

"Court for the Midland-Odessa Division shall be held at Midland. Court may be held, in the discretion of the court, in Odessa, when courtroom facilities are made available at no expense to the Government."

(4) by deleting the word "six" in the first sentence of subsection (d) and inserting in lieu thereof the word "seven".

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Public Law 90-217

AN ACT

December 18, 1967  
[H. R. 8376]

To provide that the United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York shall be held at Brooklyn, New York, and Mineola, New York.

Courts,  
New York, East-  
ern District.  
62 Stat. 886.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the second paragraph of section 112(c) of title 28, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

"Court for the Eastern District shall be held at Brooklyn and Mineola."

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JOINT RESOLUTION

December 18, 1967  
[H. J. Res. 888]

Making continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 1968, and for other purposes.

Continuing  
appropriations,  
1968.  
Ante, pp. 256,  
518.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the joint resolution of October 5, 1967 (Public Law 90-102) is hereby amended by striking out "October 23, 1967" and inserting in lieu thereof "December 20, 1967".

TITLE II—REDUCTIONS IN OBLIGATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

SEC. 201. In view of developments which constitute a threat to the economy with resulting inflation, the Congress hereby finds and determines that, taking into account action on appropriation bills to date, Federal obligations and expenditures in controllable programs for the fiscal year 1968 should be reduced by no less than \$9 billion and \$4 billion, respectively, below the President's budget requests. The limitations hereafter required are necessary for that purpose.

SEC. 202. (a) During the fiscal year 1968, no department or agency of the Executive Branch of the Government shall incur obligations in excess of the lesser of—

- (1) the aggregate amount available to each such department or agency as obligational authority in the fiscal year 1968 through appropriation acts or other laws, or
- (2) an amount determined by reducing the aggregate budget estimate of obligations for such department or agency in the fiscal year 1968 by—
  - (i) 2 percent of the amount included in such estimate for personnel compensation and benefits, plus

(ii) 10 percent of the amount included in such estimate for objects other than personnel compensation and benefits.

(b) As used in this section, the terms "obligational authority" and "budget estimate of obligations" include authority derived from, and estimates of reservations to be made and obligations to be incurred pursuant to, appropriations and authority to enter into contracts in advance of appropriations.

Definitions.

(c) The references in this section to budget estimates of obligations are to such estimates as contained in the Budget Appendix for the fiscal year 1968 (House Document No. 16, 90th Congress, 1st Session), as amended during the first session of the 90th Congress.

SEC. 203. (a) This title shall not apply to obligations for (1) permanent appropriations, (2) trust funds, (3) items included under the heading "relatively uncontrollable" in the table appearing on page 14 of the Budget for the fiscal year 1968 (House Document No. 15, Part 1, 90th Congress, 1st Session), and other items required by law in the fiscal year 1968, or (4) programs, projects, or purposes, not exceeding \$300,000,000 in the aggregate, determined by the President to be vital to the national interest or security, except that no program, project, or purpose shall be funded in excess of amounts approved therefor by Congress.

Nonapplicability.

(b) This title shall not be so applied as to require a reduction in obligations for national defense exceeding 10 percent of the new obligational authority (excluding special Vietnam costs) requested in the Budget for the fiscal year 1968 (House Documents Nos. 15, Part 1, and 16), as amended during the first session of the 90th Congress: *Provided*, That the President may exempt from the operation of this title any obligations for national defense which he deems to be essential for the purposes of national defense.

National defense, obligations.

SEC. 204. In the administration of any program as to which (1) the amount of obligations is limited by section 202(a)(2) of this title, and (2) the allocation, grant, apportionment, or other distribution of funds among recipients is required to be determined by application of a formula involving the amount appropriated or otherwise made available for distribution, the amount available for obligation as limited by that section or as determined by the head of the agency concerned pursuant to that section shall be substituted for the amount appropriated or otherwise made available in the application of the formula.

SEC. 205. To the maximum extent practical, reductions in obligations for personnel compensation and benefits under this title shall be accomplished by not filling vacancies. Insofar as practical, reductions in obligations for construction under this title may be made by stretching out the time schedule of starting new projects and performing on contracts so as not to require the elimination of new construction starts.

Personnel and construction, reductions.

SEC. 206. The amount of any appropriation or authorization which (1) is unused because of the limitation on obligations imposed by section 202(a)(2) of this title and (2) would not be available for use after June 30, 1968, shall be used only for such purposes and in such manner and amount as may be prescribed by law in the second session of the 90th Congress.

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