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Making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2016, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 12, 2015

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

A BILL

Making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2016, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 That the following sums are appropriated, out of any
4 money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the
5 Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September
6 30, 2016, and for other purposes, namely:

7 TITLE I—LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

8 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

9 PAYMENT TO WIDOWS AND HEIRS OF DECEASED

10 MEMBERS OF CONGRESS

11 For payment to Tori B. Nunnelee, widow of Alan
12 Nunnelee, late a Representative from the State of Mis-
13 sissippi, \$174,000.

14 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

15 For salaries and expenses of the House of Represent-
16 atives, \$1,180,736,000, as follows:

17 HOUSE LEADERSHIP OFFICES

18 For salaries and expenses, as authorized by law,
19 \$22,278,891, including: Office of the Speaker,
20 \$6,645,417, including \$25,000 for official expenses of the
21 Speaker; Office of the Majority Floor Leader, \$2,180,048,
22 including \$10,000 for official expenses of the Majority
23 Leader; Office of the Minority Floor Leader, \$7,114,471,
24 including \$10,000 for official expenses of the Minority
25 Leader; Office of the Majority Whip, including the Chief

1 Deputy Majority Whip, \$1,886,632, including \$5,000 for
2 official expenses of the Majority Whip; Office of the Mi-
3 nority Whip, including the Chief Deputy Minority Whip,
4 \$1,459,639, including \$5,000 for official expenses of the
5 Minority Whip; Republican Conference, \$1,505,426;
6 Democratic Caucus, \$1,487,258: *Provided*, That such
7 amount for salaries and expenses shall remain available
8 from January 3, 2016 until January 2, 2017.

9 MEMBERS' REPRESENTATIONAL ALLOWANCES
10 INCLUDING MEMBERS' CLERK HIRE, OFFICIAL
11 EXPENSES OF MEMBERS, AND OFFICIAL MAIL

12 For Members' representational allowances, including
13 Members' clerk hire, official expenses, and official mail,
14 \$554,317,732.

15 COMMITTEE EMPLOYEES

16 STANDING COMMITTEES, SPECIAL AND SELECT

17 For salaries and expenses of standing committees,
18 special and select, authorized by House resolutions,
19 \$123,903,173: *Provided*, That such amount shall remain
20 available for such salaries and expenses until December
21 31, 2016.

22 COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

23 For salaries and expenses of the Committee on Ap-
24 propriations, \$23,271,004, including studies and examina-
25 tions of executive agencies and temporary personal serv-

1 ices for such committee, to be expended in accordance with
2 section 202(b) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of
3 1946 and to be available for reimbursement to agencies
4 for services performed: *Provided*, That such amount shall
5 remain available for such salaries and expenses until De-
6 cember 31, 2016.

7 SALARIES, OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES

8 For compensation and expenses of officers and em-
9 ployees, as authorized by law, \$175,713,679, including:
10 for salaries and expenses of the Office of the Clerk, includ-
11 ing the positions of the Chaplain and the Historian, and
12 including not more than \$25,000, of which not more than
13 \$20,000 is for the Family Room and not more than
14 \$2,000 is for the Office of the Chaplain, for official rep-
15 resentation and reception expenses, \$24,980,898; for sala-
16 ries and expenses of the Office of the Sergeant at Arms,
17 including the position of Superintendent of Garages and
18 the Office of Emergency Management, and including not
19 more than \$3,000 for official representation and reception
20 expenses, \$14,827,120 of which \$4,784,229 shall remain
21 available until expended; for salaries and expenses of the
22 Office of the Chief Administrative Officer including not
23 more than \$3,000 for official representation and reception
24 expenses, \$115,010,000, of which \$1,350,000 shall remain
25 available until expended; for salaries and expenses of the

1 Office of the Inspector General, \$4,741,809; for salaries
2 and expenses of the Office of General Counsel,
3 \$1,413,450; for salaries and expenses of the Office of the
4 Parliamentarian, including the Parliamentarian, \$2,000
5 for preparing the Digest of Rules, and not more than
6 \$1,000 for official representation and reception expenses,
7 \$1,974,606; for salaries and expenses of the Office of the
8 Law Revision Counsel of the House, \$3,119,766; for sala-
9 ries and expenses of the Office of the Legislative Counsel
10 of the House, \$8,352,975; for salaries and expenses of the
11 Office of Interparliamentary Affairs, \$814,069; for other
12 authorized employees, \$478,986.

13 ALLOWANCES AND EXPENSES

14 For allowances and expenses as authorized by House
15 resolution or law, \$281,251,521, including: supplies, mate-
16 rials, administrative costs and Federal tort claims,
17 \$3,625,236; official mail for committees, leadership of-
18 fices, and administrative offices of the House, \$190,486;
19 Government contributions for health, retirement, Social
20 Security, and other applicable employee benefits,
21 \$254,447,514, to remain available until March 31, 2017;
22 Business Continuity and Disaster Recovery, \$16,217,008
23 of which \$5,000,000 shall remain available until expended;
24 transition activities for new members and staff,
25 \$2,084,000, to remain available until expended; Wounded

1 Warrior Program \$2,500,000, to remain available until
2 expended; Office of Congressional Ethics, \$1,467,030; and
3 miscellaneous items including purchase, exchange, mainte-
4 nance, repair and operation of House motor vehicles,
5 interparliamentary receptions, and gratuities to heirs of
6 deceased employees of the House, \$720,247.

7 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

8 SEC. 101. (a) REQUIRING AMOUNTS REMAINING IN
9 MEMBERS' REPRESENTATIONAL ALLOWANCES TO BE
10 USED FOR DEFICIT REDUCTION OR TO REDUCE THE
11 FEDERAL DEBT.—Notwithstanding any other provision of
12 law, any amounts appropriated under this Act for
13 “HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES—SALARIES AND
14 EXPENSES—MEMBERS' REPRESENTATIONAL ALLOW-
15 ANCES” shall be available only for fiscal year 2016. Any
16 amount remaining after all payments are made under such
17 allowances for fiscal year 2016 shall be deposited in the
18 Treasury and used for deficit reduction (or, if there is no
19 Federal budget deficit after all such payments have been
20 made, for reducing the Federal debt, in such manner as
21 the Secretary of the Treasury considers appropriate).

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

1 (c) DEFINITION.—As used in this section, the term
2 “Member of the House of Representatives” means a Rep-
3 resentative in, or a Delegate or Resident Commissioner
4 to, the Congress.

5 DELIVERY OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

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

12 DELIVERY OF CONGRESSIONAL RECORD

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

18 LIMITATION ON AMOUNT AVAILABLE TO LEASE VEHICLES

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

1 JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE

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

5 JOINT COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

6 For salaries and expenses of the Joint Committee on
7 Taxation, \$10,095,000, to be disbursed by the Chief Ad-
8 ministrative Officer of the House of Representatives.

9 For other joint items, as follows:

10 OFFICE OF THE ATTENDING PHYSICIAN

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

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

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

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

21 (4) an allowance of \$725 per month to 2 assist-
22 ants and \$580 per month each not to exceed 11 as-
23 sistants on the basis heretofore provided for such as-
24 sistants; and

1 (5) \$2,692,000 for reimbursement to the De-
2 partment of the Navy for expenses incurred for staff
3 and equipment assigned to the Office of the Attend-
4 ing Physician, which shall be advanced and credited
5 to the applicable appropriation or appropriations
6 from which such salaries, allowances, and other ex-
7 penses are payable and shall be available for all the
8 purposes thereof, \$3,784,000, to be disbursed by the
9 Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Rep-
10 resentatives.

11 OFFICE OF CONGRESSIONAL ACCESSIBILITY SERVICES

12 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

13 For salaries and expenses of the Office of Congres-
14 sional Accessibility Services, \$1,387,000, to be disbursed
15 by the Secretary of the Senate.

16 CAPITOL POLICE

17 SALARIES

18 For salaries of employees of the Capitol Police, in-
19 cluding overtime, hazardous duty pay, and Government
20 contributions for health, retirement, social security, pro-
21 fessional liability insurance, and other applicable employee
22 benefits, \$300,000,000 of which overtime shall not exceed
23 \$30,928,000 unless the Committee on Appropriations of
24 the House and Senate are notified, to be disbursed by the
25 Chief of the Capitol Police or his designee.

1 1905(a)(1)) is amended by striking “District of Colum-
2 bia)” and inserting the following: “District of Columbia),
3 and from any other source in the case of assistance pro-
4 vided in connection with an activity that was not spon-
5 sored by Congress”.

6 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 2802(a)(2)
7 of such Act (2 U.S.C. 1905(a)(2)) is amended by striking
8 “law enforcement assistance to any Federal, State, or local
9 government agency (including any agency of the District
10 of Columbia)” and inserting “any law enforcement assist-
11 ance for which reimbursement described in paragraph (1)
12 is made”.

13 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
14 this section shall apply with respect to any reimbursement
15 received before, on, or after the date of the enactment of
16 this Act.

17 OFFICE OF COMPLIANCE

18 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

19 For salaries and expenses of the Office of Compli-
20 ance, as authorized by section 305 of the Congressional
21 Accountability Act of 1995 (2 U.S.C. 1385), \$3,959,000,
22 of which \$450,000 shall remain available until September
23 30, 2017: *Provided*, That not more than \$500 may be ex-
24 pended on the certification of the Executive Director of

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

3 CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE

4 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

5 For salaries and expenses necessary for operation of
6 the Congressional Budget Office, including not more than
7 \$6,000 to be expended on the certification of the Director
8 of the Congressional Budget Office in connection with offi-
9 cial representation and reception expenses, \$47,270,000.

10 ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL

11 CAPITOL CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATIONS

12 For salaries for the Architect of the Capitol, and
13 other personal services, at rates of pay provided by law;
14 for all necessary expenses for surveys and studies, con-
15 struction, operation, and general and administrative sup-
16 port in connection with facilities and activities under the
17 care of the Architect of the Capitol including the Botanic
18 Garden; electrical substations of the Capitol, Senate and
19 House office buildings, and other facilities under the juris-
20 diction of the Architect of the Capitol; including fur-
21 nishings and office equipment; including not more than
22 \$5,000 for official reception and representation expenses,
23 to be expended as the Architect of the Capitol may ap-
24 prove; for purchase or exchange, maintenance, and oper-
25 ation of a passenger motor vehicle, \$90,946,000.

1 CAPITOL BUILDING

2 For all necessary expenses for the maintenance, care
3 and operation of the Capitol, \$46,737,000, of which
4 \$22,737,000 shall remain available until September 30,
5 2020.

6 CAPITOL GROUNDS

7 For all necessary expenses for care and improvement
8 of grounds surrounding the Capitol, the Senate and House
9 office buildings, and the Capitol Power Plant,
10 \$11,880,000, of which \$2,000,000 shall remain available
11 until September 30, 2020.

12 HOUSE OFFICE BUILDINGS

13 For all necessary expenses for the maintenance, care
14 and operation of the House office buildings,
15 \$149,962,000, of which \$23,886,000 shall remain avail-
16 able until September 30, 2020, and of which \$62,000,000
17 shall remain available until expended for the restoration
18 and renovation of the Cannon House Office Building.

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

22 CAPITOL POWER PLANT

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

1 and water and sewer services for the Capitol, Senate and
2 House office buildings, Library of Congress buildings, and
3 the grounds about the same, Botanic Garden, Senate ga-
4 rage, and air conditioning refrigeration not supplied from
5 plants in any of such buildings; heating the Government
6 Printing Office and Washington City Post Office, and
7 heating and chilled water for air conditioning for the Su-
8 preme Court Building, the Union Station complex, the
9 Thurgood Marshall Federal Judiciary Building and the
10 Folger Shakespeare Library, expenses for which shall be
11 advanced or reimbursed upon request of the Architect of
12 the Capitol and amounts so received shall be deposited
13 into the Treasury to the credit of this appropriation,
14 \$91,549,898, of which \$14,408,898 shall remain available
15 until September 30, 2020: *Provided*, That not more than
16 \$9,000,000 of the funds credited or to be reimbursed to
17 this appropriation as herein provided shall be available for
18 obligation during fiscal year 2016.

19 LIBRARY BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

20 For all necessary expenses for the mechanical and
21 structural maintenance, care and operation of the Library
22 buildings and grounds, \$36,589,000, of which
23 \$11,646,000 shall remain available until September 30,
24 2020.

1 CAPITOL POLICE BUILDINGS, GROUNDS AND SECURITY

2 For all necessary expenses for the maintenance, care
3 and operation of buildings, grounds and security enhance-
4 ments of the United States Capitol Police, wherever lo-
5 cated, the Alternate Computer Facility, and AOC security
6 operations, \$22,058,000, of which \$4,525,000 shall re-
7 main available until September 30, 2020.

8 BOTANIC GARDEN

9 For all necessary expenses for the maintenance, care
10 and operation of the Botanic Garden and the nurseries,
11 buildings, grounds, and collections; and purchase and ex-
12 change, maintenance, repair, and operation of a passenger
13 motor vehicle; all under the direction of the Joint Com-
14 mittee on the Library, \$11,892,000; of which \$2,100,000
15 shall remain available until September 30, 2020: *Provided*,
16 That of the amount made available under this heading,
17 the Architect of the Capitol may obligate and expend such
18 sums as may be necessary for the maintenance, care and
19 operation of the National Garden established under sec-
20 tion 307E of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act,
21 1989 (2 U.S.C. 2146), upon vouchers approved by the Ar-
22 chitect of the Capitol or a duly authorized designee.

23 CAPITOL VISITOR CENTER

24 For all necessary expenses for the operation of the
25 Capitol Visitor Center, \$20,557,000.

1 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

2 NO BONUSES FOR CONTRACTORS BEHIND SCHEDULE OR
3 OVER BUDGET

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

13 SCRIMS

14 SEC. 1102. None of the funds made available by this
15 Act may be used for serims containing photographs of
16 building facades during restoration or construction
17 projects performed by the Architect of the Capitol.

18 ACQUISITION OF PARCEL AT FORT MEADE

19 SEC. 1103. (a) ACQUISITION.—The Architect of the
20 Capitol is authorized to acquire from the Maryland State
21 Highway Administration, at no cost to the United States,
22 a parcel of real property (including improvements thereon)
23 consisting of approximately 7.34 acres located within the
24 portion of Fort George G. Meade in Anne Arundel County,
25 Maryland, that was transferred to the Architect of the

1 Capitol by the Secretary of the Army pursuant to section
2 122 of the Military Construction Appropriations Act, 1994
3 (2 U.S.C. 141 note).

4 (b) TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—The terms and condi-
5 tions applicable under subsections (b) and (d) of section
6 122 of the Military Construction Appropriations Act, 1994
7 (2 U.S.C. 141 note) to the property acquired by the Archi-
8 tect of the Capitol pursuant to such section shall apply
9 to the real property acquired by the Architect pursuant
10 to the authority of this section.

11 OVERSIGHT PLAN FOR FUNDS PROVIDED FOR LARGE
12 SCALE PROJECTS

13 SEC. 1104. (a) The Architect of the Capitol may not
14 obligate more than 25 percent of the amount made avail-
15 able to the Architect under this Act for any project for
16 which \$5,000,000 or more is appropriated under this Act
17 until—

18 (1) the Architect submits to the Comptroller
19 General and the Committee on Appropriations of
20 House of Representatives a plan for the use of the
21 funds provided for the project which includes a de-
22 scription of any changes to the project's schedule
23 (including benchmarks for the timing of the comple-
24 tion of various stages of the project) or the project's
25 costs (including estimates of the total costs of the

1 project or the total life cycle costs of the project), as
2 well as a description of the accounting and other
3 safeguards the Architect will implement to ensure
4 that the project will be carried out in a timely and
5 cost-effective manner; and

6 (2) the Comptroller General and the Committee
7 on Appropriations of the House of Representatives
8 approves such plan.

9 LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

10 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

11 For necessary expenses of the Library of Congress
12 not otherwise provided for, including development and
13 maintenance of the Library's catalogs; custody and custo-
14 dial care of the Library buildings; special clothing; clean-
15 ing, laundering and repair of uniforms; preservation of
16 motion pictures in the custody of the Library; operation
17 and maintenance of the American Folklife Center in the
18 Library; preparation and distribution of catalog records
19 and other publications of the Library; hire or purchase
20 of one passenger motor vehicle; and expenses of the Li-
21 brary of Congress Trust Fund Board not properly charge-
22 able to the income of any trust fund held by the Board,
23 \$419,357,000, of which not more than \$6,000,000 shall
24 be derived from collections credited to this appropriation
25 during fiscal year 2016, and shall remain available until

1 expended, under the Act of June 28, 1902 (chapter 1301;
2 32 Stat. 480; 2 U.S.C. 150) and not more than \$350,000
3 shall be derived from collections during fiscal year 2016
4 and shall remain available until expended for the develop-
5 ment and maintenance of an international legal informa-
6 tion database and activities related thereto: *Provided*,
7 That the Library of Congress may not obligate or expend
8 any funds derived from collections under the Act of June
9 28, 1902, in excess of the amount authorized for obliga-
10 tion or expenditure in appropriations Acts: *Provided fur-*
11 *ther*, That the total amount available for obligation shall
12 be reduced by the amount by which collections are less
13 than \$6,350,000: *Provided further*, That of the total
14 amount appropriated, not more than \$12,000 may be ex-
15 pended, on the certification of the Librarian of Congress,
16 in connection with official representation and reception ex-
17 penses for the Overseas Field Offices: *Provided further*,
18 That of the total amount appropriated, \$8,231,000 shall
19 remain available until expended for the digital collections
20 and educational curricula program.

21 COPYRIGHT OFFICE

22 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

23 For all necessary expenses of the Copyright Office,
24 \$57,008,000, of which not more than \$30,000,000, to re-
25 main available until expended, shall be derived from collec-

1 tions credited to this appropriation during fiscal year 2016
2 under section 708(d) of title 17, United States Code: *Pro-*
3 *vided*, That the Copyright Office may not obligate or ex-
4 pend any funds derived from collections under such sec-
5 tion, in excess of the amount authorized for obligation or
6 expenditure in appropriations Acts: *Provided further*, That
7 not more than \$5,777,000 shall be derived from collections
8 during fiscal year 2016 under sections 111(d)(2),
9 119(b)(3), 803(e), 1005, and 1316 of such title: *Provided*
10 *further*, That the total amount available for obligation
11 shall be reduced by the amount by which collections are
12 less than \$35,777,000: *Provided further*, That not more
13 than \$100,000 of the amount appropriated is available for
14 the maintenance of an “International Copyright Institute”
15 in the Copyright Office of the Library of Congress for the
16 purpose of training nationals of developing countries in
17 intellectual property laws and policies: *Provided further*,
18 That not more than \$6,500 may be expended, on the cer-
19 tification of the Librarian of Congress, in connection with
20 official representation and reception expenses for activities
21 of the International Copyright Institute and for copyright
22 delegations, visitors, and seminars: *Provided further*, That
23 notwithstanding any provision of chapter 8 of title 17,
24 United States Code, any amounts made available under
25 this heading which are attributable to royalty fees and

1 payments received by the Copyright Office pursuant to
2 sections 111, 119, and chapter 10 of such title may be
3 used for the costs incurred in the administration of the
4 Copyright Royalty Judges program, with the exception of
5 the costs of salaries and benefits for the Copyright Royalty
6 Judges and staff under section 802(e).

7 CONGRESSIONAL RESEARCH SERVICE

8 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

9 For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions
10 of section 203 of the Legislative Reorganization Act of
11 1946 (2 U.S.C. 166) and to revise and extend the Anno-
12 tated Constitution of the United States of America,
13 \$106,945,000: *Provided*, That no part of such amount
14 may be used to pay any salary or expense in connection
15 with any publication, or preparation of material therefor
16 (except the Digest of Public General Bills), to be issued
17 by the Library of Congress unless such publication has
18 obtained prior approval of either the Committee on House
19 Administration of the House of Representatives or the
20 Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate.

21 BOOKS FOR THE BLIND AND PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED

22 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

23 For salaries and expenses to carry out the Act of
24 March 3, 1931 (chapter 400; 46 Stat. 1487; 2 U.S.C.
25 135a), \$50,248,000: *Provided*, That of the total amount

1 appropriated, not more than \$650,000 shall be available
2 to contract to provide newspapers to blind and physically
3 handicapped residents at no cost to the individual.

4 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISION

5 REIMBURSABLE AND REVOLVING FUND ACTIVITIES

6 SEC. 1201. (a) IN GENERAL.—For fiscal year 2016,
7 the obligational authority of the Library of Congress for
8 the activities described in subsection (b) may not exceed
9 \$186,015,000.

10 (b) ACTIVITIES.—The activities referred to in sub-
11 section (a) are reimbursable and revolving fund activities
12 that are funded from sources other than appropriations
13 to the Library in appropriations Acts for the legislative
14 branch.

15 GOVERNMENT PUBLISHING OFFICE

16 CONGRESSIONAL PUBLISHING

17 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

18 For authorized publishing of congressional informa-
19 tion and the distribution of congressional information in
20 any format; expenses necessary for preparing the semi-
21 monthly and session index to the Congressional Record,
22 as authorized by law (section 902 of title 44, United
23 States Code); publishing of Government publications au-
24 thorized by law to be distributed to Members of Congress;
25 and publishing, and distribution of Government publica-

1 tions authorized by law to be distributed without charge
2 to the recipient, \$79,736,000: *Provided*, That this appro-
3 priation shall not be available for paper copies of the per-
4 manent edition of the Congressional Record for individual
5 Representatives, Resident Commissioners or Delegates au-
6 thorized under section 906 of title 44, United States Code:
7 *Provided further*, That this appropriation shall be available
8 for the payment of obligations incurred under the appro-
9 priations for similar purposes for preceding fiscal years:
10 *Provided further*, That notwithstanding the 2-year limita-
11 tion under section 718 of title 44, United States Code,
12 none of the funds appropriated or made available under
13 this Act or any other Act for printing and binding and
14 related services provided to Congress under chapter 7 of
15 title 44, United States Code, may be expended to print
16 a document, report, or publication after the 27-month pe-
17 riod beginning on the date that such document, report,
18 or publication is authorized by Congress to be printed, un-
19 less Congress reauthorizes such printing in accordance
20 with section 718 of title 44, United States Code: *Provided*
21 *further*, That any unobligated or unexpended balances in
22 this account or accounts for similar purposes for preceding
23 fiscal years may be transferred to the Government Pub-
24 lishing Office business operations revolving fund for car-
25 rying out the purposes of this heading, subject to the ap-

1 proval of the Committees on Appropriations of the House
2 of Representatives and Senate: *Provided further*, That not-
3 withstanding sections 901, 902, and 906 of title 44,
4 United States Code, this appropriation may be used to
5 prepare indexes to the Congressional Record on only a
6 monthly and session basis.

7 PUBLIC INFORMATION PROGRAMS OF THE
8 SUPERINTENDENT OF DOCUMENTS
9 SALARIES AND EXPENSES
10 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

11 For expenses of the public information programs of
12 the Office of Superintendent of Documents necessary to
13 provide for the cataloging and indexing of Government
14 publications and their distribution to the public, Members
15 of Congress, other Government agencies, and designated
16 depository and international exchange libraries as author-
17 ized by law, \$30,500,000: *Provided*, That amounts of not
18 more than \$2,000,000 from current year appropriations
19 are authorized for producing and disseminating Congres-
20 sional serial sets and other related publications for fiscal
21 years 2014 and 2015 to depository and other designated
22 libraries: *Provided further*, That any unobligated or unex-
23 pended balances in this account or accounts for similar
24 purposes for preceding fiscal years may be transferred to
25 the Government Publishing Office business operations re-

1 volving fund for carrying out the purposes of this heading,
2 subject to the approval of the Committees on Appropria-
3 tions of the House of Representatives and Senate.

4 GOVERNMENT PUBLISHING OFFICE BUSINESS

5 OPERATIONS REVOLVING FUND

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

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

13 GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE

14 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

15 For necessary expenses of the Government Account-
16 ability Office, including not more than \$12,500 to be ex-
17 pended on the certification of the Comptroller General of
18 the United States in connection with official representa-
19 tion and reception expenses; temporary or intermittent
20 services under section 3109(b) of title 5, United States
21 Code, but at rates for individuals not more than the daily
22 equivalent of the annual rate of basic pay for level IV of
23 the Executive Schedule under section 5315 of such title;
24 hire of one passenger motor vehicle; advance payments in
25 foreign countries in accordance with section 3324 of title

1 31, United States Code; benefits comparable to those pay-
2 able under sections 901(5), (6), and (8) of the Foreign
3 Service Act of 1980 (22 U.S.C. 4081(5), (6), and (8));
4 and under regulations prescribed by the Comptroller Gen-
5 eral of the United States, rental of living quarters in for-
6 eign countries, \$522,000,000: *Provided*, That, in addition,
7 \$25,450,000 of payments received under sections 782,
8 791, 3521, and 9105 of title 31, United States Code, shall
9 be available without fiscal year limitation: *Provided fur-*
10 *ther*, That this appropriation and appropriations for ad-
11 ministrative expenses of any other department or agency
12 which is a member of the National Intergovernmental
13 Audit Forum or a Regional Intergovernmental Audit
14 Forum shall be available to finance an appropriate share
15 of either Forum's costs as determined by the respective
16 Forum, including necessary travel expenses of non-Federal
17 participants: *Provided further*, That payments hereunder
18 to the Forum may be credited as reimbursements to any
19 appropriation from which costs involved are initially fi-
20 nanced.

21 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISION

22 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT DETAILS

23 SEC. 1301. (a) PERMITTING DETAILS FROM OTHER
24 FEDERAL OFFICES.—Section 731 of title 31, United

1 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-
2 lowing new subsection:

3 “(k) FEDERAL GOVERNMENT DETAILS.—The activi-
4 ties of the Government Accountability Office may, in the
5 reasonable discretion of the Comptroller General, be car-
6 ried out by receiving details of personnel from other offices
7 of the Federal Government on a reimbursable, partially-
8 reimbursable, or nonreimbursable basis.”.

9 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
10 subsection (a) shall apply with respect to fiscal year 2016
11 and each succeeding fiscal year.

12 OPEN WORLD LEADERSHIP CENTER TRUST
13 FUND

14 For a payment to the Open World Leadership Center
15 Trust Fund for financing activities of the Open World
16 Leadership Center under section 313 of the Legislative
17 Branch Appropriations Act, 2001 (2 U.S.C. 1151),
18 \$5,700,000, except that any funds made available under
19 this heading to support Russian participants shall only be
20 used for those engaging in free market development, hu-
21 manitarian activities, and civic engagement, and shall not
22 be used for officials of the central government of Russia.

1 appropriated for is different from that specifically estab-
2 lished by such Act, the rate of compensation and the des-
3 ignation in this Act shall be the permanent law with re-
4 spect thereto: *Provided*, That the provisions in this Act
5 for the various items of official expenses of Members, offi-
6 cers, and committees of the Senate and House of Rep-
7 resentatives, and clerk hire for Senators and Members of
8 the House of Representatives shall be the permanent law
9 with respect thereto.

10 CONSULTING SERVICES

11 SEC. 204. The expenditure of any appropriation
12 under this Act for any consulting service through procure-
13 ment contract, under section 3109 of title 5, United States
14 Code, shall be limited to those contracts where such ex-
15 penditures are a matter of public record and available for
16 public inspection, except where otherwise provided under
17 existing law, or under existing Executive order issued
18 under existing law.

19 COSTS OF LBFMC

20 SEC. 205. Amounts available for administrative ex-
21 penses of any legislative branch entity which participates
22 in the Legislative Branch Financial Managers Council
23 (LBFMC) established by charter on March 26, 1996, shall
24 be available to finance an appropriate share of LBFMC
25 costs as determined by the LBFMC, except that the total

1 LBFMC costs to be shared among all participating legisla-
2 tive branch entities (in such allocations among the entities
3 as the entities may determine) may not exceed \$2,000.

4 LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE

5 SEC. 206. For fiscal year 2016 and each fiscal year
6 thereafter, the Architect of the Capitol, in consultation
7 with the District of Columbia, is authorized to maintain
8 and improve the landscape features, excluding streets, in
9 Square 580 up to the beginning of I-395.

10 LIMITATION ON TRANSFERS

11 SEC. 207. None of the funds made available in this
12 Act may be transferred to any department, agency, or in-
13 strumentality of the United States Government, except
14 pursuant to a transfer made by, or transfer authority pro-
15 vided in, this Act or any other appropriation Act.

16 GUIDED TOURS OF THE CAPITOL

17 SEC. 208. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b),
18 none of the funds made available to the Architect of the
19 Capitol in this Act may be used to eliminate or restrict
20 guided tours of the United States Capitol which are led
21 by employees and interns of offices of Members of Con-
22 gress and other offices of the House of Representatives
23 and Senate

24 (b) At the direction of the Capitol Police Board, or
25 at the direction of the Architect of the Capitol with the

1 approval of the Capitol Police Board, guided tours of the
2 United States Capitol which are led by employees and in-
3 terns described in subsection (a) may be suspended tempo-
4 rarily or otherwise subject to restriction for security or re-
5 lated reasons to the same extent as guided tours of the
6 United States Capitol which are led by the Architect of
7 the Capitol.

8 BATTERY RECHARGING STATIONS FOR PRIVATELY OWNED
9 VEHICLES IN PARKING AREAS UNDER THE JURISDIC-
10 TION OF THE LIBRARIAN OF CONGRESS AT NO NET
11 COST TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

12 SEC. 209. (a) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term
13 “covered employee” means—

14 (1) an employee of the Library of Congress; or
15 (2) any other individual who is authorized to
16 park in any parking area under the jurisdiction of
17 the Library of Congress on the Library of Congress
18 buildings and grounds.

19 (b) AUTHORITY.—

20 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (3),
21 funds appropriated to the Architect of the Capitol
22 under the heading “CAPITOL POWER PLANT” under
23 the heading “ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL” in
24 any fiscal year are available to construct, operate,
25 and maintain on a reimbursable basis battery re-

1 charging stations in parking areas under the juris-
2 diction of the Library of Congress on Library of
3 Congress buildings and grounds for use by privately
4 owned vehicles used by covered employees.

5 (2) VENDORS AUTHORIZED.—In carrying out
6 paragraph (1), the Architect of the Capitol may use
7 1 or more vendors on a commission basis.

8 (3) APPROVAL OF CONSTRUCTION.—The Archi-
9 tect of the Capitol may construct or direct the con-
10 struction of battery recharging stations described
11 under paragraph (1) after—

12 (A) submission of written notice detailing
13 the numbers and locations of the battery re-
14 charging stations to the Joint Committee on the
15 Library; and

16 (B) approval by that Committee.

17 (c) FEES AND CHARGES.—

18 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (2),
19 the Architect of the Capitol shall charge fees or
20 charges for electricity provided to covered employees
21 sufficient to cover the costs to the Architect of the
22 Capitol to carry out this section, including costs to
23 any vendors or other costs associated with maintain-
24 ing the battery recharging stations.

1 (2) APPROVAL OF FEES OR CHARGES.—The Ar-
2 chitect of the Capitol may establish and adjust fees
3 or charges under paragraph (1) after—

4 (A) submission of written notice detailing
5 the amount of the fee or charge to be estab-
6 lished or adjusted to the Joint Committee on
7 the Library; and

8 (B) approval by that Committee.

9 (d) DEPOSIT AND AVAILABILITY OF FEES, CHARGES,
10 AND COMMISSIONS.—Any fees, charges, or commissions
11 collected by the Architect of the Capitol under this section
12 shall be—

13 (1) deposited in the Treasury to the credit of
14 the appropriations account described under sub-
15 section (b); and

16 (2) available for obligation without further ap-
17 propriation during the fiscal year collected.

18 (e) REPORTS.—

19 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days after
20 the end of each fiscal year, the Architect of the Cap-
21 itol shall submit a report on the financial adminis-
22 tration and cost recovery of activities under this sec-
23 tion with respect to that fiscal year to the Joint
24 Committee on the Library and the Committees on

1 Appropriations of the House of Representatives and
2 Senate.

3 (2) AVOIDING SUBSIDY.—

4 (A) DETERMINATION.—Not later than 3
5 years after the date of enactment of this Act
6 and every 3 years thereafter, the Architect of
7 the Capitol shall submit a report to the Joint
8 Committee on the Library determining whether
9 covered employees using battery charging sta-
10 tions as authorized by this section are receiving
11 a subsidy from the taxpayers.

12 (B) MODIFICATION OF RATES AND
13 FEES.—If a determination is made under sub-
14 paragraph (A) that a subsidy is being received,
15 the Architect of the Capitol shall submit a plan
16 to the Joint Committee on the Library on how
17 to update the program to ensure no subsidy is
18 being received. If the Joint Committee does not
19 act on the plan within 60 days, the Architect of
20 the Capitol shall take appropriate steps to in-
21 crease rates or fees to ensure reimbursement
22 for the cost of the program consistent with an
23 appropriate schedule for amortization, to be
24 charged to those using the charging stations.

1 (f) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section shall apply with
2 respect to fiscal year 2016 and each fiscal year thereafter.

3 COST OF LIVING ADJUSTMENT

4 SEC. 210. Notwithstanding any other provision of
5 law, no adjustment shall be made under section 601(a)
6 of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946 (2 U.S.C.
7 4501) (relating to cost of living adjustments for Members
8 of Congress) during fiscal year 2016.

9 SPENDING REDUCTION ACCOUNT

10 SEC. 211. The amount by which the applicable alloca-
11 tion of new budget authority made by the Committee on
12 Appropriations of the House of Representatives under sec-
13 tion 302(b) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, ex-
14 cluding Senate items, exceeds the amount of proposed new
15 budget authority is \$0.

16 This Act may be cited as the “Legislative Branch Ap-
17 propriations Act, 2016”.

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