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# S. 1561

To amend the Public Health Service Act to improve provisions relating to the sanctuary system for surplus chimpanzees.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

SEPTEMBER 30, 2013

Mr. HARKIN (for himself and Mr. ALEXANDER) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

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## 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.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “CHIMP Act Amend-  
5 ments of 2013”.

6 **SEC. 2. SANCTUARY SYSTEM FOR SURPLUS CHIMPANZEES.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 404K(g) of the Public  
8 Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 283m(g)) is amended—

9 (1) in paragraph (1)—

1 (A) by striking “and each subsequent fiscal  
2 year” and inserting “through fiscal year 2023”;

3 (B) by inserting after “\$30,000,000” the  
4 following: “, unless the Secretary determines  
5 that reserving additional funds would enable the  
6 National Institutes of Health to operate more  
7 efficiently and economically by decreasing the  
8 overall Federal cost of supporting and main-  
9 taining chimpanzees from fiscal year 2014  
10 through fiscal year 2023. Such a determination  
11 shall be reported to Congress by the Secretary  
12 and shall include a report, to be updated bienni-  
13 ally, regarding the care and maintenance of the  
14 chimpanzees and costs related to such care and  
15 maintenance”; and

16 (C) by striking the last sentence; and

17 (2) in paragraph (3), by striking “board of di-  
18 rectors” and inserting “Secretary, in consultation  
19 with the board of directors”.

20 (b) GAO STUDY.—Not later than 2 years after the  
21 date of enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General  
22 of the United States shall conduct an independent evalua-  
23 tion, and submit to the appropriate committees of Con-  
24 gress a report, regarding chimpanzees owned or supported

1 by the National Institutes of Health. Such report shall re-  
2 view and assess—

3 (1) the research status of National Institutes of  
4 Health-owned or supported chimpanzees;

5 (2) the cost for the care and maintenance of  
6 such chimpanzees, including the cost broken down  
7 by research or retirement status, location and for  
8 transportation, as appropriate;

9 (3) the extent to which matching requirements  
10 have been met pursuant to section 404K(e)(4) of the  
11 Public Health Service Act; and

12 (4) any options for cost-savings for the support  
13 and maintenance of such chimpanzees that may be  
14 identified.

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