

DIVISION F—FURTHER CONTINUING  
APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2013

TITLE I—GENERAL PROVISIONS

Sec. 1101. Provides continuing appropriations for the remainder of fiscal year under the authority and conditions provided in applicable appropriations Acts for fiscal year 2012, for projects, programs, and activities in the following bills: Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act; Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Act; Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act; Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act; Legislative Branch Appropriations Act; Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act; and Transportation and Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act.

Sec. 1102. Specifies that funds in section 1101 shall be available to the extent and in the manner that would be provided in the pertinent appropriations Act.

Sec. 1103. Provides that funds in this division will have comparable terms of availability, for multi-year and no year funds, as would be provided in the pertinent appropriations Act.

Sec. 1104. Provides for no new starts in this division.

Sec. 1105. Continues all authorities requirements and limitations through September 30, 2013.

Sec. 1106. Set the expiration of the division as September 30, 2013.

Sec. 1107. Provides that expenditures pursuant to the previous continuing resolution for activities funded in this division be charged to the relevant account funded in this division.

Sec. 1108. Provides waiver authority routinely carried in appropriations Acts for the expenditure of funds in the absence of certain authorizations.

Sec. 1109. Provides funding for entitlements and other mandatory spending, and makes advance appropriations for those entitlements that received advances in last year's bill.

Sec. 1110. Provides for the designation as Overseas Contingency Operations (OCO) for those funds made available by reference that previously had an OCO designation.

Sec. 1111. Provides for advance appropriations at current levels.

Sec. 1112. Continues the prohibition of automatic statutory pay increases for the remainder of calendar year 2013.

Sec. 1113. Requires submission within 30 days of a spending or operating plan from the agencies funded in this division.

Sec. 1114. Requires submission of a monthly obligation reports by the agencies funded in this division.

DIVISION G—OTHER MATTERS

Sec. 3001. Provides for across-the-board reductions to the five bills contained in divisions A through E, to assure compliance with the statutory caps under Congressional Budget Office scoring.

Sec. 3002. Provides language affirming that nothing in the bill changes current law with respect to sequestration.

Sec. 3003. Provides government-wide restriction on conferences.

Sec. 3004. Provides for across-the-board reductions to the fiscal year 2013 discretionary appropriations to assure compliance with the statutory caps under Office of Management and Budget scoring.

TRIBUTE TO DOUG WHITLOCK

Mr. McCONNELL. Madam President, I rise today to pay tribute to a good

friend of mine and a friend to the Commonwealth of Kentucky who has served his State and his community for decades. I was saddened to hear that Doug Whitlock, the president of Eastern Kentucky University since 2007, will retire from that position this summer. In his 6 years at the helm, he has led Eastern Kentucky University to new growth and success, including the establishment of the EKU Center for the Arts, the New Science Building, the Noel Studio for Academic Creativity, the Center for Renewable and Alternative Fuel Technologies, and much more.

Doug is EKU's 11th president. Like his predecessors, his mission has been to uphold the rich tradition of EKU while guiding the school to even greater excellence. Of course, this came naturally to Doug, as EKU is his own alma mater. Doug earned two degrees from EKU as a first-generation graduate—his bachelor's degree in history and social science in 1965, followed by a master's degree in history in 1966. Doug also earned a doctoral degree in higher education from the University of Kentucky in 1981.

Doug's been with EKU since 1968, when he became the school's director of publications. From 1971 to 1976, he served as director of public information; then as executive assistant to the president from 1976 to 1998, and vice president for administrative affairs from 1998 to 2003. From 2003 to 2006, he returned to the classroom, teaching computer science.

Perhaps Doug's greatest strength is that he understands the power of collaboration. He knows how to lead others to see great goals accomplished. Aside from the progress he has brought to EKU, he has served with the Madison County Schools Board of Education, the Richmond Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, Commerce Lexington's Central Kentucky Public Policy Council, the Bluegrass Tomorrow Board of Directors, the International Town and Gown Association, the Southern Growth Policies Board, and the American Association of State Colleges and Universities.

Under Doug's tenure, EKU produced its first Truman, Goldwater, and Fulbright Scholars and added several new Ph.D. programs. The 16,000-student school also gained several national distinctions, including recognition by both Forbes and U.S. News & World Report as ranking among America's best colleges; recognition by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching as a community-engaged university; and recognition by the Chronicle of Higher Education as one of America's "Great Colleges to Work For."

Thanks to Doug's leadership, EKU also was honored as a veterans-friendly campus by G.I. Jobs magazine and earned the No. 1 ranking in the Nation for 2 of the last 3 years from Military Times EDGE magazine for being the university that is "Best for Vets."

As much as Doug will be missed by EKU's students, staff, and faculty, I am sure his family will appreciate seeing more of him in his retirement—including his wife, Joanne, and his granddaughters. I also understand Doug intends to spend a little more time on his hobbies, photography and electronics.

Whatever endeavors are next for EKU President Doug Whitlock, I know my colleagues in the U.S. Senate join me in wishing him all the best and congratulating him for his decades of service to Eastern Kentucky University and to the Commonwealth. He has advanced the cause of higher education in his tenure, and he will be missed by the many who have had the pleasure of working with him, including this Senator.

RECOGNIZING SOUTH LAUREL  
MIDDLE SCHOOL DANCE TEAM

Mr. McCONNELL. Madam President, I would like to recognize the South Laurel Middle School Dance Team, a group of young ladies from Laurel County in eastern Kentucky who have recently achieved national success. South Laurel Middle's dance team won a Universal Dance Association national title, marking the first time any dance team from South Laurel has won such an accolade.

Head coach Bettina Rogers recounts that "they danced with all their hearts" and gratefully recognized the support of the school and the friends, family, and community that surrounds these exceptional young ladies. The girls embody the Kentucky spirit of hard work and dedication, practicing up to 4 hours a day, 5 days a week, in preparation for their competition. The team, which formed in March, won a plethora of other titles this year, and it is clear that their hours of practice have paid off.

At this time, I would like to applaud and recognize the South Laurel Middle School Dance Team for their national title win and all their recent accomplishments, and I ask unanimous consent that an article extolling the team's achievements from a Laurel County-area newspaper, the Sentinel Echo, be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the article was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

[From the Sentinel Echo, February 6, 2013]

CHAMPS! SLMS DANCE TEAM WINS  
NATIONAL TITLE

(By Magen McCrary)

LAUREL COUNTY, KY.—South Laurel Middle's Dance Team broke a Laurel County record last week and won a Universal Dance Association (UDA) national title. The girls rode into school on Tuesday morning on a City of London fire truck as the entire school cheered them on as the Junior High Kick National Champions.

"This is the first time in Laurel County that any dance team has won UDA nationals," said Bettina Rogers, head coach for the team.

Rogers has been coaching the team for eight years and said she couldn't be more