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S. RES. 46

Authorizing expenditures by the Committee on the Budget.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. ENZI, from the Committee on the Budget, reported the following original resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration

RESOLUTION

Authorizing expenditures by the Committee on the Budget.

1 *Resolved,*

2 **SECTION 1. GENERAL AUTHORITY.**

3 In carrying out its powers, duties, and functions
4 under the Standing Rules of the Senate, in accordance
5 with its jurisdiction under rule XXV of the Standing Rules
6 of the Senate, including holding hearings, reporting such
7 hearings, and making investigations as authorized by
8 paragraphs 1 and 8 of rule XXVI of the Standing Rules
9 of the Senate, the Committee on the Budget (in this reso-
10 lution referred to as the “committee”) is authorized from
11 March 1, 2017, through February 28, 2019, in its discre-
12 tion, to—

1 (1) make expenditures from the contingent fund
2 of the Senate;

3 (2) employ personnel; and

4 (3) with the prior consent of the Government
5 department or agency concerned and the Committee
6 on Rules and Administration, use on a reimbursable
7 or nonreimbursable basis the services of personnel of
8 any such department or agency.

9 **SEC. 2. EXPENSES.**

10 (a) EXPENSES FOR PERIOD ENDING SEPTEMBER 30,
11 2017.—The expenses of the committee for the period
12 March 1, 2017, through September 30, 2017, under this
13 resolution shall not exceed \$3,534,372, of which amount—

14 (1) not to exceed \$35,000 may be expended for
15 the procurement of the services of individual consult-
16 ants, or organizations thereof (as authorized by sec-
17 tion 202(i) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of
18 1946 (2 U.S.C. 4301(i))); and

19 (2) not to exceed \$21,000 may be expended for
20 the training of the professional staff of the com-
21 mittee (under procedures specified by section 202(j)
22 of that Act).

23 (b) EXPENSES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018 PERIOD.—
24 The expenses of the committee for the period October 1,

1 2017, through September 30, 2018, under this resolution
2 shall not exceed \$6,058,924, of which amount—

3 (1) not to exceed \$60,000 may be expended for
4 the procurement of the services of individual consult-
5 ants, or organizations thereof (as authorized by sec-
6 tion 202(i) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of
7 1946 (2 U.S.C. 4301(i))); and

8 (2) not to exceed \$36,000 may be expended for
9 the training of the professional staff of the com-
10 mittee (under procedures specified by section 202(j)
11 of that Act).

12 (c) EXPENSES FOR PERIOD ENDING FEBRUARY 28,
13 2019.—The expenses of the committee for the period Oc-
14 tober 1, 2018, through February 28, 2019, under this res-
15 olution shall not exceed \$2,524,552, of which amount—

16 (1) not to exceed \$25,000 may be expended for
17 the procurement of the services of individual consult-
18 ants, or organizations thereof (as authorized by sec-
19 tion 202(i) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of
20 1946 (2 U.S.C. 4301(i))); and

21 (2) not to exceed \$15,000 may be expended for
22 the training of the professional staff of the com-
23 mittee (under procedures specified by section 202(j)
24 of that Act).

1 **SEC. 3. REPORTING LEGISLATION.**

2 The committee shall report its findings, together with
3 such recommendations for legislation as it deems advis-
4 able, to the Senate at the earliest practicable date, but
5 not later than February 28, 2019.

6 **SEC. 4. EXPENSES AND AGENCY CONTRIBUTIONS.**

7 (a) EXPENSES OF THE COMMITTEE.—

8 (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-
9 graph (2), expenses of the committee under this res-
10 olution shall be paid from the contingent fund of the
11 Senate upon vouchers approved by the chairman of
12 the committee.

13 (2) VOUCHERS NOT REQUIRED.—Vouchers shall
14 not be required for—

15 (A) the disbursement of salaries of employ-
16 ees paid at an annual rate;

17 (B) the payment of telecommunications
18 provided by the Office of the Sergeant at Arms
19 and Doorkeeper;

20 (C) the payment of stationery supplies pur-
21 chased through the Keeper of the Stationery;

22 (D) payments to the Postmaster of the
23 Senate;

24 (E) the payment of metered charges on
25 copying equipment provided by the Office of the
26 Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper;

1 (F) the payment of Senate Recording and
2 Photographic Services; or

3 (G) the payment of franked and mass mail
4 costs by the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper.

5 (b) AGENCY CONTRIBUTIONS.—There are authorized
6 to be paid from the appropriations account for “Expenses
7 of Inquiries and Investigations” of the Senate such sums
8 as may be necessary for agency contributions related to
9 the compensation of employees of the committee—

10 (1) for the period March 1, 2017, through Sep-
11 tember 30, 2017;

12 (2) for the period October 1, 2017, through
13 September 30, 2018; and

14 (3) for the period October 1, 2018, through
15 February 28, 2019.

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