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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

- 2 This Act may be cited as the "Presidential and Exec-
- 3 utive Office Financial Accountability Act of 1999".
- 4 SEC. 2. CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER IN THE EXECUTIVE OF-
- 5 FICE OF THE PRESIDENT.
- 6 (a) In General.—Section 901 of title 31, United
- 7 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the follow-
- 8 ing:
- 9 "(c)(1) There shall be within the Executive Office of
- 10 the President a Chief Financial Officer, who shall be des-
- 11 ignated or appointed by the President from among individ-
- 12 uals meeting the standards described in subsection (a)(3).
- 13 The position of Chief Financial Officer established under
- 14 this paragraph may be so established in any Office (in-
- 15 cluding the Office of Administration) of the Executive Of-
- 16 fice of the President.
- 17 "(2) The Chief Financial Officer designated or ap-
- 18 pointed under this subsection shall, to the extent that the
- 19 President determines appropriate and in the interest of
- 20 the United States, have the same authority and perform
- 21 the same functions as apply in the case of a Chief Finan-
- 22 cial Officer of an agency described in subsection (b).
- 23 "(3) The President shall submit to Congress notifica-
- 24 tion with respect to any provision of section 902 that the
- 25 President determines shall not apply to a Chief Financial
- 26 Officer designated or appointed under this subsection.

- 1 "(4) The President may designate an employee of the
- 2 Executive Office of the President (other than the Chief
- 3 Financial Officer), who shall be deemed 'the head of the
- 4 agency' for purposes of carrying out section 902, with re-
- 5 spect to the Executive Office of the President.".
- 6 (b) Plan for Implementation.—Not later than 90
- 7 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Presi-
- 8 dent shall communicate in writing to the Chairman of the
- 9 Committee on Government Reform of the House of Rep-
- 10 resentatives and the Chairman of the Committee on Gov-
- 11 ernmental Affairs of the Senate a plan for implementation
- 12 of the provisions of, including the amendments made by,
- 13 this Act.
- 14 (c) Deadline for Appointment.—The Chief Fi-
- 15 nancial Officer designated or appointed under section
- 16 901(c) of title 31, United States Code (as added by sub-
- 17 section (a)), shall be so designated or appointed not later
- 18 than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act.
- 19 (d) Pay.—The Chief Financial Officer designated or
- 20 appointed under such section shall receive basic pay at the
- 21 rate payable for level IV of the Executive Schedule under
- 22 section 5315 of title 5, United States Code.
- 23 (e) Transfer of Functions.—(1) The President
- 24 may transfer such offices, functions, powers, or duties
- 25 thereof, as the President determines are properly related

- 1 to the functions of the Chief Financial Officer under sec-
- 2 tion 901(c) of title 31, United States Code (as added by
- 3 subsection (a)).
- 4 (2) The personnel, assets, liabilities, contracts, prop-
- 5 erty, records, and unexpended balances of appropriations,
- 6 authorizations, allocations, and other funds employed,
- 7 held, used, arising from, available or to be made available,
- 8 of any office the functions, powers, or duties of which are
- 9 transferred under paragraph (1) shall also be so trans-
- 10 ferred.
- 11 (f) Separate Budget Request.—Section 1105(a)
- 12 of title 31, United States Code, is amended by inserting
- 13 after paragraph (30) the following new paragraph:
- "(31) a separate statement of the amount of
- appropriations requested to carry out the provisions
- of the Presidential and Executive Office Financial
- 17 Accountability Act of 1999.".
- 18 (g) Technical and Conforming Amendments.—
- 19 Section 503(a) of title 31, United States Code, is
- 20 amended—
- 21 (1) in paragraph (7) by striking "respectively."
- and inserting "respectively (excluding any officer
- designated or appointed under section 901(c))."; and

- 1 (2) in paragraph (8) by striking "Officers." and
- 2 inserting "Officers (excluding any officer designated
- or appointed under section 901(c)).".

Passed the House of Representatives February 11, 1999.

Attest:

Clerk.