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REPORT

[To accompany S. 1686]

The Committee on Appropriations reports the bill (S. 1686) making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008, and for other purposes, reports favorably thereon and recommends that the bill do pass.

Amount of new budget (obligational) authority

Total of bill as reported to the Senate	$2,786,289,000
Amount of 2007 appropriations	2,647,802,000
Amount of 2008 budget estimate	3,075,590,000
Bill as recommended to Senate compared to—	
2007 appropriations	+138,487,000
2008 budget estimate	−289,301,000

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GENERAL STATEMENT AND SUMMARY

The Committee recommends new budget (obligational) authority of $2,786,289,000 for the legislative branch for fiscal year 2008. This total is $289,301,000 below the budget request and $138,487,000 above the fiscal year 2007 level.

The bill includes $284,000,000 for the U.S. Capitol Police; $352,534,000 for the Architect of the Capitol to maintain, improve, and construct buildings and facilities for the Congress; $510,320,000 for the Government Accountability Office; $576,949,000 for the Library of Congress; $138,596,000 for the Government Printing Office; and $842,031,000 for operations of the Senate.

The Committee expects all agencies to notify the Committee of any significant departures from budget plans presented to the Committee in any agency's budget justifications. In particular, agencies funded through this bill are required to notify the Committee prior to each reprogramming of funds in excess of the lesser of 10 percent or $500,000 between programs, projects or activities, or in excess of $500,000 between object classifications (except for shifts within the pay categories, object class 11, 12, and 13 or as further specified in each agency's respective section). This includes cumulative reprogrammings that together total at least $500,000 from or to a particular program, activity, or object classification as well as reprogramming of FTE's or funds to create new organizational entities within the Agency or to restructure entities which already exist. The Committee desires to be notified of reprogramming actions which involve less than the above-mentioned amounts if such actions would have the effect of changing an agency's funding requirements in future years or if programs or projects specifically cited in the Committee's reports are affected.

The Committee also expects all agencies to submit operating plans for the Committee's approval within 30 days of the bill's enactment.

Legislative Branch Inspectors General.—The establishment under this bill of an office of inspector general for the Office of the Architect of the Capitol helps to enhance governmental efforts to promote integrity and efficiency and to detect and prevent fraud, waste, and abuse in the Architect of the Capitol's programs and activities. A majority of the legislative branch entities have either a statutory or administrative inspector general to conduct and supervise audits and investigations relating to the programs and operations of their entity. The Committee recognizes the benefits of coordination and formal communication between and among the executive branch inspectors general achieved through the structure and activities of the President's Council on Integrity and Efficiency and the Executive Council on Integrity and Efficiency. To achieve similar benefits within the legislative branch, the Committee expects

the legislative branch inspectors general to communicate, cooperate, and coordinate with each other on an informal basis regarding their respective audit, inspection, and investigative activities, as appropriate. The Committee requests that the inspectors general keep the Committee informed of the progress of such communications, cooperation, and coordination.

Budget Justifications.—The Committee directs all agencies in the preparation of their budget justifications beginning in fiscal year 2009, to display clearly policies and assumptions for the development of their requests for programs, projects and activities.

TRANSPARENCY IN CONGRESSIONAL DIRECTIVES

On January 18, 2007, the Senate passed S. 1, The Legislative Transparency and Accountability Act of 2007, by a vote of 96–2. While the Committee awaits final action on this legislation, the Chairman and Ranking Member of the Committee issued interim requirements to ensure that the goals of S. 1 are in place for the appropriations bills for fiscal year 2008.

The Constitution vests in the Congress the power of the purse. The Committee believes strongly that Congress should make the decisions on how to allocate the people's money. In order to improve transparency and accountability in the process of approving earmarks (as defined in S. 1) in appropriations measures, each Committee report includes, for each earmark:

—(1) the name of the Member(s) making the request, and where appropriate, the President;

—(2) the name and location of the intended recipient or, if there is no specifically intended recipient, the intended location of the activity; and

—(3) the purpose of such earmark.

The term "congressional earmark" means a provision or report language included primarily at the request of a Senator, providing, authorizing, or recommending a specific amount of discretionary budget authority, credit authority, or other spending authority for a contract loan, loan guarantee, grant, loan authority, or other expenditure with or to an entity, or targeted to a specific state, locality, or congressional district, other than through a statutory or administrative, formula-driven, or competitive award process.

For each earmark, a Member is required to provide a certification that neither the Member (nor his or her spouse) has a pecuniary interest in such earmark, consistent with Senate Rule XXXVII(4). Such certifications are available to the public at http://appropriations.senate.gov/senators.cfm or go to appropriations.senate.gov and click on "Members".

TITLE I

LEGISLATIVE BRANCH APPROPRIATIONS

SENATE

PAYMENT TO WIDOWS AND HEIRS OF DECEASED MEMBERS OF CONGRESS

Appropriations, 2007	.....
Budget estimate, 2008	.....
Committee recommendation	$165,200

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $165,200 for Susan Thomas, widow of Craig Thomas.

EXPENSE ALLOWANCES

Appropriations, 2007	$195,000
Budget estimate, 2008	195,000
Committee recommendation	195,000

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $195,000 for the expense allowances of the Vice President, the President pro tempore of the Senate, the President pro tempore emeritus of the Senate, the majority and minority leaders, the majority and minority whips, the chairmen of the majority and minority conference committees, and the chairmen of the majority and minority policy committees. The recommended allowances are as follows:

For the expense allowance of the Vice President, the Committee recommends an amount of $20,000.

For the expense allowance of the President pro tempore, the Committee recommends an amount of $40,000.

For the expense allowance of the majority and minority leaders, the Committee recommends $40,000 for each leader, for a total of $80,000.

For the expense allowance of the majority and minority whips, the Committee recommends $10,000 for each whip, for a total of $20,000.

For the expense allowance of the President pro tempore emeritus, the Committee recommends $15,000.

For the expense allowance for the chairmen of the majority and minority conference committees, the Committee recommends $5,000 for each chairman, for a total of $10,000.

For the expense allowance for the chairmen of the majority and minority policy committees, the Committee recommends $5,000 for each chairman, for a total of $10,000.

Expenditures from all the foregoing allowances are made upon certification from the individuals for whom the allowances are authorized, and are reported semiannually in the report of the Secretary of the Senate.

REPRESENTATION ALLOWANCES FOR THE MAJORITY AND MINORITY LEADERS

Appropriations, 2007	$30,000
Budget estimate, 2008	30,000
Committee recommendation	30,000

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $30,000 for representation allowances for the majority and minority leaders.

This allowance was established in the Supplemental Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 1985 (Public Law 99–88). The funds were authorized to be used by the majority and minority leaders solely for the discharge of their appropriate responsibilities in connection with official visits to the United States by members of foreign legislative bodies and representatives of foreign governments and intergovernmental agencies. The recommended amount is to be divided equally between the two leaders.

Expenditures from this allowance are made upon certification of the leaders and are reported in the semiannual report of the Secretary of the Senate.

SALARIES, OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES

Appropriations, 2007	$148,512,000
Budget estimate, 2008	166,651,000
Committee recommendation	160,296,000

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $160,296,000 for the subaccounts funded under the overall account for the salaries of officers and employees of the Senate.

It should be noted that except for a handful of positions in the Offices of the Secretary and the Sergeant at Arms that are required by statute, specific staffing levels are not stipulated either by the budget request or by the Committee's recommendation. Rather, lump-sum allowances are provided to fund staffing levels each office finds necessary and appropriate for the performance of its duties. Estimated staffing levels for offices funded under this appropriation for fiscal year 2008 are approximately 1,465 positions.

SALARIES, OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES

[Estimated staffing levels—fiscal years 2007 and 2008]

	2008 request	2007
Office of the Vice President	45	45
Office of the President Pro Tempore	11	11
Office of the President Pro Tempore Emeritus	1	1
Offices of the majority and minority leaders	43	43
Offices of the majority and minority whips	30	30
Conference committees	48	48
Offices of the the secretaries of the conference of the majority and the conference of the minority	12	12
Policy Committees	55	55
Office of the Chaplain	4	4
Office of the Secretary	252	252
Office of the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper	946	927
Offices of the secretaries for the majority and minority	18	18
Totals	1,465	1,446

Any change from the allocation of funds in the subaccounts within this appropriation is subject to the approval of the Committee.

The total amount appropriated is allocated to the various offices of the Senate as displayed under the headings for the offices that follow.

OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT

Appropriations, 2007	$2,201,000
Budget estimate, 2008	2,316,000
Committee recommendation	2,316,000

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $2,316,000 to fund the salaries of the administrative and clerical staff of the Office of the Vice President in connection with his duties as the President of the Senate.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

Appropriations, 2007	$584,000
Budget estimate, 2008	620,000
Committee recommendation	620,000

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $620,000 for the Office of the President pro tempore.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE EMERITUS

Appropriations, 2007	$293,000
Budget estimate, 2008	309,000
Committee recommendation	309,000

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $309,000 for the Office of the President pro tempore emeritus.

OFFICES OF THE MAJORITY AND MINORITY LEADERS

Appropriations, 2007	$4,375,000
Budget estimate, 2008	4,796,000
Committee recommendation	4,796,000

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $4,796,000 for the offices of the majority and minority leaders. The amount recommended is to be equally divided, providing $2,398,000 for each office.

The administrative and clerical staffs funded by this appropriation were authorized under the provisions of Public Law 91–145, effective November 1, 1969.

OFFICES OF THE MAJORITY AND MINORITY WHIPS

Appropriations, 2007	$2,668,000
Budget estimate, 2008	2,912,000
Committee recommendation	2,912,000

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $2,912,000 for the offices of the majority and minority whips. It is to be equally divided, providing $1,456,000 for each office.

The authority for the administrative and clerical staff funded by this appropriation was created by Public Law 84–242, effective July 1, 1955.

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Appropriations, 2007	$13,880,000
Budget estimate, 2008	14,915,000
Committee recommendation	14,600,000

For the salaries of the staff of the Committee on Appropriations, the Committee recommends an appropriation of $14,600,000, an increase of $720,000 over the enacted level.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEES

Appropriations, 2007	$2,969,000
Budget estimate, 2008	3,174,000
Committee recommendation	3,174,000

For the administrative and clerical staffs of the majority and minority conference committees, the Committee recommends an appropriation of $3,174,000. The appropriation provides $1,587,000 in salaries for the staff of each conference committee.

The chairman of each conference committee may transfer to or from amounts provided for salaries of each conference to the account for conference committee expenses within the "Miscellaneous items" appropriation.

OFFICES OF THE SECRETARIES OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE MAJORITY AND THE CONFERENCE OF THE MINORITY

Appropriations, 2007	$735,000
Budget estimate, 2008	778,000
Committee recommendation	778,000

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $778,000 for the majority and minority conference secretaries.

These offices were created by section 6 of Senate Resolution 17, agreed to January 10, 1977, and two positions in each office were first funded in the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1977 (Public Law 95–26).

Section 102 of the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1979 (Public Law 96–38), abolished the specific positions and established a lump-sum allowance for the employment of staff, effective October 1, 1979. The amount recommended is to be divided equally between the majority secretary and the minority secretary.

POLICY COMMITTEES

Appropriations, 2007	$3,074,000
Budget estimate, 2008	3,240,000
Committee recommendation	3,240,000

For the salaries of the administrative and clerical staffs of the majority and minority policy committees, the Committee recommends an appropriation of $3,240,000 or $1,620,000 for each committee.

The chairman of each policy Committee may transfer to or from amounts provided for salaries of each policy Committee to the account for policy Committee expenses within the "Miscellaneous items" appropriation.

OFFICE OF THE CHAPLAIN

Appropriations, 2007	$357,000
Budget estimate, 2008	379,000
Committee recommendation	379,000

For the Office of the Chaplain, the Committee recommends an appropriation of $379,000. The amount recommended would provide the salaries for the Chaplain of the Senate and support staff to assist the Chaplain with his pastoral duties. The Fiscal Year 1988 Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, Public Law 100–202, established the rate of pay for the Chaplain at Executive Level IV, currently $145,400.

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Appropriations, 2007	$21,054,000
Budget estimate, 2008	23,500,000
Committee recommendation	22,388,000

The Committee recommends $22,388,000 for salaries of the Office of the Secretary. Fiscal year 2008 staffing levels are estimated at 252 positions.

The Committee encourages the Senate Commission on Art in consultation with the Senate Committee on Rules and Administration, to include an artistic tribute within the Capitol Building to commemorate the speech given by President Ronald Reagan at the Brandenburg Gate on June 12, 1987.

This appropriation provides funds for four statutory positions (Secretary of the Senate, Assistant Secretary of the Senate, Financial Clerk of the Senate, and Parliamentarian of the Senate) and lump-sum allowances for the employment and adjustment of salaries of personnel in the Office of the Secretary of the Senate, as authorized by Public Law 97–51, effective October 1, 1981 (2 U.S.C. 61a–11).

The following departmental guidelines for fiscal year 2008 have been submitted by the Secretary to the Committee. The departmental budgets grouped in the apportionment schedule under executive offices include: the Executive Office of the Secretary of the Senate, Page school, Senate Security, Information Systems, and Web Technology. The departmental budgets grouped in the apportionment schedule under administrative services include: conservation and preservation, curator, disbursing office, gift shop, historical office, human resources, interparliamentary services, library, printing and document services, public records, chief counsel for employment, and the stationery room. The departmental budgets grouped in the apportionment schedule under legislative and legal services include: the bill clerk, daily digest, enrolling clerk, journal clerk, legislative clerk, Official Reporters of Debate, captioning services, executive clerk, LIS project office, and Parliamentarian.

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

[Estimated staffing levels—fiscal years 2007 and 2008]

	2008 request	2007
Executive offices	32	32
Administrative services	171	171
Legislative and legal services	49	49
Totals	252	252

OFFICE OF THE SERGEANT AT ARMS AND DOORKEEPER

Appropriations, 2007	$57,251,000
Budget estimate, 2008	64,443,000
Committee recommendation	62,000,000

This appropriation provides funds for the salaries of three statutory positions (Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper, Deputy Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper, and Administrative Assistant to the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper) and lump-sum allowances for employment and adjustments of salaries of personnel in the Office of the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate, as authorized by Public Law 97–51, effective October 1, 1981 (2 U.S.C. 61f–7).

The Committee recommends a total of $62,000,000 for fiscal year 2008. This is an increase of $4,749,000 over the fiscal year 2007 level, and a decrease of $2,443,000 below the request reflecting current payroll projections.

The Sergeant at Arms structure reflects five major divisions: Capitol Division, Operations Division, Technology Development Services Division, IT Support Services Division and Staff Offices division. The Capitol Division consists of the Executive Office of the Sergeant at Arms, the Office of Security and Emergency Preparedness, the U.S. Capitol Police Liaison, the Senate Post Office and Recording Studio. These offices provide the executive management and leadership of the Sergeant at Arms for day to day operations; for security of the Senate side of the Capitol complex; for liaison with the United States Capitol Police; and mailing and recording studio services. The Operations Division provides printing and photographic services; furnishes and maintains the Senate side of the Capitol Building; and offers office support services such as desktop computer acquisition, State office liaison, and customer support. The Technology Development Services Division supports enterprise information technology systems, applications development, Internet/intranet services, information security, and network engineering. The IT Support Services Division provides desktop computer support; correspondence management system acquisition, maintenance and support; telecommunications equipment and services; general office equipment; and new technology assessment. The Staff Offices Division includes Financial Management, Human Resources, The Joint Office of Education and Training, and Process Management and Innovation.

The offices and personnel covered by this appropriation are shown in the following table.

OFFICE OF THE SERGEANT AT ARMS AND DOORKEEPER OF THE SENATE APPORTIONMENT SCHEDULE

Item	2007 level	Committee recommendation	Difference
Capitol Division	$14,859,000	$15,888,000	+$1,029,000
Positions	282	284	+2
Operations Division	$16,051,000	$17,483,000	+$1,432,000
Positions	299	305	+6
Technology Development Services Division	$11,787,000	$12,850,000	+$1,063,000
Positions	130	140	+10
IT Support Services Division	$6,296,000	$6,577,000	+$281,000
Positions	113	113	
Staff Offices Division	$8,258,000	$9,202,000	+$944,000
Positions	103	104	+1
TOTALS	$57,251,000	$62,000,000	+$4,749,000
Positions	927	946	+19

The Committee expects to be notified in writing in a timely manner of any changes to the staffing levels or distribution of staff.

OFFICES OF THE SECRETARIES FOR THE MAJORITY AND MINORITY

Appropriations, 2007	$1,598,000
Budget estimate, 2008	1,684,000
Committee recommendation	1,684,000

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $1,684,000 for the offices of the secretaries for the majority and minority. The appropriation is to be equally divided, providing $842,000 for each office.

AGENCY CONTRIBUTIONS

Appropriations, 2007	$37,473,000
Budget estimate, 2008	43,585,000
Committee recommendation	41,100,000

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $41,100,000 for agency contributions for employees paid under the appropriation, "Salaries, officers and employees," and employees paid under the appropriation "Expenses of the United States Senate Caucus on International Narcotics Control," employees paid under the appropriation "Joint Economic Committee," and employees paid by the "Senate Hair Care Services Revolving Fund."

Agency contributions include the Senate's contributions as an employer to the Civil Service Retirement System, the Federal Employees' Retirement System, the thrift savings plan, Federal employee group life insurance, Federal employee health insurance programs, and FICA. The Senate is required by law to make these payments, and the total required is dependent upon the number of Senate employees, their compensation levels, the benefit programs in which they are enrolled, and the extent of the benefits elected.

OFFICE OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL OF THE SENATE

Appropriations, 2007	$5,491,000
Budget estimate, 2008	6,280,000
Committee recommendation	6,280,000

For the Office of the Legislative Counsel of the Senate, the Committee recommends an appropriation of $6,280,000, an increase of $789,000 over the enacted level. This amount provides for the salaries, expenses, and agency contributions of the office.

OFFICE OF SENATE LEGAL COUNSEL

Appropriations, 2007	$1,317,000
Budget estimate, 2008	1,439,000
Committee recommendation	1,439,000

The Office of Senate Legal Counsel was established pursuant to section 701 of Public Law 95–521. The Committee recommends an appropriation of $1,439,000 for the Office. The amount provided pays for the salaries, expenses, and agency contributions of the Office.

EXPENSE ALLOWANCES OF THE SECRETARY OF THE SENATE, SERGEANT AT ARMS AND DOORKEEPER OF THE SENATE, AND SECRETARIES FOR THE MAJORITY AND MINORITY OF THE SENATE

Appropriations, 2007	$24,000
Budget estimate, 2008	24,000
Committee recommendation	24,000

Section 119 of Public Law 97–51 authorized an expense allowance for the Secretary of the Senate, the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate, the Secretary for the Majority, and the Secretary for the Minority. Since fiscal year 1983, the amount has been provided through a direct appropriation. The Committee recommends an appropriation of $24,000 providing an allowance of $6,000 for each office.

CONTINGENT EXPENSES OF THE SENATE

INQUIRIES AND INVESTIGATIONS

Appropriations, 2007	$120,692,000
Budget estimate, 2008	138,644,000
Committee recommendation	129,000,000

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $129,000,000 for inquiries and investigations by all Senate standing, special, and select committees. This is $8,308,000 above the current level and $9,644,000 below the request.

This appropriation funds the liquidation of obligations incurred by committees under the authorization provided in Committee funding resolutions.

U.S. SENATE CAUCUS ON INTERNATIONAL NARCOTICS CONTROL

Appropriations, 2007	$520,000
Budget estimate, 2008	520,000
Committee recommendation	520,000

The Committee recommends $520,000 for the expenses of the U.S. Senate Caucus on International Narcotics Control. Established in 1985 by the Foreign Relations Authorization Act (Public Law 99–93), the Caucus was created to monitor and promote international compliance with narcotics control treaties and monitor and encourage U.S. Government and private programs seeking to ex-

pand international cooperation against drug abuse. The Caucus is composed of seven Senators and five members from the public sector with a chairman from the majority party and a co-chairman from the minority party.

SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

Appropriations, 2007	$1,980,000
Budget estimate, 2008	2,000,000
Committee recommendation	2,000,000

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $2,000,000 for expenses of the Office of the Secretary. This is $20,000 above the enacted level, and the same as the budget request.

The table printed below sets forth the apportionment of funds under this appropriation, followed by a brief description of the line items. Any deviation of more than 10 percent cumulatively from the stated levels for each item will require the customary prior approval of the Committee.

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY APPORTIONMENT SCHEDULE

Item	Amount available fiscal year 2007 Public Law 109–55	Budget estimate fiscal year 2008	Difference
Departmental Operating Budget:			
Executive Office	$630,000	$550,000	−$80,000
Administrative Services	1,290,000	1,390,000	+100,000
Legislative Services	60,000	60,000	
Total Operating Budget	1,980,000	2,000,000	+20,000

Typical expenditures of the Secretary of the Senate include:

Consultants.—Funding is provided for not to exceed two individual consultants as authorized by section 110 of Public Law 95–94, August 5, 1977, which amends section 101 of Public Law 95–26, May 4, 1977. Consultants employed under this authority shall not be paid in excess of the per diem equivalent of the highest gross rate of annual compensation which may be paid to employees of a standing committee of the Senate.

Legal Reference Volumes and Dictionaries.—Funding is provided to furnish U.S. Senators with volumes of the U.S. Code Annotated or U.S. Code service, pocket parts and supplements, as authorized by Public Law 92–51, July 9, 1971.

The Disbursing Office is responsible for providing the U.S. Code Annotated or the U.S. Code Service to Senators when they assume office and upon receipt of a written request of a Senator. In addition, dictionaries and dictionary stands are also furnished to Senators from funds provided in this account.

Contractual Legal and Administrative Services and Miscellaneous Expenses.—Funding is provided for various contractual, administrative, and miscellaneous expenses incurred by the Office of the Secretary. The Office of the Secretary of the Senate has contractual authority under Public Law 92–342, for the Federal Election Campaign Act and has utilized this authority to employ professional legal services in the past. In addition, the Office of the Secretary has incurred various types of legal and other expenses which have been authorized by the Senate. Administrative services and mis-

cellaneous expenses are housekeeping expenses of the Office of the Secretary.

Travel and Registration Fees.—Funding is provided for travel expenses and registration fees incurred by the Secretary of the Senate and the employees of the Office of the Secretary. This line item excludes funding for travel expenses for the Federal Election Campaign Act under the Office of Public Records, which is provided separately under the authority of Public Law 93–342.

The authority for the travel portion of this account was provided for by section 101 of Public Law 94–59, July 25, 1975.

Orientation and Training.—Funding is provided for expenses incurred by the Secretary of the Senate to conduct orientation seminars or similar meetings for Senators, Senate officials, or members of staffs of Senators or Senate officials, not to exceed $25,000 under the authority of 2 U.S.C. 69a.

The Office of the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate is also authorized under these provisions to conduct seminars or similar meetings in the same manner and to the same extent as the Office of the Secretary of the Senate.

Newspapers.—Funding is provided to furnish newspapers and magazines for official purposes to the Marble Room, leadership offices, Republican and Democratic Cloakrooms, Senate officers, and certain other offices.

Senate Service Awards.—Funding is provided for the issuance of service pins or emblems as authorized by Senate Resolution 21, September 10, 1965. Senate Resolution 21 authorizes the Secretary of the Senate, under the direction of the Committee on Rules and Administration and in accordance with regulations promulgated by the Committee, to procure such pins or emblems and award them to Members, officers, and employees of the Senate who are entitled.

Postage.—This account also provides funding for postage for the Office of the Secretary of the Senate for special delivery, registered mail, and additional postage not covered under the frank.

Education of Senate Pages.—Funding is provided for the education of Senate pages. Senate Resolution 184, July 29, 1983, authorized the Secretary of the Senate to enter into a contract, agreement, or other arrangement with the board of education of the District of Columbia, or to provide such educational services and items in such other manner as he may deem appropriate. Public Law 98–125, October 13, 1983, amended Public Law 98–51, July 14, 1983, striking out the heading and paragraph "Education of Pages" under the heading "Joint Items," and redesignated the funds provided in Public Law 98–51 for the education of pages between the House of Representatives and the Senate. Each House is to provide for the education of its own pages.

Stationery.—Funding is provided for stationery supplies for the Office of the Secretary of the Senate. The funds provided have been allocated to the various departments of the Office of the Secretary.

Senate Commission on Art.—Funding is provided for the Senate Commission on Art, authorized by Public Law 100–696, November 18, 1988, to acquire any work of art, historical object, documents or material relating to historical matters, or exhibits for placement or exhibition within the Senate wing of the Capitol, any Senate office building, or in rooms, spaces, or corridors thereof, and to pub-

lish a Senate historical objects inventory and calendar of exhibits on display within the Senate wing of the Capitol and Senate office buildings.

The Senate Commission on Art was formerly the Commission on Arts and Antiquities, which was authorized by Senate Resolution 382, October 1, 1968, as amended by Senate Resolution 95, April 1, 1977, and Senate Resolution 400, March 23, 1988.

Representation Expenses.—Funding is provided (not to exceed $50,000) to the Secretary of the Senate to coordinate and carry out responsibilities in connection with foreign parliamentary groups or other foreign officials visiting the United States. Authorized by section 2 of Public Law 101–163, November 21, 1989.

Office of Conservation and Preservation.—Funding is provided for the Office of Conservation and Preservation to develop and coordinate programs directly related to the conservation and protection of Senate records and materials for which the Secretary of the Senate has statutory authority.

Book Preservation.—Funding is provided for the Office of Conservation and Preservation to use outside sources for the preservation and protection of the Senate book collection, including historically valuable documents under the care of the Secretary of the Senate.

Office of Public Records.—Funding is provided for expenses of the Office of Public Records. This office has evolved through various pieces of legislation and various responsibilities authorized by the Federal Election Campaign Act, as amended, the Ethics in Government Act, as amended, and the Lobbying Disclosure Act, as amended. Public Law 92–342, July 10, 1972, authorizes the Secretary of the Senate to procure technical support services, consultants, use of detailed employees and travel expenses in carrying out his duties under the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971. The Office of Public Records is mentioned for the first time in Public Law 93–145, November 1, 1973, which authorizes the Secretary of the Senate to appoint and fix the compensation of a superintendent and other positions for the Office of Public Records. In addition, under the authority of Public Law 95–521, October 26, 1978 (Ethics in Government Act) reports filed under section 101 shall be available for public inspection and a copy of the report shall be provided to any person upon request. Any person requesting a copy of a report may be required to pay a reasonable fee to cover the cost of reproduction. Any moneys received by the Secretary shall be deposited into the Office of Public Records Revolving Fund under the authority of Public Law 101–163, November 21, 1989. The office also performs functions such as registration of mass mailings.

Disbursing Office.—Funding is provided for expenses incurred in the operation of the disbursing office. Typical expenses for this office include online access charges for Department of the Treasury systems, notary bonds, seals and supplies, necessary supplies in conjunction with the various machinery maintained in the office, which are not available in the stationery room, and necessary insurance policies required for the protection of the disbursing officer of the Senate for moneys assigned to his accountability.

Office of Captioning Services.—Funding is provided for the closed captioning of the televised Senate floor proceedings for the hearing

impaired. Closed captioning was first authorized under the authority of Public Law 101–163, November 21, 1989.

Senate Chief Counsel for Employment.—Funding is provided for the Office of the Senate Chief Counsel for Employment. This office is a nonpartisan office formed in May 1993 at the direction of the joint leadership and is charged with providing legal advice and representation of Senate offices in all areas of employment law.

SERGEANT AT ARMS AND DOORKEEPER OF THE SENATE

Appropriations, 2007	$142,000,000
Budget estimate, 2008	162,450,000
Committee recommendation	145,189,000

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $145,189,000 for expenses of the Sergeant at Arms, an increase of $3,189,000 above the fiscal year 2007 level and a reduction of $17,261,000 below the request, to remain available until September 30, 2012.

The following table compares the component categories within this account for the fiscal year 2007 and 2008 Committee recommendation.

EXPENSES—OFFICE OF THE SERGEANT AT ARMS AND DOORKEEPER OF THE SENATE APPORTIONMENT SCHEDULE

Item	Amount available fiscal year 2007	Budget Estimate fiscal year 2008	Difference
Capitol Division	$10,901,000	$16,223,000	+$5,322,000
Operations Division	22,414,000	23,937,000	+1,523,000
Technology Development Services Division	26,749,000	32,518,000	+5,769,000
IT Support Services Division	73,050,000	65,980,000	−7,070,000
Staff Offices Division	8,886,000	6,531,000	−2,355,000
Totals	142,000,000	145,189,000	+3,189,000

The Committee directs that the Sergeant at Arms provide to the Committee a spending plan prior to the beginning of fiscal year 2008. Any deviation of more than 10 percent cumulatively from the level for each item in the spending plan will require the customary approval of the Committee.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

Appropriations, 2007	$17,000,000
Budget estimate, 2008	18,737,000
Committee recommendation	17,528,000

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $17,528,000 for miscellaneous items. Any deviation of more than 10 percent cumulatively from the stated levels for each item will require the customary prior approval of the Committee.

The following table sets forth the apportionment of funds under this appropriation:

FISCAL YEAR 2008 BUDGET—MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS APPORTIONMENT SCHEDULE

Item	Amount Authorized Fiscal Year 2007 Public Law 109–55	Budget Estimate Fiscal Year 2008	Difference
Resolution and reorganization reserve	$2,500,000	$2,500,000	.....
Unallocated	4,292,000	4,292,000	.....

FISCAL YEAR 2008 BUDGET—MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS APPORTIONMENT SCHEDULE—Continued

Item	Amount Authorized Fiscal Year 2007 Public Law 109–55	Budget Estimate Fiscal Year 2008	Difference
Reserve for contingencies (miscellaneous items)	800,000	800,000	.....
Employees' compensation fund reimbursement (worker's compensation)	923,500	900,500	−$23,000
Mailing of Town Meeting Notices (Public Law 108–447, dated Dec. 8, 2004)	500,000	500,000	.....
John Heinz Fellowship Program (S. Res. 356, dated Oct. 7, 1992, S. Res. 238, dated Jul. 1, 1994, S. Res. 180 dated Sep. 30, 1999, S. Res. 428, dated Sep. 23, 2004) (expires Sep. 30, 2009)	85,000	85,000	.....
Reception of foreign dignitaries (S. Res. 247, dated Feb. 7, 1962, as amended by S. Res. 370, dated Oct. 10, 2000)	30,000	30,000	.....
Foreign travel—Members and employees (S. Res. 179, dated May 25, 1977)	125,000	125,000	.....
Federal employees compensation account (Public Law 96–499, dated Dec. 5, 1980) (Unemployment Compensation)	1,750,000	1,750,000	.....
Conferences for the Majority and Minority (Public Laws: 97–51, dated Jan. 3, 1983, 101–250, dated Nov. 5, 1990, and 107–68, dated Nov. 12, 2001)	300,000	300,000	.....
Policy Committees for the Majority and Minority (Public Law 104–53, dated Nov. 19, 1995)	150,000	150,000	.....
Postage	6,000	[1] 6,000	.....
Stationery	16,500	[2] 16,500	.....
Communications	.....	[3] 51,000	+51,000
Consultants—including agency contributions (2 USC 61h–6 as amended)	3,500,000	4,000,000	+500,000
National Security Working Group (S. Res. 480, November 21, 2004) (expires Dec. 31, 2008)	700,000	700,000	.....
Committee on Appropriations (Public Law 105–275, dated Oct. 21, 1998)	950,000	950,000	.....
Office of the Chaplain (Public Law 108–199, dated Jan. 23, 2004)	50,000	50,000	.....
Senate Child Care Center: Agency Contribution costs authorized by Public Laws 102–90, dated Aug. 14, 1991 and 103–50, dated Jul. 2, 1993	300,000	300,000	.....
Senate Child Care Center: Training classes, conferences, & travel expenses as authorized by Public Law 104–197, dated Sep. 16, 1996	22,000	22,000	.....
Total	17,000,000	17,528,000	+528,000

[1] Postage Apportionment (Fiscal year 2008):

President of the Senate	$2,700
Secretary for the Majority	1,100
Secretary for the Minority	1,100
Chaplain	1,100
TOTAL	6,000

[2] Stationery Apportionment (Fiscal year 2008):

President of the Senate	$8,000
Conference of the Majority	300
Conference of the Minority	300
Chaplain	700
Senate Chamber	7,200
TOTAL	16,500

[3] Communications Apportionment (fiscal year 2008):

Office of the Vice President	$1,000
Secretary for the Majority	7,500
Secretary for the Minority	7,500
Office of the Chaplain	1,000
Majority Leader	15,000
Minority Leader	15,000
Majority Whip	2,000
Minority Leader	2,000
TOTAL	51,000

Resolution and Reorganization Reserve.—This line item is used to cover the costs of Senate resolutions and public laws that authorize

expenditures from the contingent fund of the Senate that do not have specific appropriations for such purpose.

Reserve for Contingencies.—This line item includes payment for gratuities for family members of deceased Senate employees; damage to automobiles in the Senate parking lots; contractual, legal, and administrative services; and miscellaneous expenses, and is controlled by the Committee on Rules and Administration.

Employees' Compensation Fund Reimbursements (Worker's Compensation).—Reimbursements made to the U.S. Department of Labor for total benefits and other payments made on behalf of Senate employees from the employees' compensation fund.

Reception of Foreign Dignitaries.—The Committee on Foreign Relations is authorized to expend not to exceed $30,000 each fiscal year to receive foreign dignitaries under the authority of Senate Resolution 247, agreed to February 7, 1962, as amended.

John Heinz Fellowship Program.—This fellowship program was first authorized by S. Res. 356 and extended by S. Res. 238, and S. Res. 180. It is authorized through September 30, 2009 and provides for up to 2 fellows each calendar year. The appointing authority is the Secretary of the Senate.

Foreign Travel—Members and Employees.—Senate Resolution 179, agreed to May 25, 1977, authorized payment from the contingent fund of the Senate, of the domestic portion of transportation costs and travel expenses incurred by Members and employees of the Senate when engaged in authorized foreign travel.

Federal Employees' Compensation Account (Unemployment Compensation).—This line item provides for expenses incurred for the Senate to reimburse the Federal employees' compensation account, pursuant to Public Law 96–499, approved December 5, 1980, for unemployment compensation payments made to Senate employees.

Conferences for the Majority and Minority.—The amount recommended provides for the expenses of the majority and minority conference committees.

Policy Committees for the Majority and Minority.—The amount recommended provides for the expenses of the majority and minority policy committees.

Postage.—Provides for postage allowances for the President of the Senate, Secretary of the Majority, Secretary of the Minority, and Senate Chaplain.

Stationery.—Provides funds for stationery and office supplies for the President of the Senate, conference committees of the Senate, Office of the Chaplain, and the Senate Chamber.

Communications.—Provides funds for cellular telephone and mobile data devices and services for the Office of the Vice President, Secretary for the Majority, Secretary for the Minority, Office of the Chaplain, Majority Leader, Minority Leader, Majority Whip and Minority Whip.

The Committee has provided funding for the officers and leadership to enable them to acquire cellular telephone and mobile data devices and services, thereby relieving the Sergeant at Arms of his current responsibility to provide such devices and services. The Committee believes that this will increase accountability and allow the offices greater flexibility in choosing and managing their equipment and services. Further, this treatment is consistent with the

funding for these devices and services for members and committees. Each office should continue to work with the Sergeant at Arms to obtain the necessary devices and services. The Sergeant at Arms will make a certification of the appropriate charges against this account in accordance with the current practice for other Senate offices.

Consultants—Including Agency Contributions.—Provides authority for the appointment and payment of consultants to the majority and minority leaders, president pro tempore, president pro tempore emeritus, and the legislative counsel. The following summarizes the current authority and limitations:

Majority leader: Eight consultants at not to exceed the daily rate for maximum standing committee rate. All of the consultants may be appointed at an annual rate of compensation not to exceed the maximum annual rate for a standing committee.

Minority leader: Eight consultants at not to exceed the daily rate for maximum standing committee rate. All of the consultants may be appointed at an annual rate of compensation not to exceed the maximum annual rate for a standing committee.

Legislative counsel (subject to President Pro Tempore approval): Two consultants at not to exceed the daily rate for maximum standing committee rate. All of the consultants may be appointed at an annual rate of compensation not to exceed the maximum annual rate for a standing committee.

President Pro Tempore: Two consultants at not to exceed the daily rate for maximum standing committee rate. The consultants may be appointed at an annual rate of compensation not to exceed the maximum annual rate for a standing committee.

President Pro Tempore Emeritus: One consultant at not to exceed the daily rate for maximum standing committee rate. The consultants may be appointed at an annual rate of compensation not to exceed the maximum annual rate for a standing committee.

Senate National Security Working Group.—Provides funding for the Senate National Security Working Group, under the authority of Senate Resolution 75, agreed to March 25, 1999. The Senate National Security Working Group was formerly the Senate Arms Control Observer Group.

Committee on Appropriations.—Pursuant to Public Law 105–275 provides funding for administrative expenses for the Committee on Appropriations.

Senate Employees' Child Care Center—Agency Contributions.—Provides for the payment of agency contribution costs as authorized by Public Law 102–90, approved August 14, 1991, and Public Law 103–50, approved July 2, 1993, for employees of the Senate Employees Child Care Center. The Senate Employees' Child Care Center is intended primarily for the children of members and employees of the Senate.

Senate Employees' Child Care Center—Training Classes and Conference Costs.—Provides for the reimbursement of any individual employed by the Senate Employees' Child Care Center for the cost of training classes and conferences in connection with the provision of child care services and for travel, transportation, and subsistence expenses incurred in connection with the training classes and con-

ferences, as authorized by Public Law 104–197, approved September 16, 1996.

Student Loan Repayment Program.—Provides for the repayment of student loans at a maximum of $500 per month, for eligible employees at the discretion of the employing office, to enhance recruitment and retention of Senate staff.

SENATORS' OFFICIAL PERSONNEL AND OFFICE EXPENSE ACCOUNT

Appropriations, 2007	$365,453,000
Budget estimate, 2008	396,065,000
Committee recommendation	379,065,000

The Committee recommends an appropriation for fiscal year 2008 of $379,065,000 for the Senators' Official Personnel and Office Expense Account, an increase of $13,612,000 above the current year and a decrease of $17,000,000 below the request.

This account funds salaries and benefits of Senators' staffs as well as the office expense allowance for Senators' offices. The Senators' official personnel and office expense allowance [SOPOEA] is comprised of three components. Two of these are for salaries of personnel in Senators' offices.

The allowance for administrative and clerical assistance is based on the population of States, beginning with States with a population of fewer than 5 million people to States with a population of 28 million or more. The table illustrates the allowances per population category and the States which fall into those categories. The estimate for fiscal year 2008 totals $231,031,870.

The second component of the salaries allowance is for legislative assistance to Senators, as authorized by Public Law 95–94. This allowance provides funding for three positions in each Senator's office at an annual rate of $160,659 for a total of $481,977 per office, or $48,197,000 for all 100 Senators.

The third component of the SOPOEA account is for office expenses and totals $20,328,942. Each Senator's office is allocated an amount for office expenses, as displayed in the following table. In addition, an amount of $200,000 is provided to cover additional expenses that may be incurred in the event of the death or resignation of a Senator, and to provide for transitional expenses during election years subject to regulations set by the Committee on Rules and Administration with respect to official mail.

It should be noted that the amounts provided for the various components of the SOPOEA are interchangeable. Amounts provided for salaries may be used for expenses, and vice versa, subject to regulations set by the Committee on Rules and Administration with respect to official mail. It should also be noted that the figures in the following table are preliminary, and that official notification of member budgets is issued by the Financial Clerk of the Senate after enactment of this bill.

The following table illustrates the several components of the SOPOEA.

SENATORS' OFFICIAL PERSONNEL AND OFFICE EXPENSE ALLOWANCE FISCAL YEAR 2008

State	Admin. & Cler. Assist. Allowance 10/1/2007	Legislative Assit. Allowance 10/1/2007	O.O.E.A. Allowance 10/1/2007	Total Allowance 10/1/2007
Alabama	$2,147,165	$481,977	$184,759	$2,813,901
Alaska	2,147,165	481,977	253,282	2,882,424
Arizona	2,278,956	481,977	205,838	2,966,771
Arkansas	2,147,165	481,977	170,212	2,799,354
California	3,467,575	481,977	467,441	4,416,993
Colorado	2,147,165	481,977	192,334	2,821,476
Connecticut	2,147,165	481,977	160,689	2,789,831
Delaware	2,147,165	481,977	128,601	2,757,743
Florida	3,045,980	481,977	315,282	3,843,239
Georgia	2,476,644	481,977	221,032	3,179,653
Hawaii	2,147,165	481,977	280,379	2,909,521
Idaho	2,147,165	481,977	165,907	2,795,049
Illinois	2,674,338	481,977	265,823	3,422,138
Indiana	2,278,956	481,977	195,916	2,956,849
Iowa	2,147,165	481,977	171,007	2,800,149
Kansas	2,147,165	481,977	169,200	2,798,342
Kentucky	2,147,165	481,977	178,635	2,807,777
Louisiana	2,147,165	481,977	185,141	2,814,283
Maine	2,147,165	481,977	149,028	2,778,170
Maryland	2,213,058	481,977	171,989	2,867,024
Massachusetts	2,278,956	481,977	195,338	2,956,271
Michigan	2,542,546	481,977	234,348	3,258,871
Minnesota	2,213,058	481,977	189,227	2,884,262
Mississippi	2,147,165	481,977	169,870	2,799,012
Missouri	2,213,058	481,977	198,077	2,893,112
Montana	2,147,165	481,977	162,886	2,792,028
Nebraska	2,147,165	481,977	161,295	2,790,437
Nevada	2,147,165	481,977	176,654	2,805,796
New Hampshire	2,147,165	481,977	143,729	2,772,871
New Jersey	2,410,751	481,977	205,494	3,098,222
New Mexico	2,147,165	481,977	167,889	2,797,031
New York	3,088,139	481,977	319,531	3,889,647
North Carolina	2,410,751	481,977	219,328	3,112,056
North Dakota	2,147,165	481,977	150,613	2,779,755
Ohio	2,608,443	481,977	255,307	3,345,727
Oklahoma	2,147,165	481,977	181,784	2,810,926
Oregon	2,147,165	481,977	191,011	2,820,153
Pennsylvania	2,674,338	481,977	261,699	3,418,014
Rhode Island	2,147,165	481,977	139,117	2,768,259
South Carolina	2,147,165	481,977	175,902	2,805,044
South Dakota	2,147,165	481,977	152,480	2,781,622
Tennessee	2,278,956	481,977	195,733	2,956,666
Texas	3,256,780	481,977	367,822	4,106,579
Utah	2,147,165	481,977	171,515	2,800,657
Vermont	2,147,165	481,977	137,093	2,766,235
Virginia	2,344,853	481,977	196,936	3,023,766
Washington	2,278,956	481,977	216,188	2,977,121
West Virginia	2,147,165	481,977	148,845	2,777,987
Wisconsin	2,213,058	481,977	192,481	2,887,516
Wyoming	2,147,165	481,977	153,784	2,782,926
Total	115,515,935	24,098,850	10,064,471	149,679,256
	×2	×2	×2	×2
Grand Total	231,031,870	48,197,700	20,128,942	299,358,512

According to the most recent employment data compiled by the Secretary of the Senate, as of April 30, 2007, there were 4,220 individuals employed in Senators' offices throughout the United States and covered by this appropriation.

In addition to providing funds for compensation of employees within Senators' offices, this appropriation also provides for agency

contributions for those employees; that is, the Senate's share, as an employer, of the various employee benefit programs for which Senate employees are eligible. These payments are mandatory, and fluctuate according to the programs in which employees are enrolled, the level of compensation, and the degree of participation. Budget requests for this account prepared by the Financial Clerk must be based on both experience and evaluation of trends. The fiscal year 2008 request for this account anticipates $97,074,000 in agency contribution costs.

The amount recommended by the Committee for the SOPOEA is less than would be required to cover all obligations that could be incurred under the authorized allowances for all Senators. The Committee is able to recommend an appropriation of a lesser amount than potentially necessary because Senators typically do not obligate funds up to the absolute ceiling of their respective allowances.

SENATE OFFICIAL MAIL COSTS

Appropriations, 2007	$300,000
Budget estimate, 2008	300,000
Committee recommendation	300,000

For the official mail costs of the Senate, the Committee recommends an appropriation of $300,000 which is the same as the budget request.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

SEC. 1. ADMINISTRATIVE AND CLERICAL ALLOWANCE. This provision increases by $50,000 the allowance for administrative and clerical assistance.

SEC. 2. UNITED STATES SENATE COLLECTION. This provision extends for 1 year the availability of funds for the Senate art collection.

SEC. 3. PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE EMERITUS. This provision extends the authority of the President Pro Tempore Emeritus for the 110th Congress.

SEC. 4. EXPENSES OF THE OFFICES OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE MAJORITY AND THE CONFERENCE OF THE MINORITY. This provision authorizes the Secretary of the Conference of the Majority or the Secretary of the Conference of the Minority to transfer money from their SOE account to the Miscellaneous Items account in the Senate contingent fund in order to pay appropriate office expenses. This authority is already available to other Senate leadership offices.

SEC. 5. COMPENSATION FOR EMPLOYEES OF COMMITTEES. This provision standardizes the compensation limitation for employees of standing, select, and joint committees.

SEC. 6. U.S. SENATE-JAPAN INTERPARLIAMENTARY GROUP. The Committee recommends language establishing a U.S. Senate-Japan Interparliamentary Group.

SEC. 7. ORIENTATION SEMINARS. This provision increases by $5,000 the authorization for orientation seminars for new Senators.

SEC. 8. MEDIA GALLERY EMPLOYEES. This provision clarifies the ability of the Senate media galleries to participate in the credentialing of media at the national conventions.

JOINT ITEMS

JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE

Appropriations, 2007	$4,308,000
Budget estimate, 2008	4,398,000
Committee recommendation	4,398,000

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $4,398,000 for the Joint Economic Committee [JEC]. This is an increase of $90,000 over the enacted level owing to anticipated cost-of-living increases. The Joint Economic Committee [JEC] was created by the Employment Act of 1946. The primary tasks of the JEC are to review economic conditions and to recommend improvements in economic policy. The JEC performs research and economic analysis, and monitors and analyzes current economic, financial, and employment condition.

JOINT COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

Appropriations, 2007	$8,773,000
Budget estimate, 2008	9,416,000
Committee recommendation	9,416,000

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $9,416,000 for salaries and expenses of the Joint Committee on Taxation. This is an increase of $643,000 over the enacted level primarily to accommodate cost-of-living increases.

The Joint Committee is established under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to: (1) investigate the operation and effects of internal revenue taxes and the administration of such taxes; (2) investigate measures and methods for the simplification of such taxes; (3) make reports to the House Committee on Ways and Means and the Senate Committee on Finance (or to the House and the Senate) on the results of such investigations and studies and to make recommendations; and (4) review any proposed refund or credit of income or estate and gift taxes or certain other taxes set forth in Code section 6405 in excess of $2,000,000. In addition to these functions that are specified in the Internal Revenue Code, the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 requires the Joint Committee to provide revenue estimates for all tax legislation considered by either the House or the Senate.

JOINT CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE ON INAUGURAL CEREMONIES

Appropriations, 2007	.....
Budget estimate, 2008	.....
Committee recommendation	$1,250,000

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $1,250,000 for the 2009 Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies [JCCIC]. This is the same amount that was provided for the 2005 JCCIC.

OFFICE OF THE ATTENDING PHYSICIAN

Appropriations, 2007	$2,520,000
Budget estimate, 2008	2,820,000
Committee recommendation	2,820,000

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $2,820,000 for the Office of the Attending Physician. The Office was first established by House Resolution 253, adopted December 5, 1928.

CAPITOL GUIDE AND SPECIAL SERVICES OFFICE

Appropriations, 2007	$8,524,000
Budget estimate, 2008	10,876,000
Committee recommendation	7,864,000

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $7,864,000 for the Capitol Guide and Special Services Office, $3,012,000 below the request. The increase accomodates additional staffing requirements associated with the operation of the Capitol Visitor Center. The Committee notes that staffing requirements may exceed original estimates owing to a number of unresolved or developing CVC operational issues. The Committee expects to be apprised of staffing needs as operational decisions are made.

STATEMENTS OF APPROPRIATIONS

Appropriations, 2007	$30,000
Budget estimate, 2008	30,000
Committee recommendation	30,000

The Committee recommends $30,000 for the preparation of detailed statements of appropriations as required by law. This account is used as payment for the preparation of the volumes, "Statements on Appropriations," for the first session of the 110th Congress. These volumes show annual appropriations made, indefinite appropriations, and contracts authorized, along with a chronological history of regular appropriations bills. The volumes are compiled jointly by the Senate and House Committees on Appropriations pursuant to a directive in the Legislative Appropriations Act of June 7, 1924.

CAPITOL POLICE

	Recommended
Salaries	$225,930,000
Expenses	58,070,000
Total, Capitol Police	284,000,000

The Committee recommends $284,000,000 for the U.S. Capitol Police. This is an increase of $18,365,000 over fiscal year 2007 and a decrease of $15,070,000 below the request, reflecting more accurate projections of requirements and better management of additional duty hours.

Management Issues.—The Committee notes that the Capitol Police has had longstanding financial management weaknesses. However, recently the Government Accountability Office recognized that progress is being made under the new Chief and his management team. The Committee anticipates USCP will make significant progress this year and stabilize USCP financial management oper-

ations, including the preparation of a complete set of entity-wide auditable financial statements. In addition, the Committee is pleased with USCP's efforts to improve its strategic planning and decisionmaking processes, including holding managers accountable and using performance-based metrics. The Committee expects USCP will continue to work with GAO and its own Inspector General on these activities.

SALARIES

Appropriations, 2007	$217,135,000
Budget estimate, 2008	237,074,000
Committee recommendation	225,930,000

The Committee recommendation totals $225,930,000 for salaries, an increase of $8,795,000 over the enacted level and a decrease of $11,144,000 below the request. This level will support current sworn staffing of 1,681 officers, and 10 new officers associated with Library of Congress police attrition. In addition, to the current level of 390 civilian staff, the Committee recommendation funds new positions in financial management, security service, information system and facilities management.

The amount provided covers salaries, benefits, and overtime costs. Capitol Police personnel are also eligible for hazardous duty pay and comparability pay similar to locality pay adjustments granted other Federal law enforcement personnel in the Washington, DC, area.

GENERAL EXPENSES

Appropriations, 2007	[1] $48,500,000
Budget estimate, 2008	61,996,000
Committee recommendation	58,070,000

[1] Includes $10,000,000 in supplemental appropriations (Public Law 110–28).

The Committee recommends $58,070,000 for general expenses of the Capitol Police, an increase of $9,570,000 over fiscal year 2007 and a reduction of $3,926,000 below the request.

The recommendation includes $450,000 to conduct necessary studies and preparation for the integration of the LOC security and informatin technology systems into USCP systems.

Expenses include office supplies and equipment, laundry and dry-cleaning, communications, motor vehicles, uniforms and equipment, investigations, training, and miscellaneous items.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

SEC. 1001. TRANSFER AUTHORITY. The Committee has included a routine provision which allows for funds to be transferred between the "Salaries" and "General expenses" accounts.

SEC. 1002. USCP GENERAL COUNSEL. This provision transfers the position of General Counsel to the Capitol Police. With the exception of this position, all other sworn and civilian USCP positions, including those reporting directly to the Capitol Police Board, are on the USCP payroll and have been since the USCP payroll migrated from the Senate or House payrolls.

SEC. 1003. TRANSFER OF LIBRARY OF CONGRESS POLICE. Language is included that effectuates the merger of the Capitol Police

with the Library of Congress [LOC] Police mandated by the 2003 Legislative Branch Appropriations Act (Public Law 108–7).

OFFICE OF COMPLIANCE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

Appropriations, 2007	$3,103,000
Budget estimate, 2008	4,106,000
Committee recommendation	3,806,000

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $3,806,000, for the salaries and expenses of the Office of Compliance [OOC], an increase of $703,000 over fiscal year 2007. The Committee expects OOC to continue to work with the Architect of the Capitol to address Capitol complex utility tunnel issues as expeditiously as possible to ensure protection of worker health and safety.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISION

SEC. 1101. This provision effectively enables an employee of the Office of Compliance to be appointed to the positions of Executive Director or General Counsel, and authorizes an increase in the statutory pay cap for these positions.

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

Appropriations, 2007	$35,204,000
Budget estimate, 2008	37,972,000
Committee recommendation	38,510,000

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $38,510,000 for the Congressional Budget Office. The amount recommended represents an increase of $3,306,000 over the enacted level.

The Committee has included $538,000 for CBO to expand its ability to assist the Congress in identifying and analyzing potential ways to address projected growth in health care spending.

ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL

The Committee has recommended a funding level of $352,534,000 for all activities of the Architect of the Capitol. The amount recommended is $78,554,000 below the request and $37,487,000 below the fiscal year 2007 level. The Committee has funded projects designated with an immediate urgency. Most other requested projects, unless related to life safety, are not funded owing to budget constraints and the need for AOC to focus on the successful completion of ongoing projects.

The following table shows the request and the Committee recommendation, excluding the House Office Buildings account:

Appropriation	2007 appropriation [1]	Fiscal year 2008 request	2008 recommendation
General Administration	$77,128,000	$87,714,000	$81,584,000
Capitol Building	23,886,000	29,480,000	25,247,000
Capitol Grounds	7,577,000	10,225,000	9,915,000
Senate Office Buildings	67,202,000	87,248,000	71,048,000
Capitol Power Plant	129,847,000	119,226,000	83,447,000

Appropriation	2007 appropriation [1]	Fiscal year 2008 request	2008 recommendation
Library Buildings and Grounds	27,692,000	42,788,000	28,061,000
Capitol Visitor Center	43,758,000	33,884,000	28,753,000
Capitol Police Buildings and Grounds	11,768,000	18,816,000	15,116,000
Botanic Garden	7,697,000	9,707,000	9,363,000
Total	390,021,000	431,088,000	352,534,000

[1] Including rescission and supplemental appropriations (Public Law 110–28).

Design-build.—The Committee expects AOC to award design-build construction contracts when it is appropriate and cost effective to do so. The Committee notes that this type of contract can result in improved accountability for performance with one organization responsible for both design and construction, and generally results in faster project delivery.

General Administration

Appropriations, 2007	$77,128,000
Budget estimate, 2008	87,714,000
Committee recommendation	81,584,000

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $81,584,000 for general administration, a reduction of $6,130,000 below the request and an increase of $4,456,000 above the fiscal year 2007 level. The increase over the current year reflects several long-deferred information technology improvements. A total of $1,119,000 is included for an energy survey of congressional buildings.

The General Administration appropriation provides funding for salaries and related benefits of the Architect, officers, administrative and support staff, including engineering and architecture employees. This account also provides for administrative items such as agency-wide contractual services; surveys and studies; information technology; and safety engineering operations.

The following table displays the budget detail.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Item	Amount requested	Committee recommendation
Fiscal Year 2008 Operating Budget		
Personal Services	$49,041,000	$46,399,000
Operations	36,711,000	32,504,000
Subtotal, Operating Budget	85,752,000	78,903,000
Fiscal Year 2008 Project Budget		
UPSs, Spare Hardware, and Software for AOC BASNet	84,000	84,000
Recertification of Lightning Protection Systems	130,000	130,000
Conversion to Electronic OPFs (Backfile Conversion)	198,000	198,000
Switchgear, Generator, and ATS Maintenance	550,000	550,000
Energy Survey of Congressional Buildings (Study)	400,000	1,119,000
Arc Flash Labeling of Electrical Distribution Equipment	600,000	600,000
Subtotal, Project Budget	1,962,000	2,681,000
Total, General Administration	87,714,000	81,584,000

Emissions Resulting from Capitol Complex Operations.—The Committee is concerned that there is no comprehensive strategy for reducing emissions that result from the operations of the U.S. Capitol Complex. As GAO recently reported, conducting energy audits of facilities is one important step in such a strategy as these audits would identify projects to address the largest sources of greenhouse gas emissions from Capitol Complex operations. The Committee is pleased that the Architect of the Capitol has developed a schedule for conducting energy audits of all Capitol Complex facilities within the next 5 years. The AOC should also consider other projects that would not be included in energy audits, such as purchasing energy efficient vehicles, that could be instrumental in reducing emissions in the near term. Therefore, the Committee directs the Architect to develop a comprehensive plan for reducing emissions from Capitol Complex operations, with input from others that manage energy consumption within the Capitol Complex. The Architect should submit a plan to the Committee within 120 days of enactment of this act. The plan should address the schedule for and results of energy audits, selection and implementation of emission reduction projects, including those outside the scope of energy audits, and funding resources and options for the audits and projects.

Carbon Capture Technologies. The Committee directs the Architect of the Capitol to utilize the Department of Energy's expertise on measures that will increase energy efficiency at all Capitol Complex facilities. Furthermore, the Committee recommends that the AOC, within existing funds, initiate work with the Department of Energy's Office of Fossil Energy to develop a preliminary engineering design of commercially available CO_2 capture technologies that could be applied at the Capitol Power Plant. The AOC is directed to provide a report to the appropriate committiees of jurisdiction within 120 days of enactment of this measure.

CAPITOL BUILDING

Appropriations, 2007	$23,886,000
Budget estimate, 2008	29,480,000
Committee recommendation	25,247,000

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $25,247,000 for necessary expenses for the maintenance, care and operation of the Capitol, a reduction of $4,233,000 below the request and an increase of $1,361,000 above the enacted level. Of the amount recommended, $8,790,000 would be available until September 30, 2012.

The following table displays the budget detail.

CAPITOL BUILDING

Item	Amount requested	Committee recommendation
Fiscal Year 2008 Operating Budget		
Personal Services	$12,632,000	$12,907,000
Operations	2,480,000	2,526,000
Subtotal, Operating Budget	15,112,000	15,433,000

CAPITOL BUILDING—Continued

Item	Amount requested	Committee recommendation
Fiscal Year 2008 Project Budget		
Minton Tile Replacement	650,000	336,000
Computer, Telecom, & Electrical Support	298,000	298,000
Legislative Call System Upgrade, Phase II	150,000	150,000
Elevator Modernization H–9	240,000	.....
Elevator Modernization S–4	240,000	240,000
Conservation of Wall Paintings	500,000	500,000
Inaugural Support, 2009	3,600,000	3,600,000
Emergency Exit Signs & Lighting, Phase III	1,000,000	.....
West Grand Stair Enclosure	1,190,000	1,190,000
Chilled Water & Steam Mains Replacement (Design)	200,000	200,000
Electrical Power Distribution System Replacement (Study)	2,400,000	.....
Storm, Sanitary Riser & Vent Piping Replacement (Study)	300,000	300,000
Minor Construction	3,600,000	3,000,000
Subtotal, Project Budget	14,368,000	9,814,000
Total, Capitol Building	29,480,000	25,247,000

Capitol Grounds

Appropriations, 2007	$7,577,000
Budget estimate, 2008	10,225,000
Committee recommendation	9,915,000

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $9,915,000 for Capitol Grounds for the care and improvements of the grounds surrounding the Capitol, the Senate and House office buildings, and the Capitol Power Plant. This is $2,338,000 above the enacted level and $310,000 below the request. Of the amount recommended, $325,000 would be available until September 30, 2012.

The following table displays the budget detail.

CAPITOL GROUNDS

Item	Amount requested	Committee recommendation
Fiscal Year 2008 Operating Budget		
Personal Services	$5,814,000	$5,814,000
Operations	3,196,000	3,196,000
Subtotal, Operating Budget	9,010,000	9,010,000
Fiscal Year 2008 Project Budget		
60 Ton Snow Melting Unit Purchase	310,000	.....
Perimeter Fence Replacement, Parking Lots	40,000	40,000
Stabilization and Life Safety Projects, Summer House	540,000	540,000
Summer House Comprehensive Restoration (Design)	325,000	325,000
Subtotal, Project Budget	1,215,000	905,000
Total, Capitol Grounds	10,225,000	9,915,000

Senate Office Buildings

Appropriations, 2007	$67,202,000
Budget estimate, 2008	87,248,000
Committee recommendation	71,048,000

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $71,048,000 for maintenance of the Senate office buildings, of which $10,500,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2012. This is $16,200,000 below the request.

The Committee notes that several high priority projects in this request, including emergency power and lighting upgrades, were not funded, owing to budget constraints.

The following table displays the budget detail.

SENATE OFFICE BUILDINGS

Item	Amount requested	Committee recommendation
Fiscal Year 2008 Operating Budget		
Personal Services	$38,210,000	$38,835,000
Operations	17,398,000	16,788,000
Subtotal, Operating Budget	55,608,000	55,623,000
Fiscal Year 2008 Project Budget		
Legislative Call System Replacement 3	350,000	350,000
Refinish Historic Woodwork	175,000	175,000
Repair Marble Floors & Clean Arch Surfaces	250,000	250,000
Seal Fire Wall Penetrations, HSOB, DSOB	250,000	250,000
Electrical System Testing (Study)	75,000	.....
Emergency Generator System	6,040,000	6,040,000
Emergency Lighting and Electrical Service Upgrade, RSOB	6,100,000	.....
Exterior Envelope, RSOB (Study)	250,000	250,000
HVAC Controls, Emergency Shutdown and Smoke Control (Study)	300,000	.....
Infrastructure Improvements Phase II, Center Wing, DSOB	8,030,000	.....
Infrastructure Upgrades, SUG (Design)	1,000,000	.....
Modular Furniture Program Pilot, DSOB	250,000	.....
Modular Furniture Program Pilot, RSOB	250,000	.....
Panelboard & Stepdown Transformer Replacement, HSOB (Design)	160,000	.....
Replace Modular Furniture, HSOB	4,000,000	3,000,000
Steam Pressure Reducing Valve Replacement, HSOB (Design)	200,000	100,000
Fire Alarm System Replacement (DWPD)	.....	650,000
Fire Alarm System Replacement (SECC)	.....	400,000
Minor Construction	3,960,000	3,960,000
Subtotal, Project Budget	31,640,000	15,425,000
Total, Senate Office Buildings	87,248,000	71,048,000

Capitol Power Plant

Appropriations, 2007	$129,847,000
Budget estimate, 2008	119,226,000
Committee recommendation	91,447,000

[1] Includes supplemental appropriations of $50,000,000 (Public Law 110–28).

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $83,447,000 for the operations of the Capitol Power Plant. This is supplemented by $8,000,000 in reimbursements, for a total of $91,447,000. This is $38,400,000 below the enacted level due to the recently enacted supplemental of $50,000,000 for utility tunnel repairs. Of the amount provided, $3,755,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2012.

The Power Plant provides heat, light, power, and air-conditioning for the Capitol, Senate and House office buildings, and the Library of Congress buildings; heat, light, and power for the Botanic Gar-

den and the Senate and House Garages; light for the Capitol Grounds' street, park, and floodlighting system; steam heat for the Government Printing Office and Washington City Post Office, also known as Postal Square; and steam heat and air-conditioning for the Union Station complex, Folger Shakespeare Library, the Thurgood Marshall Federal Judiciary Building, and the U.S. Supreme Court Building on a reimbursable basis.

Within the operating budget, over 80 percent of the recommended amount is for the purchase of electricity from the local private utility, payment to the government of the District of Columbia for the provision of water and sewer services, and the procurement of boiler fuel, as displayed in the following table.

FISCAL YEAR 2008 ESTIMATED UTILITY COSTS

	Cost
Purchase of electrical energy	$34,713,000
Purchase of natural gas	16,064,000
Purchase of steam	1,009,000
Purchase of chilled water	1,065,000
Purchase of coal	5,665,000
Purchase of oil	2,765,000
Water and sewer payments	2,572,000
Postal Square	618,000
Total	64,471,000

The balance of this appropriation supports a work force to operate and maintain the Power Plant.

The following table displays the budget detail.

CAPITOL POWER PLANT

Item	Amount requested	Committee recommendation
Fiscal Year 2008 Operating Budget		
Personal Services	$8,997,000	$9,272,000
Utilities	72,471,000	72,471,000
Operations	5,152,000	5,368,000
Reimbursement	(8,000,000)	(8,000,000)
Subtotal, Operating Budget	78,620,000	79,111,000
Fiscal Year 2008 Project Budget		
Spare Gearbox and Hub & Blade Assembly for the West Plant	75,000	75,000
Electrical Breaker Materials	190,000	190,000
Main Bulldozer	316,000	316,000
Tunnel Repairs	24,770,000	.....
Hazardous Materials Survey (Study)	75,000	75,000
Dearator Replacement (Design)	80,000	80,000
Waste Characterization (Study)	100,000	100,000
Back-Up Blow-Down System Installation & Blowdown Heat Recovery (Design)	110,000	110,000
East Refrigeration Plant Chillers Relocation (Design)	150,000	150,000
Steam and Chilled Water Piping Condition Assessment (Study)	200,000	200,000
Wickes Boilers Useful Life (Study)	200,000	200,000
OSHA Analysis of Plant Buildings (Study)	220,000	220,000
Structural Fireproofing and Integrity (Study)	220,000	220,000
Condensate and Water Piping & Valve Replacement (Design)	400,000	400,000
City Water and Fire Main Loop Connection (Design)	500,000	.....
Boiler Plant Low Voltage Electrical Distribution System Replacement (Design)	1,000,000	.....

CAPITOL POWER PLANT—Continued

Item	Amount requested	Committee recommendation
Minor Construction	4,000,000	2,000,000
Subtotal, Project Budget	32,606,000	4,336,000
Total, Capitol Power Plant	111,226,000	83,447,000

LIBRARY BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

Appropriations, 2007	$27,692,000
Budget estimate, 2008	42,788,000
Committee recommendation	28,061,000

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $28,061,000 for the care and maintenance of the Library buildings and grounds by the Architect of the Capitol, of which $3,900,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2012. The recommendation is $369,000 above the enacted amount for fiscal year 2007 and $14,727,000 below the request.

The Committee expects the following high-priority projects to be funded from unobligated balances of prior year funds: egress improvements (Library-wide), sprinkler system expansion (Thomas Jefferson building), and smoke detector upgrades (James Madison building).

The following table displays the budget detail.

LIBRARY BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

Item	Amount requested	Committee requested
Fiscal Year 2008 Operating Budget		
Personal Services	$12,289,000	$12,639,000
Operations	8,092,000	8,250,000
Subtotal, Operating Budget	20,381,000	20,889,000
Fiscal Year 2008 Project Budget		
Sidewalk Replacement, LOC Campus	100,000	100,000
Electrical Vault Repairs	225,000	225,000
Painting Arches, TJB	237,000	237,000
95 percent Filtration LOC—Phase 1 of 3	250,000	250,000
Backflow Preventer Installation	250,000	250,000
Upgrade Power Data Center, JMMB	250,000	250,000
Life Safety Deficiencies Abatement	390,000	390,000
Transite Panel Abatement, TJB	580,000	580,000
Backflow Prevention (Design)	75,000	.....
Stained Glass Window Repairs, TJB (Study)	200,000	.....
Facility Conditions Assessment, TJB (Study)	700,000	.....
Ramp/Handrails Redesign and Garage Waterproofing, JAB (Design)	800,000	.....
Return Air System Modifications, Ground Floor Corridors, JAB	830,000	830,000
Copyright Deposit Facility (Design)	2,130,000	.....
High Voltage Switchgear Replacement, JMMB	2,130,000	.....
Secured Storage Facilities, JMMB	3,750,000	.....
Smoke Detector Upgrades, JAB	6,510,000	.....
Elevator and Escalator Modernization, TJB–1 & 2, JMMB D–1 thru D–4, and ESC 1&2 (up), LOC	.....	2,560,000
Minor Construction	2,000,000	1,500,000

LIBRARY BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS—Continued

Item	Amount requested	Committee requested
Subtotal, Project Budget	22,407,000	7,172,000
Total, Library Buildings and Grounds	42,788,000	28,061,000

Capitol Police Buildings, Grounds, and Security

Appropriations, 2007	$11,768,000
Budget estimate, 2008	18,816,000
Committee recommendation	15,116,000

The Committee recommends $15,116,000 for Capitol Police Buildings, Grounds, and Security, which is $3,700,000 below the request. This account has been modified to include security enhancements, requested by the Capitol Police regardless of where they are located, as well as AOC security operations and the alternate computing facility.

The following table displays the budget detail.

CAPITOL POLICE BUILDINGS, GROUNDS AND SECURITY

Item	Amount requested	Committee recommendation
Fiscal Year 2008 Operating Budget		
Personal Services	$1,418,000	$1,418,000
Operations	12,698,000	12,698,000
Subtotal, Operating Budget	14,116,000	14,116,000
Fiscal Year 2008 Project Budget		
Chiller Replacement, ACF (Design)	300,000	.....
HVAC Controls Replacement, ACF (Design)	400,000	.....
Vehicle Barriers, Independence Avenue, USCP	2,000,000	.....
Minor Construction	2,000,000	1,000,000
Subtotal, Project Budget	4,700,000	1,000,000
Total, Capitol Police Buildings, Grounds & Security	18,816,000	15,116,000

Botanic Garden

Appropriations, 2007	$7,697,000
Budget estimate, 2008	9,707,000
Committee recommendation	9,363,000

The Committee recommends $9,363,000 for salaries and expenses of the Botanic Garden. This is $344,000 below the original request level and $1,666,000 above the enacted level.

The following table displays the budget detail.

BOTANIC GARDEN

Item	Amount requested	Committee recommendation
Fiscal Year 2008 Operating Budget		
Personal Services	$5,513,000	$5,513,000

BOTANIC GARDEN—Continued

Item	Amount requested	Committee recommendation
Operations	2,795,000	2,795,000
Subtotal, Operating Budget	8,308,000	8,308,000
Fiscal Year 2008 Project Budget		
Partnership Support	344,000	.....
Administration Building Repairs	200,000	200,000
Bartholdi Fountain Basin Repair and Basin Lighting Replacement	580,000	580,000
Outdoor Plantings Design for Bartholdi Park (Design)	275,000	275,000
Subtotal, Project Budget	1,399,000	1,055,000
Total, Botanic Garden	9,707,000	9,363,000

CAPITOL VISITOR CENTER

Appropriations, 2007	43,758,000
Budget estimate, 2008:	
CVC Project	20,000,000
CVC Operations	13,884,000
Total	33,884,000
Committee recommendation	28,753,000

The Committee recommends a total of $28,753,000 for the Capitol Visitor Center, of which up to $8,500,000 may be used for CVC operations.

The Capitol Visitor Center was established to improve security for all persons working in or visiting the U.S. Capitol and to enhance the educational experience of visitors.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

SEC. 1201. ROSA PARKS STATUTE. This privision authorizes the Architect of the Capitol to enter into agreements for the Rosa Parks statue.

SEC. 1202. INSPECTOR GENERAL. The Committee recommends a provision creating a statutory inspector general for the Architect of the Capitol. This is intended to promote integrity and efficiency in AOC programs, and detect and prevent fraud, waste, and abuse.

SEC. 1203. WORKFORCE FLEXIBILITY ACT. This provision enables AOC to provide recruitment, relocation and retention bonuses.

SEC. 1204. FLEXIBLE WORK SCHEDULES. This provision authorizes a 1-year pilot program to test flexible work schedules within the AOC, to aid in recruitment and retention and improve efficiency in certain operations.

SEC. 1205. TRAVEL AND TRANSPORTATION EXPENSES. This provision authorizes AOC to pay the travel and transportation expenses of new employees.

SEC. 1207. CASUALTY AND OTHER INSURANCE FOR EXHIBITS AND WORKS OF ART. This provision authorizes AOC to borrow works of art or exhibits from other entities and insure those items from loss or damage while in his care subject to the notification of the Committees on Appropriations, the Senate Rules Committee, and the House Administration Committee.

SEC. 1208. CVC MAINTENANCE. This provision clarifies that the Capitol Visitor Center is considered a part of the Capitol Building jurisdiction for purposes of facilities maintenance.

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

The Committee recommends a total of $576,949,000 for the Library of Congress, an increase of $68,189,000 over the fiscal year 2007 level and a decrease of $84,667,000 below the request. Increases are provided to accommodate pay and price level increases. In addition to the appropriation, the Library estimates receipts and reimbursements of $42,723,000 funds from gifts and trusts totaling $20,499,000 and revolving funds totaling $82,453,000. Total funds available to support Library operations, including the Architect of the Capitol account, are expected to be over $750,000,000 in fiscal year 2008 under the Committee recommendation.

Acquisitions.—The Committee supports the recommendations contained in the December 2006 Inspector General report regarding the Library's Collections Acquisitions Strategy. According to the IG, "the Library acquires a vast quantity of materials, some without any clear connection to researchers' needs. In light of the logistical issues it faces, the Library should be more selective in both the quantity and usefulness of materials it acquires." The Committee agrees with the OIG's premise that "the significant logistical and financial resources needed to acquire, process, store, preserve, and protect collection items dictate that the Library reevaluate its acquisitions policies." The Committee directs the Library to submit a report within 60 days of enactment of this act, detailing its plans for implementing the IG's recommendations, including a timeline.

Budget Process.—The Committee continues to be concerned with the Library's budget development process. In particular, the Library has not routinely "scrubbed" its "base" budget, effectively set priorities, or developed a budget justification that presents its budget in a transparent fashion. The Committee recognizes improvements in the Library's strategic planning efforts, but believes a better job needs to be done of setting priorities, recognizing budgetary constraints, and linking the budget to performance-based metrics. The Committee supports the recommendations contained in the October 2006 Inspector General report entitled "Performance-based budgeting at the Library: A good start but much work remains." The Committee directs the Library to submit its action plan within 60 days of enactment of this act to implement the IG's recommendations.

To reiterate the language of the fiscal year 2006 Senate report, the Committee directs the Library in consultation with GAO to develop a budget presentation and justification package for the fiscal year 2009 budget cycle that clearly addresses rates and assumptions used in the base as well as a clear description for each program of what drives demand for the program, what the nature of the program's workload is, and what service or outcome each base program is intended to produce. A clear description of new program starts and a detailed break out of rates and assumptions associated with cost estimates for those programs including demand, workload, and outcome should also be provided along with a clear expla-

nation of how each program relates to goals and objectives set forth in the Library's strategic plan. In addition all programs, projects and activities (including "base" funding) should be clearly displayed.

The following table displays the Committee recommendation for the Library of Congress appropriations compared to the budget request and the fiscal year 2007 level.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF NEW BUDGET (OBLIGATIONAL) AUTHORITY FOR FISCAL YEAR 2007 AND BUDGET ESTIMATES AND AMOUNTS RECOMMENDED IN THE BILL FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008

Item	2007 appropriation	Budget estimate	Committee recommendation	Senate Committee recommendation compared with (+ or −)	
				2007 appropriation	Budget estimate
LIBRARY OF CONGRESS					
Salaries and Expenses	$387,597,000	$467,452,000	$407,811,000	+$20,214,000	−$59,641,000
Authority to spend receipts	−6,350,000	−6,350,000	−6,350,000	.....	.....
Subtotal, Salaries and expenses	381,247,000	461,102,000	401,461,000	+20,214,000	−59,641,000
Rescission (Public Law 110–5)	−49,549,000				
Copyright Office, salaries and expenses	58,420,000	51,562,000	50,102,000	−8,318,000	−1,460,000
Authority to spend receipts	−35,758,000	−35,373,000	−45,196,000	−9,438,000	−9,823,000
Subtotal, Copyright Office	22,662,000	16,189,000	4,906,000	−17,756,000	−11,283,000
Congressional Research Service, salaries and expenses	100,786,000	108,702,000	102,892,000	+2,106,000	−5,810,000
Books for the blind and physically handicapped, salaries and expenses	53,614,000	75,623,000	67,690,000	+14,076,000	−7,933,000
Total, Library of Congress	508,760,000	661,616,000	576,949,000	+68,189,000	−84,667,000

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

Appropriations, 2007:	
Salaries and expenses	$387,597,000
Authority to spend receipts	−6,350,000
Net, salaries and expenses	381,247,000
Budget estimate, 2008:	
Salaries and expenses	467,452,000
Authority to spend receipts	−6,350,000
Net, salaries and expenses	461,102,000
Committee recommendation:	
Salaries and expenses	407,811,000
Authority to spend receipts	−6,350,000
Net, salaries and expenses	401,461,000

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $401,461,000 for salaries and expenses of the Library of Congress and approves authority to spend receipts of $6,350,000 in fiscal year 2008, for a total of $407,811,000. This is $59,641,000 below the request and $20,214,000 above the enacted level.

The Committee's recommendation reflects revised estimates for payroll costs and the elimination of funding for a new logistics facility and lower priority activities. The Committee recommends $7,500,000 for the National Digital Information Infrastructure and Preservation Program and $7,000,000 for the digital collections and educational circular programs. In addition, $1,000,000 is recommended for the Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission (Requested by Senator Durbin), $300,000 is included for the digitization of the Theodore Roosevelt papers (Requested by Senator Dorgan), $250,000 is recommended for the final year of the Middle Eastern Texts Initiative at Brighem Young University (Requested by Senator Bennett), and $500,000 is included for the University of Mississippi Music Archives project (Requested by Senator Cochran).

The Committee recognizes the extraordinary contribution of David Woodley Packard to the Library of Congress and the Legislative Branch in the new National Audiovisual Conservation Center, a gift valued at over $200,000,000. This new facility will open in July and will house the Library's film, video and recorded sound collections, totaling more than 3.9 million items.

COPYRIGHT OFFICE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

Appropriations, 2007:	
Salaries and expenses	$58,420,000
Authority to spend receipts	−35,758,000
Net, salaries and expenses	22,662,000
Budget estimate, 2008:	
Salaries and expenses	51,562,000
Authority to spend receipts	−35,373,000
Net, salaries and expenses	16,189,000
Committee recommendation:	
Salaries and expenses	50,102,000
Authority to spend receipts	35,196,000
Authority to spend prior year unobligated balances	10,000,00
Net, salaries and expenses	4,906,000

The Committee recommends the direct appropriation of $4,906,000 for the Copyright Office and approves authority to spend receipts of $35,196,000 and prior year unobligated balances of $10,000,000 in fiscal year 2008, for a total of $50,102,000. This is $1,460,000 below the request level.

The Committee's recommendation includes $1,000,000 to digitally image pre-1978 public records. This 6-year initiative should be clearly displayed in subsequent budget requests rather than becoming part of the "base."

CONGRESSIONAL RESEARCH SERVICE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

Appropriations, 2007	$100,786,000
Budget estimate, 2008	108,702,000
Committee recommendation	102,892,000

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $102,892,000 for the Congressional Research Service. The amount recommended is an increase of $2,106,000 over the fiscal year 2007 level and is sufficient to cover pay and inflationary increases.

It has come to the Committee's attention that CRS has been holding annual management retreats at expensive off-site locations. In fiscal year 2006, CRS spent $64,000 on two such retreats. These meetings can and should be held locally, particularly in times of severe budget constraints. The Committee strongly objects to this practice and directs that it be discontinued.

The Committee is also concerned that the Congressional Research Service often acts as if it were an independent agency, separate from the Library of Congress. CRS is in fact part of the Library of Congress, and its policies and procedures should reflect this fact. The Committee expects the management of CRS to conduct its activities in a manner consistent with being an entity within, not separate from, the Library, including the development, justification, and execution of its budget.

BOOKS FOR THE BLIND AND PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

Appropriations, 2007	$53,614,000
Budget estimate, 2008	75,623,000
Committee recommendation	67,690,000

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $67,690,000 for salaries and expenses for Books for the Blind and Physically Handicapped. This is an increase of $14,076,000 over the fiscal year 2007 level. The Committee recommends $600,000 for the National Federation of the Blind "Newsline" program (Requested by Senators Landrieu and Vitter) for a telephone-based electronic audio newspaper service; and $12,500,000 for the Digital Talking Book project.

The National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped [NLS] has been planning for the transition from audiocassettes to digital books for the blind and physically handicapped communities for over a decade. The Committee notes that the Library's request for funds in fiscal year 2008 is in response to patrons expectations, the great need to improve services, and the fact that cassette technology is nearing obsolescence. NLS, in consultation with the blind community and with assistance from technology experts, has designed digital talking book players with flash memory cartridges for distributing the digital talking books. The Committee fully supports this effort. Funding has been reduced below the request owing to dire budget constraints, but the Committee anticipates fully funding this initiative over the next several years.

This appropriation supports a National Reading Program for blind and physically handicapped citizens. Books and magazines in braille and various recorded formats are produced by the National Library Services for the Blind and Physically Handicapped for distribution through a network of State and locally supported libraries. At present, 57 regional libraries in 49 States, the District of Columbia, the Virgin Islands, Puerto Rico, and Guam house and circulate books and magazines to eligible readers. Seventy-eight subregional libraries in 17 States assist at the local public library level; 53 libraries and 4 cooperating agencies distribute sound reproducers. Two multistate centers, under contract to the National Library Service, store and distribute books and other materials in their geographical regions. The program supports a readership of approximately 700,000.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

SECS. 1301–1302. The Committee has included two routine administrative provisions carried in prior years.

SEC. 1303. Cooperative Acquisitions Program Revolving Fund Audit. The Committee has included language adjusting the requirement for the GAO audit of this revolving fund.

SEC. 1304. Provides authority to transfer funds between Library of Congress account, subject to the approval of the Committees on Appropriations.

GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE

CONGRESSIONAL PRINTING AND BINDING

Appropriations, 2007	$87,954,000
Budget estimate, 2008	109,541,000
Committee recommendation	95,365,000

The Committee recommends $95,365,000 for congressional printing and binding. While this is an increase of $7,411,000 over the fiscal year 2007 level, it is $14,176,000 below the request. The increase is necessary to fund significant prior-year shortfalls in congressional printing and binding as well as the production of the 2006 edition of the U.S. Code as required by law. These prior-year requirements must be funded or GPO could be at risk of a financial crisis in the coming year. In addition, the amount would accommodate payroll and inflationary increases.

The following table compares the component categories within this account for fiscal year 2008. The Committee has not recommended separate amounts for each activity in order to give GPO the flexibility to meet changing requirements.

CONGRESSIONAL PRINTING AND BINDING

	Appropriations 2007	Requested 2008	Recommended 2008
Congressional Record Program	$29,621,000	$27,981,000	
Miscellaneous publications	3,835,000	4,097,000	
U.S. Code, 2006 Edition	4,828,000	.....	
Miscellaneous printing and binding	18,651,000	20,009,000	
Details to Congress	3,082,000	2,944,000	
Document envelopes and document franks	883,000	1,027,000	
Business and committee calendars	2,885,000	3,189,000	
Bills, resolutions, and amendments	8,367,000	8,062,000	
Committee reports	4,016,000	4,051,000	
Documents	1,715,000	1,347,000	
Hearings	19,961,100	21,983,000	
Committee prints	2,446,000	1,770,000	
Shortfall, estimated	(12,336,000)	13,081,000	
Total	87,954,100	109,541,000	$95,365,000

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF DOCUMENTS

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

Appropriations, 2007	$33,096,000
Budget estimate, 2008	45,613,000
Committee recommendation	38,231,000

The Committee recommends $38,231,000 for salaries and expenses of the Office of the Superintendent of Documents. This is an increase of $5,135,000 over the current year and a decrease of $7,382,000 below the request. The increase is required for costs related to the distribution of the 2006 edition of the U.S. Code, a statutory requirement which occurs every 6 years, as well as payroll and inflationary increases. Owing to budget constraints, the Committee has been unable to fund certain information technology improvements.

This appropriation provides for salaries and expenses associated with the distribution of Government documents to depository and international exchange libraries, the cataloging and indexing of Government publications, and the distribution of publications authorized by law at the request of Members of Congress and other Government agencies.

REVOLVING FUND

Appropriations, 2007	$1,000,000
Budget estimate, 2008	26,825,000
Committee recommendation	5,000,000

The Committee has recommended $5,000,000 for the revolving fund, an increase of $4,000,000 over the current year and a decrease of $21,825,000 below the request. The amount recommended is for Release 2 of the "Future Digital System" [FDSys]. The Committee recognizes GPO is on the cusp of a major transformation that requires significant resources. According to GPO's concept of operations, FDSys will ingest, preserve, and provide access to the information produced by the U.S. Government and to the material currently in the custody of GPO and Federal depository libraries. The Future Digital System will enable GPO customers to obtain hard copy publications and to electronically access the content they want, and it will enable GPO to deliver that content in the formats its customers desire. Budget constraints have required the Committee to postpone Release 3 of FDSys, as well as other infrastructure initiatives requested by GPO.

Owing to budget constraints, the Committee was unable to recommend funding for other important projects such as the replacement of GPO's 30-year old automated composition system.

GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

Appropriations, 2007	[1] $489,001,000
Budget estimate, 2008	531,263,000
Committee recommendation	510,320,000

[1] Includes $374,000 in supplemental appropriations in Public Law 110–28.

The Committee recommends funding of $510,320,000 for salaries and expenses of the Government Accountability Office, a reduction of $12,484,000 below the request level. Additionally, $7,510,000 is authorized in offsetting collections derived from rent receipts and reimbursements for conducting financial audits of Government corporations, for a total of $517,830,000.

The amount recommended will accommodate 3,221 full-time equivalent employees, as well as uncontrollable pay and price level increases and investments in technology improvements.

Technology Assessment.—The Committee recommends $750,000 and four full-time equivalent employees to establish a permanent technology assessment function in the Government Accountability Office. The Committee has decided not to establish a separate entity to provide independent technology assessment for the legislative branch owing to budget constraints. In addition, GAO's focus on producing quality reports that are professional, objective, fact-

based, fair, balanced, and nonpartisan is consistent with the needs of an independent legislative branch technology assessment function. The Committee notes that GAO's Center for Technology and Engineering, which led the 2002 pilot program in technology assessment, is staffed by engineers and scientists with experience in systems engineering, software engineering, real-time systems, computer security, cost estimation, and biological technologies.

The Committee directs GAO to define an operational concept for this line of work, adapted from current tested processes and protocols. At a minimum, this capability would require: (1) developing and maintaining relationships with relevant congressional committees to facilitate the selection of technology assessment topics; (2) keeping congressional committees abreast of the results of technology assessments, meeting with Members and staff, and preparing testimony statements for relevant hearings; (3) developing and maintaining relationships with key external experts and organizations to remain informed about emerging technologies and potential related public policy issues; (4) developing, documenting, and refining processes for conducting technology assessments; (5) consulting with independent experts and conducting peer review of reports; (6) developing standards and procedures for issuing technology assessment reports as distinct from their audit products; and (7) developing metrics to measure the value of the technology assessment capability. The Committee directs GAO to report within 60 days of enactment of this act on its operational concept for the technology assessment function.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

Sec. 1401. The Committee recommends language, modeled after the Contracts Disputes Act, authorizing a contract appeals board for legislative branch agencies in GAO. The creation of a single board will eliminate the administrative burden and delays associated with creating a new board each time an appeal involving a legislative branch agency is filed, and will provide predictability and consistency across the agencies in resolving appeals of claims arising under their contracts.

Sec. 1402. The Committee has included language, recommended by GAO, repealing or modifying a number of congressional mandates for GAO audits and reports. Most of the mandates impose recurring requirements on GAO, and no longer yield valuable findings. This work consumes resources that could be applied to GAO work of higher priority to the Congress.

OPEN WORLD LEADERSHIP CENTER TRUST FUND

Appropriations, 2007	$13,860,000
Budget estimate, 2008	14,400,000
Committee recommendation	13,500,000

The Committee recommends $13,500,000 as a payment to the Open World Leadership Center Trust Fund. The Center for Russian Leadership Development was established on December 21, 2000 (Public Law 106–554) as a legislative branch entity. The Fiscal Year 2003 Consolidated Appropriation Resolution (Public Law 108–7) carried legislation (section 1401) changing the name to the

Open World Leadership Center and expanding the mission of the program to include Newly Independent States of the former Soviet Union including the Baltic States. The mission of the Center is to enable emerging political leaders of Russia and Newly Independent States at all levels of government to gain significant, first-hand exposure to the American free market economic system and the operation of American democratic institutions through visits to comparable governments and communities in the United States.

JOHN C. STENNIS CENTER FOR PUBLIC SERVICE TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT

Appropriations, 2007	$430,000
Budget estimate, 2008	430,000
Committee recommendation	430,000

The John C. Stennis Center for Public Service Training and Development was created by Congress in 1988. The mandate of the Center is to promote and strengthen public service. The Committee recommends the budget request of $430,000 as authorized by 2 U.S.C. 1105, for the Center's congressional staff training and development programs.

TITLE II

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Included are several routine general provisions carried annually in the bill (secs. 201–208), as follows:

Section 201 bans the use of appropriated funds for service and maintenance of private vehicles, except under such regulations as may be promulgated by the House Administration Committee and the Senate Rules and Administration Committee, respectively.

Section 202 limits the availability for obligation of appropriations to the fiscal year for which it is expressly provided in the bill accompanying this report.

Section 203 provides that any pay rate and title designation for a staff position created in this act, and not specifically established by the Legislative Pay Act of 1929, is to be made permanent law by this act. Further, any pay rate and title change for a position provided for in the 1929 Act is to be made permanent law by this act and any changes in the official expenses of Members, officers, and committees, and in the clerk hire of the House and Senate are to be made permanent law by this act.

Section 204 bans the use of funds for contracts unless such contracts are matters of public record and are available for public inspection.

Section 205 appropriates such sums as may be necessary for the payment of settlements and awards pursuant to Public Law 104–1.

Section 206 authorizes legislative branch entities participating in the Legislative Branch Financial Managers Council [LBFMC] to finance the costs of the LBFMC.

Section 207 pertains to the House.

Section 208 prohibits unauthorized transfers of funds to other agencies.

COMPLIANCE WITH PARAGRAPH 7, RULE XVI, OF THE STANDING RULES OF THE SENATE

Paragraph 7 of rule XVI requires that Committee reports on general appropriations bills identify, with particularity, each Committee amendment to the House bill "which proposes an item of appropriation which is not made to carry out the provisions of an existing law, a treaty stipulation, or an act or resolution previously passed by the Senate during that session."

The Committee has recommended no such funding.

COMPLIANCE WITH PARAGRAPH 7(C), RULE XXVI OF THE STANDING RULES OF THE SENATE

Pursuant to paragraph 7(c) of rule XXVI, on June 21, 2007, the Committee ordered reported en bloc: an original bill making appropriations for the Department of the Interior, environment and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008, and authorized the chairman of the Committee or the chairman of the subcommittee to offer the text of the Senate bill as a Committee amendment in the nature of a substitute to the House companion measure; and an original bill (S. 1686) making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008, and for other purposes, and authorized the chairman of the Committee or the chairman of the Legislative Branch subcommittee to offer the substance of the original bill, plus House items as passed by the House, as a Committee amendment in the nature of a substitute to the House companion measure; with each bill subject to amendment and subject to the budget allocations, by a recorded vote of 29–0, a quorum being present. The vote was as follows:

Yeas	Nays
Chairman Byrd	
Mr. Inouye	
Mr. Leahy	
Mr. Harkin	
Ms. Mikulski	
Mr. Kohl	
Mrs. Murray	
Mr. Dorgan	
Mrs. Feinstein	
Mr. Durbin	
Mr. Johnson	
Ms. Landrieu	
Mr. Reed	
Mr. Lautenberg	
Mr. Nelson	
Mr. Cochran	

Mr. Stevens
Mr. Specter
Mr. Domenici
Mr. Bond
Mr. McConnell
Mr. Shelby
Mr. Gregg
Mr. Bennett
Mr. Craig
Mrs. Hutchison
Mr. Brownback
Mr. Allard
Mr. Alexander

COMPLIANCE WITH PARAGRAPH 12, RULE XXVI, OF THE STANDING RULES OF THE SENATE

Paragraph 12 of rule XXVI requires that Committee reports on a bill or joint resolution repealing or amending any statute or part of any statute include "(a) the text of the statute or part thereof which is proposed to be repealed; and (b) a comparative print of that part of the bill or joint resolution making the amendment and of the statute or part thereof proposed to be amended, showing by stricken-through type and italics, parallel columns, or other appropriate typographical devices the omissions and insertions which would be made by the bill or joint resolution if enacted in the form recommended by the Committee."

In compliance with this rule, the following changes in existing law proposed to be made by the bill are shown as follows: existing law to be omitted is enclosed in black brackets; new matter is printed in italic; and existing law in which no change is proposed is shown in roman.

TITLE 2—THE CONGRESS

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CHAPTER 3—COMPENSATION AND ALLOWANCES OF MEMBERS

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§ 32b. Expense allowance of President pro tempore of Senate; methods of payment; taxability

Effective with fiscal year 1978 and each fiscal year thereafter, there is hereby authorized an expense allowance for the President Pro Tempore which shall not exceed $40,000 each fiscal year. The President Pro Tempore may receive the expense allowance (1) as reimbursement for actual expenses incurred upon certification and documentation of such expenses by the President Pro Tempore, or (2) in equal monthly payments. Such amounts paid to the President Pro Tempore as reimbursement of actual expenses incurred upon certification and documentation pursuant to this provision,

shall not be reported as income, and the expenses so reimbursed shall not be allowed as a deduction, under title 26.

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EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2003 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 108–7 applicable to fiscal year 2003 and each fiscal year thereafter, see section 1(f) of Pub. L. 108–7, set out as a note under section 31a-1 of this title.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE EMERITUS OF THE SENATE

Pub. L. 108–7, div. H, title I, Sec. 7, Feb. 20, 2003, 117 Stat. 350, as amended by Pub. L. 108–447, div. G, title I, Secs. 4, 13(b), Dec. 8, 2004, 118 Stat. 3169, 3171, provided that:

"(a) * * *

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"(e) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section shall take effect on the date of enactment of this Act and shall apply only with respect to the 108th Congress [and the 109th Congress], *the 109th Congress, and the 110th Congress*."

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CHAPTER 4—OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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§ 61–1. Gross rate of compensation of employees paid by Secretary of Senate

(a) Annual rate; certification

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(e) Gross rate of compensation of employee of committee of Senate employed by joint committee, select committee, or standing committee

(1), (2) Repealed. Pub. L. 96–304, title I, Sec. 112(b)(1), July 8, 1980, 94 Stat. 892.

[(3) No employee of a committee of the Senate shall be paid at a gross rate in excess of $160,164, in case of an employee of a joint committee the expenses of which are paid from the contingent fund of the Senate, $160,659, in case of an employee of a select committee (including the conference majority and conference minority of the Senate), or $162,515, in case of an employee of any standing committee (including the majority and minority policy committees) of the Senate. For the purpose of this paragraph, an employee of a subcommittee shall be considered to be an employee of the full committee.]

(3)(A) In this paragraph—

(i) the term "committee of the Senate" means—

(I) any standing committee (including the majority and minority policy committees) of the Senate;

(II) any select committee (including the conference majority and conference minority of the Senate); or

(III) any joint committee the expenses of which are paid from the contingent fund of the Senate; and

(ii) an employee of a subcommittee shall be considered to be an employee of the full committee.

(B) Subject to adjustment as provided by law, no employee of a committee of the Senate shall be paid at a per annum gross rate in excess of $162,515.

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§ 69a. Orientation seminars, etc., for new Senators, Senate officials, or members of staffs of Senators or Senate officials; payment of expenses

Effective July 1, 1979, there is authorized an expense allowance for the Office of the Secretary of the Senate and the Office of Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate which shall not exceed **[**$25,000**]** *$30,000* each fiscal year for each such office. Payments made under this section shall be reimbursements only for actual expenses (including meals and food-related expenses) incurred in the course of conducting orientation seminars for Senators, Senate officials, or members of the staffs of Senators or Senate officials and other similar meetings, in the Capitol Building or the Senate Office Buildings. Such payments shall be made upon certification and documentation of such expenses by the Secretary and Sergeant at Arms, respectively, and shall be made out of the contingent fund of the Senate upon vouchers signed by the Secretary and the Sergeant at Arms, respectively. Amounts received as reimbursement of such expenses shall not be reported as income, and the expenses so reimbursed shall not be allowed as a deduction, under title 26.

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CHAPTER 5—LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

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§ 167. Buildings and grounds; designation of employees as police

[The Librarian of Congress may designate employees of the Library of Congress as police for duty with respect to the Library of Congress buildings and adjacent streets. The rank structure and pay for employees so designated shall be the same as the rank structure and pay for the Capitol Police.**]**

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[§ 167a. Public use of Library of Congress grounds

[Public travel in and occupancy of the Library of Congress grounds is restricted to the sidewalks and other paved surfaces.**]**

[§ 167b. Sales, advertisements, and solicitations in Library buildings and grounds

[It shall be unlawful to offer or expose any article for sale in the Library of Congress buildings or grounds; to display any sign,

placard, or other form of advertisement therein; or to solicit fares, alms, subscriptions, or contributions therein.]

[§ 167c. Injuries to Library property

[It shall be unlawful to step or climb upon, remove, or in any way injure any statue, seat, wall fountain, or other erection or achitectural feature, or any tree, shrub, plant, or turf in the Library of Congress buildings or grounds.]

[§ 167d. Firearms or fireworks; speeches; objectionable language in Library buildings and grounds

[It shall be unlawful to discharge any firearm, firework or explosive, set fire to any combustible, make any harangue or oration, or utter loud, threatening, or abusive language in the Library of Congress buildings or grounds.]

[§ 167e. Parades, assemblages or display of flags in Library buildings and grounds

[It shall be unlawful to parade, stand, or move in processions or assemblages in the Library of Congress buildings or grounds, or to display therein any flag, banner, or device designed or adapted tobring into public notice any party, organization, or movement.]

[§ 167f. Regulations for Library buildings and grounds; publication; effective date

[(a) In addition to the restrictions and requirements specified in sections 2 to 6, inclusive, of this Act, the Librarian of Congress may prescribe such regulations as may be deemed necessary for the adequate protection of the Library of Congress buildings and grounds and of persons and property therein, and for the maintenance of suitable order and decorum within the Library of Congress buildings and grounds.]

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[§ 167g. Prosecution and punishment of offenses in Library buildings and grounds

[Whoever violates any provision of sections 167a to 167e of this title, or of any regulation prescribed under section 167f of this title, commits a Class B misdemeanor, prosecution for such offenses to be had in the Superior Court of the District of Columbia upon information by the United States attorney or any of his assistants: Provided, That in any case where, in the commission of any such offense, public property is damaged in an amount exceeding $100, the person commits a Class D felony.]

[§ 167h. Jurisdiction of police within Library buildings, grounds, and adjacent streets

[The police provided for in section 167 of this title shall have the power, within the Library of Congress buildings and grounds and adjacent streets, to enforce and make arrests for violations of any provision of sections 167a to 167e of this title, of any regulation prescribed under section 167f of this title, or of any law of the United States, any law of the District of Columbia, or of any State,

or any regulation promulgated pursuant thereto: *Provided,* That the Metropolitan Police force of the District of Columbia are authorized to make arrests within the Library of Congress buildings and grounds for any violations of any such laws or regulations, but such authority shall not be construed as authorizing the Metropolitan Police force, except with the consent or upon the request of the Librarian of Congress or his assistants, to enter the Library of Congress buildings to make arrests in response to complaints or to serve warrants or to patrol the Library of Congress buildings or grounds.]

§ 167i. Suspension of prohibitions against use of Library buildings and grounds

In order to permit the observance of authorized ceremonies within the Library of Congress buildings and grounds, the Librarian of Congress may suspend for such occasions so much of the prohibitions contained in sections [2 to 6, inclusive, of this Act] *5103 and 5104 of title 40, United States Code,* as may be necessary for the occasion, but only if responsible officers shall have been appointed, and arrangements determined which are adequate, in the judgment of the Librarian, for the maintenance of suitable order and decorum in the proceedings, and for the protection of the Library buildings and grounds and of persons and property therein.

§ 167j. Area comprising Library of Congress grounds; "buildings and grounds" defined

(a) [For the purposes of this Act the] *The* Library of Congress grounds shall be held to extend to the line of the face of the east curb of First Street Southeast, between B Street Southeast and East Capitol Street; to the line of the face of the south curb of East Capitol Street, between First Street Southeast and Second Street Southeast; to the line of the face of the west curb of Second Street Southeast, between East Capitol Street and B Street Southeast; to the line of the face of the north curb of B Street Southeast, between First Street Southeast and Second Street Southeast; and to the line of the face of the east curb of Second Street Southeast, between Pennsylvania Avenue Southeast and the north side of the alley separating the Library Annex Building and the Folger Shakespeare Library; to the line of the north side of the same alley, between Second Street Southeast and Third Street Southeast; to the line of the face of the west curb of Third Street Southeast, between the north side of the same alley and B Street Southeast; to the line of the face of the north curb of B Street Southeast, between Third Street Southeast and Pennsylvania Avenue Southeast; to the line of the face of the northeast curb of Pennsylvania Avenue Southeast, between B Street Southeast and Second Street Southeast.

(b) [For the purposes of this Act, the] *The* term "Library of Congress buildings and grounds" shall include (1) the whole or any part of any building or structure which is occupied under lease or otherwise by the Library of Congress and is subject to supervision and control by the Librarian of Congress, (2) the land upon which there is situated any building or structure which is occupied wholly by the Library of Congress, and (3) any subway or enclosed pas-

sageway connecting two or more buildings or structures occupied in whole or in part by the Library of Congress.

(c) [For the purposes of this Act, the] *The* term "Library of Congress buildings and grounds" shall include (1) all real property in lot 51 in square 869 in the District of Columbia, as that lot appears on the records in the office of the Surveyor of the District of Columbia on August 1, 1990, extending to the outer face of the curbs of the square in which it is located and including all alleys or parts of alleys and streets within the lot lines and curb lines surrounding such real property, and (2) improvements to such real property.

(d) [For the purposes of this Act, the] *The* term "Library of Congress buildings and grounds" shall include the following property:

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§ 182. Cooperative Acquisitions Program Revolving Fund

(a) * * *

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[(e) Annual report

[Not later than March 31 of each year, the Librarian of Congress shall prepare and submit to Congress an audited financial statement for the revolving fund for the preceding fiscal year. The audit shall be conducted in accordance with Government Auditing Standards for financial audits issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.]

(e) AUDIT.—The revolving fund shall be subject to audit by the Comptroller General at the Comptroller General's discretion.

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CHAPTER 22B—HUNGER FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

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§ 1161. Hunger fellowship program

(a) Short title; findings

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(f) Expenditures; audits

(1) In general

The Secretary of the Treasury shall transfer to the program from the amounts described in subsection (e)(3) of this section and subsection (g)(3)(A) of this section such sums as the Board determines are necessary to enable the program to carry out the provisions of this section.

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(4) Audit by GAO

(A) In general

The Comptroller General of the United States [shall] *may* conduct an [annual] audit of the accounts of the program.

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CHAPTER 24—CONGRESSIONAL ACCOUNTABILITY

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SUBCHAPTER III—OFFICE OF COMPLIANCE

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§ 1382. Officers, staff, and other personnel

(a) Executive Director

(1) Appointment and removal

(A) In general

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(C) Disqualifications

The disqualifications in section 1381(d)(2) of this title shall apply to the appointment of the Executive Director, *except that an individual shall not be disqualified for appointment to the office of Executive Director solely by reason of service as an officer or employee of the Office during the 4-year period described under section 301(d)(2)(B).*

[(2) Compensation

[The Chair may fix the compensation of the Executive Director. The rate of pay for the Executive Director may not exceed the annual rate of basic pay prescribed for level V of the Executive Schedule under section 5316 of title 5.

[(3) Term

[The term of office of the Executive Director shall be a single term of 5 years, except that the first Executive Director shall have a single term of 7 years.]

(2) COMPENSATION.—

(A) AUTHORITY TO FIX COMPENSATION.—The Chair may fix the compensation of the Executive Director.

(B) LIMITATION.—The rate of pay for the Executive Director may not exceed the lesser of—

(i) the highest annual rate of compensation of any officer of the Senate; or

(ii) the highest annual rate of compensation of any officer of the House of Representatives.

(3) TERM.—The term of office of the Executive Director shall be 5 years. An individual may be appointed to more than 1 term.

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(c) General Counsel

(1) In general

The Chair, subject to the approval of the Board, shall appoint a General Counsel. Selection and appointment of the General Counsel shall be without regard to political affiliation and solely on the basis of fitness to perform the duties of the Office. The disqualifications in section 1381(d)(2) of this title shall apply to the appointment of a General Counsel*, except that an individual shall not be disqualified for appointment to the office of General Counsel solely by reason of service as an officer or employee of the Office during the 4-year period described under section 301(d)(2)(B)*.

[(2) Compensation

[The Chair may fix the compensation of the General Counsel. The rate of pay for the General Counsel may not exceed the annual rate of basic pay prescribed for level V of the Executive Schedule under section 5316 of title 5.]

(2) COMPENSATION.—

(A) AUTHORITY TO FIX COMPENSATION.—The Chair may fix the compensation of the General Counsel.

(B) LIMITATION.—The rate of pay for the General Counsel may not exceed the lesser of—

(i) the highest annual rate of compensation of any officer of the Senate; or

(ii) the highest annual rate of compensation of any officer of the House of Representatives.

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[(5) Term

[The term of office of the General Counsel shall be a single term of 5 years.]

(5) TERM.—The term of office of the General Counsel shall be 5 years. An individual may be appointed to more than 1 term.

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(e) Detailed personnel

The Executive Director may, with the prior consent of the department or agency of the Federal Government concerned, use on a reimbursable or nonreimbursable basis the services of personnel of any such department or agency, including the services of members or personnel of the [General Accounting Office] *Government Accountability Office* Personnel Appeals Board.

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CHAPTER 29—CAPITOL POLICE

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SUBCHAPTER I—ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION

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PART A—GENERAL

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§ 1901. Establishment; officer appointments

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TRANSFER OF LIBRARY OF CONGRESS POLICE TO CAPITOL POLICE

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Pub. L. 108–7, div. H, title I, Sec. 1015, Feb. 20, 2003, 117 Stat. 362, provided that:

"(a) * * *

"(1) * * *

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"(2) EFFECT ON PERSONNEL.—

"(A) ANNUAL AND SICK LEAVE.—Any annual or sick leave to the credit of an individual transferred under paragraph (1) shall be transferred to the credit of that individual as an employee of the United States Capitol Police.

[**"(B) SERVICE PERFORMED FOR RETIREMENT PURPOSES.—For those Library of Congress Police employees transferred under paragraph (1)(A), any period of service performed by a Library of Congress Police employee shall be deemed to be service performed as a member of the United States Capitol Police for purposes of chapters 83 and 84 of title 5, United States Code.**]

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SUBCHAPTER II—POWERS AND DUTIES

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§ 1961. Policing of Capitol Buildings and Grounds

(a) The Capitol Police shall police the United States Capitol Buildings and Grounds under the direction of the Capitol Police Board, consisting of the Sergeant at Arms of the United States Senate, the Sergeant at Arms of the House of Representatives, and the Architect of the Capitol, and shall have the power to enforce the provisions of this section, sections 1922, 1966, 1967, and 1969 of this title (and regulations promulgated under section 1969 of this title), and chapter 51 of title 40, and to make arrests within the United States Capitol Buildings and Grounds for any violations of any law of the United States, of the District of Columbia, or of any State, or any regulation promulgated pursuant thereto: *Provided*, That for the fiscal year for which appropriations are made by this Act the Capitol Police shall have the additional authority to make arrests within the District of Columbia for crimes of violence, as defined in section 16 of title 18, committed within the Capitol Buildings and Grounds and shall have the additional authority to make arrests, without a warrant, for crimes of violence, as defined in section 16 of title 18, committed in the presence of any member of the Capitol Police performing official duties: *Provided further*, That the Metropolitan Police force of the District of Columbia are authorized to make arrests within the United States Capitol Buildings and Grounds for any violation of any such laws or regulations, but such authority shall not be construed as author-

izing the Metropolitan Police force, except with the consent or upon the request of the Capitol Police Board, to enter such buildings to make arrests in response to complaints or to serve warrants or to patrol the United States Capitol Buildings and Grounds. For the purpose of this section, the word "grounds" shall include the House Office Buildings parking areas and that part or parts of property which have been or hereafter are acquired in the District of Columbia by the Architect of the Capitol, or by an officer of the Senate or the House, by lease, purchase, intergovernment transfer, or otherwise, for the use of the Senate, the House, or the Architect of the Capitol.

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(c) * * *

(d) For purposes of this section, "United States Capitol Buildings and Grounds" shall include the Library of Congress buildings and grounds described under section 11 of the Act entitled "An Act relating to the policing of the buildings of the Library of Congress", approved August 4, 1950 (2 U.S.C. 167j), except that in a case of buildings or grounds not located in the District of Columbia, the authority granted to the Metropolitan Police Force of the District of Columbia shall be granted to any police force within whose jurisdiction the buildings or grounds are located.

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CHAPTER 30—OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF CAPITOL COMPLEX

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SUBCHAPTER V—HISTORICAL PRESERVATION AND FINE ARTS

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PART B—SENATE COMMISSION ON ART

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§ 2107. Conservation, restoration, replication, or replacement of items in United States Senate Collection

(a) Use of moneys in Senate contingent fund

Effective with the fiscal year ending September 30, **[**2007**]** *2008*, and each fiscal year thereafter, subject to the approval of the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate, any unexpended and unobligated funds in the appropriation account for the "Secretary of the Senate" within the contingent fund of the Senate which have not been withdrawn in accordance with section 102a of this title, shall be available for the expenses incurred, without regard to the fiscal year in which incurred, for the purchase of art and historical objects for the United States Senate Collection, for exhibits and public education relating to the United States Senate Collection, for administrative and transitional expenses of the Senate Commission on Art, and for the conservation, restoration, and replication or replacement, in whole or in part, of works of art, historical ob-

jects, documents, or material relating to historical matters for placement or exhibition within the Senate wing of the United States Capitol, any Senate Office Building, or any room, corridor, or other space therein. In the case of replication or replacement of such works, objects, documents, or material, the funds available under this subsection shall be available for any such works, objects, documents, or material previously contained within the Senate wing of the Capitol, or a work, object, document, or material historically accurate.

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PART D—MISCELLANEOUS

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§ 2131a. Eligibility for placement of statues in National Statuary Hall

(a) Eligibility

No statue of any individual may be placed in National Statuary Hall until after the expiration of the 10-year period which begins on the date of the individual's death.

(b) Exceptions

Subsection (a) of this section does not apply with respect to—

(1) the statue obtained and placed in National Statuary Hall under this Act; or

(2) any statue provided and furnished by a State under section 2131 of this title or any replacement statue provided by a State under section 2132 of this title.

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REFERENCES IN TEXT

This Act, referred to in subsec. (b)(1), is Pub. L. 109–116, Dec. 1, 2005, 119 Stat. 2524, which enacted this section and provisions set out as a note under this section. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Tables.

PLACEMENT OF STATUE OF ROSA PARKS IN NATIONAL STATUARY HALL

Pub. L. 109–116, Sec. 1, Dec. 1, 2005, 119 Stat. 2524, provided that:

"(a) OBTAINING STATUE.—Not later than 2 years after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Joint Committee on the Library shall enter into an agreement to obtain a statue of Rosa Parks, under such terms and conditions as the Joint Committee considers appropriate consistent with applicable law. *The Joint Committee may authorize the Architect of the Capitol to enter into the agreement required under this subsection on its behalf, under such terms and conditions as the Joint Committee may require.*

"(b) PLACEMENT.—The Joint Committee shall place the statue obtained under subsection (a) in the United States Capitol in a suitable permanent location in National Statuary Hall."

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TITLE 5—GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION AND EMPLOYEES

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PART III—EMPLOYEES

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Subpart D—Pay and Allowances

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CHAPTER 57—TRAVEL, TRANSPORTATION, AND SUBSISTENCE

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SUBCHAPTER II—TRAVEL AND TRANSPORTATION EXPENSES; NEW APPOINTEES, STUDENT TRAINEES, AND TRANSFERRED EMPLOYEES

§ 5721. Definitions

For the purpose of this subchapter—

(1) "agency" means—

(A) * * *

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(G) the Architect of the Capitol;

[(G)] *(H)* the Government Printing Office; and

[(H)] *(I)* the government of the District of Columbia;

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SUBCHAPTER IV—MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

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§ 5753. Recruitment and relocation bonuses

(a)(1) This section may be applied to—

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(g) The Office may prescribe regulations to carry out this section, including regulations relating to the repayment of a bonus under this section in appropriate circumstances when the agreed-upon service period has not been completed.

(h) With regard to the application of this section to employees of the Office of the Architect of the Capitol and the Botanic Garden, the authorities and reporting responsibilities of the Office of Personnel Management shall be exercised by the Architect of the Capitol.

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§ 5754. Retention bonuses

(a)(1) This section may be applied to—

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(h) The Office may prescribe regulations to carry out this section.

(i) With regard to the application of this section to employees of the Office of the Architect of the Capitol and the Botanic Garden, the authorities and reporting responsibilities of the Office of Personnel Management shall be exercised by the Architect of the Capitol.

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TITLE 8—ALIENS AND NATIONALITY

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CHAPTER 12—IMMIGRATION AND NATIONALITY

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SUBCHAPTER II—IMMIGRATION

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PART V—ADJUSTMENT AND CHANGE OF STATUS

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§ 1255. Adjustment of status of nonimmigrant to that of person admitted for permanent residence

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ADJUSTMENT OF STATUS OF CERTAIN HAITIAN NATIONALS

Pub. L. 105–277, div. A, Sec. 101(h) [title IX, Sec. 902], Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat. 2681–480, 2681–538; as amended by Pub. L. 106–386, div. B, title V, Sec. 1511(a), Oct. 28, 2000, 114 Stat. 1532; Pub. L. 106–554, Sec. 1(a)(4) [div. B, title XV, Sec. 1505(b)(1)], Dec. 21, 2000, 114 Stat. 2763, 2763A–326; Pub. L. 109–162, title VIII, Sec. 824(a), Jan. 5, 2006, 119 Stat. 3063, provided that:

[“(a) ADJUSTMENT OF STATUS.—

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[“(k) Not later than 6 months after the date of the enactment of this Act [Oct. 21, 1998], and every 6 months thereafter (until all applications for adjustment of status under this section have been finally adjudicated), the Comptroller General of the United States shall submit to the Committees on the Judiciary and the Committees on Appropriations of the United States House of Representatives and the United States Senate a report containing the following:

[“(1)(A) The number of aliens who applied for adjustment of status under subsection (a), including a breakdown specifying the number of such applicants who are described in subparagraph (A), (B), or (C) of subsection (b)(1), respectively.

[“(B) The number of aliens described in subparagraph (A) whose status was adjusted under this section, including a breakdown described in the subparagraph.

[“(2)(A) The number of aliens who applied for adjustment of status under subsection (d), including a breakdown specifying the number of such applicants who are sponsors, children, or unmarried sons or daughters described in such subsection, respectively.

[“(B) The number of aliens described in subparagraph (A) whose status was adjusted under this section, including a breakdown described in the subparagraph.”]

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TITLE 36—PATRIOTIC AND NATIONAL OBSERVANCES, CEREMONIES, AND ORGANIZATIONS

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Subtitle I—Patriotic and National Observances and Ceremonies

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PART A—OBSERVANCES AND CEREMONIES

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CHAPTER 1—PATRIOTIC AND NATIONAL OBSERVANCES

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NATIONAL MOMENT OF REMEMBRANCE

Pub. L. 106–579, Dec. 28, 2000, 114 Stat. 3078, provided that:

[“**SEC. 11. AUDIT OF FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS.**

[“(a) IN GENERAL.—The Comptroller General of the United States shall audit, on an annual basis, the financial transactions of the Commission (including financial transactions involving donated funds) in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards.

[“(b) ACCESS.—The Commission shall ensure that the Comptroller General, in conducting an audit under this section, has—

[“(1) access to all books, accounts, financial records, reports, files, and other papers, items, or property in use by the Commission, as necessary to facilitate the audit; and

[“(2) full ability to verify the financial transactions of the Commission, including access to any financial records or securities held for the Commission by depositories, fiscal agents, or custodians.]

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TITLE 40—PUBLIC BUILDINGS, PROPERTY, AND WORKS

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SUBTITLE II—PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND WORKS

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PART B—UNITED STATES CAPITOL

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CHAPTER 51—UNITED STATES CAPITOL BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

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§ 5101. Definition

In this chapter, the term "Capitol Buildings" means the United States Capitol, the Senate and House Office Buildings and garages, the Capitol Power Plant, all buildings on the real property described under section 5102(c) (including the Administrative Building of the United States Botanic Garden), *all buildings on the real property described under section 5102(d),* all subways and enclosed passages connecting two or more of those structures, and the real property underlying and enclosed by any of those structures.

§ 5102. Legal description and jurisdiction of United States Capitol Grounds

(a) LEGAL DESCRIPTION. * * *

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(c) * * *

(d) LIBRARY OF CONGRESS BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided under paragraph (2), the United States Capitol Grounds shall include the Library of Congress grounds described under section 11 of the Act entitled "An Act relating to the policing of the buildings of the Library of Congress", approved August 4, 1950 (2 U.S.C. 167j).

(2) AUTHORITY OF LIBRARIAN OF CONGRESS.—Notwithstanding subsections (a) and (b), the Librarian of Congress shall retain authority over the Library of Congress buildings and grounds in accordance with section 1 of the Act of June 29, 1922 (2 U.S.C. 141; 42 Stat. 715).

(d) LIBRARY OF CONGRESS BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided under paragraph (2), the United States Capitol Grounds shall include the Library of Congress grounds described under section 11 of the Act entitled "An Act relating to the policing of the buildings of the Library of Congress", approved August 4, 1950 (2 U.S.C. 167j).

(2) AUTHORITY OF LIBRARIAN OF CONGRESS.—Notwithstanding subsections (a) and (b), the Librarian of Congress shall retain authority over the Library of Congress buildings and grounds in accordance with section 1 of the Act of June 29, 1922 (2 U.S.C. 141; 42 Stat. 715).

§ 5104. Unlawful activities

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(2) VIOLENT ENTRY AND DISORDERLY CONDUCT.—An individual or group of individuals may not willfully and knowingly—

(A) enter or remain on the floor of either House of Congress or in any cloakroom or lobby adjacent to that floor, in the Rayburn Room of the House of Representatives, or in the Marble Room of the Senate, unless authorized to do so pursuant to rules adopted, or an authorization given, by that House;

(B) enter or remain in the gallery of either House of Congress in violation of rules governing admission to the gallery adopted by that House or pursuant to an authorization given by that House;

[(C) with the intent to disrupt the orderly conduct of official business, enter or remain in a room in any of the Capitol Buildings set aside or designated for the use of either House of Congress or a Member, committee, officer, or employee of Congress or either House of Congress;**]**

(C) with the intent to disrupt the orderly conduct of official business, enter or remain in a room in any of the Capitol Buildings set aside or designated for the use of—

(i) either House of Congress or a Member, committee, officer, or employee of Congress, or either House of Congress; or

(ii) the Library of Congress.

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TITLE 42—THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE

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CHAPTER 7—SOCIAL SECURITY

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SUBCHAPTER XVIII—HEALTH INSURANCE FOR AGED AND DISABLED

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PART E—MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

§ 1395ss. Certification of medicare supplemental health insurance policies

(a) Submission of policy by insurer

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(r) Required ratio of aggregate benefits to aggregate premiums

(1) A medicare supplemental policy may not be issued or renewed (or otherwise provide coverage after the date described in subsection (p)(1)(C) of this section) in any State unless—

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(5)[(A) The Comptroller General shall periodically, not less often than once every 3 years,] *The Secretary may* perform audits with respect to the compliance of medicare supplemental policies with the loss ratio requirements of this subsection and shall report the results of such audits to the State involved [and to the Secretary].

[(B) The Secretary may independently perform such compliance audits.]

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CHAPTER 23—DEVELOPMENT AND CONTROL OF ATOMIC ENERGY

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DIVISION A—ATOMIC ENERGY

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SUBCHAPTER XIII—GENERAL AUTHORITY OF COMMISSION

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RADIATION EXPOSURE COMPENSATION

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[**"SEC. 14. GAO REPORTS.**

["(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 18 months after the date of enactment of the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act Amendments of 2000, and every 18 months thereafter, the Government Accountability Office shall submit a report to Congress containing a detailed accounting of the administration of this Act by the Department of Justice.

["(b) CONTENTS.—Each report submitted under this section shall include an analysis of—

["(1) claims, awards, and administrative costs under this Act; and

["(2) the budget of the Department of Justice relating to this Act."]

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DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 1999, PUBLIC LAW 106–113

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TITLE V—INTERNATIONAL DEBT RELIEF

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SEC. 504. ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS.

(a) * * *

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[(e) ANNUAL REPORT BY GAO ON CONSISTENCY OF IMF PRACTICES WITH STATUTORY POLICIES.—The Comptroller General of the United States shall annually prepare and submit to the Congress of the United States a written report on the extent to which the practices of the International Monetary Fund are consistent with the policies of the United States, as expressly contained in Federal law applicable to the International Monetary Fund.]

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CONSOLIDATED APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2001, PUBLIC LAW 106–554

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APPENDIX B—H.R. 5657

That the following sums are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, and for other purposes, namely:

TITLE I—CONGRESSIONAL OPERATIONS

SENATE

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TITLE III—GENERAL PROVISIONS

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[SEC. 314. REVIEW OF PROPOSED CHANGES TO EXPORT THRESHOLDS FOR COMPUTERS. Not more than 50 days after the date of the submission of the report referred to in subsection (d) of section 1211 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1998 (50 U.S.C. App. 2404 note), the Comptroller General of the United States shall submit an assessment to Congress which contains an analysis of the new computer performance levels being proposed by the President under such section.]

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VETERANS HEALTH PROGRAMS IMPROVEMENT ACT OF 2004, PUBLIC LAW 108–422

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TITLE VI—OTHER MATTERS

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SEC. 604. ANNUAL REPORTS ON WAITING TIMES FOR APPOINTMENTS FOR SPECIALTY CARE.

(a) * * *

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(c) CERTIFICATION ON REPORT INFORMATION.—**[**The Comptroller General of the United States**]** *The Inspector General of the Department of Veterans Affairs* shall certify to the committees of Congress referred to in subsection (a) whether or not each report under this section is accurate.

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BUDGETARY IMPACT OF BILL

PREPARED IN CONSULTATION WITH THE CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE PURSUANT TO SEC. 308(a), PUBLIC LAW 93–344, AS AMENDED

[In millions of dollars]

	Budget authority		Outlays	
	Committee allocation	Amount of bill	Committee allocation	Amount of bill
Comparison of amounts in the bill with Committee allocations to its subcommittees of amounts in the Budget Resolution for 2008: Subcommittee on the Legislative Branch:				
Mandatory	126	126	126	[1] 126
Discretionary	4,051	2,786	4,178	[1] 2,924
Projection of outlays associated with the recommendation:				
2008	.....	.....	.....	[2] 2,434
2009	.....	.....	.....	340
2010	.....	.....	.....	85
2011	.....	.....	.....	14
2012 and future years	.....	.....	.....	4
Financial assistance to State and local governments for 2008	NA	.....	NA	.....

[1] Includes outlays from prior-year budget authority.
[2] Excludes outlays from prior-year budget authority.

NA: Not applicable.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF NEW BUDGET (OBLIGATIONAL) AUTHORITY FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008 AND BUDGET ESTIMATES AND AMOUNTS RECOMMENDED IN THE BILL FOR FISCAL YEAR 2007

[In thousands of dollars]

	2007 appropriation	Budget estimate	Committee recommendation	Senate Committee recommendation compared with (+ or −)	
				2007 appropriation	Budget estimate
TITLE I—LEGISLATIVE BRANCH					
SENATE					
Payments to Widows and Heirs of Deceased Members of Congress					
Gratuities, deceased members	.....	.....	165	+165	+165
Expense allowances:					
Vice President	20	20	20	.....	.....
President Pro Tempore of the Senate	40	40	40	.....	.....
Majority Leader of the Senate	40	40	40	.....	.....
Minority Leader of the Senate	40	40	40	.....	.....
Majority Whip of the Senate	10	10	10	.....	.....
Minority Whip of the Senate	10	10	10	.....	.....
President Pro Tempore Emeritus of the Senate	15	15	15	.....	.....
Chairman of the Majority Conference Committee	5	5	5	.....	.....
Chairman of the Minority Conference Committee	5	5	5	.....	.....
Chairman of the Majority Policy Committee	5	5	5	.....	.....
Chairman of the Minority Policy Committee	5	5	5	.....	.....
Subtotal, expense allowances	195	195	195	.....	.....
Representation allowances for the Majority and Minority Leaders	30	30	30	.....	.....
Total, Expense allowances and representation	225	225	225	.....	.....
Salaries, Officers and Employees					
Office of the Vice President	2,201	2,316	2,316	+115	.....
Office of the President Pro Tempore	584	620	620	+36	.....
Office of the President Pro Tempore Emeritus	293	309	309	+16	.....
Offices of the Majority and Minority Leaders	4,375	4,796	4,796	+421	.....

Offices of the Majority and Minority Whips	2,668	2,912	2,912	+244	.....
Committee on Appropriations	13,880	14,915	14,600	+720	−315
Conference committees	2,969	3,174	3,174	+205	.....
Offices of the Secretaries of the Conference of the Majority and the Conference of the Minority	735	778	778	+43	.....
Policy Committees	3,074	3,240	3,240	+166	.....
Office of the Chaplain	357	379	379	+22	.....
Office of the Secretary	21,054	23,500	22,388	+1,334	−1,112
Office of the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper	57,251	64,443	62,000	+4,749	−2,443
Offices of the Secretaries for the Majority and Minority	1,598	1,684	1,684	+86	.....
Agency contributions and related expenses	37,473	43,585	41,100	+3,627	−2,485
Outlays	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total, Salaries, officers and employees	148,512	166,651	160,296	+11,784	−6,355
Office of the Legislative Counsel of the Senate					
Salaries and expenses	5,491	6,280	6,280	+789	.....
Office of Senate Legal Counsel					
Salaries and expenses	1,317	1,439	1,439	+122	.....
Expense Allowances of the Secretary of the Senate, Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate, and Secretaries for the Majority and Minority of the Senate: Expenses allowances	24	24	24	.....	.....
Contingent Expenses of the Senate					
Inquiries and investigations	120,692	138,644	129,000	+8,308	−9,644
Expenses of United States Senate Caucus on International Narcotics Control	520	520	520	.....	.....
Secretary of the Senate	1,980	2,000	2,000	+20	.....
Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate	142,000	162,450	145,189	+3,189	−17,261
Miscellaneous items	17,000	18,737	17,528	+528	−1,209
Senators' Official Personnel and Office Expense Account	365,453	396,065	379,065	+13,612	−17,000
Official Mail Costs					
Expenses	300	300	300	.....	.....
Total, Contingent expenses of the Senate	647,945	718,716	673,602	+25,657	−45,114
Total, Senate	803,514	893,335	842,031	+38,517	−51,304
JOINT ITEMS					
Joint Economic Committee	4,308	4,398	4,398	+90	.....
Joint Committee on Taxation	8,773	9,416	9,416	+643	.....

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF NEW BUDGET (OBLIGATIONAL) AUTHORITY FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008 AND BUDGET ESTIMATES AND AMOUNTS RECOMMENDED IN THE BILL FOR FISCAL YEAR 2007—Continued

[In thousands of dollars]

	2007 appropriation	Budget estimate	Committee recommendation	Senate Committee recommendation compared with (+ or −)	
				2007 appropriation	Budget estimate
Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies	.....	1,250	1,250	+1,250	.....
Office of the Attending Physician					
Medical supplies, equipment, expenses, and allowances	2,520	2,820	2,820	+300	.....
Capitol Guide Service and Special Services Office	8,524	10,876	7,864	−660	−3,012
Statements of Appropriations	30	30	30	.....	.....
Total, Joint items	24,155	28,790	25,778	+1,623	−3,012
CAPITOL POLICE					
Salaries	217,135	.....	225,930	+8,795	+225,930
General expenses	38,500	.....	58,070	+19,570	+58,070
Salaries and expenses	.....	299,070	.....	.....	−299,070
Emergency appropriations	10,000	.....	.....	−10,000	.....
Total, Capitol Police	265,635	299,070	284,000	+18,365	−15,070
OFFICE OF COMPLIANCE					
Salaries and expenses	3,103	4,106	3,806	+703	−300
CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE					
Salaries and expenses	35,204	37,972	38,510	+3,306	+538
ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL					
General administration	77,128	87,714	81,584	+4,456	−6,130
Capitol building	23,886	29,480	25,247	+1,361	−4,233
Capitol grounds	7,577	10,225	9,915	+2,338	−310
Senate office buildings	67,202	87,248	71,048	+3,846	−16,200
Capitol Power Plant	79,847	119,226	91,447	+11,600	−27,779
Offsetting collections	−6,534	−8,000	−8,000	−1,466	.....

Emergency appropriations	50,000	.....	.....	−50,000	.....
Net subtotal, Capitol Power Plant	123,313	111,226	83,447	−39,866	−27,779
Library buildings and grounds	27,692	42,788	28,061	+369	−14,727
Capitol police buildings and grounds	11,768	18,816	15,116	+3,348	−3,700
Botanic Garden	7,697	9,707	9,363	+1,666	−344
Capitol Visitor Center	43,758	.....	28,753	−15,005	+28,753
CVC Project (cost-to-complete)	.....	20,000	.....	.....	−20,000
CVC Operations	.....	13,884	.....	.....	−13,884
Total, Capitol Visitor Center	43,758	33,884	28,753	−15,005	−5,131
Total, Architect of the Capitol	390,021	431,088	352,534	−37,487	−78,554
LIBRARY OF CONGRESS					
Salaries and expenses	387,597	467,452	407,811	+20,214	−59,641
Authority to spend receipts	−6,350	−6,350	−6,350	.....	.....
Subtotal, Salaries and expenses	381,247	461,102	401,461	+20,214	−59,641
Rescissions	−49,549	.....	.....	+49,549	.....
Copyright Office, salaries and expenses	58,420	51,562	50,102	−8,318	−1,460
Authority to spend receipts	−35,758	−35,373	−45,196	−9,438	−9,823
Subtotal, Copyright Office	22,662	16,189	4,906	−17,756	−11,283
Congressional Research Service, salaries and expenses	100,786	108,702	102,892	+2,106	−5,810
Books for the blind and physically handicapped, Salaries and expenses	53,614	75,623	67,690	+14,076	−7,933
Subtotal, Library of Congress	508,760	661,616	576,949	+68,189	−84,667
Total, Library of Congress	508,760	661,616	576,949	+68,189	−84,667
GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE					
Congressional printing and binding	87,954	109,541	95,365	+7,411	−14,176
Office of Superintendent of Documents					
Salaries and expenses	33,096	45,613	38,231	+5,135	−7,382
Government Printing Office Revolving Fund	1,000	26,825	5,000	+4,000	−21,825
Total, Government Printing Office	122,050	181,979	138,596	+16,546	−43,383

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF NEW BUDGET (OBLIGATIONAL) AUTHORITY FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008 AND BUDGET ESTIMATES AND AMOUNTS RECOMMENDED IN THE BILL FOR FISCAL YEAR 2007—Continued

[In thousands of dollars]

	2007 appropriation	Budget estimate	Committee recommendation	Senate Committee recommendation compared with (+ or −)	
				2007 appropriation	Budget estimate
GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE					
Salaries and expenses	488,627	530,314	517,830	+29,203	−12,484
Emergency appropriations	374	.....	.....	−374	.....
Offsetting collections	−7,931	−7,510	−7,510	+421	.....
Total, Government Accountability Office	481,070	522,804	510,320	+29,250	−12,484
OPEN WORLD LEADERSHIP CENTER					
Payment to the Open World Leadership Center Trust Fund	13,860	14,400	13,500	−360	−900
STENNIS CENTER FOR PUBLIC SERVICE					
Stennis Center for Public Service	430	430	430	.....	.....
Grand total	2,647,802	3,075,590	2,786,454	+138,652	−289,136
Emergency appropriations	60,374	.....	.....	−60,374	.....
RECAPITULATION					
Senate	803,514	893,335	842,031	+38,517	−51,304
Joint Items	24,155	28,790	25,778	+1,623	−3,012
Capitol Police	265,635	299,070	284,000	+18,365	−15,070
Office of Compliance	3,103	4,106	3,806	+703	−300
Congressional Budget Office	35,204	37,972	38,510	+3,306	+538
Architect of the Capitol	390,021	431,088	352,534	−37,487	−78,554
Library of Congress	508,760	661,616	576,949	+68,189	−84,667
Government Printing Office	122,050	181,979	138,596	+16,546	−43,383
Government Accountability Office	481,070	522,804	510,320	+29,250	−12,484
Open World Leadership Center	13,860	14,400	13,500	−360	−900
Stennis Center for Public Service	430	430	430	.....	.....

Prior year outlays	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Grand total	2,647,802	3,075,590	2,786,454	+138,652	* −289,136
Emergency appropriations	60,374	.....	.....	−60,374	.....

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