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To improve the accuracy and transparency of the Federal budget process.

#### IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. Renacci (for himself, Mr. Quigley, Mr. Bucshon, Mr. Schrader, Mr. Owens, Mr. Carney, Mr. Himes, and Mr. Webster) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committees on Rules, Oversight and Government Reform, and Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

# A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.
- 4 (a) Short Title.—This Act may be cited as the
- 5 "Budget Process Improvement Act of 2011".
- 6 (b) Table of Contents.—

Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

TITLE I—IMPROVED ACCURACY AND TRANSPARENCY OF THE FEDERAL BUDGET PROCESS

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- Sec. 212. Effective date.

# 1 TITLE I—IMPROVED ACCURACY

# 2 AND TRANSPARENCY OF THE

# 3 FEDERAL BUDGET PROCESS

- 4 SEC. 101. CBO AND JCT DESCRIPTIVE ANALYSES FOR SEC-
- 5 OND DECADE BUDGET IMPACT.
- 6 (a) CBO.—Section 402 of the Congressional Budget
- 7 Act of 1974 is amended by inserting "(a)" after "402.",
- 8 by striking the last sentence, and by adding at the end
- 9 the following new subsections:
- 10 "(b) Whenever the Director of the Congressional
- 11 Budget Office submits a cost estimate under subsection
- 12 (a) of a bill or resolution, the Director shall also provide
- 13 a descriptive analysis for the second decade budget impact
- 14 of such bill or resolution.

- 1 "(c) The estimates, comparison, and description so
- 2 submitted shall be included in the report accompanying
- 3 such bill or resolution if timely submitted to such com-
- 4 mittee before such report is filed.".
- 5 (b) JCT.—Section 202(f) of the Congressional Budg-
- 6 et Act of 1974 is amended by inserting "(1)" after "Rev-
- 7 ENUE ESTIMATES.—" and by adding at the end the fol-
- 8 lowing new paragraph:
- 9 "(2) Whenever the Joint Committee on Taxation pro-
- 10 vides revenue estimates to the Congressional Budget Of-
- 11 fice under paragraph (1), the Joint Committee on Tax-
- 12 ation shall also provide a descriptive analysis for the sec-
- 13 ond decade budget impact.".
- 14 SEC. 102. OMB REPORTS ON UNBUDGETED FISCAL EXPO-
- 15 SURES.
- Not later than July 1 of each year, the Director of
- 17 the Office of Management and Budget, in conjunction
- 18 with the Secretary of the Treasury, shall publish a report
- 19 on the size, scope, risk, and cost of the contingent liabil-
- 20 ities of the Government, including the implicit guarantees
- 21 to government sponsored enterprises such as the Federal
- 22 National Mortgage Association and the Federal Home
- 23 Loan Mortgage Corporation.

#### 1 SEC. 103. TAX EXPENDITURE PERFORMANCE REVIEWS.

- 2 (a) Performance Review Schedule and Re-
- 3 PORTS.—(1) The Secretary of the Treasury (hereinafter
- 4 in this section referred to as the "Secretary"), in conjunc-
- 5 tion with the Director of the Office of Management and
- 6 Budget (hereinafter in this section referred to as the "Di-
- 7 rector"), shall conduct performance reviews of tax expend-
- 8 itures, as identified by the Joint Committee on Taxation,
- 9 on an ongoing basis. The Secretary shall develop the
- 10 schedule for these reviews, such that each tax expenditure
- 11 is reviewed at least once in every four-year period. A four-
- 12 year schedule shall be submitted by the Secretary to Con-
- 13 gress and to the Director during January of each calendar
- 14 year.
- 15 (2) Within three months after the enactment of any
- 16 new tax expenditure, the Secretary shall revise the most
- 17 recent four-year schedule of tax expenditure performance
- 18 reviews and submit them to Congress and to the Director.
- 19 (3) Not later than one year after the enactment of
- 20 this Act, the Secretary shall have submitted to Congress
- 21 and to the Director the first four-year schedule and begin
- 22 the first performance reviews under paragraph (1).
- 23 (4) The Secretary shall endeavor to develop a four-
- 24 year schedule that provides for the simultaneous review
- 25 of tax expenditures that have similar policy objectives.
- 26 (b) Reports.—

- (1) The Secretary shall report each of its performance reviews of tax expenditures to Congress and to the Director in quarterly reports and containing all of the performance reviews conducted since the preceding report.
  - (2) The Secretary may conduct expedited performance reviews for any tax expenditure that has an estimated annual fiscal impact of less than \$1 billion, annually adjusted for inflation, unless the Director requests or the chairs and ranking minority members of the Committees on the Budget of the House of Representatives and the Senate jointly request, in writing, a full review.
  - (3) Each performance review, except for expedited performance reviews, shall include the following explanations, descriptions, estimates, analyses, and recommendations:
    - (A) An explanation of the tax expenditure and any relevant economic, social, or other context under which it was first enacted.
    - (B) A description of the intended purpose of the tax expenditure.
    - (C) An analysis of the overall success of the tax expenditure in achieving such purpose, and evidence supporting such analysis.

1	(D) An analysis of the extent to which fur-
2	ther extending the tax expenditure, or making
3	it permanent, would contribute to achieving
4	such purpose.
5	(E) A description of the direct and indirect
6	beneficiaries of the tax expenditure, also speci-
7	fying—
8	(i) any unintended beneficiaries of the
9	tax expenditure;
10	(ii) the classes of individuals, types of
11	organizations, or types of industries whose
12	Federal tax liabilities are directly affected
13	by the tax expenditure;
14	(iii) the extent to which terminating
15	the tax expenditure may have negative ef-
16	fects on the category of taxpayers that cur-
17	rently benefit from the tax preference and
18	on the economy; and
19	(iv) the extent to which the termi-
20	nation of the tax expenditure would affect
21	the distribution of liability for payments of
22	Federal taxes.
23	(F) An analysis of whether the tax expend-
24	iture is the most cost-effective method for
25	achieving the purpose for which it was intended.

1	and a description of any more cost-effective
2	methods through which such purpose could be
3	accomplished, and in particular the extent to
4	which a direct spending program might be pref-
5	erable to a tax expenditure, including—
6	(i) whether an outlay program might
7	achieve the same policy objectives as a tax
8	expenditure;
9	(ii) whether an outlay program might
10	reduce deadweight losses and improve eco-
11	nomic efficiency in the national economy;
12	and
13	(iii) whether a direct spending pro-
14	gram might be more or less expense to ad-
15	minister.
16	(G) A description of any unintended effects
17	of the tax expenditure that is useful in under-
18	standing the tax expenditure's overall value.
19	(H) A description of any interactions (ac-
20	tual or potential) with other tax expenditures or
21	direct spending programs in the same or related
22	budget function that should be studied further.
23	(I) An estimate of the annual cost in for-
24	gone revenues of the tax expenditure, as well as

- 1 a projection of the cost in foregone revenues for 2 the ensuing ten fiscal years.
  - (J) A description of any further information needed to complete a more thorough examination and analysis of the tax expenditure, and what is necessary to make such information available.
    - (K) A specific recommendation, based on analysis conducted in the performance review, as to whether the tax expenditure should be continued without modification, modified (including converted fully or partly into a direct spending program), scheduled for sunset, reviewed at a later date, or terminated immediately. The Secretary may decline to provide a specific recommendation, but in each such case shall provide an explanation of why a recommendation has not been given.
  - (4) An expedited performance review shall include at least the explanations, descriptions, estimates, analyses, and recommendations as listed in subparagraphs (A), (B), (C), (D), (I), (J), and (K) of paragraph (3).
- 24 (c) COMMITTEE HEARINGS.—Not later than 60 days 25 after the submission of any performance review report

- 1 under subsection (b), the Committees on Ways and Means
- 2 of the House of Representatives and the Committee on
- 3 Finance of the Senate shall hold public hearings to con-
- 4 sider the performance review recommendations contained
- 5 in that report. The Committees on the Budget of the
- 6 House of Representatives and the Senate may also hold
- 7 hearings on such performance review recommendations.
- 8 (d) CBO COMMENTS.—Not later than 60 days after
- 9 submission of a performance review report pursuant to
- 10 section 204(b) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974,
- 11 the Director of the Congressional Budget Office shall pro-
- 12 vide to Congress, the Secretary, and the Director detailed,
- 13 written comments on the performance review rec-
- 14 ommendations, stating whether the Director of the Con-
- 15 gressional Budget Office agrees or disagrees with all or
- 16 any part of the report or, if no opinion is given, providing
- 17 an explanation of why he has no opinion or has not given
- 18 one.

#### 19 SEC. 104. ACCRUAL ACCOUNTING REPORT.

- 20 (a) ACCRUAL-BASED ACCOUNTING SYSTEM.—The
- 21 Director of the Office of Management and Budget shall
- 22 develop a proposal for the implementation of an accrual-
- 23 based accounting system for certain portions of the budg-
- 24 et, excluding—
- 25 (1) insurance;

- 1 (2) environmental liabilities;
- 2 (3) Federal employee pensions;
- 3 (4) retiree health benefits; and
- 4 (5) other budget items where accrual-based ac-
- 5 counting would feasibly capture significant future
- 6 cash resource requirements that are not reflected in
- 7 the cash-based budget; where appropriate and rea-
- 8 sonable.
- 9 (b) Report.—Within one year of the date of enact-
- 10 ment of this Act, the Director of the Office of Manage-
- 11 ment and Budget shall submit a report to Congress set-
- 12 ting forth the legislation necessary for the implementation
- 13 of an accrual-based accounting system for part of the
- 14 budget, along with any recommendations regarding its
- 15 proposed legislation.
- 16 SEC. 105. ANNUAL REVENUE STABILITY PROJECTION RE-
- 17 PORT.
- Not later than July 1 of each year, the Director of
- 19 the Congressional Budget Office, in conjunction with the
- 20 Joint Committee on Taxation, shall publish a report that
- 21 projects annual Federal revenues by source over the next
- 22 10 fiscal years and includes a discussion of the assump-
- 23 tions used to project such revenues. The Director shall
- 24 transmit the report to the Committee on Appropriations,
- 25 the Committee on the Budget, and the Committee on

- 1 Ways and Means of the House of Representatives for the
- 2 purpose of considering and setting annual budget author-
- 3 ity.

## 4 TITLE II—BIENNIAL BUDGETING

- 5 SEC. 201. REVISION OF TIMETABLE.
- 6 Section 300 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974
- 7 (2 U.S.C. 631) is amended to read as follows:
- 8 "TIMETABLE
- 9 "Sec. 300. (a) In General.—Except as provided by
- 10 subsection (b), the timetable with respect to the congres-
- 11 sional budget process for any Congress (beginning with

"First Session

12 the One Hundred Fourteenth Congress) is as follows:

#### On or before: Action to be completed: First Monday in February ..... submits President budget recommendations. Congressional Budget Office submits February 15 ..... report to Budget Committees. Not later than 6 weeks after budget Committees submit views and estisubmission. mates to Budget Committees. April 1 ..... Budget Committees report concurrent resolution on the biennial budget. May 15 ..... Congress completes action on concurrent resolution on the biennial budget. May 15 ..... Biennial appropriation bills may be considered in the House. June 10 ..... House Appropriations Committee reports last biennial appropriation bill. June 30 ..... House completes action on biennial appropriation bills. October 1 ...... Biennium begins.

#### Second Session

On or before:	Action to be completed:
February 15	President submits budget review.
Not later than 6 weeks after President	Congressional Budget Office submits
submits budget review.	report to Budget Committees.

		ongress completes action on bills and resolutions authorizing new budget authority for the succeeding biennium.
1	"(b) Special Rule.—In t	he case of any first session
2	of Congress that begins in any y	year during which the term
3	of a President (except a Presid	lent who succeeds himself)
4	begins, the following dates shall	l supersede those set forth
5	in subsection (a):	
	"First Sess	
		ction to be completed: resident submits budget rec-
		ommendations.
	1	ommittees submit views and estimates to Budget Committees.
	· ·	udget Committees report concurrent resolution on the biennial budget.
	June 1 Co	ongress completes action on concur-
		rent resolution on the biennial budget.
		iennial appropriation bills may be considered in the House.
	July 1 H	ouse Appropriations Committee reports last biennial appropriation bill.
	July 20 He	ouse completes action on biennial appropriation bills.
	October 1 Bi	iennium begins.".
6	SEC. 202. AMENDMENTS TO THE	CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET
7	AND IMPOUNDMEN	T CONTROL ACT OF 1974.
8	(a) Declaration of Puri	POSE.—Section 2(2) of the
9	Congressional Budget and Imp	ooundment Control Act of
10	1974 (2 U.S.C. 621(2)) is an	mended by striking "each
11	year" and inserting "biennially"	· .
12	(b) Definitions.—	
13	(1) Budget resol	UTION.—Section 3(4) of
14	such Act (2 U.S.C. 622(4	e)) is amended by striking

1	"fiscal year" each place it appears and inserting "bi-
2	ennium".
3	(2) BIENNIUM.—Section 3 of such Act (2
4	U.S.C. 622) is amended by adding at the end the
5	following new paragraph:
6	"(11) The term 'biennium' means the period of
7	2 consecutive fiscal years beginning on October 1 of
8	any odd-numbered year.".
9	(c) BIENNIAL CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ON THE
10	Budget.—
11	(1) Contents of Resolution.—Section
12	301(a) of such Act (2 U.S.C. 632(a)) is amended—
13	(A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1)
14	by—
15	(i) striking "April 15 of each year"
16	and inserting "May 15 of each odd-num-
17	bered year";
18	(ii) striking "the fiscal year beginning
19	on October 1 of such year" the first place
20	it appears and inserting "the biennium be-
21	ginning on October 1 of such year"; and
22	(iii) striking "the fiscal year beginning
23	on October 1 of such year" the second
24	place it appears and inserting "each fiscal
25	vear in such period";

1	(B) in paragraph (6), by striking "for the
2	fiscal year" and inserting "for each fiscal year
3	in the biennium"; and
4	(C) in paragraph (7), by striking "for the
5	fiscal year" and inserting "for each fiscal year
6	in the biennium".
7	(2) Additional matters.—Section 301(b) of
8	such Act (2 U.S.C. 632(b)) is amended—
9	(A) in paragraph (3), by striking "for such
10	fiscal year" and inserting "for either fiscal year
11	in such biennium"; and
12	(B) in paragraph (7), by striking "for the
13	first fiscal year" and inserting "for each fiscal
14	year in the biennium".
15	(3) Views of other committees.—Section
16	301(d) of such Act (2 U.S.C. 632(d)) is amended by
17	inserting "(or, if applicable, as provided by section
18	300(b))" after "United States Code".
19	(4) Hearings.—Section 301(e)(1) of such Act
20	(2 U.S.C. 632(e)) is amended by—
21	(A) striking "fiscal year" and inserting
22	"biennium"; and
23	(B) inserting after the second sentence the
24	following: "On or before April 1 of each odd-
25	numbered year (or, if applicable, as provided by

1 section 300(b)), the Committee on the Budget 2 of each House shall report to its House the con-3 current resolution on the budget referred to in subsection (a) for the biennium beginning on 4 5 October 1 of that year.". 6 (5) Goals for reducing unemployment.— 7 Section 301(f) of such Act (2 U.S.C. 632(f)) is 8 amended by striking "fiscal year" each place it ap-9 pears and inserting "biennium". 10 (6)ECONOMIC ASSUMPTIONS.—Section 11 301(g)(1) of such Act (2 U.S.C. 632(g)(1)) is 12 amended by striking "for a fiscal year" and insert-13 ing "for a biennium". 14 (7) Section Heading.—The section heading of 15 section 301 of such Act is amended by striking "AN-**NUAL**" and inserting "**BIENNIAL**". 16 17 (8) Table of contents.—The item relating 18 to section 301 in the table of contents set forth in 19 section 1(b) of such Act is amended by striking "Annual" and inserting "Biennial". 20 21 (d) Committee Allocations.—Section 302 of such 22 Act (2 U.S.C. 633) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)(1) by—

1	(A) striking "for the first fiscal year of the
2	resolution," and inserting "for each fiscal year
3	in the biennium,";
4	(B) striking "for that period of fiscal
5	years" and inserting "for all fiscal years cov-
6	ered by the resolution"; and
7	(C) striking "for the fiscal year of that
8	resolution" and inserting "for each fiscal year
9	in the biennium";
10	(2) in subsection (a)(5), by striking "April 15"
11	and inserting "May 15";
12	(3) in subsection $(f)(1)$ , by striking "for a fiscal
13	year" and inserting "for a biennium";
14	(4) in subsection $(f)(1)$ , by striking "first fiscal
15	year" and inserting "either fiscal year of the bien-
16	nium'';
17	(5) in subsection $(f)(2)(A)$ , by—
18	(A) striking "first fiscal year" and insert-
19	ing "each fiscal year of the biennium"; and
20	(B) striking "the total of fiscal years" and
21	inserting "the total of all fiscal years covered by
22	the resolution"; and
23	(6) in subsection (g)(1)(A), by striking "April"
24	and inserting "May".
25	(e) Section 303 Point of Order.—

1	(1) In General.—Section 303(a) of such Act
2	(2 U.S.C. 634(a)) is amended by striking "for a fis-
3	cal year" and inserting "for a biennium" and by
4	striking "the first fiscal year" and inserting "each
5	fiscal year of the biennium".
6	(2) Exceptions in the house.—Section
7	303(b) of such Act (2 U.S.C. 634(b)) is amended—
8	(A) in paragraph (1)(A), by striking "the
9	budget year" and inserting "the biennium";
10	(B) in paragraph (1)(B), by striking "the
11	fiscal year" and inserting "the biennium"; and
12	(C) in paragraph (2), by inserting "(or
13	June 1 whenever section 300(b) is applicable)".
14	(3) APPLICATION TO THE SENATE.—Section
15	303(c)(1) of such Act (2 U.S.C. 634(c)) is amended
16	by—
17	(A) striking "fiscal year" and inserting
18	"biennium"; and
19	(B) striking "that year" and inserting
20	"each fiscal year of that biennium".
21	(f) Permissible Revisions of Concurrent Reso-
22	LUTIONS ON THE BUDGET.—Section 304 of such Act (2
23	U.S.C. 635) is amended—
24	(1) by striking "fiscal year" the first two places
25	it appears and inserting "biennium";

(2) by striking "for such fiscal year"; and 1 2 (3) by inserting before the period "for such bi-3 ennium". 4 (g) Procedures for Consideration of Budget Resolutions.—Section 305(a)(3) of such Act (2 U.S.C. 636(b)(3)) is amended by striking "fiscal year" and in-6 serting "biennium". 7 8 (h) Completion of House Committee Action on APPROPRIATION BILLS.—Section 307 of such Act (2) U.S.C. 638) is amended— 10 11 (1) by striking "each year" and inserting "each 12 odd-numbered year (or, if applicable, as provided by 13 section 300(b), July 1)"; 14 (2) by striking "annual" and inserting "bien-15 nial"; (3) by striking "fiscal year" and inserting "bi-16 17 ennium"; and 18 (4) by striking "that year" and inserting "each 19 odd-numbered year". 20 (i) Quarterly Budget Reports.—Section 308 of 21 such Act (2 U.S.C. 639) is amended by adding at the end 22 the following new subsection: 23 "(d) Quarterly Budget Reports.—The Director of the Congressional Budget Office shall, as soon as practicable after the completion of each quarter of the fiscal

- 1 year, prepare an analysis comparing revenues, spending,
- 2 and the deficit or surplus for the current fiscal year to
- 3 assumptions included in the congressional budget resolu-
- 4 tion. In preparing this report, the Director of the Congres-
- 5 sional Budget Office shall combine actual budget figures
- 6 to date with projected revenue and spending for the bal-
- 7 ance of the fiscal year. The Director of the Congressional
- 8 Budget Office shall include any other information in this
- 9 report that it deems useful for a full understanding of the
- 10 current fiscal position of the Federal Government. The re-
- 11 ports mandated by this subsection shall be transmitted by
- 12 the Director to the Senate and House Committees on the
- 13 Budget, and the Congressional Budget Office shall make
- 14 such reports available to any interested party upon re-
- 15 quest.".
- 16 (j) Completion of House Action on Regular
- 17 Appropriation Bills.—Section 309 of such Act (2)
- 18 U.S.C. 640) is amended—
- 19 (1) by striking "It" and inserting "Except
- whenever section 300(b) is applicable, it";
- 21 (2) by inserting "of any odd-numbered calendar
- year" after "July";
- 23 (3) by striking "annual" and inserting "bien-
- 24 nial"; and

1	(4) by striking "fiscal year" and inserting "bi-
2	ennium".
3	(k) RECONCILIATION PROCESS.—Section 310 of such
4	Act (2 U.S.C. 641) is amended—
5	(1) in subsection (a), in the matter preceding
6	paragraph (1), by striking "any fiscal year" and in-
7	serting "any biennium";
8	(2) in subsection (a)(1), by striking "such fiscal
9	year" each place it appears and inserting "any fiscal
10	year covered by such resolution"; and
11	(3) by striking subsection (f) and redesignating
12	subsection (g) as subsection (f).
13	(l) Section 311 Point of Order.—
14	(1) In the house.—Section 311(a)(1) of such
15	Act (2 U.S.C. 642(a)) is amended—
16	(A) by striking "for a fiscal year" and in-
17	serting "for a biennium";
18	(B) by striking "the first fiscal year" each
19	place it appears and inserting "either fiscal
20	year of the biennium"; and
21	(C) by striking "that first fiscal year" and
22	inserting "each fiscal year in the biennium".
23	(2) In the senate.—Section 311(a)(2) of
24	such Act is amended—

1	(A) in subparagraph (A), by striking "for
2	the first fiscal year" and inserting "for either
3	fiscal year of the biennium"; and
4	(B) in subparagraph (B)—
5	(i) by striking "that first fiscal year"
6	the first place it appears and inserting
7	"each fiscal year in the biennium"; and
8	(ii) by striking "that first fiscal year
9	and the ensuing fiscal years" and inserting
10	"all fiscal years".
11	(3) Social Security Levels.—Section
12	311(a)(3) of such Act is amended by—
13	(A) striking "for the first fiscal year" and
14	inserting "each fiscal year in the biennium";
15	and
16	(B) striking "that fiscal year and the ensu-
17	ing fiscal years" and inserting "all fiscal
18	years".
19	(m) Maximum Deficit Amount Point of
20	ORDER.—Section 312(c) of the Congressional Budget Act
21	of 1974 (2 U.S.C. 643) is amended—
22	(1) by striking "for a fiscal year" and inserting
23	"for a biennium";

- 1 (2) in paragraph (1), by striking "first fiscal
- 2 year" and inserting "either fiscal year in the bien-
- 3 nium'';
- 4 (3) in paragraph (2), by striking "that fiscal
- 5 year" and inserting "either fiscal year in the bien-
- 6 nium"; and
- 7 (4) in the matter following paragraph (2), by
- 8 striking "that fiscal year" and inserting "the appli-
- 9 cable fiscal year".
- 10 SEC. 203. AMENDMENTS TO RULES OF HOUSE OF REP-
- 11 RESENTATIVES.
- (a) Clause 4(a)(1)(A) of rule X of the Rules of the
- 13 House of Representatives is amended by inserting "odd-
- 14 numbered" after "each".
- 15 (b) Clause 4(a)(4) of rule X of the Rules of the House
- 16 of Representatives is amended by striking "fiscal year"
- 17 and inserting "biennium".
- (c) Clause 4(b)(2) of rule X of the Rules of the House
- 19 of Representatives is amended by striking "each fiscal
- 20 year" and inserting "the biennium".
- 21 (d) Clause 4(b) of rule X of the Rules of the House
- 22 of Representatives is amended by striking "and" at the
- 23 end of subparagraph (5), by striking the period and insert-
- 24 ing "; and" at the end of subparagraph (6), and by adding
- 25 at the end the following new subparagraph:

1 "(7) use the second session of each Congress to study 2 issues with long-term budgetary and economic implica-3 tions, which would include— "(A) hold hearings to receive testimony from 4 5 committees of jurisdiction to identify problem areas 6 and to report on the results of oversight; and "(B) by January 1 of each odd-number year, 7 8 issuing a report to the Speaker which identifies the 9 key issues facing the Congress in the next bien-10 nium.". 11 (e) Clause 11(i) of rule X of the Rules of the House 12 of Representatives is amended by striking "during the 13 same or preceding fiscal year". 14 (f) Clause 4(e) of rule X of the Rules of the House 15 of Representatives is amended by striking "annually" each place it appears and inserting "biennially" and by striking 16 "annual" and inserting "biennial". 17 18 (g) Clause 4(f) of rule X of the Rules of the House 19 of Representatives is amended— (1) by inserting "during each odd-numbered 20 year" after "the submission of budget by the Presi-21 22 dent"; (2) by striking "fiscal year" the first place it 23

appears and inserting "biennium"; and

(3) by striking "that fiscal year" and inserting 1 2 "each fiscal year in such ensuing biennium". 3 (h) Clause 3(d)(2)(A) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives is amended by striking 5 "five" both places it appears and inserting "six". 6 (i) Clause 5(a)(1) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives is amended by striking "fiscal 8 year after September 15 in the preceding fiscal year" and inserting "biennium after September 15 of the year in which such biennium begins". 10 SEC. 204. AMENDMENTS TO TITLE 31, UNITED STATES 12 CODE. 13 (a) Definition.—Section 1101 of title 31, United 14 States Code, is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new paragraph: 15 "(3) 'biennium' has the meaning given to such 16 17 term in paragraph (11) of section 3 of the Congres-18 sional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 19 1974 (2 U.S.C. 622(11)).". 20 (b) Budget Contents and Submission to the 21 Congress.— 22 (1) Schedule.—The matter preceding para-23 graph (1) in section 1105(a) of title 31, United 24 States Code, is amended to read as follows:

- 1 "(a) On or before the first Monday in February of
- 2 each odd-numbered year (or, if applicable, as provided by
- 3 section 300(b) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974),
- 4 beginning with the One Hundred Fourteenth Congress,
- 5 the President shall transmit to the Congress, the budget
- 6 for the biennium beginning on October 1 of such calendar
- 7 year. The budget transmitted under this subsection shall
- 8 include a budget message and summary and supporting
- 9 information. The President shall include in each budget
- 10 the following:".
- 11 (2) Expenditures.—Section 1105(a)(5) of
- title 31, United States Code, is amended by striking
- 13 "the fiscal year for which the budget is submitted
- and the 4 fiscal years after that year" and inserting
- 15 "each fiscal year in the biennium for which the
- budget is submitted and in the succeeding 4 years".
- 17 (3) Receipts.—Section 1105(a)(6) of title 31,
- 18 United States Code, is amended by striking "the fis-
- cal year for which the budget is submitted and the
- 4 fiscal years after that year" and inserting "each
- 21 fiscal year in the biennium for which the budget is
- submitted and in the succeeding 4 years".
- 23 (4) BALANCE STATEMENTS.—Section
- 24 1105(a)(9)(C) of title 31, United States Code, is

- 1 amended by striking "the fiscal year" and inserting 2 "each fiscal year in the biennium".
- 3 (5) GOVERNMENT FUNCTIONS AND ACTIVI-4 TIES.—Section 1105(a)(12) of title 31, United 5 States Code, is amended in subparagraph (A), by 6 striking "the fiscal year" and inserting "each fiscal 7 year in the biennium".
- 8 (6) ALLOWANCES.—Section 1105(a)(13) of title 9 31, United States Code, is amended by striking "the 10 fiscal year" and inserting "each fiscal year in the bi-11 ennium".
- 12 (7) ALLOWANCES FOR UNANTICIPATED AND
  13 UNCONTROLLABLE EXPENDITURES.—Section
  14 1105(a)(14) of title 31, United States Code, is
  15 amended by striking "that year" and inserting "each
  16 fiscal year in the biennium for which the budget is
  17 submitted".
  - (8) Tax expenditures.—Section 1105(a)(16) of title 31, United States Code, is amended by striking "the fiscal year" and inserting "each fiscal year in the biennium".
- 22 (9) ESTIMATES FOR FUTURE YEARS.—Section 23 1105(a)(17) of title 31, United States Code, is 24 amended—

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1	(A) by striking "the fiscal year following
2	the fiscal year" and inserting "each fiscal year
3	in the biennium following the biennium";
4	(B) by striking "that following fiscal year"
5	and inserting "each such fiscal year"; and
6	(C) by striking "fiscal year before the fis-
7	cal year" and inserting "biennium before the bi-
8	ennium".
9	(10) Prior year outlays.—Section
10	1105(a)(18) of title 31, United States Code, is
11	amended—
12	(A) by striking "the prior fiscal year" and
13	inserting "each of the 2 most recently com-
14	pleted fiscal years,";
15	(B) by striking "for that year" and insert-
16	ing "with respect to those fiscal years"; and
17	(C) by striking "in that year" and insert-
18	ing "in those fiscal years".
19	(11) Prior year receipts.—Section
20	1105(a)(19) of title 31, United States Code, is
21	amended—
22	(A) by striking "the prior fiscal year" and
23	inserting "each of the 2 most recently com-
24	pleted fiscal years";

1	(B) by striking "for that year" and insert-
2	ing "with respect to those fiscal years"; and
3	(C) by striking "in that year" each place
4	it appears and inserting "in those fiscal years".
5	(c) Estimated Expenditures of Legislative
6	AND JUDICIAL BRANCHES.—Section 1105(b) of title 31,
7	United States Code, is amended by striking "each year"
8	and inserting "each even numbered year".
9	(d) Recommendations To Meet Estimated De-
10	FICIENCIES.—Section 1105(c) of title 31, United States
11	Code, is amended—
12	(1) by striking "the fiscal year for" the first
13	place it appears and inserting "each fiscal year in
14	the biennium for";
15	(2) by striking "the fiscal year for" the second
16	place it appears and inserting "each fiscal year of
17	the biennium, as the case may be,"; and
18	(3) by striking "that year" and inserting "for
19	each year of the biennium".
20	(e) Capital Investment Analysis.—Section
21	1105(e)(1) of title 31, United States Code, is amended
22	by striking "ensuing fiscal year" and inserting "biennium
23	to which such budget relates".
24	(f) Supplemental Budget Estimates and
25	CHANGES.—

1	(1) In General.—Section 1106(a) of title 31,
2	United States Code, is amended—
3	(A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),
4	by—
5	(i) inserting "and before February 15
6	of each even numbered year" after "Before
7	July 16 of each year"; and
8	(ii) striking "fiscal year" and insert-
9	ing "biennium";
10	(B) in paragraph (1), by striking "that fis-
11	cal year" and inserting "each fiscal year in
12	such biennium";
13	(C) in paragraph (2), by striking "4 fiscal
14	years following the fiscal year" and inserting "4
15	fiscal years following the biennium"; and
16	(D) in paragraph (3), by striking "fiscal
17	year" and inserting "biennium".
18	(2) Changes.—Section 1106(b) of title 31,
19	United States Code, is amended by—
20	(A) striking "the fiscal year" and inserting
21	"each fiscal year in the biennium"; and
22	(B) inserting "and before February 15 of
23	each even numbered year" after "Before July
24	16 of each year".

1	(g) Current Programs and Activities Esti-
2	MATES.—
3	(1) The president.—Section 1109(a) of title
4	31, United States Code, is amended—
5	(A) by striking "On or before the first
6	Monday after January 3 of each year (on or be-
7	fore February 5 in 1986)" and inserting "At
8	the same time the budget required by section
9	1105 is submitted for a biennium"; and
10	(B) by striking "the following fiscal year"
11	and inserting "each fiscal year of such period".
12	(2) Joint Economic Committee.—Section
13	1109(b) of title 31, United States Code, is amended
14	by striking "March 1 of each year" and inserting
15	"within 6 weeks of the President's budget submis-
16	sion for each odd-numbered year (or, if applicable,
17	as provided by section 300(b) of the Congressional
18	Budget Act of 1974)".
19	(h) Year-Ahead Requests for Authorizing
20	LEGISLATION.—Section 1110 of title 31, United States
21	Code, is amended by—
22	(1) striking "May 16" and inserting "March
23	31"; and
24	(2) striking "year before the year in which the
25	fiscal year begins" and inserting "calendar year pre-

- 1 ceding the calendar year in which the biennium be-
- 2 gins".
- 3 SEC. 205. TWO-YEAR APPROPRIATIONS; TITLE AND STYLE
- 4 OF APPROPRIATIONS ACTS.
- 5 Section 105 of title 1, United States Code, is amend-
- 6 ed to read as follows:

#### 7 "§ 105. Title and style of appropriations Acts

- 8 "(a) The style and title of all Acts making appropria-
- 9 tions for the support of the Government shall be as fol-
- 10 lows: 'An Act making appropriations (here insert the ob-
- 11 ject) for each fiscal year in the biennium of fiscal years
- 12 (here insert the fiscal years of the biennium).'.
- 13 "(b) All Acts making regular appropriations for the
- 14 support of the Government shall be enacted for a biennium
- 15 and shall specify the amount of appropriations provided
- 16 for each fiscal year in such period.
- 17 "(c) For purposes of this section, the term 'biennium'
- 18 has the same meaning as in section 3(11) of the Congres-
- 19 sional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974 (2
- 20 U.S.C. 622(11)).".

#### 21 SEC. 206. MULTIYEAR AUTHORIZATIONS.

- 22 (a) In General.—Title III of the Congressional
- 23 Budget Act of 1974 is amended by adding at the end the
- 24 following new section:

- 1 "MULTIYEAR AUTHORIZATIONS OF APPROPRIATIONS
- 2 "Sec. 316. (a) Point of Order.—(1)(A) It shall
- 3 not be in order in the House of Representatives or the
- 4 Senate to consider any measure that contains a specific
- 5 authorization of appropriations for any purpose unless the
- 6 measure includes such a specific authorization of appro-
- 7 priations for that purpose for not less than each fiscal year
- 8 in one or more bienniums.
- 9 "(B) For purposes of this paragraph, a specific au-
- 10 thorization of appropriations is an authorization for the
- 11 enactment of an amount of appropriations or amounts not
- 12 to exceed an amount of appropriations (whether stated as
- 13 a sum certain, as a limit, or as such sums as may be nec-
- 14 essary) for any purpose for a fiscal year.
- 15 "(2) Paragraph (1) does not apply with respect to
- 16 an authorization of appropriations for a single fiscal year
- 17 for any program, project, or activity if the measure con-
- 18 taining that authorization includes a provision expressly
- 19 stating the following: 'Congress finds that no authoriza-
- 20 tion of appropriation will be required for [Insert name of
- 21 applicable program, project, or activity] for any subse-
- 22 quent fiscal year.'.
- "(3) For purposes of this subsection, the term 'meas-
- 24 ure' means a bill, joint resolution, amendment, motion, or
- 25 conference report.".

1	(b) AMENDMENT TO TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The
2	table of contents set forth in section 1(b) of the Congres-
3	sional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974 is
4	amended by adding after the item relating to section 315
5	the following new item:
	"Sec. 316. Multiyear authorizations of appropriations.".
6	SEC. 207. GOVERNMENT STRATEGIC AND PERFORMANCE
7	PLANS ON A BIENNIAL BASIS.
8	(a) Strategic Plans.—Section 306 of title 5,
9	United States Code, is amended—
10	(1) in subsection (a), by striking "September
11	30, 1997" and inserting "September 30, 2014";
12	(2) in subsection (b)—
13	(A) by striking "at least every three years"
14	and inserting "at least every 4 years"; and
15	(B) by striking "five years forward" and
16	inserting "six years forward"; and
17	(3) in subsection (c), by inserting a comma
18	after "section" the second place it appears and add-
19	ing "including a strategic plan submitted by Sep-
20	tember 30, 2014, meeting the requirements of sub-
21	section (a)".
22	(b) Budget Contents and Submission to Con-
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23	GRESS.—Paragraph (28) of section 1105(a) of title 31,

1	with fiscal year 1999, a" and inserting "beginning with
2	fiscal year 2016, a biennial".
3	(c) Performance Plans.—Section 1115 of title 31,
4	United States Code, is amended—
5	(1) in subsection (a)—
6	(A) in the matter before paragraph (1) by
7	striking "an annual" and inserting "a bien-
8	nial";
9	(B) in paragraph (1) by inserting after
10	"program activity" the following: "for both
11	years 1 and 2 of the biennial plan";
12	(C) in paragraph (5) by striking "and"
13	after the semicolon;
14	(D) in paragraph (6) by striking the period
15	and inserting a semicolon; and inserting "and"
16	after the inserted semicolon; and
17	(E) by adding after paragraph (6) the fol-
18	lowing:
19	"(7) cover each fiscal year of the biennium be-
20	ginning with the first fiscal year of the next biennial
21	budget cycle.";
22	(2) in subsection (d) by striking "annual" and
23	inserting "biennial"; and
24	(3) in paragraph (6) of subsection (f) by strik-
25	ing "annual" and inserting "biennial".

1	(d) Managerial Accountability and Flexi-
2	BILITY.—Section 9703 of title 31, United States Code, re-
3	lating to managerial accountability, is amended—
4	(1) in subsection (a)—
5	(A) in the first sentence by striking "Be-
6	ginning with fiscal year 1999, the" and insert-
7	ing "Beginning with fiscal year 2016, the bien-
8	nial" and by striking "annual"; and
9	(B) by striking "section 1105(a)(29)" and
10	inserting "section 1105(a)(28)";
11	(2) in subsection (e)—
12	(A) in the first sentence by striking "one
13	or' before "years";
14	(B) in the second sentence by striking "a
15	subsequent year" and inserting "for a subse-
16	quent 2-year period"; and
17	(C) in the third sentence by striking
18	"three" and inserting "four".
19	(e) Pilot Projects for Performance Budg-
20	ETING.—Section 1119 of title 31, United States Code, is
21	amended—
22	(1) in paragraph (1) of subsection (d), by strik-
23	ing "annual" and inserting "biennial"; and
24	(2) in subsection (e), by striking "annual" and
25	inserting "biennial".

1	(f) Strategic Plans.—Section 2802 of title 39,
2	United States Code, is amended—
3	(1) in subsection (a), by striking "September
4	30, 1997" and inserting "September 30, 2014";
5	(2) in subsection (b), by striking "at least every
6	three years" and inserting "at least every 4 years";
7	(3) by striking "five years forward" and insert-
8	ing "six years forward"; and
9	(4) in subsection (c), by inserting a comma
10	after "section" the second place it appears and in-
11	serting "including a strategic plan submitted by
12	September 30, 2014, meeting the requirements of
13	subsection (a)".
14	(g) Performance Plans.—Section 2803(a) of title
15	39, United States Code, is amended—
16	(1) in the matter before paragraph (1), by
17	striking "an annual" and inserting "a biennial";
18	(2) in paragraph (1), by inserting after "pro-
19	gram activity" the following: "for both years 1 and
20	2 of the biennial plan";
21	(3) in paragraph (5), by striking "and" after
22	the semicolon;
23	(4) in paragraph (6), by striking the period and
24	inserting "; and"; and
25	(5) by adding after paragraph (6) the following:

- 1 "(7) cover each fiscal year of the biennium be-
- 2 ginning with the first fiscal year of the next biennial
- 3 budget cycle.".
- 4 (h) Committee Views of Plans and Reports.—
- 5 Section 301(d) of the Congressional Budget Act (2 U.S.C.
- 6 632(d)) is amended by adding at the end "Each committee
- 7 of the Senate or the House of Representatives shall review
- 8 the strategic plans, performance plans, and performance
- 9 reports, required under section 306 of title 5, United
- 10 States Code, and sections 1115 and 1116 of title 31,
- 11 United States Code, of all agencies under the jurisdiction
- 12 of the committee. Each committee may provide its views
- 13 on such plans or reports to the Committee on the Budget
- 14 of the applicable House.".
- (i) Effective Date.—
- 16 (1) In general.—The amendments made by
- this section shall take effect on September 30, 2014.
- 18 (2) AGENCY ACTIONS.—Effective on and after
- the date of enactment of this Act, each agency shall
- 20 take such actions as necessary to prepare and sub-
- 21 mit any plan or report in accordance with the
- amendments made by it.
- 23 SEC. 208. BIENNIAL APPROPRIATION BILLS.
- 24 (a) In the House of Representatives.—(1)
- 25 Clause 2(a) of rule XXI of the Rules of the House of Rep-

- 1 resentatives is amended by adding at the end the following
- 2 new subparagraph:
- 3 "(3)(A) Except as provided by subdivision (B), an ap-
- 4 propriation may not be reported in a general appropriation
- 5 bill (other than a supplemental appropriation bill), and
- 6 may not be in order as an amendment thereto, unless it
- 7 provides new budget authority or establishes a level of ob-
- 8 ligations under contract authority for each fiscal year of
- 9 a biennium.
- 10 "(B) Subdivision (A) does not apply with respect to
- 11 an appropriation for a single fiscal year for any program,
- 12 project, or activity if the bill or amendment thereto con-
- 13 taining that appropriation includes a provision expressly
- 14 stating the following: 'Congress finds that no additional
- 15 funding beyond one fiscal year will be required and the
- 16 [Insert name of applicable program, project, or activity]
- 17 will be completed or terminated after the amount provided
- 18 has been expended.'.
- 19 "(C) For purposes of paragraph (b), the statement
- 20 set forth in subdivision (B) with respect to an appropria-
- 21 tion for a single fiscal year for any program, project, or
- 22 activity may be included in a general appropriation bill
- 23 or amendment thereto.".

- 1 (2) Clause 5(b)(1) of rule XXII of the House of Rep-
- 2 resentatives is amended by striking "or (c)" and inserting
- 3 "or (3) or 2(c)".
- 4 (b) In the Senate.—(1) Title III of the Congres-
- 5 sional Budget Act of 1974 (2 U.S.C. 631 et seq.) is
- 6 amended by adding at the end the following:
- 7 "CONSIDERATION OF BIENNIAL APPROPRIATION BILLS
- 8 "Sec. 317. It shall not be in order in the Senate in
- 9 any odd-numbered year to consider any regular appropria-
- 10 tion bill providing new budget authority or a limitation
- 11 on obligations under the jurisdiction of the Committee on
- 12 Appropriations for only the first fiscal year of a biennium,
- 13 unless the program, project, or activity for which the new
- 14 budget authority or obligation limitation is provided will
- 15 require no additional authority beyond one year and will
- 16 be completed or terminated after the amount provided has
- 17 been expended.".
- 18 (2) The table of contents set forth in section 1(b) of
- 19 the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act
- 20 of 1974 is amended by adding after the item relating to
- 21 section 316 the following new item:

<sup>&</sup>quot;Sec. 317. Consideration of biennial appropriation bills.".

1	SEC. 209. ASSISTANCE BY FEDERAL AGENCIES TO STAND
2	ING COMMITTEES OF THE SENATE AND THE
3	HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.
4	(a) Information Regarding Agency Appropria-
5	TIONS REQUESTS.—To assist each standing committee of
6	the House of Representatives and the Senate in carrying
7	out its responsibilities, the head of each Federal agency
8	which administers the laws or parts of laws under the ju-
9	risdiction of such committee shall provide to such com-
10	mittee such studies, information, analyses, reports, and
11	assistance as may be requested by the chairman and rank-
12	ing minority member of the committee.
13	(b) Information Regarding Agency Program
14	ADMINISTRATION.—To assist each standing committee of
15	the House of Representatives and the Senate in carrying
16	out its responsibilities, the head of any agency shall fur-
17	nish to such committee documentation, containing infor-
18	mation received, compiled, or maintained by the agency
19	as part of the operation or administration of a program
20	or specifically compiled pursuant to a request in support
21	of a review of a program, as may be requested by the
22	chairman and ranking minority member of such com-
23	mittee.
24	(c) Summaries by Comptroller General.—With-
25	in thirty days after the receipt of a request from a chair-

26 man and ranking minority member of a standing com-

- 1 mittee having jurisdiction over a program being reviewed
- 2 and studied by such committee under this section, the
- 3 Comptroller General of the United States shall furnish to
- 4 such committee summaries of any audits or reviews of
- 5 such program which the Comptroller General has com-
- 6 pleted during the preceding six years.
- 7 (d) Congressional Assistance.—Consistent with
- 8 their duties and functions under law, the Comptroller Gen-
- 9 eral of the United States, the Director of the Congres-
- 10 sional Budget Office, and the Director of the Congres-
- 11 sional Research Service shall continue to furnish (con-
- 12 sistent with established protocols) to each standing com-
- 13 mittee of the House of Representatives or the Senate such
- 14 information, studies, analyses, and reports as the chair-
- 15 man and ranking minority member may request to assist
- 16 the committee in conducting reviews and studies of pro-
- 17 grams under this section.
- 18 SEC. 210. REPORT ON TWO-YEAR FISCAL PERIOD.
- Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment
- 20 of this Act, the Director of the Office of Management and
- 21 Budget shall—
- 22 (1) determine the impact and feasibility of
- changing the definition of a fiscal year and the
- budget process based on that definition to a 2-year

- fiscal period with a biennial budget process based on
  the 2-year period; and
  (2) report the findings of the study to the Committees on the Budget of the House of Representa-
- tives and the Senate and the Committee on Rules of
  the House of Representatives.

### 7 SEC. 211. SPECIAL TRANSITION PERIOD FOR THE 113TH

- 8 CONGRESS.
- 9 (a) President's Budget Submission for Fiscal
- 10 Year 2014.—The budget submission of the President
- 11 pursuant to section 1105(a) of title 31, United States
- 12 Code, for fiscal year 2014 shall include the following:
- 13 (1) An identification of the budget accounts for
- which an appropriation should be made for each fis-
- cal year of the fiscal year 2014–2015 biennium.
- 16 (2) Budget authority that should be provided
- for each such fiscal year for the budget accounts
- identified under paragraph (1).
- 19 (b) REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COM-
- 20 MITTEES ON APPROPRIATIONS.—The Committee on Ap-
- 21 propriations of the House of Representatives and the Sen-
- 22 ate shall review the items included pursuant to subsection
- 23 (a) in the budget submission of the President for fiscal
- 24 year 2014 and include its recommendations thereon in its
- 25 views and estimates made under section 301(d) of the

- 1 Congressional Budget Act of 1974 within 6 weeks of that
- 2 budget submission.
- 3 (c) Actions by the Committees on the Budg-
- 4 ET.—(1) The Committee on the Budget of the House of
- 5 Representatives and the Senate shall review the items in-
- 6 cluded pursuant to subsection (a) in the budget submis-
- 7 sion of the President for fiscal year 2014 and the rec-
- 8 ommendations submitted by the Committee on Appropria-
- 9 tions of its House pursuant to subsection (b) included in
- 10 its views and estimates made under section 301(d) of the
- 11 Congressional Budget Act of 1974.
- 12 (2) The report of the Committee on the Budget of
- 13 each House accompanying the concurrent resolution on
- 14 the budget for fiscal year 2014 and the joint explanatory
- 15 statement of managers accompanying such resolution shall
- 16 also include allocations to the Committee on Appropria-
- 17 tions of its House of total new budget authority and total
- 18 outlays (which shall be deemed to be made pursuant to
- 19 section 302(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974
- 20 for purposes of budget enforcement under section 302(f))
- 21 for fiscal year 2015 from which the Committee on Appro-
- 22 priations may report regular appropriation bills for fiscal
- 23 year 2014 that include funding for certain accounts for
- 24 each of fiscal years 2014 and 2015.

- 1 (3) The report of the Committee on the Budget of
- 2 each House accompanying the concurrent resolution on
- 3 the budget for fiscal year 2014 and the joint explanatory
- 4 statement of managers accompanying such resolution shall
- 5 also include the assumptions upon which such allocations
- 6 referred to in paragraph (2) are based.
- 7 (d) GAO Programmatic Oversight Assist-
- 8 ANCE.—(1) During the first session of the 113th Congress
- 9 the committees of the House of Representatives and the
- 10 Senate are directed to work with the Comptroller General
- 11 of the United States to develop plans to transition pro-
- 12 gram authorizations to a multi-year schedule.
- 13 (2) During the 113th Congress, the Comptroller Gen-
- 14 eral of the United States will continue to provide assist-
- 15 ance to the Congress with respect to programmatic over-
- 16 sight and in particular will assist the committees of Con-
- 17 gress in designing and conforming programmatic oversight
- 18 procedures for the fiscal year 2014–2015 biennium.
- 19 (e) CBO AUTHORIZATION REPORT.—On or before
- 20 January 15, 2014, the Director of the Congressional
- 21 Budget Office, after consultation with the appropriate
- 22 committees of the House of Representatives and Senate,
- 23 shall submit to the Congress a report listing (A) all pro-
- 24 grams and activities funded during fiscal year 2014 for
- 25 which authorizations for appropriations have not been en-

- 1 acted for that fiscal year and (B) all programs and activi-
- 2 ties funded during fiscal year 2014 for which authoriza-
- 3 tions for appropriations will expire during that fiscal year,
- 4 fiscal year 2015, or fiscal year 2016.
- 5 (f) President's Budget Submission for Fiscal
- 6 Year 2015.—The budget submission of the President
- 7 pursuant to section 1105(a) of title 31, United States
- 8 Code, for fiscal year 2015 shall include an evaluation of,
- 9 and recommendations regarding, the transitional biennial
- 10 budget process for the fiscal year 2014–2015 biennium
- 11 that was carried out pursuant to this section.
- 12 (g) CBO Transitional Report.—On or before
- 13 March 31, 2014, the Director of the Congressional Budget
- 14 Office shall submit to Congress an evaluation of, and rec-
- 15 ommendations regarding, the transitional biennial budget
- 16 process for the fiscal year 2014–2015 biennium that was
- 17 carried out pursuant to this section.
- 18 SEC. 212. EFFECTIVE DATE.
- Except as provided by sections 8, 11, and 12, this
- 20 Act and the amendments made by it shall take effect on
- 21 January 1, 2015, and shall apply to budget resolutions
- 22 and appropriations for the biennium beginning with fiscal
- 23 year 2016.

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