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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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## AN ACT

Making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes.

1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*  
3 That the following sums are appropriated, out of any  
4 money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the  
5 Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September  
6 30, 2006, and for other purposes, namely:

7               **(1)** *TITLE I—LEGISLATIVE BRANCH*

8                               *APPROPRIATIONS*

9                                       *SENATE*

10   *EXPENSE ALLOWANCES*

11       *For expense allowances of the Vice President, \$20,000;*  
12 *the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, \$40,000; Majority*

1 *Leader of the Senate, \$40,000; Minority Leader of the Sen-*  
2 *ate, \$40,000; Majority Whip of the Senate, \$10,000; Minor-*  
3 *ity Whip of the Senate, \$10,000; President Pro Tempore*  
4 *emeritus, \$15,000; Chairmen of the Majority and Minority*  
5 *Conference Committees, \$5,000 for each Chairman; and*  
6 *Chairmen of the Majority and Minority Policy Committees,*  
7 *\$5,000 for each Chairman; in all, \$195,000.*

8 *REPRESENTATION ALLOWANCES FOR THE MAJORITY AND*  
9 *MINORITY LEADERS*

10 *For representation allowances of the Majority and Mi-*  
11 *nority Leaders of the Senate, \$15,000 for each such Leader;*  
12 *in all, \$30,000.*

13 *SALARIES, OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES*

14 *For compensation of officers, employees, and others as*  
15 *authorized by law, including agency contributions,*  
16 *\$147,120,000, which shall be paid from this appropriation*  
17 *without regard to the following limitations:*

18 *OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT*

19 *For the Office of the Vice President, \$2,181,000.*

20 *OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE*

21 *For the Office of the President Pro Tempore, \$582,000.*

22 *OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE EMERITUS*

23 *For the Office of the President Pro Tempore emeritus,*  
24 *\$290,000.*

1        *OFFICES OF THE MAJORITY AND MINORITY LEADERS*2        *For Offices of the Majority and Minority Leaders,*3        *\$4,340,000.*4        *OFFICES OF THE MAJORITY AND MINORITY WHIPS*5        *For Offices of the Majority and Minority Whips,*6        *\$2,644,000.*7                        *COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS*8        *For salaries of the Committee on Appropriations,*9        *\$13,758,000.*10                      *CONFERENCE COMMITTEES*11        *For the Conference of the Majority and the Conference*12 *of the Minority, at rates of compensation to be fixed by the*13 *Chairman of each such committee, \$1,470,000 for each such*14 *committee; in all, \$2,940,000.*15        *OFFICES OF THE SECRETARIES OF THE CONFERENCE OF*16 *THE MAJORITY AND THE CONFERENCE OF THE MINORITY*17        *For Offices of the Secretaries of the Conference of the*18 *Majority and the Conference of the Minority, \$728,000.*19                      *POLICY COMMITTEES*20        *For salaries of the Majority Policy Committee and the*21 *Minority Policy Committee, \$1,524,000 for each such com-*22 *mittee; in all, \$3,048,000.*23                      *OFFICE OF THE CHAPLAIN*24        *For Office of the Chaplain, \$354,000.*25                      *OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY*26        *For Office of the Secretary, \$20,866,000.*

1     *OFFICE OF THE SERGEANT AT ARMS AND DOORKEEPER*

2         *For Office of the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper,*  
3     *\$56,700,000.*

4     *OFFICES OF THE SECRETARIES FOR THE MAJORITY AND*  
5                                     *MINORITY*

6         *For Offices of the Secretary for the Majority and the*  
7     *Secretary for the Minority, \$1,584,000.*

8     *AGENCY CONTRIBUTIONS AND RELATED EXPENSES*

9         *For agency contributions for employee benefits, as au-*  
10     *thorized by law, and related expenses, \$37,105,000.*

11     *OFFICE OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL OF THE SENATE*

12         *For salaries and expenses of the Office of the Legisla-*  
13     *tive Counsel of the Senate, \$5,437,000.*

14                             *OFFICE OF SENATE LEGAL COUNSEL*

15         *For salaries and expenses of the Office of Senate Legal*  
16     *Counsel, \$1,306,000.*

17     *EXPENSE ALLOWANCES OF THE SECRETARY OF THE SEN-*  
18     *ATE, SERGEANT AT ARMS AND DOORKEEPER OF THE*  
19     *SENATE, AND SECRETARIES FOR THE MAJORITY AND*  
20     *MINORITY OF THE SENATE*

21         *For expense allowances of the Secretary of the Senate,*  
22     *\$6,000; Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate,*  
23     *\$6,000; Secretary for the Majority of the Senate, \$6,000;*  
24     *Secretary for the Minority of the Senate, \$6,000; in all,*  
25     *\$24,000.*

1            *CONTINGENT EXPENSES OF THE SENATE*2                            *INQUIRIES AND INVESTIGATIONS*

3            *For expenses of inquiries and investigations ordered*  
4 *by the Senate, or conducted under section 134(a) of the Leg-*  
5 *islative Reorganization Act of 1946 (Public Law 97-601),*  
6 *section 112 of the Supplemental Appropriations and Rescis-*  
7 *sion Act, 1980 (Public Law 96-304), and Senate Resolution*  
8 *281, 96th Congress, agreed to March 11, 1980,*  
9 *\$119,637,000.*

10          *EXPENSES OF THE UNITED STATES SENATE CAUCUS ON*11                            *INTERNATIONAL NARCOTICS CONTROL*

12          *For expenses of the United States Senate Caucus on*  
13 *International Narcotics Control, \$520,000.*

14                            *SECRETARY OF THE SENATE*

15          *For expenses of the Office of the Secretary of the Sen-*  
16 *ate, \$1,980,000.*

17          *SERGEANT AT ARMS AND DOORKEEPER OF THE SENATE*

18          *For expenses of the Office of the Sergeant at Arms and*  
19 *Doorkeeper of the Senate, \$142,000,000, which shall remain*  
20 *available until September 30, 2010.*

21                            *MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS*

22          *For miscellaneous items, \$17,000,000, of which up to*  
23 *\$500,000 shall be made available for a pilot program for*  
24 *mailings of postal patron postcards by Senators for the pur-*  
25 *pose of providing notice of a town meeting by a Senator*  
26 *in a county (or equivalent unit of local government) at*

1 *which the Senator will personally attend: Provided, That*  
 2 *any amount allocated to a Senator for such mailing shall*  
 3 *not exceed 50 percent of the cost of the mailing and the*  
 4 *remaining cost shall be paid by the Senator from other*  
 5 *funds available to the Senator.*

6 *SENATORS' OFFICIAL PERSONNEL AND OFFICE EXPENSE*

7 *ACCOUNT*

8 *For Senators' Official Personnel and Office Expense*  
 9 *Account, \$350,000,000.*

10 *OFFICIAL MAIL COSTS*

11 *For expenses necessary for official mail costs of the*  
 12 *Senate, \$300,000.*

13 *ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS*

14 *SEC. 1. GROSS RATE OF COMPENSATION IN OFFICES*  
 15 *OF SENATORS. Effective on and after October 1, 2005, each*  
 16 *of the dollar amounts contained in the table under section*  
 17 *105(d)(1)(A) of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act,*  
 18 *1968 (2 U.S.C. 61-1(d)(1)(A)) shall be deemed to be the*  
 19 *dollar amounts in that table, as adjusted by law and in*  
 20 *effect on September 30, 2005, increased by an additional*  
 21 *\$50,000 each.*

22 *SEC. 2. CONSULTANTS. With respect to fiscal year*  
 23 *2006, the first sentence of section 101(a) of the Supple-*  
 24 *mental Appropriations Act, 1977 (2 U.S.C. 61h-6(a)) shall*  
 25 *be applied by substituting "nine individual consultants"*  
 26 *for "eight individual consultants".*

1        *SEC. 3. UNITED STATES SENATE COLLECTION. Section*  
2 *316 of Public Law 101–302 (2 U.S.C. 2107) is amended*  
3 *in the first sentence of subsection (a) by striking “2005”*  
4 *and inserting “2006”.*

5        *SEC. 4. SENATE COMMISSION ON ART. Section 3(c)(2)*  
6 *of Public Law 108–83 (2 U.S.C. 2108(c)(2)) is amended*  
7 *by striking “and for any purposes” through the period and*  
8 *inserting “for any purposes for which funds from the con-*  
9 *tingent fund of the Senate may be used under section 316(a)*  
10 *of Public Law 101–302 (2 U.S.C. 2107(a)), and for expend-*  
11 *itures, not to exceed \$10,000 in any fiscal year, for meals*  
12 *and refreshments in Capitol facilities in connection with*  
13 *official activities of the Commission or other authorized*  
14 *programs or activities.”.*

15        *SEC. 5. ABSENCES. Section 40 of the Revised Statutes*  
16 *(2 U.S.C. 39) is amended by—*

17            (1) *striking “Secretary of the Senate and the”;*

18            (2) *striking “, respectively, shall” and inserting*

19            *“shall”;*

20            (3) *striking “Senate or”;* and

21            (4) *striking “, respectively, unless” and inserting*

22            *“, unless”.*

23        *SEC. 6. MODIFICATION OF CERTAIN CONSULTANT RE-*  
24 *QUIREMENT. Section 10(a)(5) of the Legislative Branch Ap-*  
25 *propriations Act, 1999 (2 U.S.C. 72d) is amended by in-*

1 *serting “, except that any approval (and related reporting*  
2 *requirement) shall not apply” after “May 14, 1975”.*

### 3 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

#### 4 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

5 For salaries and expenses of the House of Represent-  
6 atives, \$1,092,407,000, as follows:

#### 7 HOUSE LEADERSHIP OFFICES

8 For salaries and expenses, as authorized by law,  
9 \$19,844,000, including: Office of the Speaker,  
10 \$2,788,000, including \$25,000 for official expenses of the  
11 Speaker; Office of the Majority Floor Leader, \$2,089,000,  
12 including \$10,000 for official expenses of the Majority  
13 Leader; Office of the Minority Floor Leader, \$2,928,000,  
14 including \$10,000 for official expenses of the Minority  
15 Leader; Office of the Majority Whip, including the Chief  
16 Deputy Majority Whip, \$1,797,000, including \$5,000 for  
17 official expenses of the Majority Whip; Office of the Mi-  
18 nority Whip, including the Chief Deputy Minority Whip,  
19 \$1,345,000, including \$5,000 for official expenses of the  
20 Minority Whip; Speaker’s Office for Legislative Floor Ac-  
21 tivities, \$482,000; Republican Steering Committee,  
22 \$906,000; Republican Conference, \$1,548,000; Repub-  
23 lican Policy Committee, \$307,000; Democratic Steering  
24 and Policy Committee, \$1,945,000; Democratic Caucus,  
25 \$816,000; nine minority employees, \$1,445,000; training



1 and program development—majority, \$290,000; training  
2 and program development—minority, \$290,000; Cloak-  
3 room Personnel—majority, \$434,000; and Cloakroom  
4 Personnel—minority, \$434,000.

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

8 For Members' representational allowances, including  
9 Members' clerk hire, official expenses, and official mail,  
10 \$538,109,000.

11 COMMITTEE EMPLOYEES

12 STANDING COMMITTEES, SPECIAL AND SELECT

13 For salaries and expenses of standing committees,  
14 special and select, authorized by House resolutions,  
15 \$117,913,000: *Provided*, That such amount shall remain  
16 available for such salaries and expenses until December  
17 31, 2006.

18 COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

19 For salaries and expenses of the Committee on Ap-  
20 propriations, \$25,668,000, including studies and examina-  
21 tions of executive agencies and temporary personal serv-  
22 ices for such committee, to be expended in accordance with  
23 section 202(b) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of  
24 1946 and to be available for reimbursement to agencies  
25 for services performed: *Provided*, That such amount shall

1 remain available for such salaries and expenses until De-  
2 cember 31, 2006.

3 SALARIES, OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES

4 For compensation and expenses of officers and em-  
5 ployees, as authorized by law, \$167,749,000, including:  
6 for salaries and expenses of the Office of the Clerk, includ-  
7 ing not more than \$13,000, of which not more than  
8 \$10,000 is for the Family Room, for official representa-  
9 tion and reception expenses, \$21,911,000; for salaries and  
10 expenses of the Office of the Sergeant at Arms, including  
11 the position of Superintendent of Garages, and including  
12 not more than \$3,000 for official representation and re-  
13 ception expenses, \$6,284,000; for salaries and expenses of  
14 the Office of the Chief Administrative Officer,  
15 \$116,971,000, of which \$3,306,000 shall remain available  
16 until expended; for salaries and expenses of the Office of  
17 the Inspector General, \$3,991,000; for salaries and ex-  
18 penses of the Office of Emergency Planning, Preparedness  
19 and Operations, \$5,000,000, to remain available until ex-  
20 pended; for salaries and expenses of the Office of General  
21 Counsel, \$962,000; for the Office of the Chaplain,  
22 \$161,000; for salaries and expenses of the Office of the  
23 Parliamentarian, including the Parliamentarian and  
24 \$2,000 for preparing the Digest of Rules, \$1,767,000; for  
25 salaries and expenses of the Office of the Law Revision

1 Counsel of the House, \$2,453,000; for salaries and ex-  
2 penses of the Office of the Legislative Counsel of the  
3 House, \$6,963,000; for salaries and expenses of the Office  
4 of Interparliamentary Affairs, \$720,000; for other author-  
5 ized employees, \$161,000; and for salaries and expenses  
6 of the Office of the Historian, \$405,000.

7                                   ALLOWANCES AND EXPENSES

8           For allowances and expenses as authorized by House  
9 resolution or law, \$223,124,000, including: supplies, mate-  
10 rials, administrative costs and Federal tort claims,  
11 \$4,179,000; official mail for committees, leadership of-  
12 fices, and administrative offices of the House, \$410,000;  
13 Government contributions for health, retirement, Social  
14 Security, and other applicable employee benefits,  
15 \$214,422,000; supplies, materials, and other costs relating  
16 to the House portion of expenses for the Capitol Visitor  
17 Center, \$3,410,000, to remain available until expended;  
18 and miscellaneous items including purchase, exchange,  
19 maintenance, repair and operation of House motor vehi-  
20 cles, interparliamentary receptions, and gratuities to heirs  
21 of deceased employees of the House, \$703,000.

22                                   CHILD CARE CENTER

23           For salaries and expenses of the House of Represent-  
24 atives Child Care Center, such amounts as are deposited  
25 in the account established by section 312(d)(1) of the Leg-

1 islative Branch Appropriations Act, 1992 (2 U.S.C. 2112),  
2 subject to the level specified in the budget of the Center,  
3 as submitted to the Committee on Appropriations of the  
4 House of Representatives.

5 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

6 SEC. 101. (a) REQUIRING AMOUNTS REMAINING IN  
7 MEMBERS' REPRESENTATIONAL ALLOWANCES TO BE  
8 USED FOR DEFICIT REDUCTION OR TO REDUCE THE  
9 FEDERAL DEBT.—Notwithstanding any other provision of  
10 law, any amounts appropriated under this Act for  
11 “HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES—SALARIES AND  
12 EXPENSES—MEMBERS' REPRESENTATIONAL ALLOW-  
13 ANCES” shall be available only for fiscal year 2006. Any  
14 amount remaining after all payments are made under such  
15 allowances for fiscal year 2006 shall be deposited in the  
16 Treasury and used for deficit reduction (or, if there is no  
17 Federal budget deficit after all such payments have been  
18 made, for reducing the Federal debt, in such manner as  
19 the Secretary of the Treasury considers appropriate).

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

23 (c) DEFINITION.—As used in this section, the term  
24 “Member of the House of Representatives” means a Rep-

1 representative in, or a Delegate or Resident Commissioner  
2 to, the Congress.

3 JOINT ITEMS

4 For Joint Committees, as follows:

5 JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE

6 For salaries and expenses of the Joint Economic  
7 Committee, \$4,276,000, to be disbursed by the Secretary  
8 of the Senate.

9 JOINT COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

10 For salaries and expenses of the Joint Committee on  
11 Taxation, \$8,781,000, to be disbursed by the Chief Ad-  
12 ministrative Officer of the House of Representatives.

13 For other joint items, as follows:

14 OFFICE OF THE ATTENDING PHYSICIAN

15 For medical supplies, equipment, and contingent ex-  
16 penses of the emergency rooms, and for the Attending  
17 Physician and his assistants, including: (1) an allowance  
18 of \$2,175 per month to the Attending Physician; (2) an  
19 allowance of \$725 per month each to four medical officers  
20 while on duty in the Office of the Attending Physician;  
21 (3) an allowance of \$725 per month to two assistants and  
22 \$580 per month each not to exceed 11 assistants on the  
23 basis heretofore provided for such assistants; and (4)  
24 \$1,834,000 for reimbursement to the Department of the  
25 Navy for expenses incurred for staff and equipment as-

1 signed to the Office of the Attending Physician, which  
2 shall be advanced and credited to the applicable appropria-  
3 tion or appropriations from which such salaries, allow-  
4 ances, and other expenses are payable and shall be avail-  
5 able for all the purposes thereof, \$2,545,000, to be dis-  
6 bursed by the Chief Administrative Officer of the House  
7 of Representatives.

8     **(2) CAPITOL GUIDE SERVICE AND SPECIAL SERVICES**  
9   **OFFICE**

10         For salaries and expenses of the Capitol Guide Serv-  
11 ice and Special Services Office, \$4,268,000, to be dis-  
12 bursed by the Secretary of the Senate: *Provided*, That no  
13 part of such amount may be used to employ more than  
14 58 individuals: *Provided further*, That the Capitol Guide  
15 Board is authorized, during emergencies, to employ not  
16 more than two additional individuals for not more than  
17 120 days each, and not more than 10 additional individ-  
18 uals for not more than 6 months each, for the Capitol  
19 Guide Service.

20   **STATEMENTS OF APPROPRIATIONS**

21         For the preparation, under the direction of the Com-  
22 mittees on Appropriations of the Senate and the House  
23 of Representatives, of the statements for the first session  
24 of the 109th Congress, showing appropriations made, in-  
25 definite appropriations, and contracts authorized, together

1 with a chronological history of the regular appropriations  
2 bills as required by law, \$30,000, to be paid to the persons  
3 designated by the chairmen of such committees to super-  
4 vise the work.

## 5 CAPITOL POLICE

### 6 SALARIES

7 For salaries of employees of the Capitol Police, in-  
8 cluding overtime, hazardous duty pay differential, and  
9 Government contributions for health, retirement, social se-  
10 curity, professional liability insurance, and other applica-  
11 ble employee benefits, \$210,350,000, to be disbursed by  
12 the Chief of the Capitol Police or his designee.

### 13 GENERAL EXPENSES

14 For necessary expenses of the Capitol Police, includ-  
15 ing motor vehicles, communications and other equipment,  
16 security equipment and installation, uniforms, weapons,  
17 supplies, materials, training, medical services, forensic  
18 services, stenographic services, personal and professional  
19 services, the employee assistance program, the awards pro-  
20 gram, postage, communication services, travel advances,  
21 relocation of instructor and liaison personnel for the Fed-  
22 eral Law Enforcement Training Center, and not more  
23 than \$5,000 to be expended on the certification of the  
24 Chief of the Capitol Police in connection with official rep-  
25 resentation and reception expenses, \$29,345,000, to be  
26 disbursed by the Chief of the Capitol Police or his des-

1 ignee: *Provided*, That, notwithstanding any other provision  
2 of law, the cost of basic training for the Capitol Police  
3 at the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center for fis-  
4 cal year 2006 shall be paid by the Secretary of Homeland  
5 Security from funds available to the Department of Home-  
6 land Security.

7 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

8 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

9 SEC. 1001. TRANSFER AUTHORITY.—Amounts ap-  
10 propriated for fiscal year 2006 for the Capitol Police may  
11 be transferred between the headings “SALARIES” and  
12 “GENERAL EXPENSES” upon the approval of the Commit-  
13 tees on Appropriations of the Senate and the House of  
14 Representatives.

15 SEC. 1002. (a) The United States Capitol Police may  
16 not operate a mounted horse unit during fiscal year 2006  
17 or any succeeding fiscal year.

18 (b) Not later than 60 days after the date of the enact-  
19 ment of this Act, the Chief of the Capitol Police shall  
20 transfer to the Chief of the United States Park Police the  
21 horses, equipment, and supplies of the Capitol Police  
22 mounted horse unit which remain in the possession of the  
23 Capitol Police as of such date.

24 SEC. 1003. (a) Section 103(h)(1)(A)(i)(I) of the Eth-  
25 ics in Government Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.



1 ~~103(h)(1)(A)(i)(I)~~ is amended by inserting “United  
2 States Capitol Police,” after “Architect of the Capitol,”.

3 (b) The amendment made by subsection (a) shall  
4 apply with respect to reports filed under the Ethics in  
5 Government Act of 1978 for calendar year 2005 and each  
6 succeeding calendar year.

7 ~~SEC. 1004.~~ Section ~~1003~~ of the Legislative Branch  
8 Appropriations Act, 2004 (Public Law 108–83; 117 Stat.  
9 1021), is hereby repealed, and each provision of law  
10 amended by such section is hereby restored as if such sec-  
11 tion had not been enacted into law.

12 ~~SEC. 1005.~~ (a) During fiscal year 2006 and each suc-  
13 ceeding fiscal year, the United States Capitol Police may  
14 not carry out any reprogramming, transfer, or use of  
15 funds described in subsection (b) unless—

16 (1) the Chief of the Capitol Police submits a re-  
17 quest for the reprogramming, transfer, or use of  
18 funds to the Committees on Appropriations of the  
19 House of Representatives and Senate on or before  
20 August 1 of the respective year, unless both such  
21 Committees agree to accept the request at a later  
22 date because of extraordinary and emergency cir-  
23 cumstances cited by the Chief;

1           (2) the request contains clearly stated and de-  
2           tailed documentation presenting justification for the  
3           reprogramming, transfer, or use of funds;

4           (3) the request contains a declaration that, as  
5           of the date of the request, none of the funds in-  
6           cluded in the request have been obligated, and none  
7           will be obligated, until both Committees have ap-  
8           proved the request; and

9           (4) both Committees approve the request.

10          (b) A reprogramming, transfer, or use of funds de-  
11          scribed in this subsection is any reprogramming or trans-  
12          fer of funds, or use of unobligated balances, under  
13          which—

14               (1) the amount to be shifted to or from any ob-  
15               ject class, approved budget, or program involved  
16               under the request, or the aggregate amount to be  
17               shifted to or from any object class, approved budget,  
18               or program involved during the fiscal year taking  
19               into account the amount contained in the request, is  
20               in excess of \$250,000 or 10 percent, whichever is  
21               less, of the object class, approved budget, or pro-  
22               gram;

23               (2) the reprogramming, transfer, or use of  
24               funds would result in a major change to the pro-  
25               gram or item which is different than that presented

1 to and approved by the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and Senate; or

2  
3 ~~(3)~~ the funds involved were earmarked by either  
4 of the Committees for a specific activity which is different than the activity proposed under the request,  
5 without regard to whether the amount provided in  
6 the earmark is less than, equal to, or greater than  
7 the amount required to carry out the activity.

8  
9 SEC. 1006. (a) ESTABLISHMENT OF OFFICE.—There  
10 is established in the United States Capitol Police the Office of the Inspector General (hereafter in this section referred to as the “Office”); headed by the Inspector General of the United States Capitol Police (hereafter in this  
11 section referred to as the “Inspector General”).

12  
13 (b) INSPECTOR GENERAL.—

14  
15 (1) APPOINTMENT.—The Inspector General  
16 shall be appointed by the Capitol Police Board, in  
17 consultation with and subject to the approval of the  
18 Speaker of the House of Representatives and the  
19 President pro tempore of the Senate, acting jointly,  
20 and shall be appointed without regard to political affiliation and solely on the basis of integrity and demonstrated ability in accounting, auditing, financial  
21 analysis, law, management analysis, public administration, or investigations.

1           (2) TERM OF SERVICE.—The Inspector General  
2 shall serve for a term of 5 years, and an individual  
3 serving as Inspector General may be reappointed for  
4 not more than 2 additional terms.

5           (3) REMOVAL.—The Inspector General may be  
6 removed from office prior to the expiration of his  
7 term only by the unanimous vote of all of the mem-  
8 bers of the Capitol Police Board, and the Board  
9 shall communicate the reasons for any such removal  
10 to the Speaker of the House of Representatives and  
11 President pro tempore of the Senate.

12           (4) SALARY.—The Inspector General shall be  
13 paid at an annual rate equal to \$1,000 less than the  
14 annual rate of pay in effect for the Chief of the Cap-  
15 itol Police.

16           (5) DEADLINE.—The Capitol Police Board shall  
17 appoint the first Inspector General under this sec-  
18 tion not later than 180 days after the date of the  
19 enactment of this Act.

20           (e) DUTIES.—

21           (1) APPLICABILITY OF DUTIES OF INSPECTOR  
22 GENERAL OF EXECUTIVE BRANCH ESTABLISH-  
23 MENT.—The Inspector General shall carry out the  
24 same duties and responsibilities with respect to the  
25 United States Capitol Police as an Inspector General

1 of an establishment carries out with respect to an  
2 establishment under section 4 of the Inspector Gen-  
3 eral Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App. 4), under the same  
4 terms and conditions which apply under such sec-  
5 tion.

6 (2) SEMIANNUAL REPORTS.—The Inspector  
7 General shall prepare and submit semiannual re-  
8 ports summarizing the activities of the Office in the  
9 same manner, and in accordance with the same  
10 deadlines, terms, and conditions, as an Inspector  
11 General of an establishment under section 5 of the  
12 Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App. 5).  
13 For purposes of applying section 5 of such Act to  
14 the Inspector General, the Capitol Police Board shall  
15 be considered the head of the establishment, except  
16 that the Inspector General shall transmit to the  
17 Chief of the Capitol Police a copy of any report sub-  
18 mitted to the Board pursuant to this paragraph.

19 (3) INVESTIGATIONS OF COMPLAINTS OF EM-  
20 PLOYEES AND MEMBERS.—

21 (A) AUTHORITY.—The Inspector General  
22 may receive and investigate complaints or infor-  
23 mation from an employee or member of the  
24 Capitol Police concerning the possible existence  
25 of an activity constituting a violation of law,

1 rules, or regulations, or mismanagement, gross  
2 waste of funds, abuse of authority, or a sub-  
3 stantial and specific danger to the public health  
4 and safety, including complaints or information  
5 the investigation of which is under the jurisdic-  
6 tion of the Internal Affairs Division of the Cap-  
7 itol Police as of the date of the enactment of  
8 this Act.

9 (B) NONDISCLOSURE.—The Inspector  
10 General shall not, after receipt of a complaint  
11 or information from an employee or member,  
12 disclose the identity of the employee or member  
13 without the consent of the employee or member,  
14 unless the Inspector General determines such  
15 disclosure is unavoidable during the course of  
16 the investigation.

17 (C) PROHIBITING RETALIATION.—An em-  
18 ployee or member of the Capitol Police who has  
19 authority to take, direct others to take, rec-  
20 ommend, or approve any personnel action, shall  
21 not, with respect to such authority, take or  
22 threaten to take any action against any em-  
23 ployee or member as a reprisal for making a  
24 complaint or disclosing information to the In-  
25 spector General, unless the complaint was made

1 or the information disclosed with the knowledge  
2 that it was false or with willful disregard for its  
3 truth or falsity.

4 (4) INDEPENDENCE IN CARRYING OUT DU-  
5 TIES.—Neither the Capitol Police Board, the Chief  
6 of the Capitol Police, nor any other member or em-  
7 ployee of the Capitol Police may prevent or prohibit  
8 the Inspector General from carrying out any of the  
9 duties or responsibilities assigned to the Inspector  
10 General under this section.

11 (d) POWERS.—

12 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Inspector General may  
13 exercise the same authorities with respect to the  
14 United States Capitol Police as an Inspector General  
15 of an establishment may exercise with respect to an  
16 establishment under section 6(a) of the Inspector  
17 General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App. 6(a)), other  
18 than paragraphs (7) and (8) of such section.

19 (2) STAFF.—

20 (A) IN GENERAL.—The Inspector General  
21 may appoint and fix the pay of such personnel  
22 as the Inspector General considers appropriate.  
23 Such personnel may be appointed without re-  
24 gard to the provisions of title 5, United States  
25 Code, regarding appointments in the competi-

1           tive service, and may be paid without regard to  
2           the provisions of chapter 51 and subchapter III  
3           of chapter 53 of such title relating to classifica-  
4           tion and General Schedule pay rates, except  
5           that no personnel of the Office (other than the  
6           Inspector General) may be paid at an annual  
7           rate greater than \$500 less than the annual  
8           rate of pay of the Inspector General under sub-  
9           section (b)(4).

10           (B) EXPERTS AND CONSULTANTS.—The  
11           Inspector General may procure temporary and  
12           intermittent services under section 3109 of title  
13           5, United States Code, at rates not to exceed  
14           the daily equivalent of the annual rate of basic  
15           pay for level IV of the Executive Schedule  
16           under section 5315 of such title.

17           (C) INDEPENDENCE IN APPOINTING  
18           STAFF.—No individual may carry out any of  
19           the duties or responsibilities of the Office unless  
20           the individual is appointed by the Inspector  
21           General, or provides services procured by the  
22           Inspector General, pursuant to this paragraph.  
23           Nothing in this subparagraph may be construed  
24           to prohibit the Inspector General from entering



1           into a contract or other arrangement for the  
2           provision of services under this section.

3           (D) ~~APPLICABILITY OF CAPITOL POLICE~~  
4           PERSONNEL RULES.—None of the regulations  
5           governing the appointment and pay of employ-  
6           ees of the Capitol Police shall apply with re-  
7           spect to the appointment and compensation of  
8           the personnel of the Office, except to the extent  
9           agreed to by the Inspector General. Nothing in  
10          the previous sentence may be construed to af-  
11          fect subparagraphs (A) through (C).

12          (3) ~~EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES.~~—The Chief of  
13          the Capitol Police shall provide the Office with ap-  
14          propriate and adequate office space, together with  
15          such equipment, supplies, and communications facili-  
16          ties and services as may be necessary for the oper-  
17          ation of the Office, and shall provide necessary  
18          maintenance services for such office space and the  
19          equipment and facilities located therein.

20          (e) ~~TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS.~~—

21          (1) ~~TRANSFER.~~—To the extent that any office  
22          or entity in the Capitol Police prior to the appoint-  
23          ment of the first Inspector General under this sec-  
24          tion carried out any of the duties and responsibilities  
25          assigned to the Inspector General under this section,

1 the functions of such office or entity shall be trans-  
2 ferred to the Office upon the appointment of the  
3 first Inspector General under this section.

4 (2) NO REDUCTION IN PAY OR BENEFITS.—The  
5 transfer of the functions of an office or entity to the  
6 Office under paragraph (1) may not result in a re-  
7 duction in the pay or benefits of any employee of the  
8 office or entity, except to the extent required under  
9 subsection (d)(2)(A).

10 SEC. 1007. (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 60  
11 days after the last day of each semiannual period, the  
12 Chief of the Capitol Police shall submit to Congress, with  
13 respect to that period, a detailed, itemized report of the  
14 disbursements for the operations of the United States  
15 Capitol Police.

16 (b) CONTENTS.—The report required by subsection  
17 (a) shall include—

18 (1) the name of each person or entity who re-  
19 ceives a payment from the Capitol Police;

20 (2) the cost of any item furnished to the Cap-  
21 itol Police;

22 (3) a description of any service rendered to the  
23 Capitol Police, together with service dates;

24 (4) a statement of all amounts appropriated to,  
25 or received or expended by, the Capitol Police and

1 any unexpended balances of such amounts for any  
2 open fiscal year; and

3 ~~(5) such additional information as may be re-~~  
4 ~~quired by regulation of the Committee on House Ad-~~  
5 ~~ministration of the House of Representatives or the~~  
6 ~~Committee on Rules and Administration of the Sen-~~  
7 ~~ate.~~

8 ~~(e) PRINTING.—Each report under this section shall~~  
9 ~~be printed as a House document.~~

10 ~~(d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section shall apply with~~  
11 ~~respect to the semiannual periods of October 1 through~~  
12 ~~March 31 and April 1 through September 30 of each year,~~  
13 ~~beginning with the semiannual period in which this section~~  
14 ~~is enacted.~~

## 15 OFFICE OF COMPLIANCE

### 16 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

17 For salaries and expenses of the Office of Compli-  
18 ance, as authorized by section 305 of the Congressional  
19 Accountability Act of 1995 (2 U.S.C. 1385), \$3,112,000,  
20 of which \$780,000 shall remain available until September  
21 30, 2007: *Provided*, That the Executive Director of the  
22 Office of Compliance may, within the limits of available  
23 appropriations, dispose of surplus or obsolete personal  
24 property by interagency transfer, donation, or discarding:  
25 *Provided further*, That not more than \$500 may be ex-

1 pended on the certification of the Executive Director of  
2 the Office of Compliance in connection with official rep-  
3 resentation and reception expenses.

#### 4 CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE

##### 5 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

6 For salaries and expenses necessary for operation of  
7 the Congressional Budget Office, including not more than  
8 \$3,000 to be expended on the certification of the Director  
9 of the Congressional Budget Office in connection with offi-  
10 cial representation and reception expenses, \$35,450,000.

##### 11 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISION

12 SEC. 1100. (a) PERMITTING WAIVER OF CLAIMS FOR  
13 OVERPAYMENT OF PAY AND ALLOWANCES.—Section  
14 5584(g) of title 5, United States Code, is amended—

15 (1) by striking “and” at the end of paragraph  
16 (5);

17 (2) by striking the period at the end of para-  
18 graph (6) and inserting “; and”; and

19 (3) by inserting immediately after paragraph  
20 (6) the following new paragraph:

21 “(7) the Congressional Budget Office.”.

22 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by  
23 this section shall apply with respect to fiscal year 2006  
24 and each succeeding fiscal year.

## 1                   ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL

## 2                   GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

3           For salaries for the Architect of the Capitol, and  
4 other personal services, at rates of pay provided by law;  
5 for surveys and studies in connection with activities under  
6 the care of the Architect of the Capitol; for all necessary  
7 expenses for the general and administrative support of the  
8 operations under the Architect of the Capitol including the  
9 Botanic Garden; electrical substations of the Capitol, Sen-  
10 ate and House office buildings, and other facilities under  
11 the jurisdiction of the Architect of the Capitol; including  
12 furnishings and office equipment; including not more than  
13 \$5,000 for official reception and representation expenses;  
14 to be expended as the Architect of the Capitol may ap-  
15 prove; for purchase or exchange, maintenance, and oper-  
16 ation of a passenger motor vehicle, \$77,002,000, of which  
17 \$350,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2008.

## 18                   CAPITOL BUILDING

19           For all necessary expenses for maintenance, care, and  
20 operation of the Capitol, \$22,097,000, of which  
21 \$6,580,000 shall remain available until September 30,  
22 2008.

## 23                   CAPITOL GROUNDS

24           For all necessary expenses for care and improvement  
25 of grounds surrounding the Capitol, the Senate and House

1 office buildings, and the Capitol Power Plant, \$7,723,000,  
2 of which \$740,000 shall remain available until September  
3 30, 2008.

4 *CAPITOL GUIDE SERVICE AND SPECIAL SERVICES OFFICE*

5 *For salaries and expenses of the Capitol Guide Service*  
6 *and Special Services Office, \$4,098,000, to be disbursed by*  
7 *the Secretary of the Senate: Provided, That no part of such*  
8 *amount may be used to employ more than 58 individuals:*  
9 *Provided further, That the Capitol Guide Board is author-*  
10 *ized, during emergencies, to employ not more than two ad-*  
11 *ditional individuals for not more than 120 days each, and*  
12 *not more than 10 additional individuals for not more than*  
13 *6 months each, for the Capitol Guide Service.*

14 *STATEMENTS OF APPROPRIATIONS*

15 *For the preparation, under the direction of the Com-*  
16 *mittees on Appropriations of the Senate and the House of*  
17 *Representatives, of the statements for the first session of the*  
18 *109th Congress, showing appropriations made, indefinite*  
19 *appropriations, and contracts authorized, together with a*  
20 *chronological history of the regular appropriations bills as*  
21 *required by law, \$30,000, to be paid to the persons des-*  
22 *ignated by the chairmen of such committees to supervise*  
23 *the work.*

1                    *CAPITOL POLICE*2                    *SALARIES*

3            *For salaries of employees of the Capitol Police, includ-*  
4 *ing overtime, hazardous duty pay differential, and Govern-*  
5 *ment contributions for health, retirement, social security,*  
6 *professional liability insurance, and other applicable em-*  
7 *ployee benefits, \$222,600,000, to be disbursed by the Chief*  
8 *of the Capitol Police or his designee.*

9                    *GENERAL EXPENSES*

10           *For necessary expenses of the Capitol Police, including*  
11 *motor vehicles, communications and other equipment, secu-*  
12 *rity equipment and installation, uniforms, weapons, sup-*  
13 *plies, materials, training, medical services, forensic services,*  
14 *stenographic services, personal and professional services, the*  
15 *employee assistance program, the awards program, postage,*  
16 *communication services, travel advances, relocation of in-*  
17 *structor and liaison personnel for the Federal Law Enforce-*  
18 *ment Training Center, and not more than \$5,000 to be ex-*  
19 *pende d on the certification of the Chief of the Capitol Police*  
20 *in connection with official representation and reception ex-*  
21 *penses, \$42,000,000, to be disbursed by the Chief of the Cap-*  
22 *itol Police or his designee: Provided, That, notwithstanding*  
23 *any other provision of law, the cost of basic training for*  
24 *the Capitol Police at the Federal Law Enforcement Train-*  
25 *ing Center for fiscal year 2005 shall be paid by the Sec-*

1 *retary of Homeland Security from funds available to the*  
2 *Department of Homeland Security.*

3 *ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS*

4 *(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)*

5 *SEC. 1001. TRANSFER AUTHORITY. Amounts appro-*  
6 *priated for fiscal year 2006 for the Capitol Police may be*  
7 *transferred between the headings “SALARIES” and “GEN-*  
8 *ERAL EXPENSES” upon the approval of the Committees on*  
9 *Appropriations of the Senate and the House of Representa-*  
10 *tives.*

11 *SEC. 1002. CAPITOL POLICE AND TRANSFER OF LI-*  
12 *BRARY OF CONGRESS POLICE. (a) LIMITATION ON CERTAIN*  
13 *HIRING AUTHORITY OF CAPITOL POLICE.—Section*  
14 *1006(b)(3) of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act,*  
15 *2004 (Public Law 108–83; 117 Stat. 1023), as amended*  
16 *by section 1002 of the Legislative Branch Appropriations*  
17 *Act, 2005 (2 U.S.C. 1901 note; Public Law 108–447; 118*  
18 *Stat. 3179), is further amended by adding after subpara-*  
19 *graph (D), the following:*

20 *“(E) LIMITATION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2006.—*

21 *During fiscal year 2006, the number of individ-*  
22 *uals hired under this subsection may not ex-*  
23 *ceed—*

24 *“(i) the number of Library of Congress*  
25 *Police employees who separated from service*



1           or transferred to a position other than a Li-  
2           brary of Congress Police employee position  
3           during fiscal year 2005 for whom a cor-  
4           responding hire was not made under this  
5           subsection; and

6                   “(ii) the number of Library of Con-  
7           gress Police employees who separate from  
8           service or transfer to a position other than  
9           a Library of Congress Police employee posi-  
10          tion during fiscal year 2006.”.

11          (b) *MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING.*—*The Memo-*  
12          *randum of Understanding between the Library of Congress*  
13          *and the Capitol Police entered into on December 12, 2004,*  
14          *shall remain in effect through fiscal year 2006, subject to*  
15          *such modifications as may be made in accordance with the*  
16          *modification and dispute resolution provisions of the*  
17          *Memorandum of Understanding.*

## 18                   OFFICE OF COMPLIANCE

### 19                           SALARIES AND EXPENSES

20          *For salaries and expenses of the Office of Compliance,*  
21          *as authorized by section 305 of the Congressional Account-*  
22          *ability Act of 1995 (2 U.S.C. 1385), \$3,112,000, of which*  
23          *\$780,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2007:*  
24          *Provided, That the Executive Director of the Office of Com-*  
25          *pliance may, within the limits of available appropriations,*

1 *dispose of surplus or obsolete personal property by inter-*  
2 *agency transfer, donation, or discarding.*

3 **CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE**

4 ***SALARIES AND EXPENSES***

5 *For salaries and expenses necessary for operation of*  
6 *the Congressional Budget Office, including not more than*  
7 *\$3,000 to be expended on the certification of the Director*  
8 *of the Congressional Budget Office in connection with offi-*  
9 *cial representation and reception expenses, \$35,853,000.*

10 ***ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISION***

11 ***SEC. 1100. WAIVER OF CERTAIN CLAIMS.*** *Section*  
12 *5584(g) of title 5, United States Code, (relating to the defi-*  
13 *inition of an agency) is amended—*

14 *(1) by redesignating paragraph (6) as a para-*  
15 *graph (7);*

16 *(2) by striking “and” at the end of paragraph*  
17 *(5);*

18 *(3) by inserting after paragraph (5) the fol-*  
19 *lowing:*

20 *“(6) the Congressional Budget Office; and”; and*

21 *(4) in the last sentence, by striking “paragraph*  
22 *(6)” and inserting “paragraph (7)”.*

1                    *ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL*2                    *GENERAL ADMINISTRATION*

3            *For salaries for the Architect of the Capitol, and other*  
4 *personal services, at rates of pay provided by law; for sur-*  
5 *veys and studies in connection with activities under the*  
6 *care of the Architect of the Capitol; for all necessary ex-*  
7 *penses for the general and administrative support of the*  
8 *operations under the Architect of the Capitol including the*  
9 *Botanic Garden; electrical substations of the Capitol, Sen-*  
10 *ate and House office buildings, and other facilities under*  
11 *the jurisdiction of the Architect of the Capitol; including*  
12 *furnishings and office equipment; including not more than*  
13 *\$5,000 for official reception and representation expenses, to*  
14 *be expended as the Architect of the Capitol may approve;*  
15 *for purchase or exchange, maintenance, and operation of*  
16 *a passenger motor vehicle, \$76,522,000.*

17                    *CAPITOL BUILDING*

18            *For all necessary expenses for the maintenance, care,*  
19 *and operation of the Capitol, \$25,380,000, of which*  
20 *\$10,055,000 shall remain available until September 30,*  
21 *2010.*

22                    *CAPITOL GROUNDS*

23            *For all necessary expenses for care and improvement*  
24 *of grounds surrounding the Capitol, the Senate and House*  
25 *office buildings, and the Capitol Power Plant, \$7,061,000.*

1 *SENATE OFFICE BUILDINGS*

2 *For all necessary expenses for the maintenance, care*  
3 *and operation of Senate office buildings; and furniture and*  
4 *furnishings to be expended under the control and super-*  
5 *vision of the Architect of the Capitol, \$67,004,000, of which*  
6 *\$15,745,000 shall remain available until September 30,*  
7 *2010.*

## 8 HOUSE OFFICE BUILDINGS

9 For all necessary expenses for the maintenance, care  
10 and operation of the House office buildings, \$59,616,000,  
11 of which \$20,922,000 shall remain available until Sep-  
12 tember 30, 2008.

13 **(3) CAPITOL POWER PLANT**

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

1 Folger Shakespeare Library, expenses for which shall be  
2 advanced or reimbursed upon request of the Architect of  
3 the Capitol and amounts so received shall be deposited  
4 into the Treasury to the credit of this appropriation,  
5 \$58,585,000, of which \$1,592,000 shall remain available  
6 until September 30, 2008: *Provided*, That not more than  
7 \$6,600,000 of the funds credited or to be reimbursed to  
8 this appropriation as herein provided shall be available for  
9 obligation during fiscal year 2006.

10 LIBRARY BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

11 For all necessary expenses for the mechanical and  
12 structural maintenance, care and operation of the Library  
13 buildings and grounds, \$31,318,000, of which \$6,325,000  
14 shall remain available until September 30, 2008.

15 CAPITOL POLICE BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

16 For all necessary expenses for the maintenance, care  
17 and operation of buildings and grounds of the United  
18 States Capitol Police, \$16,830,000, of which \$5,500,000  
19 shall remain available until September 30, 2008.

20 BOTANIC GARDEN

21 For all necessary expenses for the maintenance, care  
22 and operation of the Botanic Garden and the nurseries,  
23 buildings, grounds, and collections; and purchase and ex-  
24 change, maintenance, repair, and operation of a passenger  
25 motor vehicle; all under the direction of the Joint Com-

1 mittee on the Library, \$7,211,000. *Provided*, That this ap-  
 2 propriation shall not be available for construction of the  
 3 National Garden. *Provided further*, That of the amount  
 4 made available under this heading, the Architect may obli-  
 5 gate and expend such sums as may be necessary for the  
 6 maintenance, care, and operation of the National Garden  
 7 established under section 307E of the Legislative Branch  
 8 Appropriations Act, 1989 (2 U.S.C. 2146), upon vouchers  
 9 approved by the Architect or a duly authorized designee.

10 **CAPITOL VISITOR CENTER**

11 For an additional amount for the Capitol Visitor Cen-  
 12 ter project, \$36,900,000, to remain available until ex-  
 13 pended. *Provided*, That the Architect of the Capitol may  
 14 not obligate any of the funds which are made available  
 15 for the Capitol Visitor Center project without an obliga-  
 16 tion plan approved by the Committees on Appropriations  
 17 of the Senate and House of Representatives.

18 **ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS**

19 **SEC. 1201.** (a) Section 108 of the Legislative Branch  
 20 Appropriations Act, 1991 (2 U.S.C. 1849), is amended—

21 (1) in subsection (b), by striking “8 positions”  
 22 and inserting “10 positions”; and

23 (2) in subsection (c), by striking “4 positions”  
 24 and inserting “2 positions”.

1           (b) The amendments made by subsection (a) shall  
2 apply with respect to pay periods beginning on or after  
3 the date of the enactment of this Act.

4           ~~SEC. 1202. (a) Section 905 of the 2002 Supplemental~~  
5 ~~Appropriations Act for Further Recovery From and Re-~~  
6 ~~sponse To Terrorist Attacks on the United States (2~~  
7 ~~U.S.C. 1819) is amended—~~

8                   (1) by redesignating subsection (d) as sub-  
9 section (e); and

10                   (2) by inserting after subsection (e) the fol-  
11 lowing new subsection:

12           “(d) In the case of a building or facility acquired  
13 through purchase pursuant to subsection (a), the Archi-  
14 tect of the Capitol may enter into or assume a lease with  
15 another person for the use of any portion of the building  
16 or facility that the Architect of the Capitol determines is  
17 not required to be used to carry out the purposes of this  
18 section, subject to the approval of the entity which ap-  
19 proved the acquisition of such building or facility under  
20 subsection (b).”.

21           (b) The amendments made by subsection (a) shall  
22 apply with respect to leases entered into on or after the  
23 date of the enactment of this Act.

24           ~~SEC. 1203. (a) There is hereby established the Cap-~~  
25 ~~itol Visitor Center Governing Board (hereafter in this sec-~~

1 tion referred to as the “Governing Board”); consisting of  
2 each of the following individuals:

3 (1) The Speaker of the House of Representa-  
4 tives, or the Speaker’s designee.

5 (2) The minority leader of the House of Rep-  
6 resentatives, or the minority leader’s designee.

7 (3) The majority leader of the Senate, or the  
8 majority leader’s designee.

9 (4) The minority leader of the Senate, or the  
10 minority leader’s designee.

11 (5) The chairman of the Committee on House  
12 Administration of the House of Representatives, who  
13 shall serve as co-chairman of the Governing Board.

14 (6) The ranking minority member of the Com-  
15 mittee on House Administration of the House of  
16 Representatives.

17 (7) The chairman of the Committee on Rules  
18 and Administration of the Senate, who shall serve as  
19 co-chairman of the Governing Board.

20 (8) The ranking minority member of the Com-  
21 mittee on Rules and Administration of the Senate.

22 (b) The Governing Board shall be responsible for es-  
23 tablishing the policies which govern the operations of the  
24 Capitol Visitor Center, consistent with applicable law.



1           (e) This section shall apply with respect to fiscal year  
2 2006 and each succeeding fiscal year.

3                               LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

4                               SALARIES AND EXPENSES

5                               (INCLUDING RESCISSION)

6           For necessary expenses of the Library of Congress  
7 not otherwise provided for, including development and  
8 maintenance of the Library's catalogs; custody and custo-  
9 dial care of the Library buildings; special clothing; clean-  
10 ing; laundering and repair of uniforms; preservation of  
11 motion pictures in the custody of the Library; operation  
12 and maintenance of the American Folklife Center in the  
13 Library; preparation and distribution of catalog records  
14 and other publications of the Library; hire or purchase  
15 of one passenger motor vehicle; and expenses of the Li-  
16 brary of Congress Trust Fund Board not properly charge-  
17 able to the income of any trust fund held by the Board;  
18 \$388,144,000, of which not more than \$6,000,000 shall  
19 be derived from collections credited to this appropriation  
20 during fiscal year 2006, and shall remain available until  
21 expended, under the Act of June 28, 1902 (chapter 1301;  
22 32 Stat. 480; 2 U.S.C. 150) and not more than \$350,000  
23 shall be derived from collections during fiscal year 2006  
24 and shall remain available until expended for the develop-  
25 ment and maintenance of an international legal informa-  
26 tion database and activities related thereto: *Provided,*

1 That the Library of Congress may not obligate or expend  
2 any funds derived from collections under the Act of June  
3 28, 1902, in excess of the amount authorized for obliga-  
4 tion or expenditure in appropriations Acts: *Provided fur-*  
5 *ther*, That the total amount available for obligation shall  
6 be reduced by the amount by which collections are less  
7 than \$6,350,000: *Provided further*, That of the total  
8 amount appropriated, \$13,972,000 shall remain available  
9 until expended for the partial acquisition of books, periodi-  
10 cals, newspapers, and all other materials including sub-  
11 scriptions for bibliographic services for the Library, in-  
12 cluding \$40,000 to be available solely for the purchase,  
13 when specifically approved by the Librarian, of special and  
14 unique materials for additions to the collections: *Provided*  
15 *further*, That of the total amount appropriated, not more  
16 than \$12,000 may be expended, on the certification of the  
17 Librarian of Congress, in connection with official rep-  
18 resentation and reception expenses for the Overseas Field  
19 Offices: *Provided further*, That of the total amount appro-  
20 priated, \$500,000 shall remain available until expended,  
21 and shall be transferred to the Abraham Lincoln Bicenten-  
22 nial Commission for carrying out the purposes of Public  
23 Law 106-173, of which \$10,000 may be used for official  
24 representation and reception expenses of the Abraham  
25 Lincoln Bicentennial Commission: *Provided further*, That

1 of the total amount appropriated, \$11,078,000 shall re-  
 2 main available until expended for partial support of the  
 3 National Audio-Visual Conservation Center: *Provided fur-*  
 4 *ther,* That of the amounts made available under this head-  
 5 ing in chapter 9 of division A of the Miscellaneous Appro-  
 6 priations Act, 2001 (Public Law 106-554; 114 Stat.  
 7 2763A-194), \$15,500,000 is rescinded.

8 COPYRIHT OFFICE

9 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

10 For necessary expenses of the Copyright Office,  
 11 \$58,601,000, of which not more than \$30,481,000, to re-  
 12 main available until expended, shall be derived from collec-  
 13 tions credited to this appropriation during fiscal year 2006  
 14 under section 708(d) of title 17, United States Code: *Pro-*  
 15 *vided,* That the Copyright Office may not obligate or ex-  
 16 pend any funds derived from collections under such sec-  
 17 tion, in excess of the amount authorized for obligation or  
 18 expenditure in appropriations Acts: *Provided further,* That  
 19 not more than \$5,465,000 shall be derived from collections  
 20 during fiscal year 2006 under sections 111(d)(2),  
 21 119(b)(2), 802(h), 1005, and 1316 of such title: *Provided*  
 22 *further,* That the total amount available for obligation  
 23 shall be reduced by the amount by which collections are  
 24 less than \$35,946,000: *Provided further,* That not more  
 25 than \$100,000 of the amount appropriated is available for

1 the maintenance of an “International Copyright Institute”  
2 in the Copyright Office of the Library of Congress for the  
3 purpose of training nationals of developing countries in  
4 intellectual property laws and policies: *Provided further,*  
5 That not more than \$4,250 may be expended, on the cer-  
6 tification of the Librarian of Congress, in connection with  
7 official representation and reception expenses for activities  
8 of the International Copyright Institute and for copyright  
9 delegations, visitors, and seminars: *Provided further,* That  
10 notwithstanding any provision of chapter 8 of title 17,  
11 United States Code, any amounts made available under  
12 this heading which are attributable to royalty fees and  
13 payments received by the Copyright Office pursuant to  
14 sections 111, 119, and chapter 10 of such title may be  
15 used for the costs incurred in the administration of the  
16 Copyright Royalty Judges program.

17 CONGRESSIONAL RESEARCH SERVICE

18 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

19 For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions  
20 of section 203 of the Legislative Reorganization Act of  
21 1946 (2 U.S.C. 166) and to revise and extend the Anno-  
22 tated Constitution of the United States of America,  
23 \$99,952,000: *Provided,* That no part of such amount may  
24 be used to pay any salary or expense in connection with  
25 any publication, or preparation of material therefor (ex-

1 cept the Digest of Public General Bills); to be issued by  
2 the Library of Congress unless such publication has ob-  
3 tained prior approval of either the Committee on House  
4 Administration of the House of Representatives or the  
5 Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate.

6 BOOKS FOR THE BLIND AND PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED

7 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

8 For salaries and expenses to carry out the Act of  
9 March 3, 1931 (chapter 400; 46 Stat. 1487; 2 U.S.C.  
10 135a), \$54,049,000, of which \$15,831,000 shall remain  
11 available until expended.

12 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

13 SEC. 1301. INCENTIVE AWARDS PROGRAM.—Of the  
14 amounts appropriated to the Library of Congress in this  
15 Act, not more than \$5,000 may be expended, on the cer-  
16 tification of the Librarian of Congress, in connection with  
17 official representation and reception expenses for the in-  
18 centive awards program.

19 SEC. 1302. REIMBURSABLE AND REVOLVING FUND  
20 ACTIVITIES: (a) IN GENERAL.—For fiscal year 2006, the  
21 obligational authority of the Library of Congress for the  
22 activities described in subsection (b) may not exceed  
23 \$109,943,000.

24 (b) ACTIVITIES.—The activities referred to in sub-  
25 section (a) are reimbursable and revolving fund activities

1 that are funded from sources other than appropriations  
2 to the Library in appropriations Acts for the legislative  
3 branch.

4       (c) TRANSFER OF FUNDS.—During fiscal year 2006,  
5 the Librarian of Congress may temporarily transfer funds  
6 appropriated in this Act, under the heading “LIBRARY  
7 OF CONGRESS” under the subheading “SALARIES AND  
8 EXPENSES” to the revolving fund for the FEDLINK Pro-  
9 gram and the Federal Research Program established  
10 under section ~~103~~ of the Library of Congress Fiscal Oper-  
11 ations Improvement Act of 2000 (Public Law 106–481;  
12 ~~2~~ U.S.C. 182e): *Provided*, That the total amount of such  
13 transfers may not exceed \$1,900,000: *Provided further*,  
14 That the appropriate revolving fund account shall reim-  
15 burse the Library for any amounts transferred to it before  
16 the period of availability of the Library appropriation ex-  
17 pires.

18       ~~SEC. 1303. UNITED STATES DIPLOMATIC FACILI-~~  
19 ~~TIES.—~~Funds made available for the Library of Congress  
20 under this Act are available for transfer to the Depart-  
21 ment of State as remittance for a fee charged by the De-  
22 partment for fiscal year 2006 for the maintenance, up-  
23 grade, or construction of United States diplomatic facili-  
24 ties only to the extent that the amount of the fee so  
25 charged is equal to or less than the unreimbursed value

1 of the services provided during fiscal year 2006 to the Li-  
2 brary of Congress on State Department diplomatic facili-  
3 ties.

4       SEC. 1304. (a) Section 208 of the Legislative Branch  
5 Appropriations Act, 1996 (Public Law 104-53; 109 Stat.  
6 532), is hereby repealed.

7       (b) The amendment made by this section shall take  
8 effect on the date of the enactment of this Act or October  
9 1, 2005, whichever occurs earlier.

10                   GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE  
11                   CONGRESSIONAL PRINTING AND BINDING  
12                   (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

13       For authorized printing and binding for the Congress  
14 and the distribution of Congressional information in any  
15 format; printing and binding for the Architect of the Cap-  
16 itol; expenses necessary for preparing the semimonthly  
17 and session index to the Congressional Record, as author-  
18 ized by law (section 902 of title 44, United States Code);  
19 printing and binding of Government publications author-  
20 ized by law to be distributed to Members of Congress; and  
21 printing, binding, and distribution of Government publica-  
22 tions authorized by law to be distributed without charge  
23 to the recipient, \$88,090,000 (reduced by \$5,400,000):  
24 *Provided*, That this appropriation shall not be available  
25 for paper copies of the permanent edition of the Congres-

1 sional Record for individual Representatives, Resident  
2 Commissioners or Delegates authorized under section 906  
3 of title 44, United States Code: *Provided further*, That this  
4 appropriation shall be available for the payment of obliga-  
5 tions incurred under the appropriations for similar pur-  
6 poses for preceding fiscal years: *Provided further*, That  
7 notwithstanding the 2-year limitation under section 718  
8 of title 44, United States Code, none of the funds appro-  
9 priated or made available under this Act or any other Act  
10 for printing and binding and related services provided to  
11 Congress under chapter 7 of title 44, United States Code,  
12 may be expended to print a document, report, or publica-  
13 tion after the 27-month period beginning on the date that  
14 such document, report, or publication is authorized by  
15 Congress to be printed, unless Congress reauthorizes such  
16 printing in accordance with section 718 of title 44, United  
17 States Code: *Provided further*, That any unobligated or  
18 unexpended balances in this account or accounts for simi-  
19 lar purposes for preceding fiscal years may be transferred  
20 to the Government Printing Office revolving fund for ear-  
21 nying out the purposes of this heading, subject to the ap-  
22 proval of the Committees on Appropriations of the House  
23 of Representatives and Senate.



1           OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF DOCUMENTS  
2                           SALARIES AND EXPENSES  
3                           (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

4           For expenses of the Office of Superintendent of Doc-  
5 uments necessary to provide for the cataloging and index-  
6 ing of Government publications and their distribution to  
7 the public, Members of Congress, other Government agen-  
8 cies, and designated depository and international exchange  
9 libraries as authorized by law, \$33,337,000: *Provided,*  
10 That amounts of not more than \$2,000,000 from current  
11 year appropriations are authorized for producing and dis-  
12 seminating Congressional serial sets and other related  
13 publications for fiscal years 2004 and 2005 to depository  
14 and other designated libraries: *Provided further,* That any  
15 unobligated or unexpended balances in this account or ac-  
16 counts for similar purposes for preceding fiscal years may  
17 be transferred to the Government Printing Office revolv-  
18 ing fund for carrying out the purposes of this heading,  
19 subject to the approval of the Committees on Appropria-  
20 tions of the House of Representatives and Senate.

21           GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE REVOLVING FUND

22           For payment to the Government Printing Office Re-  
23 volving Fund, \$1,200,000 for workforce retraining. The  
24 Government Printing Office may make such expenditures,  
25 within the limits of funds available and in accord with the

1 law, and to make such contracts and commitments without  
2 regard to fiscal year limitations as provided by section  
3 9104 of title 31, United States Code, as may be necessary  
4 in carrying out the programs and purposes set forth in  
5 the budget for the current fiscal year for the Government  
6 Printing Office revolving fund: *Provided*, That not more  
7 than \$5,000 may be expended on the certification of the  
8 Public Printer in connection with official representation  
9 and reception expenses: *Provided further*, That the revol-  
10 ing fund shall be available for the hire or purchase of not  
11 more than 12 passenger motor vehicles: *Provided further*,  
12 That expenditures in connection with travel expenses of  
13 the advisory councils to the Public Printer shall be deemed  
14 necessary to carry out the provisions of title 44, United  
15 States Code: *Provided further*, That the revolving fund  
16 shall be available for temporary or intermittent services  
17 under section 3109(b) of title 5, United States Code, but  
18 at rates for individuals not more than the daily equivalent  
19 of the annual rate of basic pay for level V of the Executive  
20 Schedule under section 5316 of such title: *Provided fur-*  
21 *ther*, That the revolving fund and the funds provided  
22 under the headings “OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF  
23 DOCUMENTS” and “SALARIES AND EXPENSES” together  
24 may not be available for the full-time equivalent employ-  
25 ment of more than 2,621 workyears (or such other number

1 of workyears as the Public Printer may request, subject  
2 to the approval of the Committees on Appropriations of  
3 the House of Representatives and Senate): *Provided fur-*  
4 *ther*, That activities financed through the revolving fund  
5 may provide information in any format: *Provided further*,  
6 That not more than \$10,000 may be expended from the  
7 revolving fund in support of the activities of the Benjamin  
8 Franklin Tercentenary Commission established by Public  
9 Law ~~107-202~~.

10 GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE

11 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

12 For necessary expenses of the Government Account-  
13 ability Office, including not more than \$12,500 to be ex-  
14 pended on the certification of the Comptroller General of  
15 the United States in connection with official representa-  
16 tion and reception expenses; temporary or intermittent  
17 services under section ~~3109~~(b) of title 5, United States  
18 Code, but at rates for individuals not more than the daily  
19 equivalent of the annual rate of basic pay for level IV of  
20 the Executive Schedule under section ~~5315~~ of such title;  
21 hire of one passenger motor vehicle; advance payments in  
22 foreign countries in accordance with section ~~3224~~ of title  
23 ~~31~~, United States Code; benefits comparable to those pay-  
24 able under sections ~~901~~(5), (6), and (8) of the Foreign  
25 Service Act of 1980 (~~22 U.S.C.~~ 4081(5), (6), and (8));

1 and under regulations prescribed by the Comptroller Gen-  
2 eral of the United States; rental of living quarters in for-  
3 eign countries, \$482,395,000: *Provided*, That not more  
4 than \$5,104,000 of payments received under section 782  
5 of title 31, United States Code, shall be available for use  
6 in fiscal year 2006: *Provided further*, That not more than  
7 \$2,061,000 of reimbursements received under section  
8 9105 of title 31, United States Code, shall be available  
9 for use in fiscal year 2006: *Provided further*, That this  
10 appropriation and appropriations for administrative ex-  
11 penses of any other department or agency which is a mem-  
12 ber of the National Intergovernmental Audit Forum or a  
13 Regional Intergovernmental Audit Forum shall be avail-  
14 able to finance an appropriate share of either Forum's  
15 costs as determined by the respective Forum, including  
16 necessary travel expenses of non-Federal participants:  
17 *Provided further*, That payments hereunder to the Forum  
18 may be credited as reimbursements to any appropriation  
19 from which costs involved are initially financed.

20 PAYMENT TO THE OPEN WORLD LEADERSHIP CENTER  
21 TRUST FUND

22 For a payment to the Open World Leadership Center  
23 Trust Fund for financing activities of the Open World  
24 Leadership Center under section 313 of the Legislative

1 ~~Branch Appropriations Act, 2001 (2 U.S.C. 1151),~~  
2 ~~\$14,000,000.~~

3 *CAPITOL POWER PLANT*

4 *For all necessary expenses for the maintenance, care*  
5 *and operation of the Capitol Power Plant; lighting, heating,*  
6 *power (including the purchase of electrical energy) and*  
7 *water and sewer services for the Capitol, Senate and House*  
8 *office buildings, Library of Congress buildings, and the*  
9 *grounds about the same, Botanic Garden, Senate garage,*  
10 *and air conditioning refrigeration not supplied from plants*  
11 *in any of such buildings; heating the Government Printing*  
12 *Office and Washington City Post Office, and heating and*  
13 *chilled water for air conditioning for the Supreme Court*  
14 *Building, the Union Station complex, the Thurgood Mar-*  
15 *shall Federal Judiciary Building and the Folger Shake-*  
16 *speare Library, expenses for which shall be advanced or re-*  
17 *imbursed upon request of the Architect of the Capitol and*  
18 *amounts so received shall be deposited into the Treasury*  
19 *to the credit of this appropriation, \$58,817,000, of which*  
20 *\$1,600,000 shall remain available until September 30,*  
21 *2010: Provided, That not more than \$6,500,000 of the funds*  
22 *credited or to be reimbursed to this appropriation as herein*  
23 *provided shall be available for obligation during fiscal year*  
24 *2006.*

1                    *LIBRARY BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS*

2            *For all necessary expenses for the mechanical and*  
3 *structural maintenance, care and operation of the Library*  
4 *buildings and grounds, \$70,948,000, of which \$42,950,000*  
5 *shall remain available until September 30, 2010.*

6                    *CAPITOL POLICE BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS*

7            *For all necessary expenses for the maintenance, care,*  
8 *and operation of buildings and grounds of the United States*  
9 *Capitol Police, \$10,031,000.*

10                    *BOTANIC GARDEN*

11            *For all necessary expenses for the maintenance, care*  
12 *and operation of the Botanic Garden and the nurseries,*  
13 *buildings, grounds, and collections; and purchase and ex-*  
14 *change, maintenance, repair, and operation of a passenger*  
15 *motor vehicle; all under the direction of the Joint Com-*  
16 *mittee on the Library, \$7,633,000: Provided, That this ap-*  
17 *propriation shall not be available for construction of the*  
18 *National Garden: Provided further, That of the amount*  
19 *made available under this heading, the Architect may obli-*  
20 *gate and expend such sums as may be necessary for the*  
21 *maintenance, care, and operation of the National Garden*  
22 *established under section 307E of the Legislative Branch*  
23 *Appropriations Act, 1989 (2 U.S.C. 2146), upon vouchers*  
24 *approved by the Architect or a duly authorized designee.*

1                                    *CAPITOL VISITOR CENTER*

2            *For an additional amount for the Capitol Visitor Cen-*  
3 *ter project, \$41,900,000, to remain available until ex-*  
4 *pended, and in addition, \$2,300,000 for Capitol Visitor*  
5 *Center operation costs: Provided, That the Architect of the*  
6 *Capitol may not obligate any of the funds which are made*  
7 *available for the Capitol Visitor Center project without an*  
8 *obligation plan approved by the Committee on Appropria-*  
9 *tions of the Senate and House of Representatives.*

10                                    *ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISION*

11            *SEC. 1201. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE CAPITOL*  
12 *VISITOR CENTER. The Architect of the Capitol may appoint*  
13 *an Executive Director of the Capitol Visitor Center whose*  
14 *annual rate of pay shall be determined by the Architect of*  
15 *the Capitol and shall not exceed \$1,500 less than the annual*  
16 *rate of pay for the Architect of the Capitol.*

17                                    *LIBRARY OF CONGRESS*18                                    *SALARIES AND EXPENSES*

19            *For necessary expenses of the Library of Congress not*  
20 *otherwise provided for, including development and mainte-*  
21 *nance of the Library's catalogs; custody and custodial care*  
22 *of the Library buildings; special clothing; cleaning, laun-*  
23 *dering and repair of uniforms; preservation of motion pic-*  
24 *tures in the custody of the Library; operation and mainte-*  
25 *nance of the American Folklife Center in the Library; prep-*

1 *aration and distribution of catalog records and other publi-*  
2 *cations of the Library; hire or purchase of one passenger*  
3 *motor vehicle; and expenses of the Library of Congress Trust*  
4 *Fund Board not properly chargeable to the income of any*  
5 *trust fund held by the Board, \$397,285,000, of which not*  
6 *more than \$6,000,000 shall be derived from collections cred-*  
7 *ited to this appropriation during fiscal year 2006, and*  
8 *shall remain available until expended, under the Act of*  
9 *June 28, 1902 (chapter 1301; 32 Stat. 480; 2 U.S.C. 150)*  
10 *and not more than \$350,000 shall be derived from collec-*  
11 *tions during fiscal year 2006 and shall remain available*  
12 *until expended for the development and maintenance of an*  
13 *international legal information database and activities re-*  
14 *lated thereto: Provided, That the Library of Congress may*  
15 *not obligate or expend any funds derived from collections*  
16 *under the Act of June 28, 1902, in excess of the amount*  
17 *authorized for obligation or expenditure in appropriations*  
18 *Acts: Provided further, That the total amount available for*  
19 *obligation shall be reduced by the amount by which collec-*  
20 *tions are less than \$6,350,000: Provided further, That of*  
21 *the total amount appropriated, \$13,972,000 shall remain*  
22 *available until expended for the partial acquisition of books,*  
23 *periodicals, newspapers, and all other materials including*  
24 *subscriptions for bibliographic services for the Library, in-*  
25 *cluding \$40,000 to be available solely for the purchase, when*



1 *specifically approved by the Librarian, of special and*  
2 *unique materials for additions to the collections: Provided*  
3 *further, That of the total amount appropriated, not more*  
4 *than \$12,000 may be expended, on the certification of the*  
5 *Librarian of Congress, in connection with official represen-*  
6 *tation and reception expenses for the Overseas Field Offices:*  
7 *Provided further, That of the total amount appropriated,*  
8 *\$4,000,000 shall remain available until expended for the*  
9 *digital collections and school curricula program under sec-*  
10 *tion 1305 of this Act: Provided further, That of the total*  
11 *amount appropriated, \$600,000 shall remain available*  
12 *until expended, and shall be transferred to the Abraham*  
13 *Lincoln Bicentennial Commission for carrying out the pur-*  
14 *poses of Public Law 106–173, of which \$10,000 may be used*  
15 *for official representation and reception expenses of the*  
16 *Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission: Provided fur-*  
17 *ther, That of the total amount appropriated, \$12,085,000*  
18 *shall remain available until expended for partial support*  
19 *of the National Audio-Visual Conservation Center: Provided*  
20 *further, That of the total amount appropriated, \$250,000*  
21 *shall be used to provide a grant to the Middle Eastern Text*  
22 *Initiative for translation and publishing of middle eastern*  
23 *text: Provided further, That no funds made available under*  
24 *this heading may be expended inconsistently with the provi-*  
25 *sions and intent of section 1006 of the Legislative Branch*

1 *Appropriations Act, 2004 (Public Law 108–83), as amend-*  
2 *ed, and the memorandum of understanding between the Li-*  
3 *brary of Congress and the Capitol Police entered into on*  
4 *December 12, 2004.*

5 *COPYRIGHT OFFICE*

6 *SALARIES AND EXPENSES*

7 *For necessary expenses of the Copyright Office and the*  
8 *new Copyright Royalty Judges program, \$57,322,000, of*  
9 *which not more than \$30,481,000, to remain available until*  
10 *expended, shall be derived from collections credited to this*  
11 *appropriation during fiscal year 2006 under section 708(d)*  
12 *of title 17, United States Code: Provided, That the Copy-*  
13 *right Office may not obligate or expend any funds derived*  
14 *from collections under such section, in excess of the amount*  
15 *authorized for obligation or expenditure in appropriations*  
16 *Acts: Provided further, That not more than \$4,141,000 shall*  
17 *be derived from collections during fiscal year 2006 under*  
18 *sections 111(d)(2), 119(b)(2), 802(h), 1005, and 1316 of*  
19 *such title: Provided further, That the total amount available*  
20 *for obligation shall be reduced by the amount by which col-*  
21 *lections are less than \$34,622,000: Provided further, That*  
22 *not more than \$100,000 of the amount appropriated is*  
23 *available for the maintenance of an “International Copy-*  
24 *right Institute” in the Copyright Office of the Library of*  
25 *Congress for the purpose of training nationals of developing*

1 *countries in intellectual property laws and policies: Pro-*  
 2 *vided further, That not more than \$4,250 may be expended,*  
 3 *on the certification of the Librarian of Congress, in connec-*  
 4 *tion with official representation and reception expenses for*  
 5 *activities of the International Copyright Institute and for*  
 6 *copyright delegations, visitors, and seminars.*

7 *CONGRESSIONAL RESEARCH SERVICE*

8 *SALARIES AND EXPENSES*

9 *For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions of*  
 10 *section 203 of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946*  
 11 *(2 U.S.C. 166) and to revise and extend the Annotated Con-*  
 12 *stitution of the United States of America, \$101,755,000:*  
 13 *Provided, That no part of such amount may be used to pay*  
 14 *any salary or expense in connection with any publication,*  
 15 *or preparation of material therefor (except the Digest of*  
 16 *Public General Bills), to be issued by the Library of Con-*  
 17 *gress unless such publication has obtained prior approval*  
 18 *of either the Committee on House Administration of the*  
 19 *House of Representatives or the Committee on Rules and*  
 20 *Administration of the Senate.*

21 *BOOKS FOR THE BLIND AND PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED*

22 *SALARIES AND EXPENSES*

23 *For salaries and expenses to carry out the Act of March*  
 24 *3, 1931 (chapter 400; 46 Stat. 1487; 2 U.S.C. 135a),*  
 25 *\$64,172,000, of which \$25,667,000 shall remain available*

1 *until expended and of which \$800,000 shall be available to*  
2 *the Librarian of Congress to pay telecommunications costs*  
3 *for eligible readers to have interstate toll free access to elec-*  
4 *tronic editions of periodicals and newspapers, disseminated*  
5 *in specialized audio and electronic text formats from a*  
6 *multi-State nonprofit source which obtains content from*  
7 *publishers for free distribution to blind and physically*  
8 *handicapped readers in a minimum of 20 States.*

9 *ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS*

10 *SEC. 1301. INCENTIVE AWARDS PROGRAM. Of the*  
11 *amounts appropriated to the Library of Congress in this*  
12 *Act, not more than \$5,000 may be expended, on the certifi-*  
13 *cation of the Librarian of Congress, in connection with offi-*  
14 *cial representation and reception expenses for the incentive*  
15 *awards program.*

16 *SEC. 1302. REIMBURSABLE AND REVOLVING FUND AC-*  
17 *TIVITIES. (a) IN GENERAL.—For fiscal year 2006, the*  
18 *obligational authority of the Library of Congress for the ac-*  
19 *tivities described in subsection (b) may not exceed*  
20 *\$109,943,000.*

21 *(b) ACTIVITIES.—The activities referred to in sub-*  
22 *section (a) are reimbursable and revolving fund activities*  
23 *that are funded from sources other than appropriations to*  
24 *the Library in appropriations Acts for the legislative*  
25 *branch.*

1           (c) *TRANSFER OF FUNDS.*—During fiscal year 2006,  
2 *the Librarian of Congress may temporarily transfer funds*  
3 *appropriated in this Act, under the heading “LIBRARY*  
4 *OF CONGRESS” under the subheading “SALARIES AND*  
5 *EXPENSES” to the revolving fund for the FEDLINK Pro-*  
6 *gram and the Federal Research Program established under*  
7 *section 103 of the Library of Congress Fiscal Operations*  
8 *Improvement Act of 2000 (Public Law 106–481; 2 U.S.C.*  
9 *182c): Provided, That the total amount of such transfers*  
10 *may not exceed \$1,900,000: Provided further, That the ap-*  
11 *propriate revolving fund account shall reimburse the Li-*  
12 *brary for any amounts transferred to it before the period*  
13 *of availability of the Library appropriation expires.*

14           *SEC. 1303. NATIONAL DIGITAL INFORMATION INFRA-*  
15 *STRUCTURE AND PRESERVATION PROGRAM. The Miscella-*  
16 *neous Appropriations Act, 2001 (enacted into law by sec-*  
17 *tion 1(a)(4) of Public Law 106–554, 114 Stat. 2763A–194)*  
18 *is amended in the first proviso under the subheading “SAL-*  
19 *ARIES AND EXPENSES” under the heading “LIBRARY OF*  
20 *CONGRESS” in chapter 9 of division A by adding at the*  
21 *end “, except that an amount not to exceed \$25,000,000 of*  
22 *such additional \$75,000,000 shall remain available until*  
23 *expended and may be used for competitive grants to State*  
24 *governmental entities, without regard to any matching con-*  
25 *tribution requirement, to work cooperatively to collect and*

1 *preserve at-risk digital State and local government infor-*  
2 *mation”.*

3       *SEC. 1304. UNITED STATES DIPLOMATIC FACILITIES.*  
4 *Funds made available for the Library of Congress under*  
5 *this Act are available for transfer to the Department of*  
6 *State as remittance for a fee charged by the Department*  
7 *for fiscal year 2006 for the maintenance, upgrade, or con-*  
8 *struction of United States diplomatic facilities only to the*  
9 *extent that the amount of the fee so charged is equal to or*  
10 *less than the unreimbursed value of the services provided*  
11 *during fiscal year 2006 to the Library of Congress on State*  
12 *Department diplomatic facilities.*

13       *SEC. 1305. INCORPORATION OF DIGITAL COLLECTIONS*  
14 *INTO SCHOOL CURRICULA. (a) SHORT TITLE.—This section*  
15 *may be cited as the “Library of Congress Digital Collections*  
16 *and School Curricula Act of 2005”.*

17       *(b) PROGRAM.—The Librarian of Congress shall ad-*  
18 *minister a program to teach educators and librarians how*  
19 *to incorporate the digital collections of the Library of Con-*  
20 *gress into school curricula.*

21       *(c) EDUCATIONAL CONSORTIUM.—In administering*  
22 *the program under this section, the Librarian of Congress*  
23 *may—*

24               *(1) establish an educational consortium to sup-*  
25               *port the program; and*

1           (2) *make funds appropriated for the program*  
2           *available to consortium members, educational institu-*  
3           *tions, and libraries.*

4           (d) *AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There are*  
5           *authorized to be appropriated such sums as necessary to*  
6           *carry out this section for fiscal year 2006 and each fiscal*  
7           *year thereafter.*

8                           *GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE*

9                           *CONGRESSIONAL PRINTING AND BINDING*

10                          *(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)*

11           *For authorized printing and binding for the Congress*  
12           *and the distribution of Congressional information in any*  
13           *format; printing and binding for the Architect of the Cap-*  
14           *itol; expenses necessary for preparing the semimonthly and*  
15           *session index to the Congressional Record, as authorized by*  
16           *law (section 902 of title 44, United States Code); printing*  
17           *and binding of Government publications authorized by law*  
18           *to be distributed to Members of Congress; and printing,*  
19           *binding, and distribution of Government publications au-*  
20           *thorized by law to be distributed without charge to the re-*  
21           *ipient, \$88,090,000: Provided, That this appropriation*  
22           *shall not be available for paper copies of the permanent edi-*  
23           *tion of the Congressional Record for individual Representa-*  
24           *tives, Resident Commissioners or Delegates authorized*  
25           *under section 906 of title 44, United States Code: Provided*

1 *further, That this appropriation shall be available for the*  
2 *payment of obligations incurred under the appropriations*  
3 *for similar purposes for preceding fiscal years: Provided*  
4 *further, That notwithstanding the 2-year limitation under*  
5 *section 718 of title 44, United States Code, none of the funds*  
6 *appropriated or made available under this Act or any other*  
7 *Act for printing and binding and related services provided*  
8 *to Congress under chapter 7 of title 44, United States Code,*  
9 *may be expended to print a document, report, or publica-*  
10 *tion after the 27-month period beginning on the date that*  
11 *such document, report, or publication is authorized by Con-*  
12 *gress to be printed, unless Congress reauthorizes such print-*  
13 *ing in accordance with section 718 of title 44, United States*  
14 *Code: Provided further, That any unobligated or unex-*  
15 *pended balances in this account or accounts for similar*  
16 *purposes for preceding fiscal years may be transferred to*  
17 *the Government Printing Office revolving fund for carrying*  
18 *out the purposes of this heading, subject to the approval*  
19 *of the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Rep-*  
20 *resentatives and Senate.*

21 *OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF DOCUMENTS*

22 *SALARIES AND EXPENSES*

23 *(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)*

24 *For expenses of the Office of Superintendent of Docu-*  
25 *ments necessary to provide for the cataloging and indexing*  
26 *of Government publications and their distribution to the*



1 *public, Members of Congress, other Government agencies,*  
2 *and designated depository and international exchange li-*  
3 *braries as authorized by law, \$33,837,000: Provided, That*  
4 *amounts of not more than \$2,000,000 from current year*  
5 *appropriations are authorized for producing and dissemi-*  
6 *nating Congressional serial sets and other related publica-*  
7 *tions for fiscal years 2004 and 2005 to depository and other*  
8 *designated libraries: Provided further, That any unobli-*  
9 *gated or unexpended balances in this account or accounts*  
10 *for similar purposes for preceding fiscal years may be*  
11 *transferred to the Government Printing Office revolving*  
12 *fund for carrying out the purposes of this heading, subject*  
13 *to the approval of the Committees on Appropriations of the*  
14 *House of Representatives and Senate.*

15       *GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE REVOLVING FUND*

16       *For payment to the Government Printing Office Re-*  
17 *volving Fund, \$5,000,000 for workforce retraining: Pro-*  
18 *vided, That the Government Printing Office may make such*  
19 *expenditures, within the limits of funds available and in*  
20 *accordance with law, and to make such contracts and com-*  
21 *mitments without regard to fiscal year limitations as pro-*  
22 *vided by section 9104 of title 31, United States Code, as*  
23 *may be necessary in carrying out the programs and pur-*  
24 *poses set forth in the budget for the current fiscal year for*  
25 *the Government Printing Office revolving fund: Provided*

1 further, That not more than \$5,000 may be expended on  
2 the certification of the Public Printer in connection with  
3 official representation and reception expenses: Provided fur-  
4 ther, That the revolving fund shall be available for the hire  
5 or purchase of not more than 12 passenger motor vehicles:  
6 Provided further, That expenditures in connection with  
7 travel expenses of the advisory councils to the Public Print-  
8 er shall be deemed necessary to carry out the provisions of  
9 title 44, United States Code: Provided further, That the re-  
10 volving fund shall be available for temporary or intermit-  
11 tent services under section 3109(b) of title 5, United States  
12 Code, but at rates for individuals not more than the daily  
13 equivalent of the annual rate of basic pay for level V of  
14 the Executive Schedule under section 5316 of such title: Pro-  
15 vided further, That the revolving fund and the funds pro-  
16 vided under the headings “OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF  
17 DOCUMENTS” and “SALARIES AND EXPENSES” together  
18 may not be available for the full-time equivalent employ-  
19 ment of more than 2,621 workyears (or such other number  
20 of workyears as the Public Printer may request, subject to  
21 the approval of the Committees on Appropriations of the  
22 House of Representatives and Senate): Provided further,  
23 That activities financed through the revolving fund may  
24 provide information in any format: Provided further, That  
25 not more than \$10,000 may be expended from the revolving

1 *fund in support of the activities of the Benjamin Franklin*  
2 *Tercentenary Commission established by Public Law 107–*  
3 *202.*

4 **GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE**

5 **SALARIES AND EXPENSES**

6 *For necessary expenses of the Government Account-*  
7 *ability Office, including not more than \$12,500 to be ex-*  
8 *pende d on the certification of the Comptroller General of*  
9 *the United States in connection with official representation*  
10 *and reception expenses; temporary or intermittent services*  
11 *under section 3109(b) of title 5, United States Code, but*  
12 *at rates for individuals not more than the daily equivalent*  
13 *of the annual rate of basic pay for level IV of the Executive*  
14 *Schedule under section 5315 of such title; hire of one pas-*  
15 *senger motor vehicle; advance payments in foreign countries*  
16 *in accordance with section 3324 of title 31, United States*  
17 *Code; benefits comparable to those payable under section*  
18 *901(5), (6), and (8) of the Foreign Service Act of 1980 (22*  
19 *U.S.C. 4081(5), (6), and (8)); and under regulations pre-*  
20 *scribed by the Comptroller General of the United States,*  
21 *rental of living quarters in foreign countries, \$484,383,000:*  
22 *Provided, That not more than \$5,104,000 of payments re-*  
23 *ceived under section 782 of title 31, United States Code,*  
24 *shall be available for use in fiscal year 2006: Provided fur-*  
25 *ther, That not more than \$2,061,000 of reimbursements re-*

1 *ceived under section 9105 of title 31, United States Code,*  
2 *shall be available for use in fiscal year 2006: Provided fur-*  
3 *ther, That this appropriation and appropriations for ad-*  
4 *ministrative expenses of any other department or agency*  
5 *which is a member of the National Intergovernmental Audit*  
6 *Forum or a Regional Intergovernmental Audit Forum shall*  
7 *be available to finance an appropriate share of either Fo-*  
8 *rum's costs as determined by the respective Forum, includ-*  
9 *ing necessary travel expenses of non-Federal participants:*  
10 *Provided further, That payments hereunder to the Forum*  
11 *may be credited as reimbursements to any appropriation*  
12 *from which costs involved are initially financed.*

13 ***OPEN WORLD LEADERSHIP CENTER TRUST***

14 ***FUND***

15 *For a payment to the Open World Leadership Center*  
16 *Trust Fund for financing activities of the Open World*  
17 *Leadership Center, \$14,000,000.*

18 ***JOHN C. STENNIS CENTER FOR PUBLIC SERVICE***

19 ***TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT***

20 *For payment to the John C. Stennis Center for Public*  
21 *Service Development Trust Fund established under section*  
22 *116 of the John C. Stennis Center for Public Service Train-*  
23 *ing and Development Act (2 U.S.C. 1105), \$430,000.*

## 1 TITLE II—GENERAL PROVISIONS

2 SEC. 201. MAINTENANCE AND CARE OF PRIVATE  
3 VEHICLES.—No part of the funds appropriated in this Act  
4 shall be used for the maintenance or care of private vehi-  
5 cles, except for emergency assistance and cleaning as may  
6 be provided under regulations relating to parking facilities  
7 for the House of Representatives issued by the Committee  
8 on House Administration and for the Senate issued by the  
9 Committee on Rules and Administration.

10 SEC. 202. FISCAL YEAR LIMITATION.—No part of  
11 the funds appropriated in this Act shall remain available  
12 for obligation beyond fiscal year 2006 unless expressly so  
13 provided in this Act.

14 SEC. 203. RATES OF COMPENSATION AND DESIGNA-  
15 TION.—Whenever in this Act any office or position not  
16 specifically established by the Legislative Pay Act of 1929  
17 (46 Stat. 32 et seq.) is appropriated for or the rate of  
18 compensation or designation of any office or position ap-  
19 propriated for is different from that specifically estab-  
20 lished by such Act, the rate of compensation and the des-  
21 ignation in this Act shall be the permanent law with re-  
22 spect thereto: *Provided*, That the provisions in this Act  
23 for the various items of official expenses of Members, offi-  
24 cers, and committees of the Senate and House of Rep-  
25 resentatives, and clerk hire for Senators and Members of

1 the House of Representatives shall be the permanent law  
2 with respect thereto.

3       SEC. 204. CONSULTING SERVICES.—The expenditure  
4 of any appropriation under this Act for any consulting  
5 service through procurement contract, under section 3109  
6 of title 5, United States Code, shall be limited to those  
7 contracts where such expenditures are a matter of public  
8 record and available for public inspection, except where  
9 otherwise provided under existing law, or under existing  
10 Executive order issued under existing law.

11       SEC. 205. AWARDS AND SETTLEMENTS.—Such sums  
12 as may be necessary are appropriated to the account de-  
13 scribed in subsection (a) of section 415 of the Congres-  
14 sional Accountability Act of 1995 (2 U.S.C. 1415(a)) to  
15 pay awards and settlements as authorized under such sub-  
16 section.

17       SEC. 206. COSTS OF LBFMC.—Amounts available  
18 for administrative expenses of any legislative branch entity  
19 which participates in the Legislative Branch Financial  
20 Managers Council (LBFMC) established by charter on  
21 March 26, 1996, shall be available to finance an appro-  
22 priate share of LBFMC costs as determined by the  
23 LBFMC, except that the total LBFMC costs to be shared  
24 among all participating legislative branch entities (in such

1 allocations among the entities as the entities may deter-  
2 mine) may not exceed \$2,000.

3       SEC. 207. LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE.—The Archi-  
4 tect of the Capitol, in consultation with the District of Co-  
5 lumbia, is authorized to maintain and improve the land-  
6 scape features, excluding streets and sidewalks, in the ir-  
7 regular shaped grassy areas bounded by Washington Ave-  
8 nue, SW on the northeast, Second Street SW on the west,  
9 Square 582 on the south, and the beginning of the I-395  
10 tunnel on the southeast.

11       SEC. 208. LIMITATION ON TRANSFERS.—None of the  
12 funds made available in this Act may be transferred to  
13 any department, agency, or instrumentality of the United  
14 States Government, except pursuant to a transfer made  
15 by, or transfer authority provided in, this Act or any other  
16 appropriation Act.

17       ~~(4) SEC. 209. COMPENSATION LIMITATION.—None~~  
18 ~~of the funds contained in this Act or any other Act may~~  
19 ~~be used to pay the salary of any officer or employee of~~  
20 ~~the legislative branch during fiscal year 2006 or any suc-~~  
21 ~~ceeding fiscal year to the extent that the aggregate~~  
22 ~~amount of compensation paid to the employee during the~~  
23 ~~year (including base salary, performance awards and other~~  
24 ~~bonus payments, and incentive payments, but excluding~~  
25 ~~the value of any in-kind benefits and payments) exceeds~~

1 the annual rate of pay for a Member of the House of Rep-  
 2 resentatives or a Senator.

3       *SEC. 209. COMPENSATION LIMITATION. Legislative*  
 4 *branch appropriations are not available to pay the salary*  
 5 *of any officer or employee to the extent that the aggregate*  
 6 *amount of compensation (including base salary, awards,*  
 7 *bonus incentives, excluding in-kind compensation) exceeds*  
 8 *the annual rate for a Senator or Member unless the applica-*  
 9 *ble entity head has certified that the entity has a perform-*  
 10 *ance appraisal system which (as designed and applied)*  
 11 *makes meaningful distinctions based on relative perform-*  
 12 *ance consistent with the criteria established pursuant to 5*  
 13 *U.S.C. 5307(d)(3)(A). Each entity head shall recertify its*  
 14 *performance appraisal system (bi-annually in accordance*  
 15 *with 5 U.S.C. 5307(d)(3)(B)). Entities with such certified*  
 16 *appraisal systems may pay total annual compensation up*  
 17 *to the amounts Executive branch personnel subject to cer-*  
 18 *tified performance appraisal systems may receive.*

19                   **(5)TITLE III—CONTINUITY IN**  
 20                                   **REPRESENTATION**

21       ~~SEC. 301. Section 26 of the Revised Statutes of the~~  
 22 ~~United States (2 U.S.C. 8) is amended—~~

23                   (1) by striking “The time” and inserting “(a)  
 24       **IN GENERAL.**—Except as provided in subsection (b),  
 25       the time”; and



1           (2) by adding at the end the following new sub-  
2 section:

3           “(b) SPECIAL RULES IN EXTRAORDINARY CIR-  
4 CUMSTANCES.—

5           “(1) IN GENERAL.—In extraordinary cir-  
6 cumstances, the executive authority of any State in  
7 which a vacancy exists in its representation in the  
8 House of Representatives shall issue a writ of elec-  
9 tion to fill such vacancy by special election.

10           “(2) TIMING OF SPECIAL ELECTION.—A special  
11 election held under this subsection to fill a vacancy  
12 shall take place not later than 49 days after the  
13 Speaker of the House of Representatives announces  
14 that the vacancy exists, unless, during the 75-day  
15 period which begins on the date of the announce-  
16 ment of the vacancy—

17           “(A) a regularly scheduled general election  
18 for the office involved is to be held; or

19           “(B) another special election for the office  
20 involved is to be held, pursuant to a writ for a  
21 special election issued by the chief executive of  
22 the State prior to the date of the announcement  
23 of the vacancy.

24           “(3) NOMINATIONS BY PARTIES.—If a special  
25 election is to be held under this subsection, the de-

1 termination of the candidates who will run in such  
2 election shall be made—

3 “(A) by nominations made not later than  
4 10 days after the Speaker announces that the  
5 vacancy exists by the political parties of the  
6 State that are authorized by State law to nomi-  
7 nate candidates for the election; or

8 “(B) by any other method the State con-  
9 sidered appropriate, including holding primary  
10 elections, that will ensure that the State will  
11 hold the special election within the deadline re-  
12 quired under paragraph (2).

13 “(4) EXTRAORDINARY CIRCUMSTANCES.—

14 “(A) IN GENERAL.—In this subsection,  
15 ‘extraordinary circumstances’ occur when the  
16 Speaker of the House of Representatives an-  
17 nounces that vacancies in the representation  
18 from the States in the House exceed 100.

19 “(B) JUDICIAL REVIEW.—If any action is  
20 brought for declaratory or injunctive relief to  
21 challenge an announcement made under sub-  
22 paragraph (A), the following rules shall apply:

23 “(i) Not later than 2 days after the  
24 announcement, the action shall be filed in  
25 the United States District Court having ju-

1 jurisdiction in the district of the Member of  
2 the House of Representatives whose seat  
3 has been announced to be vacant and shall  
4 be heard by a 3-judge court convened pur-  
5 suant to section 2284 of title 28, United  
6 States Code.

7 “(ii) A copy of the complaint shall be  
8 delivered promptly to the Clerk of the  
9 House of Representatives.

10 “(iii) A final decision in the action  
11 shall be made within 3 days of the filing  
12 of such action and shall not be reviewable.

13 “(iv) The executive authority of the  
14 State that contains the district of the  
15 Member of the House of Representatives  
16 whose seat has been announced to be va-  
17 cant shall have the right to intervene either  
18 in support of or opposition to the position  
19 of a party to the case regarding the an-  
20 nouncement of such vacancy.

21 “(5) PROTECTING ABILITY OF ABSENT MILI-  
22 TARY AND OVERSEAS VOTERS TO PARTICIPATE IN  
23 SPECIAL ELECTIONS.—

24 “(A) DEADLINE FOR TRANSMITTAL OF AB-  
25 SENTEES BALLOTS.—In conducting a special

1 election held under this subsection to fill a va-  
2 cancy in its representation, the State shall en-  
3 sure to the greatest extent practicable (includ-  
4 ing through the use of electronic means) that  
5 absentee ballots for the election are transmitted  
6 to absent uniformed services voters and over-  
7 seas voters (as such terms are defined in the  
8 Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Vot-  
9 ing Act) not later than 15 days after the  
10 Speaker of the House of Representatives an-  
11 nounces that the vacancy exists.

12 “(B) PERIOD FOR BALLOT TRANSIT  
13 TIME.—Notwithstanding the deadlines referred  
14 to in paragraphs (2) and (3), in the case of an  
15 individual who is an absent uniformed services  
16 voter or an overseas voter (as such terms are  
17 defined in the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens  
18 Absentee Voting Act), a State shall accept and  
19 process any otherwise valid ballot or other elec-  
20 tion material from the voter so long as the bal-  
21 lot or other material is received by the appro-  
22 priate State election official not later than 45  
23 days after the State transmits the ballot or  
24 other material to the voter.

1           “(6) APPLICATION TO DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
2           AND TERRITORIES.—This subsection shall apply—

3                   “(A) to a Delegate or Resident Commis-  
4                   sioner to the Congress in the same manner as  
5                   it applies to a Member of the House of Rep-  
6                   resentatives; and

7                   “(B) to the District of Columbia, the Com-  
8                   monwealth of Puerto Rico, American Samoa,  
9                   Guam, and the United States Virgin Islands in  
10                  the same manner as it applies to a State, ex-  
11                  cept that a vacancy in the representation from  
12                  any such jurisdiction in the House shall not be  
13                  taken into account by the Speaker in deter-  
14                  mining whether vacancies in the representation  
15                  from the States in the House exceed 100 for  
16                  purposes of paragraph (4)(A).

17           “(7) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION REGARDING FED-  
18           ERAL ELECTION LAWS.—Nothing in this subsection  
19           may be construed to affect the application to special  
20           elections under this subsection of any Federal law  
21           governing the administration of elections for Federal  
22           office (including any law providing for the enforce-  
23           ment of any such law), including, but not limited to,  
24           the following:

