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Making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2018, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 6, 2017

Mr. YODER, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported the following bill; which was committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed

A BILL

Making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2018, 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, 2018, and for other purposes, namely:

7 TITLE I

8 LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

9 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

11 For salaries and expenses of the House of Represent-
12 atives, \$1,194,050,766, as follows:

13 HOUSE LEADERSHIP OFFICES

14 For salaries and expenses, as authorized by law,
15 \$22,278,891, including: Office of the Speaker,
16 \$6,645,417, including \$25,000 for official expenses of the
17 Speaker; Office of the Majority Floor Leader, \$2,180,048,
18 including \$10,000 for official expenses of the Majority
19 Leader; Office of the Minority Floor Leader, \$7,114,471,
20 including \$10,000 for official expenses of the Minority
21 Leader; Office of the Majority Whip, including the Chief
22 Deputy Majority Whip, \$1,886,632, including \$5,000 for
23 official expenses of the Majority Whip; Office of the Mi-
24 nority Whip, including the Chief Deputy Minority Whip,
25 \$1,459,639, including \$5,000 for official expenses of the

1 Minority Whip; Republican Conference, \$1,505,426;
2 Democratic Caucus, \$1,487,258: *Provided*, That such
3 amount for salaries and expenses shall remain available
4 from January 3, 2018 until January 2, 2019.

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 \$562,632,498

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 \$127,053,373: *Provided*, That such amount shall remain
16 available for such salaries and expenses until December
17 31, 2018, except that \$3,150,200 of such amount shall
18 remain available until expended for committee room up-
19 grading.

20 COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

21 For salaries and expenses of the Committee on Ap-
22 propriations, \$23,226,000, including studies and examina-
23 tions of executive agencies and temporary personal serv-
24 ices for such committee, to be expended in accordance with
25 section 202(b) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of

1 1946 and to be available for reimbursement to agencies
2 for services performed: *Provided*, That such amount shall
3 remain available for such salaries and expenses until De-
4 cember 31, 2018.

5 SALARIES, OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES

6 For compensation and expenses of officers and em-
7 ployees, as authorized by law, \$198,156,000, including:
8 for salaries and expenses of the Office of the Clerk, includ-
9 ing the positions of the Chaplain and the Historian, and
10 including not more than \$25,000 for official representa-
11 tion and reception expenses, of which not more than
12 \$20,000 is for the Family Room and not more than
13 \$2,000 is for the Office of the Chaplain, \$27,945,000; for
14 salaries and expenses of the Office of the Sergeant at
15 Arms, including the position of Superintendent of Garages
16 and the Office of Emergency Management, and including
17 not more than \$3,000 for official representation and re-
18 ception expenses, \$20,505,000 of which \$6,696,000 shall
19 remain available until expended; for salaries and expenses
20 of the Office of the Chief Administrative Officer including
21 not more than \$3,000 for official representation and re-
22 ception expenses, \$127,165,000, of which \$2,108,000
23 shall remain available until expended; for salaries and ex-
24 penses of the Office of the Inspector General, \$4,968,000;
25 for salaries and expenses of the Office of General Counsel,

1 \$1,492,000; for salaries and expenses of the Office of the
2 Parliamentarian, including the Parliamentarian, \$2,000
3 for preparing the Digest of Rules, and not more than
4 \$1,000 for official representation and reception expenses,
5 \$2,037,000; for salaries and expenses of the Office of the
6 Law Revision Counsel of the House, \$3,209,000; for sala-
7 ries and expenses of the Office of the Legislative Counsel
8 of the House, \$9,437,000; for salaries and expenses of the
9 Office of Interparliamentary Affairs, \$814,000; for other
10 authorized employees, \$584,000.

11 ALLOWANCES AND EXPENSES

12 For allowances and expenses as authorized by House
13 resolution or law, \$260,704,004, including: supplies, mate-
14 rials, administrative costs and Federal tort claims,
15 \$3,625,000; official mail for committees, leadership of-
16 fices, and administrative offices of the House, \$190,000;
17 Government contributions for health, retirement, Social
18 Security, and other applicable employee benefits,
19 \$233,540,004, to remain available until March 31, 2019;
20 Business Continuity and Disaster Recovery, \$16,186,000
21 of which \$5,000,000 shall remain available until expended;
22 transition activities for new members and staff,
23 \$2,273,000, to remain available until expended; Wounded
24 Warrior Program \$2,500,000, to remain available until
25 expended; Office of Congressional Ethics, \$1,670,000; and

1 miscellaneous items including purchase, exchange, mainte-
 2 nance, repair and operation of House motor vehicles,
 3 interparliamentary receptions, and gratuities to heirs of
 4 deceased employees of the House, \$720,000.

5 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

6 REQUIRING AMOUNTS REMAINING IN MEMBERS' REP-
 7 RESENTATIONAL ALLOWANCES TO BE USED FOR
 8 DEFICIT REDUCTION OR TO REDUCE THE FEDERAL
 9 DEBT

10 SEC. 101. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision
 11 of law, any amounts appropriated under this Act for
 12 "HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES—SALARIES AND
 13 EXPENSES—MEMBERS' REPRESENTATIONAL ALLOW-
 14 ANCES" shall be available only for fiscal year 2018. Any
 15 amount remaining after all payments are made under such
 16 allowances for fiscal year 2018 shall be deposited in the
 17 Treasury and used for deficit reduction (or, if there is no
 18 Federal budget deficit after all such payments have been
 19 made, for reducing the Federal debt, in such manner as
 20 the Secretary of the Treasury considers appropriate).

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

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

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

3 DELIVERY OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

4 SEC. 102. None of the funds made available in this
5 Act may be used to deliver a printed copy of a bill, joint
6 resolution, or resolution to the office of a Member of the
7 House of Representatives (including a Delegate or Resi-
8 dent Commissioner to the Congress) unless the Member
9 requests a copy.

10 DELIVERY OF CONGRESSIONAL RECORD

11 SEC. 103. None of the funds made available by this
12 Act may be used to deliver a printed copy of any version
13 of the Congressional Record to the office of a Member of
14 the House of Representatives (including a Delegate or
15 Resident Commissioner to the Congress).

16 LIMITATION ON AMOUNT AVAILABLE TO LEASE VEHICLES

17 SEC. 104. None of the funds made available in this
18 Act may be used by the Chief Administrative Officer of
19 the House of Representatives to make any payments from
20 any Members' Representational Allowance for the leasing
21 of a vehicle, excluding mobile district offices, in an aggre-
22 gate amount that exceeds \$1,000 for the vehicle in any
23 month.

7 DELIVERY OF REPORTS OF DISBURSEMENTS

16 DELIVERY OF DAILY CALENDAR

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1 DELIVERY OF CONGRESSIONAL PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

2 SEC. 108. None of the funds made available by this
3 Act may be used to deliver a printed copy of the Congres-
4 sional Pictorial Directory to the office of a Member of the
5 House of Representatives (including a Delegate or Resi-
6 dent Commissioner to the Congress).

7 AMENDING THE HOUSE SERVICES REVOLVING FUND

8 SEC. 109. (a) COLLECTION OF CERTAIN SERVICE
9 FEES.—Section 105(a) of the Legislative Branch Appro-
10 priations Act, 2005 (2 U.S.C. 5545(a)) is amended by
11 adding at the end the following new paragraph:

12 “(7) The collection of a service fee from ven-
13 dors of the Master Web Services Agreement or the
14 Technology Services Contract for failure to abide by
15 and maintain House of Representatives security poli-
16 cies.”.

17 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
18 subsection (a) shall take effect on the date of the enact-
19 ment of this Act.

20 ADJUSTMENTS TO COMPENSATION

21 SEC. 110. Notwithstanding any other provision of
22 law, no adjustment shall be made under section 601(a)
23 of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946 (2 U.S.C.
24 4501) (relating to cost of living adjustments for Members
25 of Congress) during fiscal year 2018.

1 JOINT ITEMS

2 For Joint Committees, as follows:

3 JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE

4 For salaries and expenses of the Joint Economic
5 Committee, \$4,203,000, to be disbursed by the Secretary
6 of the Senate.

7 JOINT COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

8 For salaries and expenses of the Joint Committee on
9 Taxation, \$10,455,000, to be disbursed by the Chief Ad-
10 ministrative Officer of the House of Representatives.

11 For other joint items, as follows:

12 OFFICE OF THE ATTENDING PHYSICIAN

13 For medical supplies, equipment, and contingent ex-
14 penses of the emergency rooms, and for the Attending
15 Physician and his assistants, including:

16 (1) an allowance of \$2,175 per month to the
17 Attending Physician;

18 (2) an allowance of \$1,300 per month to the
19 Senior Medical Officer;

20 (3) an allowance of \$725 per month each to
21 three medical officers while on duty in the Office of
22 the Attending Physician;

23 (4) an allowance of \$725 per month to 2 assist-
24 ants and \$580 per month each not to exceed 11 as-

1 sistants on the basis heretofore provided for such as-
2 sistants; and

3 (5) \$2,780,000 for reimbursement to the De-
4 partment of the Navy for expenses incurred for staff
5 and equipment assigned to the Office of the Attend-
6 ing Physician, which shall be advanced and credited
7 to the applicable appropriation or appropriations
8 from which such salaries, allowances, and other ex-
9 penses are payable and shall be available for all the
10 purposes thereof, \$3,838,000, to be disbursed by the
11 Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Rep-
12 resentatives.

13 OFFICE OF CONGRESSIONAL ACCESSIBILITY SERVICES

14 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

15 For salaries and expenses of the Office of Congres-
16 sional Accessibility Services, \$1,444,000, to be disbursed
17 by the Secretary of the Senate.

18 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISION

19 SEC. 1001. (a) ESTABLISHMENT OF SENIOR LEVEL
20 POSITIONS.—Notwithstanding any order issued by the
21 Speaker of the House of Representatives pursuant to
22 paragraph (1) of section 311(d) of the Legislative Branch
23 Appropriations Act, 1988 (2 U.S.C. 4532(1)), the chair
24 of the Joint Committee on Taxation may establish and
25 fix the compensation of senior level positions in the staff

1 of the Joint Committee to meet critical scientific, tech-
2 nical, professional, or executive needs of the Joint Com-
3 mittee.

4 (b) LIMITATION ON COMPENSATION.—The annual
5 rate of pay for any position established under this section
6 may not exceed the annual rate of pay for level II of the
7 Executive Schedule.

8 (c) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.— Subsection (e) of
9 section 214 of the Postal Revenue and Federal Salary Act
10 of 1967 (2 U.S.C. 4302) is repealed.

11 (d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section shall apply with
12 respect to fiscal year 2018 and each succeeding fiscal year.

13 CAPITOL POLICE

14 SALARIES

15 For salaries of employees of the Capitol Police, in-
16 cluding overtime, hazardous duty pay, and Government
17 contributions for health, retirement, social security, pro-
18 fessional liability insurance, and other applicable employee
19 benefits, \$347,700,000 of which overtime shall not exceed
20 \$45,000,000 unless the Committee on Appropriations of
21 the House and Senate are notified, to be disbursed by the
22 Chief of the Capitol Police or his designee.

23 GENERAL EXPENSES

24 For necessary expenses of the Capitol Police, includ-
25 ing motor vehicles, communications and other equipment,

1 security equipment and installation, uniforms, weapons,
2 supplies, materials, training, medical services, forensic
3 services, stenographic services, personal and professional
4 services, the employee assistance program, the awards pro-
5 gram, postage, communication services, travel advances,
6 relocation of instructor and liaison personnel for the Fed-
7 eral Law Enforcement Training Center, and not more
8 than \$5,000 to be expended on the certification of the
9 Chief of the Capitol Police in connection with official rep-
10 resentation and reception expenses, \$74,800,000, to be
11 disbursed by the Chief of the Capitol Police or his des-
12 ignee: *Provided*, That, notwithstanding any other provi-
13 sion of law, the cost of basic training for the Capitol Police
14 at the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center for fis-
15 cal year 2018 shall be paid by the Secretary of Homeland
16 Security from funds available to the Department of Home-
17 land Security.

18 OFFICE OF COMPLIANCE

19 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

20 For salaries and expenses of the Office of Compli-
21 ance, as authorized by section 305 of the Congressional
22 Accountability Act of 1995 (2 U.S.C. 1385), \$3,959,000,
23 of which \$450,000 shall remain available until September
24 30, 2019: *Provided*, That not more than \$500 may be ex-
25 pended on the certification of the Executive Director of

1 the Office of Compliance in connection with official rep-
2 resentation and reception expenses.

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 \$6,000 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, \$48,500,000.

10 ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL

11 CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATIONS

12 For salaries for the Architect of the Capitol, and
13 other personal services, at rates of pay provided by law;
14 for all necessary expenses for surveys and studies, con-
15 struction, operation, and general and administrative sup-
16 port in connection with facilities and activities under the
17 care of the Architect of the Capitol including the Botanic
18 Garden; electrical substations of the Capitol, Senate and
19 House office buildings, and other facilities under the juris-
20 diction of the Architect of the Capitol; including fur-
21 nishings and office equipment; including not more than
22 \$5,000 for official reception and representation expenses,
23 to be expended as the Architect of the Capitol may ap-
24 prove; for purchase or exchange, maintenance, and oper-
25 ation of a passenger motor vehicle, \$93,000,000.

1 CAPITOL BUILDING

2 For all necessary expenses for the maintenance, care
3 and operation of the Capitol, \$45,300,000, of which
4 \$19,458,000 shall remain available until September 30,
5 2022.

6 CAPITOL GROUNDS

7 For all necessary expenses for care and improvement
8 of grounds surrounding the Capitol, the Senate and House
9 office buildings, and the Capitol Power Plant,
10 \$13,333,000, of which \$3,195,000 shall remain available
11 until September 30, 2022.

12 HOUSE OFFICE BUILDINGS

13 For all necessary expenses for the maintenance, care
14 and operation of the House office buildings,
15 \$169,294,000, of which \$45,130,000 shall remain avail-
16 able until September 30, 2022, and of which \$62,000,000
17 shall remain available until expended for the restoration
18 and renovation of the Cannon House Office Building.

19 In addition, for a payment to the House Historic
20 Buildings Revitalization Trust Fund, \$10,000,000, to re-
21 main available until expended.

22 CAPITOL POWER PLANT

23 For all necessary expenses for the maintenance, care
24 and operation of the Capitol Power Plant; lighting, heat-
25 ing, power (including the purchase of electrical energy)

1 and water and sewer services for the Capitol, Senate and
2 House office buildings, Library of Congress buildings, and
3 the grounds about the same, Botanic Garden, Senate ga-
4 rage, and air conditioning refrigeration not supplied from
5 plants in any of such buildings; heating the Government
6 Publishing Office and Washington City Post Office, and
7 heating and chilled water for air conditioning for the Su-
8 preme Court Building, the Union Station complex, the
9 Thurgood Marshall Federal Judiciary Building and the
10 Folger Shakespeare Library, expenses for which shall be
11 advanced or reimbursed upon request of the Architect of
12 the Capitol and amounts so received shall be deposited
13 into the Treasury to the credit of this appropriation,
14 \$106,694,000, of which \$28,057,000 shall remain avail-
15 able until September 30, 2022: *Provided*, That not more
16 than \$9,000,000 of the funds credited or to be reimbursed
17 to this appropriation as herein provided shall be available
18 for obligation during fiscal year 2018.

19 LIBRARY BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

20 For all necessary expenses for the mechanical and
21 structural maintenance, care and operation of the Library
22 buildings and grounds, \$76,097,000, of which
23 \$48,724,000 shall remain available until September 30,
24 2022.

1 CAPITOL POLICE BUILDINGS, GROUNDS AND SECURITY

2 For all necessary expenses for the maintenance, care
3 and operation of buildings, grounds and security enhance-
4 ments of the United States Capitol Police, wherever lo-
5 cated, the Alternate Computer Facility, and Architect of
6 the Capitol security operations, \$33,249,000, of which
7 \$12,300,000 shall remain available until September 30,
8 2022.

9 BOTANIC GARDEN

10 For all necessary expenses for the maintenance, care
11 and operation of the Botanic Garden and the nurseries,
12 buildings, grounds, and collections; and purchase and ex-
13 change, maintenance, repair, and operation of a passenger
14 motor vehicle; all under the direction of the Joint Com-
15 mittee on the Library, \$13,400,000, of which \$2,600,000
16 shall remain available until September 30, 2022: *Provided,*
17 That, of the amount made available under this heading,
18 the Architect of the Capitol may obligate and expend such
19 sums as may be necessary for the maintenance, care and
20 operation of the National Garden established under sec-
21 tion 307E of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act,
22 1989 (2 U.S.C. 2146), upon vouchers approved by the Ar-
23 chitect of the Capitol or a duly authorized designee.

1 CAPITOL VISITOR CENTER

2 For all necessary expenses for the operation of the
3 Capitol Visitor Center, \$21,470,000.

4 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

5 NO BONUSES FOR CONTRACTORS BEHIND SCHEDULE OR
6 OVER BUDGET

7 SEC. 1101. None of the funds made available in this
8 Act for the Architect of the Capitol may be used to make
9 incentive or award payments to contractors for work on
10 contracts or programs for which the contractor is behind
11 schedule or over budget, unless the Architect of the Cap-
12 itol, or agency-employed designee, determines that any
13 such deviations are due to unforeseeable events, govern-
14 ment-driven scope changes, or are not significant within
15 the overall scope of the project and/or program.

16 SCRIMS

17 SEC. 1102. None of the funds made available by this
18 Act may be used for scrims containing photographs of
19 building facades during restoration or construction
20 projects performed by the Architect of the Capitol.

21 LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

22 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

23 For all necessary expenses of the Library of Congress
24 not otherwise provided for, including development and
25 maintenance of the Library's catalogs; custody and custo-

1 dial care of the Library buildings; special clothing; clean-
2 ing, laundering and repair of uniforms; preservation of
3 motion pictures in the custody of the Library; operation
4 and maintenance of the American Folklife Center in the
5 Library; preparation and distribution of catalog records
6 and other publications of the Library; hire or purchase
7 of one passenger motor vehicle; and expenses of the Li-
8 brary of Congress Trust Fund Board not properly charge-
9 able to the income of any trust fund held by the Board,
10 \$464,209,234, of which not more than \$6,000,000 shall
11 be derived from collections credited to this appropriation
12 during fiscal year 2018, and shall remain available until
13 expended, under the Act of June 28, 1902 (chapter 1301;
14 32 Stat. 480; 2 U.S.C. 150) and not more than \$350,000
15 shall be derived from collections during fiscal year 2018
16 and shall remain available until expended for the develop-
17 ment and maintenance of an international legal informa-
18 tion database and activities related thereto: *Provided*,
19 That the Library of Congress may not obligate or expend
20 any funds derived from collections under the Act of June
21 28, 1902, in excess of the amount authorized for obliga-
22 tion or expenditure in appropriations Acts: *Provided fur-*
23 *ther*, That the total amount available for obligation shall
24 be reduced by the amount by which collections are less
25 than \$6,350,000: *Provided further*, That, of the total

1 amount appropriated, not more than \$12,000 may be ex-
 2 pended, on the certification of the Librarian of Congress,
 3 in connection with official representation and reception ex-
 4 penses for the Overseas Field Offices: *Provided further*,
 5 That, of the total amount appropriated, \$8,653,000 shall
 6 remain available until expended for the digital collections
 7 and educational curricula program: *Provided further*,
 8 That, of the total amount appropriated, \$1,300,000 shall
 9 remain available until expended for upgrade of the Legis-
 10 lative Branch Financial Management System.

11 COPYRIGHT OFFICE

12 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

13 For all necessary expenses of the Copyright Office,
 14 \$72,011,000, of which not more than \$35,218,000, to re-
 15 main available until expended, shall be derived from collec-
 16 tions credited to this appropriation during fiscal year 2018
 17 under section 708(d) of title 17, United States Code: *Pro-*
 18 *vided*, That the Copyright Office may not obligate or ex-
 19 pend any funds derived from collections under such sec-
 20 tion, in excess of the amount authorized for obligation or
 21 expenditure in appropriations Acts: *Provided further*, That
 22 not more than \$6,087,000 shall be derived from collections
 23 during fiscal year 2018 under sections 111(d)(2),
 24 119(b)(3), 803(e), 1005, and 1316 of such title: *Provided*
 25 *further*, That the total amount available for obligation

1 shall be reduced by the amount by which collections are
2 less than \$41,305,000: *Provided further*, That not more
3 than \$100,000 of the amount appropriated is available for
4 the maintenance of an “International Copyright Institute”
5 in the Copyright Office of the Library of Congress for the
6 purpose of training nationals of developing countries in
7 intellectual property laws and policies: *Provided further*,
8 That \$2,260,000 shall be derived from prior year unobli-
9 gated balances: *Provided further*, That not more than
10 \$6,500 may be expended, on the certification of the Li-
11 brarian of Congress, in connection with official representa-
12 tion and reception expenses for activities of the Inter-
13 national Copyright Institute and for copyright delegations,
14 visitors, and seminars: *Provided further*, That, notwith-
15 standing any provision of chapter 8 of title 17, United
16 States Code, any amounts made available under this head-
17 ing which are attributable to royalty fees and payments
18 received by the Copyright Office pursuant to sections 111,
19 119, and chapter 10 of such title may be used for the
20 costs incurred in the administration of the Copyright Roy-
21 alty Judges program, with the exception of the costs of
22 salaries and benefits for the Copyright Royalty Judges
23 and staff under section 802(e).

1 CONGRESSIONAL RESEARCH SERVICE

2 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

3 For all necessary expenses to carry out the provisions
4 of section 203 of the Legislative Reorganization Act of
5 1946 (2 U.S.C. 166) and to revise and extend the Anno-
6 tated Constitution of the United States of America,
7 \$111,474,000: *Provided*, That no part of such amount
8 may be used to pay any salary or expense in connection
9 with any publication, or preparation of material therefor
10 (except the Digest of Public General Bills), to be issued
11 by the Library of Congress unless such publication has
12 obtained prior approval of either the Committee on House
13 Administration of the House of Representatives or the
14 Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate.

15 BOOKS FOR THE BLIND AND PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED

16 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

17 For all necessary expenses to carry out the Act of
18 March 3, 1931 (chapter 400; 46 Stat. 1487; 2 U.S.C.
19 135a), \$50,248,000: *Provided*, That, of the total amount
20 appropriated, \$650,000 shall be available to contract to
21 provide newspapers to blind and physically handicapped
22 residents at no cost to the individual.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISION

REIMBURSABLE AND REVOLVING FUND ACTIVITIES

SEC. 1201. (a) IN GENERAL.—For fiscal year 2018, the obligational authority of the Library of Congress for the activities described in subsection (b) may not exceed \$190,642,000.

(b) ACTIVITIES.—The activities referred to in subsection (a) are reimbursable and revolving fund activities that are funded from sources other than appropriations to the Library in appropriations Acts for the legislative branch.

GOVERNMENT PUBLISHING OFFICE

CONGRESSIONAL PUBLISHING

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For authorized publishing of congressional information and the distribution of congressional information in any format; publishing of Government publications authorized by law to be distributed to Members of Congress; and publishing, and distribution of Government publications authorized by law to be distributed without charge to the recipient, \$79,528,000: *Provided*, That this appropriation shall not be available for paper copies of the permanent edition of the Congressional Record for individual Representatives, Resident Commissioners or Delegates authorized under section 906 of title 44, United States Code:

1 *Provided further*, That this appropriation shall be available
2 for the payment of obligations incurred under the appro-
3 priations for similar purposes for preceding fiscal years:
4 *Provided further*, That notwithstanding the 2-year limita-
5 tion under section 718 of title 44, United States Code,
6 none of the funds appropriated or made available under
7 this Act or any other Act for printing and binding and
8 related services provided to Congress under chapter 7 of
9 title 44, United States Code, may be expended to print
10 a document, report, or publication after the 27-month pe-
11 riod beginning on the date that such document, report,
12 or publication is authorized by Congress to be printed, un-
13 less Congress reauthorizes such printing in accordance
14 with section 718 of title 44, United States Code: *Provided*
15 *further*, That any unobligated or unexpended balances in
16 this account or accounts for similar purposes for preceding
17 fiscal years may be transferred to the Government Pub-
18 lishing Office Business Operations Revolving Fund for
19 carrying out the purposes of this heading, subject to the
20 approval of the Committees on Appropriations of the
21 House of Representatives and Senate: *Provided further*,
22 That notwithstanding sections 901, 902, and 906 of title
23 44, United States Code, this appropriation may be used
24 to prepare indexes to the Congressional Record on only
25 a monthly and session basis.

1 PUBLIC INFORMATION PROGRAMS OF THE
2 SUPERINTENDENT OF DOCUMENTS
3 SALARIES AND EXPENSES
4 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

5 For expenses of the public information programs of
6 the Office of Superintendent of Documents necessary to
7 provide for the cataloging and indexing of Government
8 publications and their distribution to the public, Members
9 of Congress, other Government agencies, and designated
10 depository and international exchange libraries as author-
11 ized by law, \$29,000,000: *Provided*, That amounts of not
12 more than \$2,000,000 from current year appropriations
13 are authorized for producing and disseminating Congres-
14 sional serial sets and other related publications for fiscal
15 years 2016 and 2017 to depository and other designated
16 libraries: *Provided further*, That any unobligated or unex-
17 pended balances in this account or accounts for similar
18 purposes for preceding fiscal years may be transferred to
19 the Government Publishing Office Business Operations
20 Revolving Fund for carrying out the purposes of this head-
21 ing, subject to the approval of the Committees on Appro-
22 priations of the House of Representatives and Senate.

1 GOVERNMENT PUBLISHING OFFICE BUSINESS
2 OPERATIONS REVOLVING FUND

3 For payment to the Government Publishing Office
4 Business Operations Revolving Fund, \$8,540,000, to re-
5 main available until expended, for information technology
6 development and facilities repair: *Provided*, That the Gov-
7 ernment Publishing Office is hereby authorized to make
8 such expenditures, within the limits of funds available and
9 in accordance with law, and to make such contracts and
10 commitments without regard to fiscal year limitations as
11 provided by section 9104 of title 31, United States Code,
12 as may be necessary in carrying out the programs and
13 purposes set forth in the budget for the current fiscal year
14 for the Government Publishing Office Business Operations
15 Revolving Fund: *Provided further*, That not more than
16 \$7,500 may be expended on the certification of the Direc-
17 tor of the Government Publishing Office in connection
18 with official representation and reception expenses: *Pro-*
19 *vided further*, That the business operations revolving fund
20 shall be available for the hire or purchase of not more than
21 12 passenger motor vehicles: *Provided further*, That ex-
22 penditures in connection with travel expenses of the advi-
23 sory councils to the Director of the Government Pub-
24 lishing Office shall be deemed necessary to carry out the
25 provisions of title 44, United States Code: *Provided fur-*

1 *ther*, That the business operations revolving fund shall be
 2 available for temporary or intermittent services under sec-
 3 tion 3109(b) of title 5, United States Code, but at rates
 4 for individuals not more than the daily equivalent of the
 5 annual rate of basic pay for level V of the Executive
 6 Schedule under section 5316 of such title: *Provided fur-*
 7 *ther*, That activities financed through the business oper-
 8 ations revolving fund may provide information in any for-
 9 mat: *Provided further*, That the business operations revolv-
 10 ing fund and the funds provided under the heading “Pub-
 11 lic Information Programs of the Superintendent of Docu-
 12 ments” may not be used for contracted security services
 13 at the Government Publishing Office’s passport facility in
 14 the District of Columbia.

15 GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE

16 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

17 For necessary expenses of the Government Account-
 18 ability Office, including not more than \$12,500 to be ex-
 19 pended on the certification of the Comptroller General of
 20 the United States in connection with official representa-
 21 tion and reception expenses; temporary or intermittent
 22 services under section 3109(b) of title 5, United States
 23 Code, but at rates for individuals not more than the daily
 24 equivalent of the annual rate of basic pay for level IV of
 25 the Executive Schedule under section 5315 of such title;

1 hire of one passenger motor vehicle; advance payments in
2 foreign countries in accordance with section 3324 of title
3 31, United States Code; benefits comparable to those pay-
4 able under sections 901(5), (6), and (8) of the Foreign
5 Service Act of 1980 (22 U.S.C. 4081(5), (6), and (8));
6 and under regulations prescribed by the Comptroller Gen-
7 eral of the United States, rental of living quarters in for-
8 eign countries, \$544,505,919: *Provided*, That, in addition,
9 \$23,800,000 of payments received under sections 782,
10 791, 3521, and 9105 of title 31, United States Code, shall
11 be available without fiscal year limitation: *Provided fur-*
12 *ther*, That this appropriation and appropriations for ad-
13 ministrative expenses of any other department or agency
14 which is a member of the National Intergovernmental
15 Audit Forum or a Regional Intergovernmental Audit
16 Forum shall be available to finance an appropriate share
17 of either Forum's costs as determined by the respective
18 Forum, including necessary travel expenses of non-Federal
19 participants: *Provided further*, That payments hereunder
20 to the Forum may be credited as reimbursements to any
21 appropriation from which costs involved are initially fi-
22 nanced.

12 JOHN C. STENNIS CENTER FOR PUBLIC SERVICE
13 TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT

19 TITLE II

20 GENERAL PROVISIONS

SEC. 201. No part of the funds appropriated in this Act shall be used for the maintenance or care of private vehicles, except for emergency assistance and cleaning as may be provided under regulations relating to parking fa-

1 cilities for the House of Representatives issued by the
2 Committee on House Administration and for the Senate
3 issued by the Committee on Rules and Administration.

4 FISCAL YEAR LIMITATION

5 SEC. 202. No part of the funds appropriated in this
6 Act shall remain available for obligation beyond fiscal year
7 2018 unless expressly so provided in this Act.

8 RATES OF COMPENSATION AND DESIGNATION

9 SEC. 203. Whenever in this Act any office or position
10 not specifically established by the Legislative Pay Act of
11 1929 (46 Stat. 32 et seq.) is appropriated for or the rate
12 of compensation or designation of any office or position
13 appropriated for is different from that specifically estab-
14 lished by such Act, the rate of compensation and the des-
15 ignation in this Act shall be the permanent law with re-
16 spect thereto: *Provided*, That the provisions in this Act
17 for the various items of official expenses of Members, offi-
18 cers, and committees of the Senate and House of Rep-
19 resentatives, and clerk hire for Senators and Members of
20 the House of Representatives shall be the permanent law
21 with respect thereto.

22 CONSULTING SERVICES

23 SEC. 204. The expenditure of any appropriation
24 under this Act for any consulting service through procure-
25 ment contract, under section 3109 of title 5, United States

1 Code, shall be limited to those contracts where such ex-
 2 penditures are a matter of public record and available for
 3 public inspection, except where otherwise provided under
 4 existing law, or under existing Executive order issued
 5 under existing law.

6 COSTS OF LBFMC

7 SEC. 205. Amounts available for administrative ex-
 8 penses of any legislative branch entity which participates
 9 in the Legislative Branch Financial Managers Council
 10 (LBFMC) established by charter on March 26, 1996, shall
 11 be available to finance an appropriate share of LBFMC
 12 costs as determined by the LBFMC, except that the total
 13 LBFMC costs to be shared among all participating legisla-
 14 tive branch entities (in such allocations among the entities
 15 as the entities may determine) may not exceed \$2,000.

16 LIMITATION ON TRANSFERS

17 SEC. 206. None of the funds made available in this
 18 Act may be transferred to any department, agency, or in-
 19 strumentality of the United States Government, except
 20 pursuant to a transfer made by, or transfer authority pro-
 21 vided in, this Act or any other appropriation Act.

22 GUIDED TOURS OF THE CAPITOL

23 SEC. 207. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b),
 24 none of the funds made available to the Architect of the
 25 Capitol in this Act may be used to eliminate or restrict

1 guided tours of the United States Capitol which are led
2 by employees and interns of offices of Members of Con-
3 gress and other offices of the House of Representatives
4 and Senate.

5 (b) At the direction of the Capitol Police Board, or
6 at the direction of the Architect of the Capitol with the
7 approval of the Capitol Police Board, guided tours of the
8 United States Capitol which are led by employees and in-
9 terns described in subsection (a) may be suspended tempo-
10 rarily or otherwise subject to restriction for security or re-
11 lated reasons to the same extent as guided tours of the
12 United States Capitol which are led by the Architect of
13 the Capitol.

14 SPENDING REDUCTION ACCOUNT

15 SEC. 208. \$0.

16 This Act may be cited as the “Legislative Branch Ap-
17 propriations Act, 2018”.

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