

Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974 is amended by inserting after the item relating to section 315 the following:

"Sec. 316. Authorizations of appropriations."

SEC. 07. GOVERNMENT PLANS ON A BIENNIAL BASIS.

(a) **MANAGERIAL ACCOUNTABILITY AND FLEXIBILITY.**—Section 9703 of title 31, United States Code, relating to managerial accountability, is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)—
(A) in the first sentence by striking "annual"; and

(B) by striking "section 1105(a)(29)" and inserting "section 1105(a)(28)"; and

(2) in subsection (e)—
(A) in the first sentence by striking "one or";

(B) in the second sentence by striking "a subsequent year" and inserting "a subsequent 2-year period"; and

(C) in the third sentence by striking "three" and inserting "4".

(b) **PILOT PROJECTS FOR PERFORMANCE BUDGETING.**—Section 1119 of title 31, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (d)(1), by striking "annual" and inserting "biennial"; and

(2) in subsection (e), by striking "annual" and inserting "biennial".

(c) **STRATEGIC PLANS.**—Section 2802 of title 39, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (a), by striking "September 30, 1997" and inserting "September 30, 2015";

(2) in subsection (b)—
(A) by striking "five years forward" and inserting "6 years forward"; and

(B) by striking "at least every three years" and inserting "at least every 4 years"; and

(3) in subsection (c)—
(A) by striking "section" the second place it appears and inserting "section, including a strategic plan submitted by September 30, 2015 meeting the requirements of subsection (a)";

(d) **PERFORMANCE PLANS.**—Section 2803(a) of title 39, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in the matter before paragraph (1), by striking "an annual" and inserting "a biennial";

(2) in paragraph (1), by inserting after "program activity" the following: "for each years 1 and 2 of the biennial plan";

(3) in paragraph (5), by striking "and" after the semicolon;

(4) in paragraph (6), by striking the period and inserting "; and"; and

(5) by adding after paragraph (6) the following:

"(7) cover a 2-year period beginning with the first fiscal year of the next biennial budget cycle."

(e) **COMMITTEE VIEWS OF PLANS AND REPORTS.**—Section 301(d) of the Congressional Budget Act (2 U.S.C. 632(d)) is amended by adding at the end "Each committee of the Senate or the House of Representatives shall review the strategic plans, performance plans, and performance reports, required under section 306 of title 5, United States Code, and sections 1115 and 1116 of title 31, United States Code, of all agencies under the jurisdiction of the committee. Each committee may provide its views on such plans or reports to the Committee on the Budget of the applicable House."

(f) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—

(1) **IN GENERAL.**—The amendments made by this section shall take effect on March 1, 2015.

(2) **AGENCY ACTIONS.**—Effective on and after the date of enactment of this Act, each agency shall take such actions as necessary to

prepare and submit any plan or report in accordance with the amendments made by this title.

SEC. 08. BIENNIAL APPROPRIATIONS BILLS.

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—Title III of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 (2 U.S.C. 631 et seq.), as amended by section 06(a), is amended by adding at the end the following:

"CONSIDERATION OF BIENNIAL APPROPRIATIONS BILLS

"SEC. 317. It shall not be in order in the House of Representatives or the Senate in any odd-numbered year to consider any regular bill providing new budget authority or a limitation on obligations under the jurisdiction of any of the subcommittees of the Committees on Appropriations for only the first fiscal year of a biennium, unless the program, project, or activity for which the new budget authority or obligation limitation is provided will require no additional authority beyond 1 year and will be completed or terminated after the amount provided has been expended."

(b) **AMENDMENT TO TABLE OF CONTENTS.**—The table of contents in section 1(b) of the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974 is amended by inserting after the item relating to section 316, as added by section 06(b) the following:

"Sec. 317. Consideration of biennial appropriations bills."

SEC. 09. REPORT ON TWO-YEAR FISCAL PERIOD.

Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Director of the Office of Management and Budget shall—

(1) determine the impact and feasibility of changing the definition of a fiscal year and the budget process based on that definition to a 2-year fiscal period with a biennial budget process based on the 2-year period; and

(2) report the findings of the study to the Committee on the Budget of the House of Representatives and the Committee on the Budget of Senate.

SEC. 10. EFFECTIVE DATE.

Except as provided in section 07, this title and the amendments made by this title shall take effect on January 1, 2015, and shall apply to budget resolutions and appropriations for the biennium beginning with fiscal year 2016.

NOTICE OF HEARING

COMMITTEE ON SMALL BUSINESS AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Ms. LANDRIEU. Mr. President, the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship will meet on March 14, 2013, at 10:30 a.m. in room 432 Russell Senate Office building to hold a roundtable discussion entitled "Helping Small Businesses Weather Economic Challenges & Natural Disasters: Review of Legislative Proposals on Access to Capital and Disaster Recovery."

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

Mr. REED. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 13, 2013, at 10 a.m., to hold a hearing entitled, "Strategic Counterterrorism: Meeting Current and Emerging Challenges."

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

Mr. REED. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 13, 2013, at 2:30 p.m. to conduct a hearing entitled "The Costs and Impacts of Crisis Budgeting."

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. REED. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on March 13, 2013, at 10:30 a.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "We the People: Fulfilling the Promise of Open Government Five Years After The OPEN Government Act."

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS

Mr. REED. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Veterans' Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 13, 2013, at 10 a.m. in room SR-418 of the Russell Senate office building to conduct a hearing entitled "VA Claims Process—Review of VA's Transformation Efforts."

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON PERSONNEL

Mr. REED. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Personnel of the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 13, 2013, at 10 a.m.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON AGING

Mr. REED. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Special Committee on Aging be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 13, 2013, to conduct a hearing entitled "876-SCAM: Jamaican Phone Fraud Targeting Seniors."

The Committee will meet in room 562 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building beginning at 2 p.m.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

DESIGNATING THE SENATOR DANIEL K. INOUE ROOM

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent the Senate proceed to S. Res. 76.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 76) designating room S-126 of the United States Capitol as the "Senator Daniel K. Inouye Room" in recognition of his service to the Senate and the people of the United States.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.