

and approved if otherwise in accord with the provisions of this division.”.

SEC. 102. For the purposes of division D of Public Law 115-56, the time covered by such division shall be considered to include the period which began on or about February 9, 2018, during which there occurred a lapse in appropriations.

This Act may be cited as the “Continuing Appropriations Amendments Act, 2018”.

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN (during the reading). Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to dispense with the reading.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from New Jersey?

There was no objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the original request of the gentleman from New Jersey?

There was no objection.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### PROVIDING FOR A CORRECTION IN THE ENROLLMENT OF H.R. 1892

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to take from the Speaker's table the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 104) providing for a correction in the enrollment of H.R. 1892, with the Senate amendment thereto, and concur in the Senate amendment.

The Clerk read the title of the concurrent resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Clerk will report the Senate amendment.

The Clerk read as follows:

Senate amendment:

Strike all after the resolving clause and insert the following:

That in the enrollment of the bill H.R. 1892, the Clerk of the House of Representatives shall make the following corrections:

(1) Strike the first section 1 and section 2 immediately following the enacting clause and insert the following:

#### “SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

“This Act may be cited as the “Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018”.

#### “DIVISION A—HONORING HOMETOWN HEROES ACT

#### “SECTION 10101. SHORT TITLE.

“This division may be cited as the ‘Honoring Hometown Heroes Act’.

#### “SEC. 10102. PERMITTING THE FLAG TO BE FLOWN AT HALF-STAFF IN THE EVENT OF THE DEATH OF A FIRST RESPONDER SERVING IN THE LINE OF DUTY.

“(a) AMENDMENT.—The sixth sentence of section 7(m) of title 4, United States Code, is amended—

“(1) by striking ‘or’ after ‘possession of the United States’ and inserting a comma;

“(2) by inserting ‘or the death of a first responder working in any State, territory, or possession who dies while serving in the line of duty,’ after ‘while serving on active duty.’;

“(3) by striking ‘and’ after ‘former officials of the District of Columbia’ and inserting a comma; and

“(4) by inserting before the period the following: ‘, and first responders working in the District of Columbia’.

“(b) FIRST RESPONDER DEFINED.—Such subsection is further amended—

“(1) in paragraph (2), by striking ‘, United States Code; and’ and inserting a semicolon;

“(2) in paragraph (3), by striking the period at the end and inserting ‘; and’; and

“(3) by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

“(4) the term “first responder” means a “public safety officer” as defined in section 1204 of title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. 10284).”.

“(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply with respect to deaths of first responders occurring on or after the date of the enactment of this Act.”.

(2) Strike section 1 immediately preceding division B.

(3) In section 30422(b)(4), strike subparagraphs (A) and (B) and insert the following:

“(A) GENERAL AUTHORITY.—For purposes of enabling the joint committee to exercise its powers, functions, and duties under this subtitle, and consistent with the Standing Rules of the Senate, there is authorized from the date of enactment of this Act through February 28, 2019, \$500,000 to be allocated—

“(i) in total during the period October 1, 2017 through September 30, 2018; and

“(ii) any remaining amounts shall be carried forward for the period October 1, 2018 through February 28, 2019.

“(B) EXPENSES.—Expenses of the joint committee shall be paid from the contingent fund of the Senate upon vouchers approved by the co-chairs, subject to the rules and regulations of the Senate.”.

(4) In section 30422(b)(4)(1)(i), insert “, consistent with the rules and regulations of the Senate” before the period at the end.

(5) Strike section 30423 and insert the following:

#### “SEC. 30423. FUNDING.

“(a) SPECIAL RESERVE.—To enable the joint committee to exercise its powers, functions, and duties under this subtitle, within the funds in the account for ‘Expenses of Inquiries and Investigations’ of the Senate, not more than \$500,000 shall be allocated from the special reserve established in S. Res. 62, agreed to February 28, 2017 (115th Congress), for use by the joint committee.

“(b) EXPIRATION.—None of the funds made available by this section may be available for obligation by the joint committee after January 2, 2019.

“(c) AVAILABILITY REQUIREMENTS.—For purposes of the joint committee, section 20(b) of S. Res. 62, agreed to February 28, 2017 (115th Congress), shall not apply.”.

(6) In section 30442(b)(4), strike subparagraphs (A) and (B) and insert the following:

“(A) GENERAL AUTHORITY.—For purposes of enabling the joint committee to exercise its powers, functions, and duties under this subtitle, and consistent with the Standing Rules of the Senate, there is authorized from the date of enactment of this Act through February 28, 2019, \$500,000 to be allocated—

“(i) in total during the period October 1, 2017 through September 30, 2018; and

“(ii) any remaining amounts shall be carried forward for the period October 1, 2018 through February 28, 2019.

“(B) EXPENSES.—Expenses of the joint committee shall be paid from the contingent fund of the Senate upon vouchers approved by the co-chairs, subject to the rules and regulations of the Senate.”.

(7) In section 30442(b)(4)(1)(i), insert “, consistent with the rules and regulations of the Senate” before the period at the end.

(8) Strike section 30443 and insert the following:

#### “SEC. 30443. FUNDING.

“(a) SPECIAL RESERVE.—To enable the joint committee to exercise its powers, functions, and duties under this subtitle, within the funds in the account for ‘Expenses of Inquiries and Investigations’ of the Senate, not more than \$500,000 shall be allocated from the special reserve established in S. Res. 62, agreed to February 28, 2017 (115th Congress), for use by the joint committee.

“(b) EXPIRATION.—None of the funds made available by this section may be available for obligation by the joint committee after January 2, 2019.

“(c) AVAILABILITY REQUIREMENTS.—For purposes of the joint committee, section 20(b) of S. Res. 62, agreed to February 28, 2017 (115th Congress), shall not apply.”.

(9) Strike lines 4–8 on page 232 of the amendment and replace with the following:

“(11) a State false claims act, including a State false claims act with qui tam provisions, or”.

(10) At the end of division G, strike the following: “.”.

“(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this Act shall apply with respect to deaths of first responders occurring on or after the date of the enactment of this Act.”.

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN (during the reading). Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to dispense with the reading.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from New Jersey?

There was no objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the original request of the gentleman from New Jersey?

There was no objection.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 5 o'clock and 36 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Tuesday, February 13, 2018, at noon for morning-hour debate.

#### EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

3925. A letter from the Under Secretary, Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter regarding the “Pilot Program Regarding Risk-Based Contracting for Smaller Contract Actions”; to the Committee on Armed Services.

3926. A letter from the Under Secretary, Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's report on TRANSCOM-DLA Roles and Responsibilities; to the Committee on Armed Services.

3927. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's report “Generating Antibiotic Incentives Now”, pursuant to Public Law 112-144, Sec. 805; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

3928. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule — Listing of Color Additives Exempt From Certification; Calcium Carbonate; Confirmation of Effective Date [Docket No.: FDA-2016-C-2767] received February 6, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

3929. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, FDA,