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FEDERAL OVERSIGHT OF CONSTRUCTION USE AND SAFETY ACT

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Mr. GRAVES of Missouri, from the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, submitted the following

R E P O R T

[To accompany H.R. 6260]

The Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, to whom was referred the bill (H.R. 6260) to provide for certain reviews of the use and safety of Federal buildings, and for other purposes, having considered the same, reports favorably thereon with an amendment and recommends that the bill as amended do pass.

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The amendment is as follows:

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Federal Oversight of Construction Use and Safety Act” or the “FOCUS Act”.

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SEC. 2. ELIMINATING PROJECT ESCALATIONS.

Section 3307(c) of title 40, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following: "The Administrator shall notify, in writing, the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Environment and Public Works of the Senate of any increase of more than 5 percent of an estimated maximum cost or of any increase or decrease in the scope or size of a project of 5 or more percent. Such notification shall include an explanation regarding any such increase or decrease. The scope or size of a project shall not increase or decrease by more than 10 percent unless an amended prospectus is submitted and approved pursuant to this section."

SEC. 3. PUBLIC SAFETY AT FEDERAL BUILDINGS.

(a) DATA COLLECTION.—The Administrator of General Services shall collect data from tenant Federal agencies reports of any safety incidents as a result of criminal or other activity impacting public safety in and around public buildings, as defined in section 3301 of title 40, United States Code.

(b) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Administrator shall submit to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Environment and Public Works of the Senate a report that—

(1) contains the data collected under subsection (a); and

(2) describes any actions taken or planned, if necessary, to improve building management and operations to address such incidents.

SEC. 4. REDUCING WASTE IN NEW PROJECTS.

Section 3307(b) of title 40, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in paragraph (7) by striking "and" at the end;

(2) in paragraph (8) by striking the period at the end and inserting a semicolon; and

(3) by adding at the end the following:

"(9) information on any space occupied by the relevant agency in the geographical area of the proposed facility, including uses, utilization rates, any proposed consolidations, and, if not proposed to be consolidated, a justification for such determination;

"(10) a statement by the Administrator of whether the public building needs of the Government for the proposed space to be leased were formerly met by a federally owned building, including any building identified for disposal or sale; and

"(11) details on actual utilization rates, including number of personnel assigned to the facility, number of personnel expected to work in-person at the facility and whether all personnel identified reflect filled and authorized positions.".

SEC. 5. REVIEW OF SPECIAL USE SPACE.

(a) REVIEW.—The Comptroller General of the United States shall review the use of special use spaces in Federal buildings, including conference centers, fitness centers, and similar spaces to determine levels of utilization, opportunities for sharing, collocating, and other efficiencies.

(b) REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General shall submit to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Environment and Public Works of the Senate a report containing the review under subsection (a).

SEC. 6. INTERAGENCY SPACE COORDINATION.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 33 of title 40, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

"§ 3319. Interagency space coordination

"Unless a Federal agency specifically restricts the sharing of the information described in this section for national security purposes, the Administrator of General Services shall share with tenant Federal agencies pursuing new or replacement office space information on any other Federal agencies located in the same geographical area for purposes of determining opportunities for consolidations, collocations, or other space sharing to reduce the costs of space and maximize space utilization.".

(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The analysis for chapter 33 of title 40, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

"3319. Interagency space coordination.".

SEC. 7. NOTIFICATION OF MILESTONES.

Section 3307 of title 40, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

"(i) NOTIFICATION REQUIRED.—For each project approved under this section, the Administrator shall notify, in writing, the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Environment and Public Works of the Senate of any project milestones that are accomplished, including—

"(1) the solicitation and award of design and construction services;

"(2) the completion of any actions required for such project pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.);

"(3) any ceremonies for the beginning or completion of such project;

"(4) a naming ceremony for such project; and

"(5) the completion of such project.".

PURPOSE OF LEGISLATION

The purpose of H.R. 6260, the *Federal Oversight of Construction Use and Safety Act* or the *FOCUS Act*, as amended, is to provide for certain reviews of the use and safety of Federal buildings, and for other purposes.

BACKGROUND AND NEED FOR LEGISLATION

The General Services Administration (GSA) currently manages 8,800 owned and leased assets, totaling over 370 million square feet, and 500 historic buildings.[1] Of the 370 million square feet, 181 million is in leased space, which is comprised of over 6,659 buildings and costs more than six billion dollars per year.[2] While GSA continues to reduce the amount of leased space, more than half of GSA's operating leases (96 million square feet) will expire in the next five years.[3]

H.R. 6260, as amended, includes provisions that would strengthen the oversight of proposals for new space and ensure opportunities for sharing space across Federal agencies. Currently, office occupancy in the Washington, D.C., metro area is still below 54 percent of pre-pandemic levels.[4] Additionally, 30 percent of the Federal workforce is expected to be eligible to retire this year.[5] There have also been increasing reports of "shadow" or "dark" space in Federal buildings and leases—unassigned, unused space.[6] The concerns about "shadow" or "dark" space were further emphasized during the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management's Roundtable on "*The State of Federal Real Estate*," held on March 22, 2023, where participants noted that 30 percent of Federal employees plan to retire within the next five

[1] Press Release, GSA, *Nina M. Albert Appointed Commissioner of GSA's Public Buildings Service*, (July 6, 2021), *available at* https://www.gsa.gov/about-us/newsroom/news-releases/nina-m-albert-appointed-commissioner-of-gsas-public-buildings-service-07062021.

[2] GSA, *Inventory of GSA Owned and Leased Properties*, (Last reviewed Sept. 9, 2022), *available at* https://www.gsa.gov/tools-overview/buildings-and-real-estate-tools/inventory-of-gsa-owned-and-leased-properties.

[3] *Id.*

[4] Bailey McConnel, *Chart of the Week: Office Occupancy Rates and Remote Work*, D.C. POLICY CENTER, (Feb. 24, 2023), *available at* https://www.dcpolicycenter.org/publications/office-occupancy-remote-work-dc/.

[5] Angie Petty, *2023 Workforce Federal Contracting Trends to Watch*, GOVWIN, (Dec. 7, 2022), *available at* https://iq.govwin.com/neo/marketAnalysis/view/2023-Workforce-Federal-Contracting-Trends-to-Watch/6981?researchTypeId=1&researchMarket.

[6] GSA, *Unused & Underused Space,* (Last reviewed Mar. 4, 2022), *available at* https://www.gsa.gov/real-estate/gsa-properties/unused-underused-space.

years and nearly 30 percent of Federal employees with remote work agreements live outside their assigned region.[7]

During the 117th Congress, the Committee requested the Government Accountability Office (GAO) conduct a study on office space utilization rates across the 24 Chief Financial Officer (CFO) agency headquarters to better understand how the Federal government is utilizing its real estate portfolio.[8] In order to assess space utilization, GAO collected building size and attendance data from all 24 agencies for one week each in January, February, and March of 2023. Utilization was then calculated by dividing in-office attendance by the building's useable square footage or capacity.[9] GAO found that on average, 17 of the 24 CFO agency headquarters were at 25 percent or less utilization.[10] GAO found the headquarters buildings for certain agencies, including GSA, the Department of Agriculture, the Department of Housing and Urban Development, the Office of Personnel Management, the Small Business Administration, and the Social Security Administration were as low as a nine percent space utilization.[11]

H.R. 6260, as amended, would also require GSA to collect data on public safety incidents in and around Federal buildings that may impact space utilization. This requirement follows reports on the impact crime on Federal workers. For example, in August 2023, the United States Department of Health and Human Services in the San Francisco Federal Building reportedly advised employees to work remotely because of safety concerns.[12]

HEARINGS

For the purposes of rule XIII, clause 3(c)(6)(A) of the 118th Congress, the following hearing was used to develop or consider H.R. 6260:

On July 13, 2023, the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure held a hearing entitled, "*When the Lights Are On but No One's Home: An Examination of Federal Office Space Utilization*." The hearing discussed Federal real estate, including office space utilization. The Subcommittee received testimony from Ms. Nina Albert, Commissioner, Public Buildings Service, GSA; and Mr. David Marroni, Acting Director, Physical Infrastructure, GAO.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY AND CONSIDERATION

H.R. 6260 was introduced in the United States House of Representatives on November 7, 2023, by Mrs. Chavez-DeRemer of Oregon and referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infra-

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[7] *The State of Federal Real Estate: Roundtable Before the Subcomm. on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management of the H. Comm. on Transp. and Infrastructure,* 118th Cong., (Mar. 22, 2023).

[8] Letter from Peter DeFazio, Chairman, H. Comm. on Transp. and Infrastructure, et al. to Gene Dodaro, Comptroller General, GAO, (Nov. 10, 2021) (on file with Comm.).

[9] Briefing from Staff, GAO, to Staff, H. Comm. on Transp. and Infrastructure, (June 26, 2023, 11:00 AM EST).

[10] GAO, GAO–24–107006, FEDERAL REAL PROPERTY: AGENCIES NEED NEW BENCHMARKS AND SHED UNDERUTILIZED SPACE (2023) *available at* https://www.gao.gov/assets/d24107006.pdf.

[11] *Id.*

[12] Khaleda Rahman, *San Francisco Federal Workers Told to Work Remotely Over Drug-Crime Fears*, NEWSWEEK, (Aug. 15, 2023), *available at* https://www.newsweek.com/san-francisco-federal-workers-told-work-remotely-drug-crime-1819791.

structure. Within the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, H.R. 6260 was referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management. The Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 6260, on November 15, 2023.

The Committee considered H.R. 6260 on November 15, 2023, and ordered the measure to be reported to the House with a favorable recommendation, with amendment, by voice vote.

The following amendments were offered:

An Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute to H.R. 6260, as amended, offered by Mrs. Chavez-DeRemer of Oregon was AGREED TO by voice vote.

An amendment to the Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute to H.R. 6260 offered by Mr. Garamendi of California (Garamendi 155 Rev. 1) (ANS E1); Page 3, line 6, strike "and". Page 3, after line 6, insert the following (and redesignate the subsequent paragraph accordingly): "(10) a statement by the Administrator of whether the public building needs of the Government for the proposed space to be leased were formerly met by a federally owned building, including any building identified for disposal or sale; and".; was AGREED TO by voice vote.

Committee Votes

Clause 3(b) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives requires each committee report to include the total number of votes cast for and against on each record vote on a motion to report and on any amendment offered to the measure or matter, and the names of those members voting for and against.

No recorded votes were requested during consideration of H.R. 6260, as amended.

Committee Oversight Findings and Recommendations

With respect to the requirements of clause 3(c)(1) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the Committee's oversight findings and recommendations are reflected in this report.

New Budget Authority and Tax Expenditures

With respect to the requirements of clause 3(c)(2) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives and section 308(a) of the *Congressional Budget Act of 1974* and with respect to requirements of clause (3)(c)(3) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives and section 402 of the *Congressional Budget Act of 1974*, the Committee has requested but has not received a cost estimate for this bill from the Director of Congressional Budget Office. The Committee has also requested but not received from the Director of the Congressional Budget Office a statement as to whether this bill contains any new budget authority, spending authority, credit authority, or an increase or decrease in revenues or tax expenditures.

With respect to the requirements of clause 3(c)(2) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives and section 308(a) of the *Congressional Budget Act of 1974* and with respect to requirements of clause (3)(c)(3) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives and section 402 of the *Congressional Budget Act of 1974* when available the Committee will adopt as its own the cost estimate prepared by the Director of the Congressional Budget Office pursuant to section 402 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974.

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

Pursuant to clause 3(d)(1) of House rule XIII, when available the Committee will adopt as its own the cost estimate prepared by the Director of the Congressional Budget Office pursuant to section 402 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974.

PERFORMANCE GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

With respect to the requirement of clause 3(c)(4) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the performance goal and objective of this legislation is to provide for certain reviews of the use and safety of Federal buildings, and for other purposes.

DUPLICATION OF FEDERAL PROGRAMS

Pursuant to clause 3(c)(5) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the Committee finds that no provision of H.R. 6260, as amended, establishes or reauthorizes a program of the Federal government known to be duplicative of another Federal program, a program that was included in any report from the Government Accountability Office to Congress pursuant to section 21 of Public Law 111–139, or a program related to a program identified in the most recent Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance.

CONGRESSIONAL EARMARKS, LIMITED TAX BENEFITS, AND LIMITED TARIFF BENEFITS

In compliance with clause 9 of rule XXI of the Rules of the House of Representatives, this bill, as reported, contains no congressional earmarks, limited tax benefits, or limited tariff benefits as defined in clause 9(e), 9(f), or 9(g) of the rule XXI.

FEDERAL MANDATES STATEMENT

When available the Committee will adopt as its own the estimate of Federal mandates prepared by the Director of the Congressional Budget Office pursuant to section 423 of the *Unfunded Mandates Reform Act* (Public Law 104–4).

PREEMPTION CLARIFICATION

Section 423 of the *Congressional Budget Act of 1974* requires the report of any Committee on a bill or joint resolution to include a statement on the extent to which the bill or joint resolution is intended to preempt state, local, or tribal law. The Committee finds that H.R. 6260, as amended, does not preempt any state, local, or tribal law.

Advisory Committee Statement

No advisory committees within the definition of Section 5(b) of the appendix to Title 5, United States Code, are created by this legislation.

Applicability to Legislative Branch

The Committee finds that the legislation does not relate to the terms and conditions of employment or access to public services or accommodations within the meaning of section 102(b)(3) of the *Congressional Accountability Act* (Public Law 104–1).

Section-by-Section Analysis of the Legislation

Section 1. Short title

This section provides the Act may be cited as the "*Federal Oversight of Construction Use and Safety Act*" or the "*FOCUS Act*".

Section 2. Eliminating project escalations

This section requires the Administrator of GSA to notify, in writing, the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Environment and Public Works of the Senate of any increase of more than five percent of an estimated maximum cost or any increase or decrease in scope or size of a project of five or more percent.

This section further requires the Administrator of GSA to submit an amended prospectus if cost escalations exceed ten percent on a project.

Section 3. Public safety at Federal buildings

This section requires the Administrator of GSA to collect data from tenant Federal agencies' reports of any safety incidents resulting from criminal or other activity impacting public safety in and around public buildings.

This section also requires that no later than 180 days from enactment, the Administrator of GSA shall submit to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Environment and Public Works of the Senate a report that contains the data collected and describes any actions taken or planned, if necessary, to improve building management and operations to address such incidents.

Section 4. Reducing waste in new projects

This amends Section 3307(b) of title 40, United States Code by requiring:

(1) Information on any space occupied by the relevant agency in the geographical area of the proposed facility, including uses, utilization rates, any proposed consolidations, and, if not proposed to be consolidated, a justification for such determination;

(2) A statement by the Administrator detailing whether the public building needs of the Government for the proposed space to be leased were formerly met by a Federally owned building, including any building identified for disposal or sale; and

(3) Details on actual utilization rates, including number of personnel assigned to the facility, number of personnel expected to work in-person at the facility and whether all personnel identified reflect filled and authorized positions.

Section 5. Review of special use space

This section requires the Comptroller General of the United States to review the use of special use spaces in Federal buildings, including conference centers, fitness centers, and similar spaces to determine levels of utilization, opportunities for sharing, co-locating, and other efficiencies.

This section further requires that not later than one year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General shall submit to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Environment and Public Works of the Senate a report containing the review.

Section 6. Interagency space coordination

This section amends Chapter 33 of title 40, United States Code by adding requirement for interagency space coordination amongst Federal agencies located in the same geographical area to determine opportunities for consolidations, collocations, or other space sharing to reduce the costs of space and maximize space utilization; unless there is a national security exemption.

Section 7. Notification of milestones

This section requires that the Administrator of GSA notifies, in writing, the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Environment and Public Works of the Senate of any project milestones that are accomplished, including: the solicitation and award of design and construction services, the completion of any actions required for such project pursuant to the *National Environmental Policy Act of 1969* (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.), any ceremonies for the beginning or completion of such project, a naming ceremony for such project, or the completion of such project.

CHANGES IN EXISTING LAW MADE BY THE BILL, AS REPORTED

In compliance with clause 3(e) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, changes in existing law made by the bill, as reported, are shown as follows (existing law proposed to be omitted is enclosed in black brackets, new matter is printed in italic, existing law in which no change is proposed is shown in roman):

CHANGES IN EXISTING LAW MADE BY THE BILL, AS REPORTED

In compliance with clause 3(e) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, changes in existing law made by the bill, as reported, are shown as follows (existing law proposed to be omitted is enclosed in black brackets, new matter is printed in italics, and existing law in which no change is proposed is shown in roman):

TITLE 40, UNITED STATES CODE

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SUBTITLE II—PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND WORKS

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PART A—GENERAL

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CHAPTER 33—ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, AND ALTERATION

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§ 3307. Congressional approval of proposed projects

(a) RESOLUTIONS REQUIRED BEFORE APPROPRIATIONS MAY BE MADE.—The following appropriations may be made only if the Committee on Environment and Public Works of the Senate and the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives adopt resolutions approving the purpose for which the appropriation is made:

(1) An appropriation to construct, alter, or acquire any building to be used as a public building which involves a total expenditure in excess of $1,500,000, so that the equitable distribution of public buildings throughout the United States with due regard for the comparative urgency of need for the buildings, except as provided in section 3305(b) of this title, is ensured.

(2) An appropriation to lease any space at an average annual rental in excess of $1,500,000 for use for public purposes.

(3) An appropriation to alter any building, or part of the building, which is under lease by the Federal Government for use for a public purpose if the cost of the alteration will exceed $750,000.

(b) TRANSMISSION TO CONGRESS OF PROSPECTUS OF PROPOSED PROJECT.—To secure consideration for the approval referred to in subsection (a), the Administrator of General Services shall transmit to Congress a prospectus of the proposed facility, including—

(1) a brief description of the building to be constructed, altered, or acquired, or the space to be leased, under this chapter;

(2) the location of the building or space to be leased and an estimate of the maximum cost to the Government of the facility to be constructed, altered, or acquired, or the space to be leased;

(3) a comprehensive plan for providing space for all Government officers and employees in the locality of the proposed facility or the space to be leased, having due regard for suitable

space which may continue to be available in existing Government-owned or occupied buildings, especially those buildings that enhance the architectural, historical, social, cultural, and economic environment of the locality;

(4) with respect to any project for the construction, alteration, or acquisition of any building, a statement by the Administrator that suitable space owned by the Government is not available and that suitable rental space is not available at a price commensurate with that to be afforded through the proposed action;

(5) a statement by the Administrator of the economic and other justifications for not acquiring a building identified to the Administrator under section 3303(c) of this title as suitable for the public building needs of the Government;

(6) a statement of rents and other housing costs currently being paid by the Government for federal agencies to be housed in the building to be constructed, altered, or acquired, or the space to be leased;

(7) with respect to any prospectus for the construction, alteration, or acquisition of any building or space to be leased, an estimate of the future energy performance of the building or space and a specific description of the use of energy efficient and renewable energy systems, including photovoltaic systems, in carrying out the project; ⟦and⟧

(8) a statement of how the proposed project is consistent with the standards and criteria developed under section 11(b) of the Federal Assets Sale and Transfer Act of 2016⟦.⟧*;*

(9) information on any space occupied by the relevant agency in the geographical area of the proposed facility, including uses, utilization rates, any proposed consolidations, and, if not proposed to be consolidated, a justification for such determination;

(10) a statement by the Administrator of whether the public building needs of the Government for the proposed space to be leased were formerly met by a federally owned building, including any building identified for disposal or sale; and

(11) details on actual utilization rates, including number of personnel assigned to the facility, number of personnel expected to work in-person at the facility and whether all personnel identified reflect filled and authorized positions.

(c) INCREASE OF ESTIMATED MAXIMUM COST.—The estimated maximum cost of any project approved under this section as set forth in any prospectus may be increased by an amount equal to any percentage increase, as determined by the Administrator, in construction or alteration costs from the date the prospectus is transmitted to Congress. The increase authorized by this subsection may not exceed 10 percent of the estimated maximum cost. *The Administrator shall notify, in writing, the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Environment and Public Works of the Senate of any increase of more than 5 percent of an estimated maximum cost or of any increase or decrease in the scope or size of a project of 5 or more percent. Such notification shall include an explanation regarding any such increase or decrease. The scope or size of a project shall not increase or decrease by more than 10 percent unless an* *amended prospectus is submitted and approved pursuant to this section.*

(d) RESCISSION OF APPROVAL.—If an appropriation is not made within one year after the date a project for construction, alteration, or acquisition is approved under subsection (a), the Committee on Environment and Public Works of the Senate or the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives by resolution may rescind its approval before an appropriation is made.

(e) EMERGENCY LEASES BY THE ADMINISTRATOR.—This section does not prevent the Administrator from entering into emergency leases during any period declared by the President to require emergency leasing authority. An emergency lease may not be for more than 180 days without approval of a prospectus for the lease in accordance with subsection (a).

(f) MINIMUM PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR LEASED SPACE.—With respect to space to be leased, the Administrator shall include, to the maximum extent practicable, minimum performance requirements requiring energy efficiency and the use of renewable energy.

(g) LIMITATION ON LEASING CERTAIN SPACE.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator may not lease space to accommodate any of the following if the average rental cost of leasing the space will exceed $1,500,000:

(A) Computer and telecommunications operations.

(B) Secure or sensitive activities related to the national defense or security, except when it would be inappropriate to locate those activities in a public building or other facility identified with the Government.

(C) A permanent courtroom, judicial chamber, or administrative office for any United States court.

(2) EXCEPTION.—The Administrator may lease space with respect to which paragraph (1) applies if the Administrator—

(A) decides, for reasons set forth in writing, that leasing the space is necessary to meet requirements which cannot be met in public buildings; and

(B) submits the reasons to the Committee on Environment and Public Works of the Senate and the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives.

(h) DOLLAR AMOUNT ADJUSTMENT.—The Administrator annually may adjust any dollar amount referred to in this section to reflect a percentage increase or decrease in construction costs during the prior calendar year, as determined by the composite index of construction costs of the Department of Commerce. Any adjustment shall be expeditiously reported to the Committee on Environment and Public Works of the Senate and the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives.

(i) NOTIFICATION REQUIRED.—For each project approved under this section, the Administrator shall notify, in writing, the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Environment and Public Works of the Senate of any project milestones that are accomplished, including—

(1) the solicitation and award of design and construction services;

(2) the completion of any actions required for such project pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.);

(3) any ceremonies for the beginning or completion of such project;

(4) a naming ceremony for such project; and

(5) the completion of such project.

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§ 3319. Interagency space coordination

Unless a Federal agency specifically restricts the sharing of the information described in this section for national security purposes, the Administrator of General Services shall share with tenant Federal agencies pursuing new or replacement office space information on any other Federal agencies located in the same geographical area for purposes of determining opportunities for consolidations, collocations, or other space sharing to reduce the costs of space and maximize space utilization.

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