

109TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

S. 3741

AN ACT

To provide funding authority to facilitate the evacuation of
persons from Lebanon, 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,*

1 **SECTION 1. FUNDING AUTHORITY.**

2 (a) **TRANSFER AUTHORITY.—**

3 (1) **AUTHORITY.—**

4 (A) **IN GENERAL.**—Upon a determination
5 by the Secretary of State described in subpara-
6 graph (B), the Secretary may transfer to the
7 “Emergencies in the Diplomatic and Consular
8 Service” account from unobligated amounts in
9 any account under the “Administration of For-
10 eign Affairs” heading such sums as may be
11 necessary—

12 (i) to cover the costs of facilitating the
13 evacuation under section 4 of the State
14 Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956
15 (22 U.S.C. 2671) of persons from Lebanon
16 on or after July 16, 2006; and

17 (ii) to replenish the “Emergencies in
18 the Diplomatic and Consular Service” ac-
19 count up to the level of funding that ex-
20 isted in such account on July 15, 2006.

21 (B) **DETERMINATION.**—A determination
22 referred to in subparagraph (A) is a determina-
23 tion that additional funding for the “Emer-
24 gencies in the Diplomatic and Consular Serv-
25 ice” account is necessary as a result of the ex-
26 traordinary costs of facilitating the evacuation

1 under section 4 of the State Department Basic
2 Authorities Act of 1956 (22 U.S.C. 2671) of
3 persons from Lebanon on or after July 16,
4 2006.

5 (C) TREATMENT OF FUNDS.—Amounts
6 transferred under subparagraph (A) shall be
7 merged with amounts in the “Emergencies in
8 the Diplomatic and Consular Service” account,
9 and shall be available for the same purposes,
10 and subject to the same conditions and limita-
11 tions, as amounts in such account.

12 (2) NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENT.—

13 (A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided
14 under subparagraph (B), not later than 5 days
15 before transferring funds under paragraph (1),
16 the Secretary of State shall notify the appro-
17 priate congressional committees of the proposed
18 transfer.

19 (B) EXIGENT CIRCUMSTANCES WAIVER.—
20 The Secretary may waive the requirement
21 under subparagraph (A) if exigent cir-
22 cumstances exist. In the event of such a waiver,
23 the Secretary shall provide notice of the trans-
24 fer of funds to the appropriate congressional
25 committees as early as practicable, but in no

1 event later than 3 days after such transfer, in-
2 cluding an explanation of the circumstances ne-
3 cessitating such waiver.

4 (C) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COM-
5 MITTEES DEFINED.—In this paragraph, the
6 term “appropriate congressional committees”
7 means the Committee on Foreign Relations and
8 the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate
9 and the Committee on International Relations
10 and the Committee on Appropriations of the
11 House of Representatives.

12 (b) USE OF CERTAIN FUNDS.—Amounts appro-
13 priated or otherwise made available by chapter 8 of title
14 II of division B of Public Law 109–148 under the heading
15 “EMERGENCIES IN THE DIPLOMATIC AND CONSULAR
16 SERVICE” and any other unobligated amounts in the
17 “Emergencies in the Diplomatic and Consular Service”
18 account may be made available to cover the costs of facili-
19 tating the evacuation under section 4 of the State Depart-

- 1 ment Basic Authorities Act of 1956 (22 U.S.C. 2671) of
- 2 persons from Lebanon on or after July 16, 2006.

Passed the Senate July 26, 2006.

Attest:

Secretary.

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