system improvements shall instead be*  
24 *for the Matanuska-Susitna Borough, Alaska, water and*  
25 *sewer improvements.*





1 *other provision of law, no funds other than those appro-*  
2 *priated under this heading shall be used for or by the Coun-*  
3 *cil on Environmental Quality and Office of Environmental*  
4 *Quality: Provided further, That notwithstanding section*  
5 *202 of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1970, the*  
6 *Council shall consist of one member, appointed by the Presi-*  
7 *dent, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate,*  
8 *-serving as chairman and exercising all powers, functions,*  
9 *and duties of the Council.*

10 *FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION*

11 *OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL*

12 *(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)*

13 *For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector Gen-*  
14 *eral in carrying out the provisions of the Inspector General*  
15 *Act of 1978, as amended, \$34,666,000, to be derived from*  
16 *the Bank Insurance Fund, the Savings Association Insur-*  
17 *ance Fund, and the FSLIC Resolution Fund.*

18 *FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY*

19 *DISASTER RELIEF*

20 *(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)*

21 *For necessary expenses in carrying out the Robert T.*  
22 *Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42*  
23 *U.S.C. 5121 et seq.), \$300,000,000, and, notwithstanding*  
24 *42 U.S.C. 5203, to remain available until expended, of*  
25 *which not to exceed \$2,900,000 may be transferred to*  
26 *“Emergency Management Planning and Assistance” for the*

1 *consolidated emergency management performance grant*  
2 *program.*

3 *DISASTER ASSISTANCE DIRECT LOAN PROGRAM ACCOUNT*

4 *For the cost of direct loans, \$1,295,000, as authorized*  
5 *by section 319 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and*  
6 *Emergency Assistance Act: Provided, That such costs, in-*  
7 *cluding the cost of modifying such loans, shall be as defined*  
8 *in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, as*  
9 *amended: Provided further, That these funds are available*  
10 *to subsidize gross obligations for the principal amount of*  
11 *direct loans not to exceed \$25,000,000.*

12 *In addition, for administrative expenses to carry out*  
13 *the direct loan program, \$420,000.*

14 *EMERGENCY Y2K ASSISTANCE*

15 *For expenses related to Year 2000 conversion costs for*  
16 *counties and local governments, \$100,000,000, to remain*  
17 *available until September 30, 2001: Provided, That the Di-*  
18 *rector of the Federal Emergency Management Agency shall*  
19 *carry out a Year 2000 conversion local government emer-*  
20 *gency grant and loan program for the purpose of providing*  
21 *emergency funds through grants or loans of not to exceed*  
22 *\$1,000,000 for each county and local government that is*  
23 *facing Year 2000 conversion failures after January 1, 2000*  
24 *that could adversely affect public health and safety: Pro-*  
25 *vided further, That of the funds made available to a county*  
26 *or local government under this provision, 50 percent shall*

1 *be a grant and 50 percent shall be a loan which shall be*  
2 *repaid to the Federal Emergency Management Agency at*  
3 *the prime rate within 5 years of the loan: Provided further,*  
4 *That none of the funds provided under this heading may*  
5 *be transferred to any county or local government until 15*  
6 *days after the Director of the Federal Emergency Manage-*  
7 *ment Agency has submitted to the House and Senate Com-*  
8 *mittees on Appropriations, the Senate Special Committee*  
9 *on the Year 2000 Technology Problem, the House Committee*  
10 *on Science, and the House Committee on Government Re-*  
11 *form a proposed allocation and plan for that county or local*  
12 *government to achieve Year 2000 compliance for systems*  
13 *directly related to public health and safety programs: Pro-*  
14 *vided further, That the entire amount shall be available*  
15 *only to the extent that an official budget request that in-*  
16 *cludes designation of the entire amount of the request as*  
17 *an emergency requirement as defined in the Balanced*  
18 *Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, as*  
19 *amended, is transmitted by the President to the Congress:*  
20 *Provided further, That the entire amount is designated by*  
21 *the Congress as an emergency requirement pursuant to sec-*  
22 *tion 251(b)(2)(A) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency*  
23 *Deficit Control Act of 1985, as amended: Provided further,*  
24 *That of the amounts provided under the heading “Funds*  
25 *Appropriated to the President” in title III of Division B*

1 *of the Omnibus Consolidated and Emergency Supplemental*  
2 *Appropriations Act, 1999 (Public Law 105-277),*  
3 *\$100,000,000 are rescinded*

4 *SALARIES AND EXPENSES*

5 *For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for, in-*  
6 *cluding hire and purchase of motor vehicles as authorized*  
7 *by 31 U.S.C. 1343; uniforms, or allowances therefor, as au-*  
8 *thorized by 5 U.S.C. 5901-5902; services as authorized by*  
9 *5 U.S.C. 3109, but at rates for individuals not to exceed*  
10 *the per diem rate equivalent to the maximum rate payable*  
11 *for senior level positions under 5 U.S.C. 5376; expenses of*  
12 *attendance of cooperating officials and individuals at meet-*  
13 *ings concerned with the work of emergency preparedness;*  
14 *transportation in connection with the continuity of Govern-*  
15 *ment programs to the same extent and in the same manner*  
16 *as permitted the Secretary of a Military Department under*  
17 *10 U.S.C. 2632; and not to exceed \$2,500 for official recep-*  
18 *tion and representation expenses, \$180,000,000.*

19 *OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL*

20 *For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector Gen-*  
21 *eral in carrying out the Inspector General Act of 1978, as*  
22 *amended, \$8,015,000.*

23 *EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLANNING AND ASSISTANCE*

24 *For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for, to*  
25 *carry out activities under the National Flood Insurance Act*  
26 *of 1968, as amended, and the Flood Disaster Protection Act*

1 of 1973, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4001 et seq.), the Robert  
2 T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act  
3 (42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq.), the Earthquake Hazards Reduc-  
4 tion Act of 1977, as amended (42 U.S.C. 7701 et seq.), the  
5 Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974, as  
6 amended (15 U.S.C. 2201 et seq.), the Defense Production  
7 Act of 1950, as amended (50 U.S.C. App. 2061 et seq.), sec-  
8 tions 107 and 303 of the National Security Act of 1947,  
9 as amended (50 U.S.C. 404–405), and Reorganization Plan  
10 No. 3 of 1978, \$255,850,000: Provided, That for purposes  
11 of pre-disaster mitigation pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 5131 (b)  
12 and (c) and 42 U.S.C. 5196 (e) and (i), \$25,000,000 of the  
13 funds made available under this heading shall be available  
14 until expended for project grants: Provided further, That  
15 beginning in fiscal year 2000 and thereafter, and notwith-  
16 standing any other provision of law, the Director of FEMA  
17 is authorized to provide assistance from funds appropriated  
18 under this heading, subject to terms and conditions as the  
19 Director of FEMA shall establish, to any State for multi-  
20 hazard preparedness and mitigation through consolidated  
21 emergency management performance grants: Provided fur-  
22 ther, That notwithstanding any other provision of law,  
23 FEMA shall extend its cooperative agreement for the Jones  
24 County, Mississippi Emergency Operating Center, and the  
25 \$250,000 obligated as federal matching funds for that Cen-

1 *ter shall remain available for expenditure until September*  
2 *30, 2001.*

3 *EMERGENCY FOOD AND SHELTER PROGRAM*

4 *To carry out an emergency food and shelter program*  
5 *pursuant to title III of Public Law 100–77, as amended,*  
6 *\$110,000,000, to remain available until expended: Pro-*  
7 *vided, That total administrative costs shall not exceed three*  
8 *and one-half percent of the total appropriation.*

9 *RADIOLOGICAL EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS FUND*

10 *The aggregate charges assessed during fiscal year 2000,*  
11 *as authorized by Public Law 105–276, shall not be less than*  
12 *100 percent of the amounts anticipated by the Director of*  
13 *the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) nec-*  
14 *essary for its radiological emergency preparedness program*  
15 *for the next fiscal year. The methodology for assessment and*  
16 *collection of fees shall be fair and equitable; and shall reflect*  
17 *costs of providing such services, including administrative*  
18 *costs of collecting such fees. Fees received pursuant to this*  
19 *section shall be deposited in the Fund as offsetting collec-*  
20 *tions and will become available for authorized purposes on*  
21 *October 1, 2000, and remain available until expended.*

22 *NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE FUND*

23 *(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)*

24 *For activities under the National Flood Insurance Act*  
25 *of 1968, the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973, as*  
26 *amended, not to exceed \$24,333,000 for salaries and ex-*

1 *penses associated with flood mitigation and flood insurance*  
2 *operations, and not to exceed \$78,710,000 for flood mitiga-*  
3 *tion, including up to \$20,000,000 for expenses under section*  
4 *1366 of the National Flood Insurance Act, which amount*  
5 *shall be available for transfer to the National Flood Mitiga-*  
6 *tion Fund until September 30, 2001. In fiscal year 2000,*  
7 *no funds in excess of: (1) \$47,000,000 for operating ex-*  
8 *penses; (2) \$456,427,000 for agents' commissions and taxes;*  
9 *and (3) \$50,000,000 for interest on Treasury borrowings*  
10 *shall be available from the National Flood Insurance Fund*  
11 *without prior notice to the Committees on Appropriations.*  
12 *For fiscal year 2000, flood insurance rates shall not exceed*  
13 *the level authorized by the National Flood Insurance Re-*  
14 *form Act of 1994.*

15 *Section 1309(a)(2) of the National Flood Insurance*  
16 *Act (42 U.S.C. 4016(a)(2)), as amended by Public Law*  
17 *104–208, is further amended by striking “1999” and insert-*  
18 *ing “2000”.*

19 *The first sentence of section 1376(c) of the National*  
20 *Flood Insurance Act of 1968, as amended (42 U.S.C.*  
21 *4127(c)), is amended by striking “September 30, 1999” and*  
22 *inserting “September 30, 2000”.*

23 *NATIONAL INSURANCE DEVELOPMENT FUND*

24 *To liquidate the indebtedness of the Director of the*  
25 *Federal Emergency Management Agency resulting from*  
26 *prior borrowing pursuant to the Urban Property Protection*

1 *and Reinsurance Act of 1968, as amended (12 U.S.C.*  
2 *1749bbb et seq.), \$3,730,100.*

3 *GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION*

4 *CONSUMER INFORMATION CENTER FUND*

5 *For necessary expenses of the Consumer Information*  
6 *Center, including services authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109,*  
7 *\$2,622,000, to be deposited into the Consumer Information*  
8 *Center Fund: Provided, That the appropriations, revenues*  
9 *and collections deposited into the fund shall be available*  
10 *for necessary expenses of Consumer Information Center ac-*  
11 *tivities in the aggregate amount of \$7,500,000. Appropria-*  
12 *tions, revenues, and collections accruing to this fund during*  
13 *fiscal year 2000 in excess of \$7,500,000 shall remain in*  
14 *the fund and shall not be available for expenditure except*  
15 *as authorized in appropriations Acts.*

16 *NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION*

17 *INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION*

18 *(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)*

19 *For the necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for,*  
20 *in support of the International Space Station, including*  
21 *development, operations and research support; mainte-*  
22 *nance; construction of facilities including repair, rehabili-*  
23 *tation, and modification of real and personal property, and*  
24 *acquisition or condemnation of real property, as authorized*  
25 *by law; and purchase, lease, charter, maintenance and oper-*  
26 *ation of mission and administrative aircraft,*



1 \$2,482,700,000, to remain available until September 30,  
2 2001: Provided, That funds under this heading may be used  
3 to support eligible activities under the Launch Vehicles and  
4 Payload Operations account, subject to reprogramming ap-  
5 proval of such transfer by the Senate and House Appropria-  
6 tions Committees.

7           LAUNCH VEHICLES AND PAYLOAD OPERATIONS

8           For the necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for,  
9 in support of the space shuttle program, including safety  
10 and performance upgrades, space shuttle operations, and  
11 payload utilization and operations, and services; mainte-  
12 nance; construction of facilities including repair, rehabili-  
13 tation, and modification of real and personal property, and  
14 acquisition or condemnation of real property, as authorized  
15 by law; space flight, spacecraft control and communications  
16 activities including operations, production, and services;  
17 and purchase, lease, charter, maintenance and operation of  
18 mission and administrative aircraft, \$3,156,000,000, to re-  
19 main available until September 30, 2001: Provided, That  
20 none of the funds under this heading may be used to support  
21 the development or operations of the International Space  
22 Station other than the costs of space shuttle flights utilized  
23 for space station assembly.

24           SCIENCE, AERONAUTICS AND TECHNOLOGY

25           For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for, in  
26 the conduct and support of science, aeronautics and tech-

1 *nology research and development activities, including re-*  
2 *search, development, operations, and services; maintenance;*  
3 *construction of facilities including repair, rehabilitation,*  
4 *and modification of real and personal property, and acqui-*  
5 *sition or condemnation of real property, as authorized by*  
6 *law; space flight, spacecraft control and communications*  
7 *activities including operations, production, and services;*  
8 *and purchase, lease, charter, maintenance and operation of*  
9 *mission and administrative aircraft, \$5,424,700,000, to re-*  
10 *main available until September 30, 2001.*

11 *MISSION SUPPORT*

12 *For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for, in*  
13 *carrying out mission support for human space flight pro-*  
14 *grams and science, aeronautical, and technology programs,*  
15 *including research operations and support; space commu-*  
16 *nications activities including operations, production and*  
17 *services; maintenance; construction of facilities including*  
18 *repair, rehabilitation, and modification of facilities, minor*  
19 *construction of new facilities and additions to existing fa-*  
20 *cilities, facility planning and design, environmental com-*  
21 *pliance and restoration, and acquisition or condemnation*  
22 *of real property, as authorized by law; program manage-*  
23 *ment; personnel and related costs, including uniforms or*  
24 *allowances therefor, as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 5901–5902;*  
25 *travel expenses; purchase, lease, charter, maintenance, and*  
26 *operation of mission and administrative aircraft; not to ex-*

1 *ceed \$35,000 for official reception and representation ex-*  
2 *penses; and purchase (not to exceed 33 for replacement only)*  
3 *and hire of passenger motor vehicles, \$2,495,000,000, to re-*  
4 *main available until September 30, 2001.*

5 *OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL*

6 *For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector Gen-*  
7 *eral in carrying out the Inspector General Act of 1978, as*  
8 *amended, \$20,000,000.*

9 *ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS*

10 *Notwithstanding the limitation on the availability of*  
11 *funds appropriated for “International Space Station”,*  
12 *“Launch vehicles and payload operations”, “Science, aero-*  
13 *nautics and technology”, or “Mission support” by this ap-*  
14 *propriations Act, when any activity has been initiated by*  
15 *the incurrence of obligations for construction of facilities*  
16 *as authorized by law, such amount available for such activ-*  
17 *ity shall remain available until expended. This provision*  
18 *does not apply to the amounts appropriated in “Mission*  
19 *support” pursuant to the authorization for repair, rehabili-*  
20 *tation and modification of facilities, minor construction of*  
21 *new facilities and additions to existing facilities, and facil-*  
22 *ity planning and design.*

23 *Notwithstanding the limitation on the availability of*  
24 *funds appropriated for “International Space Station”,*  
25 *“Launch vehicles and payload operations”, “Science, aero-*  
26 *nautics and technology”, or “Mission support” by this ap-*

1 *propriations Act, the amounts appropriated for construc-*  
2 *tion of facilities shall remain available until September 30,*  
3 *2002.*

4 *Notwithstanding the limitation on the availability of*  
5 *funds appropriated for “Mission support” and “Office of*  
6 *Inspector General”, amounts made available by this Act for*  
7 *personnel and related costs and travel expenses of the Na-*  
8 *tional Aeronautics and Space Administration shall remain*  
9 *available until September 30, 2000 and may be used to*  
10 *enter into contracts for training, investigations, costs asso-*  
11 *ciated with personnel relocation, and for other services, to*  
12 *be provided during the next fiscal year.*

13 *Except for activities identified for fiscal year 2000 or*  
14 *prior fiscal years as part of the budget for the International*  
15 *Space Station, NASA shall terminate any discrete program*  
16 *or activity that exceeds either its annual or aggregate budg-*  
17 *et by fifteen percent as provided in NASA’s budget justifica-*  
18 *tions.*

19 *NATIONAL CREDIT UNION ADMINISTRATION*

20 *CENTRAL LIQUIDITY FACILITY*

21 *During fiscal year 2000, the administrative expenses*  
22 *of the Central Liquidity Facility in fiscal year 2000 shall*  
23 *not exceed \$257,000.*

1                    *NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION*2                    *RESEARCH AND RELATED ACTIVITIES*

3            *For necessary expenses in carrying out the National*  
4 *Science Foundation Act of 1950, as amended (42 U.S.C.*  
5 *1861–1875), and the Act to establish a National Medal of*  
6 *Science (42 U.S.C. 1880–1881); services as authorized by*  
7 *5 U.S.C. 3109; maintenance and operation of aircraft and*  
8 *purchase of flight services for research support; acquisition*  
9 *of aircraft; \$3,007,300,000, of which not to exceed*  
10 *\$253,630,000 shall remain available until expended for*  
11 *Polar research and operations support, and for reimburse-*  
12 *ment to other Federal agencies for operational and science*  
13 *support and logistical and other related activities for the*  
14 *United States Antarctic program; the balance to remain*  
15 *available until September 30, 2001: Provided, That receipts*  
16 *for scientific support services and materials furnished by*  
17 *the National Research Centers and other National Science*  
18 *Foundation supported research facilities may be credited to*  
19 *this appropriation: Provided further, That to the extent that*  
20 *the amount appropriated is less than the total amount au-*  
21 *thorized to be appropriated for included program activities,*  
22 *all amounts, including floors and ceilings, specified in the*  
23 *authorizing Act for those program activities or their sub-*  
24 *activities shall be reduced proportionally: Provided further,*  
25 *That \$60,000,000 of the funds available under this heading*

1 *shall be made available for a comprehensive research initia-*  
2 *tive on plant genomes for economically significant crop:*  
3 *Provided further, That none of the funds appropriated or*  
4 *otherwise made available to the National Science Founda-*  
5 *tion in this or any prior Act may be obligated or expended*  
6 *by the National Science Foundation to enter into or extend*  
7 *a grant, contract, or cooperative agreement for the support*  
8 *of administering the domain name and numbering system*  
9 *of the Internet after September 30, 1998: Provided further,*  
10 *That no funds in this or any other Act shall be used to*  
11 *acquire or lease a research vessel with ice-breaking capa-*  
12 *bility built or retrofitted by a shipyard located in a foreign*  
13 *country if such a vessel of United States origin can be ob-*  
14 *tained at a cost no more than 50 per centum above that*  
15 *of the least expensive technically acceptable foreign vessel*  
16 *bid: Provided further, That, in determining the cost of such*  
17 *a vessel, such cost be increased by the amount of any sub-*  
18 *sidies or financing provided by a foreign government (or*  
19 *instrumentality thereof) to such vessel's construction: Pro-*  
20 *vided further, That if the vessel contracted for pursuant to*  
21 *the foregoing is not available for the 2002–2003 austral*  
22 *summer Antarctic season, a vessel of any origin may be*  
23 *leased for a period of not to exceed 120 days for that season*  
24 *and each season thereafter until delivery of the new vessel.*



1 *for official reception and representation expenses; uniforms*  
2 *or allowances therefor, as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 5901–*  
3 *5902; rental of conference rooms in the District of Colum-*  
4 *bia; reimbursement of the General Services Administration*  
5 *for security guard services; \$150,000,000: Provided, That*  
6 *contracts may be entered into under “Salaries and ex-*  
7 *penses” in fiscal year 2000 for maintenance and operation*  
8 *of facilities, and for other services, to be provided during*  
9 *the next fiscal year.*

10 *OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL*

11 *For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector Gen-*  
12 *eral as authorized by the Inspector General Act of 1978,*  
13 *as amended, \$5,550,000, to remain available until Sep-*  
14 *tember 30, 2001.*

15 *NEIGHBORHOOD REINVESTMENT CORPORATION*

16 *PAYMENT TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD REINVESTMENT*  
17 *CORPORATION*

18 *For payment to the Neighborhood Reinvestment Cor-*  
19 *poration for use in neighborhood reinvestment activities, as*  
20 *authorized by the Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation*  
21 *Act (42 U.S.C. 8101–8107), \$60,000,000.*

22 *SELECTIVE SERVICE SYSTEM*

23 *SALARIES AND EXPENSES*

24 *For necessary expenses of the Selective Service System,*  
25 *including expenses of attendance at meetings and of train-*  
26 *ing for uniformed personnel assigned to the Selective Serv-*



1 *ice System, as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 4101–4118 for civil-*  
2 *ian employees; and not to exceed \$1,000 for official recep-*  
3 *tion and representation expenses; \$25,250,000: Provided,*  
4 *That during the current fiscal year, the President may ex-*  
5 *empt this appropriation from the provisions of 31 U.S.C.*  
6 *1341, whenever he deems such action to be necessary in the*  
7 *interest of national defense: Provided further, That none of*  
8 *the funds appropriated by this Act may be expended for*  
9 *or in connection with the induction of any person into the*  
10 *Armed Forces of the United States.*

11 *TITLE IV—GENERAL PROVISIONS*

12 *SEC. 401. Where appropriations in titles I, II, and*  
13 *III of this Act are expendable for travel expenses and no*  
14 *specific limitation has been placed thereon, the expenditures*  
15 *for such travel expenses may not exceed the amounts set*  
16 *forth therefore in the budget estimates submitted for the ap-*  
17 *propriations: Provided, That this provision does not apply*  
18 *to accounts that do not contain an object classification for*  
19 *travel: Provided further, That this section shall not apply*  
20 *to travel performed by uncompensated officials of local*  
21 *boards and appeal boards of the Selective Service System;*  
22 *to travel performed directly in connection with care and*  
23 *treatment of medical beneficiaries of the Department of Vet-*  
24 *erans Affairs; to travel performed in connection with major*  
25 *disasters or emergencies declared or determined by the*

1 *President under the provisions of the Robert T. Stafford*  
2 *Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act; to travel*  
3 *performed by the Offices of Inspector General in connection*  
4 *with audits and investigations; or to payments to inter-*  
5 *agency motor pools where separately set forth in the budget*  
6 *schedules: Provided further, That if appropriations in titles*  
7 *I, II, and III exceed the amounts set forth in budget esti-*  
8 *mates initially submitted for such appropriations, the ex-*  
9 *penditures for travel may correspondingly exceed the*  
10 *amounts therefore set forth in the estimates in the same pro-*  
11 *portion.*

12       *SEC. 402. Appropriations and funds available for the*  
13 *administrative expenses of the Department of Housing and*  
14 *Urban Development and the Selective Service System shall*  
15 *be available in the current fiscal year for purchase of uni-*  
16 *forms, or allowances therefor, as authorized by 5 U.S.C.*  
17 *5901–5902; hire of passenger motor vehicles; and services*  
18 *as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109.*

19       *SEC. 403. Funds of the Department of Housing and*  
20 *Urban Development subject to the Government Corporation*  
21 *Control Act or section 402 of the Housing Act of 1950 shall*  
22 *be available, without regard to the limitations on adminis-*  
23 *trative expenses, for legal services on a contract or fee basis,*  
24 *and for utilizing and making payment for services and fa-*  
25 *cilities of Federal National Mortgage Association, Govern-*

1 *ment National Mortgage Association, Federal Home Loan*  
2 *Mortgage Corporation, Federal Financing Bank, Federal*  
3 *Reserve banks or any member thereof, Federal Home Loan*  
4 *banks, and any insured bank within the meaning of the*  
5 *Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Act, as amended*  
6 *(12 U.S.C. 1811–1831).*

7 *SEC. 404. No part of any appropriation contained in*  
8 *this Act shall remain available for obligation beyond the*  
9 *current fiscal year unless expressly so provided herein.*

10 *SEC. 405. No funds appropriated by this Act may be*  
11 *expended—*

12 *(1) pursuant to a certification of an officer or*  
13 *employee of the United States unless—*

14 *(A) such certification is accompanied by, or*  
15 *is part of, a voucher or abstract which describes*  
16 *the payee or payees and the items or services for*  
17 *which such expenditure is being made; or*

18 *(B) the expenditure of funds pursuant to*  
19 *such certification, and without such a voucher or*  
20 *abstract, is specifically authorized by law; and*

21 *(2) unless such expenditure is subject to audit by*  
22 *the General Accounting Office or is specifically ex-*  
23 *empt by law from such audit.*

24 *SEC. 406. None of the funds provided in this Act to*  
25 *any department or agency may be expended for the trans-*

1 portation of any officer or employee of such department or  
2 agency between their domicile and their place of employ-  
3 ment, with the exception of any officer or employee author-  
4 ized such transportation under 31 U.S.C. 1344 or 5 U.S.C.  
5 7905.

6       *SEC. 407. None of the funds provided in this Act may*  
7 *be used for payment, through grants or contracts, to recipi-*  
8 *ents that do not share in the cost of conducting research*  
9 *resulting from proposals not specifically solicited by the*  
10 *Government: Provided, That the extent of cost sharing by*  
11 *the recipient shall reflect the mutuality of interest of the*  
12 *grantee or contractor and the Government in the research.*

13       *SEC. 408. None of the funds in this Act may be used,*  
14 *directly or through grants, to pay or to provide reimburse-*  
15 *ment for payment of the salary of a consultant (whether*  
16 *retained by the Federal Government or a grantee) at more*  
17 *than the daily equivalent of the rate paid for level IV of*  
18 *the Executive Schedule, unless specifically authorized by*  
19 *law.*

20       *SEC. 409. None of the funds provided in this Act shall*  
21 *be used to pay the expenses of, or otherwise compensate,*  
22 *non-Federal parties intervening in regulatory or adjudica-*  
23 *tory proceedings. Nothing herein affects the authority of the*  
24 *Consumer Product Safety Commission pursuant to section*

1 7 of the Consumer Product Safety Act (15 U.S.C. 2056 et  
2 seq.).

3       *SEC. 410. Except as otherwise provided under existing*  
4 *law, or under an existing Executive Order issued pursuant*  
5 *to an existing law, the obligation or expenditure of any ap-*  
6 *propriation under this Act for contracts for any consulting*  
7 *service shall be limited to contracts which are: (1) a matter*  
8 *of public record and available for public inspection; and*  
9 *(2) thereafter included in a publicly available list of all con-*  
10 *tracts entered into within twenty-four months prior to the*  
11 *date on which the list is made available to the public and*  
12 *of all contracts on which performance has not been com-*  
13 *pleted by such date. The list required by the preceding sen-*  
14 *tence shall be updated quarterly and shall include a nar-*  
15 *rative description of the work to be performed under each*  
16 *such contract.*

17       *SEC. 411. Except as otherwise provided by law, no*  
18 *part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall be*  
19 *obligated or expended by any executive agency, as referred*  
20 *to in the Office of Federal Procurement Policy Act (41*  
21 *U.S.C. 401 et seq.), for a contract for services unless such*  
22 *executive agency: (1) has awarded and entered into such*  
23 *contract in full compliance with such Act and the regula-*  
24 *tions promulgated thereunder; and (2) requires any report*  
25 *prepared pursuant to such contract, including plans, eval-*

1 uations, studies, analyses and manuals, and any report  
2 prepared by the agency which is substantially derived from  
3 or substantially includes any report prepared pursuant to  
4 such contract, to contain information concerning: (A) the  
5 contract pursuant to which the report was prepared; and  
6 (B) the contractor who prepared the report pursuant to such  
7 contract.

8       *SEC. 412. Except as otherwise provided in section 406,*  
9 *none of the funds provided in this Act to any department*  
10 *or agency shall be obligated or expended to provide a per-*  
11 *sonal cook, chauffeur, or other personal servants to any offi-*  
12 *cer or employee of such department or agency.*

13       *SEC. 413. None of the funds provided in this Act to*  
14 *any department or agency shall be obligated or expended*  
15 *to procure passenger automobiles as defined in 15 U.S.C.*  
16 *2001 with an EPA estimated miles per gallon average of*  
17 *less than 22 miles per gallon.*

18       *SEC. 414. None of the funds appropriated in title I*  
19 *of this Act shall be used to enter into any new lease of real*  
20 *property if the estimated annual rental is more than*  
21 *\$300,000 unless the Secretary submits, in writing, a report*  
22 *to the Committees on Appropriations of the Congress and*  
23 *a period of 30 days has expired following the date on which*  
24 *the report is received by the Committees on Appropriations.*

1        *SEC. 415. (a) It is the sense of the Congress that, to*  
2 *the greatest extent practicable, all equipment and products*  
3 *purchased with funds made available in this Act should be*  
4 *American-made.*

5        *(b) In providing financial assistance to, or entering*  
6 *into any contract with, any entity using funds made avail-*  
7 *able in this Act, the head of each Federal agency, to the*  
8 *greatest extent practicable, shall provide to such entity a*  
9 *notice describing the statement made in subsection (a) by*  
10 *the Congress.*

11        *SEC. 416. None of the funds appropriated in this Act*  
12 *may be used to implement any cap on reimbursements to*  
13 *grantees for indirect costs, except as published in Office of*  
14 *Management and Budget Circular A-21.*

15        *SEC. 417. Such sums as may be necessary for fiscal*  
16 *year 2000 pay raises for programs funded by this Act shall*  
17 *be absorbed within the levels appropriated in this Act.*

18        *SEC. 418. None of the funds made available in this*  
19 *Act may be used for any program, project, or activity, when*  
20 *it is made known to the Federal entity or official to which*  
21 *the funds are made available that the program, project, or*  
22 *activity is not in compliance with any Federal law relating*  
23 *to risk assessment, the protection of private property rights,*  
24 *or unfunded mandates.*

1        *SEC. 419. Corporations and agencies of the Depart-*  
2 *ment of Housing and Urban Development which are subject*  
3 *to the Government Corporation Control Act, as amended,*  
4 *are hereby authorized to make such expenditures, within the*  
5 *limits of funds and borrowing authority available to each*  
6 *such corporation or agency and in accord with law, and*  
7 *to make such contracts and commitments without regard*  
8 *to fiscal year limitations as provided by section 104 of the*  
9 *Act as may be necessary in carrying out the programs set*  
10 *forth in the budget for 2000 for such corporation or agency*  
11 *except as hereinafter provided: Provided, That collections*  
12 *of these corporations and agencies may be used for new loan*  
13 *or mortgage purchase commitments only to the extent ex-*  
14 *pressly provided for in this Act (unless such loans are in*  
15 *support of other forms of assistance provided for in this or*  
16 *prior appropriations Acts), except that this proviso shall*  
17 *not apply to the mortgage insurance or guaranty operations*  
18 *of these corporations, or where loans or mortgage purchases*  
19 *are necessary to protect the financial interest of the United*  
20 *States Government.*

21        *SEC. 420. Notwithstanding section 320(g) of the Fed-*  
22 *eral Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1330(g)), funds*  
23 *made available pursuant to authorization under such sec-*  
24 *tion for fiscal year 2000 may be used for implementing*  
25 *comprehensive conservation and management plans.*



1        *SEC. 421. Notwithstanding any other provision of law,*  
2 *the term “qualified student loan” with respect to national*  
3 *service education awards shall mean any loan made di-*  
4 *rectly to a student by the Alaska Commission on Postsec-*  
5 *ondary Education, in addition to other meanings under*  
6 *section 148(b)(7) of the National and Community Service*  
7 *Act.*

8        *SEC. 422. Notwithstanding any other law, funds made*  
9 *available by this or any other Act or previous Acts for the*  
10 *United States/Mexico Foundation for Science may be used*  
11 *for the endowment of such Foundation: Provided, That*  
12 *funds from the U.S. Government shall be matched in equal*  
13 *amounts with funds from Mexico: Provided further, That*  
14 *the accounts of such Foundation shall be subject to U.S.*  
15 *Government administrative and audit requirements con-*  
16 *cerning grants and requirements concerning cost principles*  
17 *for nonprofit organizations.*

18        *SEC. 423. None of the funds made available in this*  
19 *Act may be used to carry out Executive Order No. 13083.*

20        *SEC. 424. Unless otherwise provided for in this Act,*  
21 *no part of any appropriation for the Department of Hous-*  
22 *ing and Urban Development shall be available for any ac-*  
23 *tivity in excess of amounts set forth in the budget estimates*  
24 *submitted for the appropriations.*

1        *SEC. 425. None of the funds made available in this*  
2 *Act may be used for purposes of lobbying or litigating*  
3 *against, including any related activity or cost, any Federal*  
4 *entity or official. Any funds received under this Act shall*  
5 *be maintained in an account separate from any funds used*  
6 *for litigating or lobbying. Notwithstanding any other provi-*  
7 *sion of law, none of the funds made available in this Act*  
8 *(or any subsequent Act that makes available appropriations*  
9 *for programs funded under this Act) shall be made available*  
10 *for a period of five years to any entity or person that vio-*  
11 *lates the requirements of the preceding two sentences.*

12        *SEC. 426. None of the funds provided in this Act may*  
13 *be obligated after February 15, 2000, unless each depart-*  
14 *ment, agency, corporation, and commission that receives*  
15 *funds herein provides detailed justifications to the Commit-*  
16 *tees on Appropriations for all salary and expense activities*  
17 *for fiscal years 2001 through 2005, including personnel*  
18 *compensation and benefits, consulting costs, professional*  
19 *services or technical service contracts regardless of the dollar*  
20 *amount, contracting out costs, travel and other standard*  
21 *object classifications for all headquarters offices, regional of-*  
22 *fices, or field installations and laboratories, including the*  
23 *number of full-time equivalents per office, and the personnel*  
24 *compensation, benefits and travel costs for each Secretary,*  
25 *Assistance Secretary or Administrator.*

1        *SEC. 427. LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES NOT RE-*  
2 *SPONSIBLE FOR CLEAN-UP OF METHAMPHETAMINE LAB-*  
3 *ORATORIES. Notwithstanding any other provision of law,*  
4 *no state or local law enforcement agency shall be responsible*  
5 *under any Federal law for any costs associated with the*  
6 *clean-up or remediation of any premises used for the manu-*  
7 *facture or production of methamphetamine.*

8        *SEC. 428. No funds in this Act shall be made available*  
9 *for any activity or the publication or distribution of lit-*  
10 *erature that is designed to promote public support or oppo-*  
11 *sition to any legislative proposal on which congressional ac-*  
12 *tion is not complete.*

13        *SEC. 429. Notwithstanding any other provision of law,*  
14 *the amount made available under the Departments of Vet-*  
15 *erans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and*  
16 *Independent Agencies Appropriations Act, 1991 (Public*  
17 *Law 101–507) for a special purpose grant under section*  
18 *107 of the Housing and Community Development Act of*  
19 *1974 to the County of Hawaii for the purpose of an envi-*  
20 *ronmental impact statement for the development of a water*  
21 *resource system in Kohala, Hawaii, that is unobligated on*  
22 *the date of enactment of this Act, may be used to fund water*  
23 *system improvements, including exploratory wells, well*  
24 *drillings, pipeline replacements, water system planning*  
25 *and design, and booster pump and reservoir development.*

1        *SEC. 430. None of the funds appropriated or otherwise*  
2 *made available for the National Aeronautics and Space Ad-*  
3 *ministration by this Act may be obligated or expended for*  
4 *purposes of transferring any research aircraft from Glenn*  
5 *Research Center, Ohio, to another field center of the Admin-*  
6 *istration.*

7        *SEC. 431. GAO STUDY ON FEDERAL HOME LOAN*  
8 *BANK CAPITAL. (a) STUDY.—The Comptroller General of*  
9 *the United States shall conduct a study of—*

10            *(1) possible revisions to the capital structure of*  
11 *the Federal Home Loan Bank System, including the*  
12 *need for—*

13                    *(A) more permanent capital;*

14                    *(B) a statutory leverage ratio; and*

15                    *(C) a risk-based capital structure; and*

16            *(2) what impact such revisions might have on*  
17 *the operations of the Federal Home Loan Bank Sys-*  
18 *tem, including the obligation of the Federal Home*  
19 *Loan Bank System under section 21B(f)(2)(C) of the*  
20 *Federal Home Loan Bank Act.*

21        *(b) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 1 year*  
22 *after the date of enactment of this Act, the Comptroller Gen-*  
23 *eral of the United States shall submit a report to the Con-*  
24 *gress on the results of the study conducted under subsection*  
25 *(a).*

1        *SEC. 432. SENSE OF THE SENATE REGARDING AERO-*  
2 *NAUTICS RESEARCH. (a) FINDINGS.—The Senate finds the*  
3 *following:*

4            (1) *Every aircraft worldwide uses and benefits*  
5 *from NASA technology.*

6            (2) *Aeronautical research has fostered the estab-*  
7 *lishment of a safe, affordable air transportation sys-*  
8 *tem that is second to none.*

9            (3) *Fundamental research in aeronautics is not*  
10 *being supported anywhere in the country outside of*  
11 *NASA.*

12           (4) *The Department of Transportation predicts*  
13 *that air traffic will triple over the next 20 years, ex-*  
14 *acerbating current noise and safety problems at al-*  
15 *ready overcrowded airports. New aeronautics ad-*  
16 *vancements need to be developed if costs are to be con-*  
17 *tained and the safety and quality of our air infra-*  
18 *structure is to be improved.*

19           (5) *Our military would not dominate the skies*  
20 *without robust investments in aeronautics research*  
21 *and development.*

22           (6) *Technology transferred from NASA aero-*  
23 *navitics research to the commercial sector has created*  
24 *billions of dollars in economic growth.*

1           (7) *The American aeronautics industry is the*  
2 *top contributor to the United States balance of trade,*  
3 *with a net contribution of more than \$41,000,000,000*  
4 *in 1998.*

5           (8) *Less than 10 years ago, American airplane*  
6 *producers controlled over 70 percent of the global*  
7 *market for commercial aviation.*

8           (9) *America's dominance in the world's civil*  
9 *aviation market is being challenged by foreign compa-*  
10 *nies like Airbus, which now has approximately 50*  
11 *percent of the world's civil aviation market, and is*  
12 *aiming to capture 70 percent.*

13          (10) *The rise of foreign competition in the global*  
14 *civil aviation market has coincided with decreases in*  
15 *NASA's aeronautics research budget and a cor-*  
16 *responding increase in European investment.*

17          (11) *NASA's aeronautics laboratories have the*  
18 *research facilities, including wind tunnels, and tech-*  
19 *nical expertise to conduct the cutting-edge scientific*  
20 *inquiry needed to advance state-of-the-art military*  
21 *and civil aircraft.*

22          (b) *SENSE OF THE SENATE.—It is the sense of the Sen-*  
23 *ate that the United States should increase its commitment*  
24 *to aeronautics research funding.*

1        *SEC. 433. UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS. Not later*  
2 *than May 1, 2000, in administering the underground stor-*  
3 *age tank program under subtitle I of the Solid Waste Dis-*  
4 *posal Act (42 U.S.C. 6991 et seq.), the Administrator of*  
5 *the Environmental Protection Agency shall develop a plan*  
6 *(including cost estimates)—*

7            (1) *to identify underground storage tanks that*  
8 *are not in compliance with subtitle I of the Solid*  
9 *Waste Disposal Act (42 U.S.C. 6991 et seq.) (includ-*  
10 *ing regulations);*

11            (2) *to identify underground storage tanks in*  
12 *temporary closure;*

13            (3) *to determine the ownership of underground*  
14 *storage tanks described in paragraphs (1) and (2);*

15            (4) *to determine the plans of owners and opera-*  
16 *tors of underground storage tanks described in para-*  
17 *graphs (1) and (2) to bring the underground storage*  
18 *tanks into compliance or out of temporary closure;*  
19 *and*

20            (5) *in a case in which the owner of an under-*  
21 *ground storage tank described in paragraph (1) or (2)*  
22 *cannot be identified—*

23                    (A) *to bring the underground storage tank*  
24 *into compliance; or*

1                   (B) to permanently close the underground  
2                   storage tank.

3           SEC. 434. *The comment period on the proposed rules*  
4 *related to section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act published*  
5 *at 64 Federal Register 46012 and 46058 (August 23, 1999)*  
6 *shall be extended from October 22, 1999, for a period of*  
7 *no less than 90 additional calendar days.*

8           SEC. 435. *Section 4(a) of the Act of August 9, 1950*  
9 *(16 U.S.C. 777c(a)), is amended in the second sentence by*  
10 *striking “1999” and inserting “2000”.*

11          SEC. 436. *PROMULGATION OF STORMWATER REGULA-*  
12 *TIONS. (a) STORMWATER REGULATIONS.—The Adminis-*  
13 *trator of the Environmental Protection Agency shall not*  
14 *promulgate the Phase II stormwater regulations until the*  
15 *Administrator submits to the Committee on Environment*  
16 *and Public Works of the Senate a report containing—*

17                   (1) *an in-depth impact analysis on the effect the*  
18 *final regulations will have on urban, suburban, and*  
19 *rural local governments subject to the regulations, in-*  
20 *cluding an estimate of—*

21                           (A) *the costs of complying with the 6 min-*  
22 *imum control measures described in the regula-*  
23 *tions; and*

24                           (B) *the costs resulting from the lowering of*  
25 *the construction threshold from 5 acres to 1 acre;*



1           (2) *an explanation of the rationale of the Ad-*  
2 *ministrator for lowering the construction site thresh-*  
3 *old from 5 acres to 1 acre, including—*

4                 (A) *an explanation, in light of recent court*  
5 *decisions, of why a 1-acre measure is any less*  
6 *arbitrarily determined than a 5-acre measure;*  
7 *and*

8                 (B) *all qualitative information used in de-*  
9 *termining an acre threshold for a construction*  
10 *site;*

11           (3) *documentation demonstrating that*  
12 *stormwater runoff is generally a problem in commu-*  
13 *nities with populations of 50,000 to 100,000 (includ-*  
14 *ing an explanation of why the coverage of the regula-*  
15 *tion is based on a census-determined population in-*  
16 *stead of a water quality threshold); and*

17           (4) *information that supports the position of the*  
18 *Administrator that the Phase II stormwater program*  
19 *should be administered as part of the National Pollut-*  
20 *ant Discharge Elimination System under section 402*  
21 *of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C.*  
22 *1342).*

23           (b) *PHASE I REGULATIONS.—No later than 120 days*  
24 *after enactment of this Act, the Environmental Protection*  
25 *Agency shall submit to the Senate Environment and Public*

1 *Works Committee a report containing a detailed expla-*  
2 *nation of the impact, if any, that the Phase I program has*  
3 *had in improving water quality in the United States (in-*  
4 *cluding a description of specific measures that have been*  
5 *successful and those that have been unsuccessful).*

6 (c) *FEDERAL REGISTER.*—*The reports described in*  
7 *subsections (a) and (b) shall be published in the Federal*  
8 *Register for public comment.*

9 *SEC. 437. PESTICIDE TOLERANCE FEES.* *None of the*  
10 *funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act*  
11 *shall be used to promulgate a final regulation to implement*  
12 *changes in the payment of pesticide tolerance processing fees*  
13 *as proposed at 64 Fed. Reg. 31040, or any similar pro-*  
14 *posals. The Environmental Protection Agency may proceed*  
15 *with the development of such a rule.*

16 *This Act may be cited as the “Departments of Veterans*  
17 *Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and Inde-*  
18 *pendent Agencies Appropriations Act, 2000”.*

Attest:

*Secretary.*

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