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Making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 8, 1998

Mr. LEWIS of California, 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

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## A BILL

Making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, 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

1 money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the  
2 Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban  
3 Development, and for sundry independent agencies,  
4 boards, commissions, corporations and offices for the fis-  
5 cal year ending September 30, 1999, and for other pur-  
6 poses, namely:

7 TITLE I

8 DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

9 VETERANS BENEFITS ADMINISTRATION

10 COMPENSATION AND PENSIONS

11 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

12 For the payment of compensation benefits to or on  
13 behalf of veterans and a pilot program for disability ex-  
14 aminations as authorized by law (38 U.S.C. 107, chapters  
15 11, 13, 18, 51, 53, 55, and 61); pension benefits to or  
16 on behalf of veterans as authorized by law (38 U.S.C.  
17 chapters 15, 51, 53, 55, and 61; 92 Stat. 2508); and bur-  
18 ial benefits, emergency and other officers' retirement pay,  
19 adjusted-service credits and certificates, payment of pre-  
20 miums due on commercial life insurance policies guaran-  
21 teed under the provisions of Article IV of the Soldiers'  
22 and Sailors' Civil Relief Act of 1940, as amended, and  
23 for other benefits as authorized by law (38 U.S.C. 107,  
24 1312, 1977, and 2106, chapters 23, 51, 53, 55, and 61;  
25 50 U.S.C. App. 540–548; 43 Stat. 122, 123; 45 Stat. 735;  
26 76 Stat. 1198); \$21,857,058,000, to remain available

1 until expended: *Provided*, That not to exceed \$24,534,000  
2 of the amount appropriated shall be reimbursed to “Gen-  
3 eral operating expenses” and “Medical care” for necessary  
4 expenses in implementing those provisions authorized in  
5 the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1990, and in  
6 the Veterans’ Benefits Act of 1992 (38 U.S.C. chapters  
7 51, 53, and 55), the funding source for which is specifi-  
8 cally provided as the “Compensation and pensions” appro-  
9 priation: *Provided further*, That such sums as may be  
10 earned on an actual qualifying patient basis, shall be reim-  
11 bursed to “Medical facilities revolving fund” to augment  
12 the funding of individual medical facilities for nursing  
13 home care provided to pensioners as authorized.

14 READJUSTMENT BENEFITS

15 For the payment of readjustment and rehabilitation  
16 benefits to or on behalf of veterans as authorized by 38  
17 U.S.C. chapters 21, 30, 31, 34, 35, 36, 39, 51, 53, 55,  
18 and 61, \$1,175,000,000, to remain available until ex-  
19 pended: *Provided*, That funds shall be available to pay any  
20 court order, court award or any compromise settlement  
21 arising from litigation involving the vocational training  
22 program authorized by section 18 of Public Law 98–77,  
23 as amended.

24 VETERANS INSURANCE AND INDEMNITIES

25 For military and naval insurance, national service life  
26 insurance, servicemen’s indemnities, service-disabled vet-

1 erans insurance, and veterans mortgage life insurance as  
2 authorized by 38 U.S.C. chapter 19; 70 Stat. 887; 72  
3 Stat. 487, \$46,450,000, to remain available until ex-  
4 pended.

5 VETERANS HOUSING BENEFIT PROGRAM FUND PROGRAM

6 ACCOUNT

7 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

8 For the cost of direct and guaranteed loans, such  
9 sums as may be necessary to carry out the program, as  
10 authorized by 38 U.S.C. chapter 37, as amended: *Pro-*  
11 *vided*, That such costs, including the cost of modifying  
12 such loans, shall be as defined in section 502 of the Con-  
13 gressional Budget Act of 1974, as amended: *Provided fur-*  
14 *ther*, That during fiscal year 1999, within the resources  
15 available, not to exceed \$300,000 in gross obligations for  
16 direct loans are authorized for specially adapted housing  
17 loans: *Provided further*, That during 1999 any moneys  
18 that would be otherwise deposited into or paid from the  
19 Loan Guaranty Revolving Fund, the Guaranty and Indem-  
20 nity Fund, or the Direct Loan Revolving Fund shall be  
21 deposited into or paid from the Veterans Housing Benefit  
22 Program Fund: *Provided further*, That any balances in the  
23 Loan Guaranty Revolving Fund, the Guaranty and Indem-  
24 nity Fund, or the Direct Loan Revolving Fund on the ef-  
25 fective date of this Act may be transferred to and merged  
26 with the Veterans Housing Benefit Program Fund.

1        In addition, for administrative expenses to carry out  
2 the direct and guaranteed loan programs, \$159,121,000,  
3 which may be transferred to and merged with the appro-  
4 priation for “General operating expenses”.

5                    EDUCATION LOAN FUND PROGRAM ACCOUNT  
6                    (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

7        For the cost of direct loans, \$1,000, as authorized  
8 by 38 U.S.C. 3698, as amended: *Provided*, That such  
9 costs, including the cost of modifying such loans, shall be  
10 as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act  
11 of 1974, as amended: *Provided further*, That these funds  
12 are available to subsidize gross obligations for the prin-  
13 cipal amount of direct loans not to exceed \$3,000.

14        In addition, for administrative expenses necessary to  
15 carry out the direct loan program, \$206,000, which may  
16 be transferred to and merged with the appropriation for  
17 “General operating expenses”.

18                    VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION LOANS PROGRAM ACCOUNT  
19                    (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

20        For the cost of direct loans, \$55,000, as authorized  
21 by 38 U.S.C. chapter 31, as amended: *Provided*, That such  
22 costs, including the cost of modifying such loans, shall be  
23 as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act  
24 of 1974, as amended: *Provided further*, That these funds  
25 are available to subsidize gross obligations for the prin-  
26 cipal amount of direct loans not to exceed \$2,401,000.



1 tion, construction and renovation of any facility under the  
2 jurisdiction or for the use of the Department; oversight,  
3 engineering and architectural activities not charged to  
4 project cost; repairing, altering, improving or providing fa-  
5 cilities in the several hospitals and homes under the juris-  
6 diction of the Department, not otherwise provided for, ei-  
7 ther by contract or by the hire of temporary employees  
8 and purchase of materials; uniforms or allowances there-  
9 for, as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 5901–5902; aid to State  
10 homes as authorized by 38 U.S.C. 1741; administrative  
11 and legal expenses of the Department for collecting and  
12 recovering amounts owed the Department as authorized  
13 under 38 U.S.C. chapter 17, and the Federal Medical  
14 Care Recovery Act, 42 U.S.C. 2651 et seq.; and not to  
15 exceed \$8,000,000 to fund cost comparison studies as re-  
16 ferred to in 38 U.S.C. 8110(a)(5); \$17,057,396,000, plus  
17 reimbursements: *Provided*, That of the funds made avail-  
18 able under this heading, \$846,000,000 is for the equip-  
19 ment and land and structures object classifications only,  
20 which amount shall not become available for obligation  
21 until August 1, 1999, and shall remain available until Sep-  
22 tember 30, 2000: *Provided further*, That of the funds  
23 made available under this heading, \$6,000,000 is for the  
24 Musculoskeletal Disease Center, which amount shall re-  
25 main available for obligation until expended: *Provided fur-*

1 *ther*, That of the funds made available under this heading,  
2 not to exceed \$22,633,000 may be transferred to and  
3 merged with the appropriation for “General operating ex-  
4 penses”.

5 In addition, in conformance with Public Law 105–  
6 33 establishing the Department of Veterans Affairs Medi-  
7 cal Care Collections Fund, such sums as may be deposited  
8 to such Fund pursuant to 38 U.S.C. 1729A may be trans-  
9 ferred to this account, to remain available until expended  
10 for the purposes of this account.

11 MEDICAL AND PROSTHETIC RESEARCH

12 For necessary expenses in carrying out programs of  
13 medical and prosthetic research and development as au-  
14 thorized by 38 U.S.C. chapter 73, to remain available until  
15 September 30, 2000, \$310,000,000, plus reimbursements.

16 MEDICAL ADMINISTRATION AND MISCELLANEOUS

17 OPERATING EXPENSES

18 For necessary expenses in the administration of the  
19 medical, hospital, nursing home, domiciliary, construction,  
20 supply, and research activities, as authorized by law; ad-  
21 ministrative expenses in support of planning, design,  
22 project management, architectural, engineering, real prop-  
23 erty acquisition and disposition, construction and renova-  
24 tion of any facility under the jurisdiction or for the use  
25 of the Department of Veterans Affairs, including site ac-  
26 quisition; engineering and architectural activities not

1 charged to project cost; and research and development in  
2 building construction technology; \$60,000,000, plus reim-  
3 bursements.

4           GENERAL POST FUND, NATIONAL HOMES  
5           (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

6       For the cost of direct loans, \$7,000, as authorized  
7 by Public Law 102–54, section 8, which shall be trans-  
8 ferred from the “General post fund”: *Provided*, That such  
9 costs, including the cost of modifying such loans, shall be  
10 as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act  
11 of 1974, as amended: *Provided further*, That these funds  
12 are available to subsidize gross obligations for the prin-  
13 cipal amount of direct loans not to exceed \$70,000.

14       In addition, for administrative expenses to carry out  
15 the direct loan programs, \$54,000, which shall be trans-  
16 ferred from the “General post fund”, as authorized by  
17 Public Law 102–54, section 8.

18           DEPARTMENTAL ADMINISTRATION  
19           GENERAL OPERATING EXPENSES

20       For necessary operating expenses of the Department  
21 of Veterans Affairs, not otherwise provided for, including  
22 uniforms or allowances therefor; not to exceed \$25,000 for  
23 official reception and representation expenses; hire of pas-  
24 senger motor vehicles; and reimbursement of the General  
25 Services Administration for security guard services, and  
26 the Department of Defense for the cost of overseas em-

1 ployee mail; \$855,661,000: *Provided*, That funds under  
2 this heading shall be available to administer the Service  
3 Members Occupational Conversion and Training Act.

4 NATIONAL CEMETERY SYSTEM

5 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

6 For necessary expenses for the maintenance and op-  
7 eration of the National Cemetery System, not otherwise  
8 provided for, including uniforms or allowances therefor;  
9 cemeterial expenses as authorized by law; purchase of six  
10 passenger motor vehicles for use in cemeterial operations;  
11 and hire of passenger motor vehicles, \$92,006,000: *Pro-*  
12 *vided*, That of the amount made available under this head-  
13 ing, not to exceed \$86,000 may be transferred to and  
14 merged with the appropriation for “General operating ex-  
15 penses”.

16 OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

17 For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector  
18 General in carrying out the Inspector General Act of 1978,  
19 as amended, \$32,702,000.

20 CONSTRUCTION, MAJOR PROJECTS

21 For constructing, altering, extending and improving  
22 any of the facilities under the jurisdiction or for the use  
23 of the Department of Veterans Affairs, or for any of the  
24 purposes set forth in sections 316, 2404, 2406, 8102,  
25 8103, 8106, 8108, 8109, 8110, and 8122 of 38 U.S.C.,  
26 including planning, architectural and engineering services,

1 maintenance or guarantee period services costs associated  
2 with equipment guarantees provided under the project,  
3 services of claims analysts, offsite utility and storm drain-  
4 age system construction costs, and site acquisition, where  
5 the estimated cost of a project is \$4,000,000 or more or  
6 where funds for a project were made available in a pre-  
7 vious major project appropriation, \$143,000,000, to re-  
8 main available until expended: *Provided*, That except for  
9 advance planning of projects funded through the advance  
10 planning fund and the design of projects funded through  
11 the design fund, none of these funds shall be used for any  
12 project which has not been considered and approved by  
13 the Congress in the budgetary process: *Provided further*,  
14 That funds provided in this appropriation for fiscal year  
15 1999, for each approved project shall be obligated: (1) by  
16 the awarding of a construction documents contract by  
17 September 30, 1999; and (2) by the awarding of a con-  
18 struction contract by September 30, 2000: *Provided fur-*  
19 *ther*, That the Secretary shall promptly report in writing  
20 to the Committees on Appropriations any approved major  
21 construction project in which obligations are not incurred  
22 within the time limitations established above: *Provided*  
23 *further*, That no funds from any other account except the  
24 “Parking revolving fund”, may be obligated for construct-  
25 ing, altering, extending, or improving a project which was

1 approved in the budget process and funded in this account  
2 until one year after substantial completion and beneficial  
3 occupancy by the Department of Veterans Affairs of the  
4 project or any part thereof with respect to that part only.

5 CONSTRUCTION, MINOR PROJECTS

6 For constructing, altering, extending, and improving  
7 any of the facilities under the jurisdiction or for the use  
8 of the Department of Veterans Affairs, including plan-  
9 ning, architectural and engineering services, maintenance  
10 or guarantee period services costs associated with equip-  
11 ment guarantees provided under the project, services of  
12 claims analysts, offsite utility and storm drainage system  
13 construction costs, and site acquisition, or for any of the  
14 purposes set forth in sections 316, 2404, 2406, 8102,  
15 8103, 8106, 8108, 8109, 8110, and 8122 of 38 U.S.C.,  
16 where the estimated cost of a project is less than  
17 \$4,000,000; \$175,000,000 to remain available until ex-  
18 pended, along with unobligated balances of previous “Con-  
19 struction, minor projects” appropriations which are hereby  
20 made available for any project where the estimated cost  
21 is less than \$4,000,000: *Provided*, That funds in this ac-  
22 count shall be available for: (1) repairs to any of the non-  
23 medical facilities under the jurisdiction or for the use of  
24 the Department which are necessary because of loss or  
25 damage caused by any natural disaster or catastrophe;

1 and (2) temporary measures necessary to prevent or to  
2 minimize further loss by such causes.

3 PARKING REVOLVING FUND

4 For the parking revolving fund as authorized by 38  
5 U.S.C. 8109, income from fees collected, to remain avail-  
6 able until expended, which shall be available for all author-  
7 ized expenses except operations and maintenance costs,  
8 which will be funded from “Medical care”.

9 GRANTS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF STATE EXTENDED CARE  
10 FACILITIES

11 For grants to assist States to acquire or construct  
12 State nursing home and domiciliary facilities and to re-  
13 model, modify or alter existing hospital, nursing home and  
14 domiciliary facilities in State homes, for furnishing care  
15 to veterans as authorized by 38 U.S.C. 8131–8137,  
16 \$80,000,000, to remain available until expended.

17 GRANTS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF STATE VETERANS  
18 CEMETERIES

19 For grants to aid States in establishing, expanding,  
20 or improving State veteran cemeteries as authorized by 38  
21 U.S.C. 2408, \$10,000,000, to remain available until ex-  
22 pended.

23 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

24 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

25 SEC. 101. Any appropriation for fiscal year 1999 for  
26 “Compensation and pensions”, “Readjustment benefits”,

1 and “Veterans insurance and indemnities” may be trans-  
2 ferred to any other of the mentioned appropriations.

3 SEC. 102. Appropriations available to the Depart-  
4 ment of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 1999 for salaries  
5 and expenses shall be available for services authorized by  
6 5 U.S.C. 3109.

7 SEC. 103. No appropriations in this Act for the De-  
8 partment of Veterans Affairs (except the appropriations  
9 for “Construction, major projects”, “Construction, minor  
10 projects”, and the “Parking revolving fund”) shall be  
11 available for the purchase of any site for or toward the  
12 construction of any new hospital or home.

13 SEC. 104. No appropriations in this Act for the De-  
14 partment of Veterans Affairs shall be available for hos-  
15 pitalization or examination of any persons (except bene-  
16 ficiaries entitled under the laws bestowing such benefits  
17 to veterans, and persons receiving such treatment under  
18 5 U.S.C. 7901–7904 or 42 U.S.C. 5141–5204), unless re-  
19 imbursement of cost is made to the “Medical care” ac-  
20 count at such rates as may be fixed by the Secretary of  
21 Veterans Affairs.

22 SEC. 105. Appropriations available to the Depart-  
23 ment of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 1999 for “Com-  
24 pensation and pensions”, “Readjustment benefits”, and  
25 “Veterans insurance and indemnities” shall be available

1 for payment of prior year accrued obligations required to  
2 be recorded by law against the corresponding prior year  
3 accounts within the last quarter of fiscal year 1998.

4       SEC. 106. Appropriations accounts available to the  
5 Department of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 1999 shall  
6 be available to pay prior year obligations of corresponding  
7 prior year appropriations accounts resulting from title X  
8 of the Competitive Equality Banking Act, Public Law  
9 100–86, except that if such obligations are from trust  
10 fund accounts they shall be payable from “Compensation  
11 and pensions”.

12       SEC. 107. Notwithstanding any other provision of  
13 law, during fiscal year 1999, the Secretary of Veterans  
14 Affairs shall, from the National Service Life Insurance  
15 Fund (38 U.S.C. 1920), the Veterans’ Special Life Insur-  
16 ance Fund (38 U.S.C. 1923), and the United States Gov-  
17 ernment Life Insurance Fund (38 U.S.C. 1955), reim-  
18 burse the “General operating expenses” account for the  
19 cost of administration of the insurance programs financed  
20 through those accounts: *Provided*, That reimbursement  
21 shall be made only from the surplus earnings accumulated  
22 in an insurance program in fiscal year 1999, that are  
23 available for dividends in that program after claims have  
24 been paid and actuarially determined reserves have been  
25 set aside: *Provided further*, That if the cost of administra-

1 tion of an insurance program exceeds the amount of sur-  
2 plus earnings accumulated in that program, reimburse-  
3 ment shall be made only to the extent of such surplus  
4 earnings: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall deter-  
5 mine the cost of administration for fiscal year 1999, which  
6 is properly allocable to the provision of each insurance pro-  
7 gram and to the provision of any total disability income  
8 insurance included in such insurance program.

9       SEC. 108. In accordance with section 1557 of title  
10 31, United States Code, the following obligated balances  
11 shall be exempt from subchapter IV of chapter 15 of such  
12 title and shall remain available for expenditure without fis-  
13 cal year limitation: (1) funds obligated by the Department  
14 of Veterans Affairs for lease numbers 084B-05-94,  
15 084B-07-94, and 084B-027-94 from funds made avail-  
16 able in the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing  
17 and Urban Development, and Independent Agencies Ap-  
18 propriations Act, 1994 (Public Law 103-124) under the  
19 heading “Medical care”; and (2) funds obligated by the  
20 Department of Veterans Affairs for lease number 084B-  
21 002-96 from funds made available in the Departments of  
22 Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development,  
23 and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act, 1995  
24 (Public Law 103-327) under the heading “Medical care”.



1 under this heading, \$9,600,000,000 shall be for assistance  
2 under the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C.  
3 1437) for use in connection with expiring or terminating  
4 section 8 subsidy contracts, for enhanced vouchers as pro-  
5 vided under the “Preserving Existing Housing Invest-  
6 ment” account in the Departments of Veterans Affairs  
7 and Housing and Urban Development, and Independent  
8 Agencies Appropriations Act, 1997 (Public Law 104–  
9 204), and contracts entered into pursuant to section 441  
10 of the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act:  
11 *Provided further*, That the Secretary may determine not  
12 to apply section 8(o)(6)(B) of the Act to housing vouchers  
13 during fiscal year 1999: *Provided further*, That of the total  
14 amount provided under this heading, \$97,000,000 shall be  
15 for amendments to section 8 contracts other than con-  
16 tracts for projects developed under section 202 of the  
17 Housing Act of 1959, as amended: *Provided further*, That  
18 of the total amount provided under this heading,  
19 \$433,542,030 shall be for section 8 rental assistance  
20 under the United States Housing Act of 1937 including  
21 assistance to relocate residents of properties: (1) that are  
22 owned by the Secretary and being disposed of; or (2) that  
23 are discontinuing section 8 project-based assistance; for  
24 relocation and replacement housing for units that are de-  
25 molished or disposed of from the public housing inventory

1 (in addition to amounts that may be available for such  
2 purposes under this and other headings); for the conver-  
3 sion of section 23 projects to assistance under section 8;  
4 for funds to carry out the family unification program; and  
5 for the relocation of witnesses in connection with efforts  
6 to combat crime in public and assisted housing pursuant  
7 to a request from a law enforcement or prosecution agen-  
8 cy: *Provided further*, That of the total amount made avail-  
9 able in the preceding proviso, \$40,000,000 shall be made  
10 available to nonelderly disabled families affected by the  
11 designation of a public housing development under section  
12 7 of such Act, the establishment of preferences in accord-  
13 ance with section 651 of the Housing and Community De-  
14 velopment Act of 1992 (42 U.S.C. 13611), or the restric-  
15 tion of occupancy to elderly families in accordance with  
16 section 658 of such Act, and to the extent the Secretary  
17 determines that such amount is not needed to fund appli-  
18 cations for such affected families, to other nonelderly dis-  
19 abled families: *Provided further*, That the amount made  
20 available under the fifth proviso under the heading “Pre-  
21 vention of Resident Displacement” in title II of the De-  
22 partments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban  
23 Development, and Independent Agencies Appropriations  
24 Act, 1997, Public Law 104–204, shall also be made avail-  
25 able to nonelderly disabled families affected by the restric-

1 tion of occupancy to elderly families in accordance with  
2 section 658 of the Housing and Community Development  
3 Act of 1992: *Provided further*, That to the extent the Sec-  
4 retary determines that the amount made available under  
5 the fifth proviso under the heading “Prevention of Resi-  
6 dent Displacement” in title II of the Departments of Vet-  
7 erans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and  
8 Independent Agencies Appropriations Act, 1997, Public  
9 Law 104–204, is not needed to fund applications for af-  
10 fected families described in the fifth proviso, or in the pre-  
11 ceding proviso under this heading in this Act, the amount  
12 not needed shall be made available to other nonelderly dis-  
13 abled families: *Provided further*, That of the total amount  
14 provided under this heading, \$10,000,000 shall be for Re-  
15 gional Opportunity Counseling: *Provided further*, That all  
16 balances, as of September 30, 1998, remaining in the  
17 “Prevention of Resident Displacement” account shall be  
18 transferred to and merged with the amounts provided for  
19 those purposes under this heading.

20 For tenant-based assistance under the United States  
21 Housing Act of 1937 to help eligible families make the  
22 transition from welfare to work, \$100,000,000 from the  
23 total amount provided under this heading, to be adminis-  
24 tered by public housing agencies (including Indian housing  
25 authorities, as defined by the Secretary of Housing and

1 Urban Development), and to remain available until ex-  
2 pended: *Provided*, That families initially selected to receive  
3 assistance under this paragraph (1) shall be eligible to re-  
4 ceive, shall be currently receiving, or shall have received  
5 within the preceding year, assistance or services funded  
6 under the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families  
7 (TANF) program under part A of title IV of the Social  
8 Security Act or as part of a State's qualified State expend-  
9 iture under section 409(a)(7)(B)(i) of such Act; (2) shall  
10 be determined by the agency to be families for which ten-  
11 ant-based housing assistance is critical to successfully ob-  
12 taining or retaining employment; and (3) shall not already  
13 be receiving tenant-based assistance: *Provided further*,  
14 That each application shall (1) describe the proposed pro-  
15 gram, which shall be developed by the public housing agen-  
16 cy in consultation with the State, local or Tribal entity  
17 administering the TANF program and the entity, if any,  
18 administering the Welfare-to-Work grants allocated by the  
19 United States Department of Labor pursuant to section  
20 403(a)(5)(A) of the Social Security Act, and which shall  
21 take into account the particular circumstances of the com-  
22 munity; (2) demonstrate that tenant-based housing assist-  
23 ance is critical to the success of assisting eligible families  
24 to obtain or retain employment; (3) specify the criteria  
25 for selecting among eligible families to receive housing as-

1 sistance under this paragraph; (4) describe the proposed  
2 strategy for tenant counseling and housing search assist-  
3 ance and landlord outreach; (5) include any requests for  
4 waivers of any administrative requirements or any provi-  
5 sions of the United States Housing Act of 1937, with a  
6 demonstration of how approval of the waivers would sub-  
7 stantially further the objective of this paragraph; (6) in-  
8 clude certifications from the State, local, or Tribal entity  
9 administering assistance under the TANF program and  
10 from the entity, if any, administering the Welfare-to-Work  
11 grants allocated by the United States Department of  
12 Labor, that the entity supports the proposed program and  
13 will cooperate with the public housing agency that admin-  
14 isters the housing assistance to assure that such assist-  
15 ance is coordinated with other welfare reform and welfare  
16 to work initiatives; however, if either does not respond to  
17 the public housing agency within a reasonable time period,  
18 its concurrence shall be assumed, and if either objects to  
19 the application, its concerns shall accompany the applica-  
20 tion to the Secretary, who shall take them into account  
21 in this funding decision; and (7) include such other infor-  
22 mation as the Secretary may require and meet such other  
23 requirements as the Secretary may establish: *Provided fur-*  
24 *ther,* That the Secretary, after consultation with the Sec-  
25 retary of Health and Human Services and the Secretary

1 of Labor, shall select public housing agencies to receive  
2 assistance under this paragraph on a competitive basis,  
3 taking into account the need for and quality of the pro-  
4 posed program (including innovative approaches), the ex-  
5 tent to which the assistance will be coordinated with wel-  
6 fare reform and welfare to work initiatives, the extent to  
7 which the application demonstrates that tenant-based as-  
8 sistance is critical to the success of assisting eligible fami-  
9 lies to obtain or retain employment; and other appropriate  
10 criteria established by the Secretary: *Provided further,*  
11 That the Secretary may waive any administrative require-  
12 ment or any provision of the United States Housing Act  
13 of 1937 if the Secretary determines that the waiver would  
14 substantially further the objective of the assistance under  
15 this paragraph, and in the event of any waiver, may make  
16 provision for alternative conditions or terms where appro-  
17 priate: *Provided further,* That the Secretary may use up  
18 to one percent of the amount available under this para-  
19 graph, directly or indirectly, to conduct detailed evalua-  
20 tions of the effect of providing assistance under this para-  
21 graph.

22 PUBLIC HOUSING CAPITAL FUND

23 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

24 For the Public Housing Capital Fund Program for  
25 modernization of existing public housing projects as au-  
26 thorized under section 14 of the United States Housing

1 Act of 1937, as amended (42 U.S.C. 1437),  
2 \$3,000,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Pro-*  
3 *vided*, That of the total amount, up to \$100,000,000 shall  
4 be for carrying out activities under section 6(j) of such  
5 Act and technical assistance for the inspection of public  
6 housing units, contract expertise, and training and tech-  
7 nical assistance directly or indirectly, under grants, con-  
8 tracts, or cooperative agreements, to assist in the over-  
9 sight and management of public housing (whether or not  
10 the housing is being modernized with assistance under this  
11 proviso) or tenant-based assistance, including, but not lim-  
12 ited to, an annual resident survey, data collection and  
13 analysis, training and technical assistance by or to officials  
14 and employees of the Department and of public housing  
15 agencies and to residents in connection with the public  
16 housing programs and for lease adjustments to section 23  
17 projects: *Provided further*, That of the amount available  
18 under this heading, up to \$5,000,000 shall be for the Ten-  
19 ant Opportunity Program: *Provided further*, That all bal-  
20 ances, as of September 30, 1998, of funds heretofore pro-  
21 vided for section 673 public housing service coordinators  
22 shall be transferred to and merged with amounts made  
23 available under this heading.

24 PUBLIC HOUSING OPERATING FUND

25 For payments to public housing agencies for operat-  
26 ing subsidies for low-income housing projects as author-

1 ized by section 9 of the United States Housing Act of  
2 1937, as amended (42 U.S.C. 1437g), \$2,818,000,000, to  
3 remain available until expended.

4 DRUG ELIMINATION GRANTS FOR LOW-INCOME HOUSING  
5 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

6 For grants to public housing agencies and tribally  
7 designated housing entities for use in eliminating crime  
8 in public housing projects authorized by 42 U.S.C. 11901–  
9 11908, for grants for federally assisted low-income hous-  
10 ing authorized by 42 U.S.C. 11909, and for drug informa-  
11 tion clearinghouse services authorized by 42 U.S.C.  
12 11921–11925, \$290,000,000, to remain available until ex-  
13 pended, of which \$10,000,000 shall be for grants, tech-  
14 nical assistance, contracts and other assistance, training,  
15 and program assessment and execution for or on behalf  
16 of public housing agencies, resident organizations, and In-  
17 dian tribes and their tribally designated housing entities  
18 (including the cost of necessary travel for participants in  
19 such training); \$10,000,000 shall be used in connection  
20 with efforts to combat violent crime in public and assisted  
21 housing under the Operation Safe Home program admin-  
22 istered by the Inspector General of the Department of  
23 Housing and Urban Development; and \$10,000,000 shall  
24 be provided to the Office of Inspector General for Oper-  
25 ation Safe Home: *Provided further*, That the term “drug-  
26 related crime”, as defined in 42 U.S.C. 11905(2), shall

1 also include other types of crime as determined by the Sec-  
2 retary: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding section  
3 5130(c) of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988 (42 U.S.C.  
4 11909(c)), the Secretary may determine not to use any  
5 such funds to provide public housing youth sports grants.

6 REVITALIZATION OF SEVERELY DISTRESSED PUBLIC

7 HOUSING (HOPE VI)

8 For grants to public housing agencies for assisting  
9 in the demolition of obsolete public housing projects or  
10 portions thereof, the revitalization (where appropriate) of  
11 sites (including remaining public housing units) on which  
12 such projects are located, replacement housing which will  
13 avoid or lessen concentrations of very low-income families,  
14 and tenant-based assistance in accordance with section 8  
15 of the United States Housing Act of 1937; and for provid-  
16 ing replacement housing and assisting tenants displaced  
17 by the demolition (including appropriate homeownership  
18 down payment assistance for displaced tenants),  
19 \$600,000,000, to remain available until expended, of  
20 which the Secretary may use up to \$10,000,000 for tech-  
21 nical assistance and contract expertise, to be provided di-  
22 rectly or indirectly by grants, contracts or cooperative  
23 agreements, including training and cost of necessary travel  
24 for participants in such training, by or to officials and em-  
25 ployees of the Department and of public housing agencies  
26 and to residents: *Provided*, That no funds appropriated

1 under this heading shall be used for any purpose that is  
2 not provided for herein, in the United States Housing Act  
3 of 1937, in the Appropriations Acts for the Departments  
4 of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development,  
5 and Independent Agencies, for the fiscal years 1993,  
6 1994, 1995, 1997, and 1998, and the Omnibus Consoli-  
7 dated Rescissions and Appropriations Act of 1996: *Pro-*  
8 *vided further*, That for purposes of environmental review  
9 pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of  
10 1969, a grant under this head or under prior appropria-  
11 tions Acts for use for the purposes under this head shall  
12 be treated as assistance under title I of the United States  
13 Housing Act of 1937 and shall be subject to the regula-  
14 tions issued by the Secretary to implement section 26 of  
15 such Act: *Provided further*, That none of such funds shall  
16 be used directly or indirectly by granting competitive ad-  
17 vantage in awards to settle litigation or pay judgments,  
18 unless expressly permitted herein.

19 NATIVE AMERICAN HOUSING BLOCK GRANTS

20 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

21 For the Native American Housing Block Grants pro-  
22 gram, as authorized under title I of the Native American  
23 Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996  
24 (Public Law 104–330), \$620,000,000, to remain available  
25 until expended, of which \$6,000,000 shall be used to sup-  
26 port the inspection of Indian housing units, contract ex-

1    pertise, training, and technical assistance in the oversight  
2    and management of Indian housing and tenant-based as-  
3    sistance, including up to \$200,000 for related travel: *Pro-*  
4    *vided*, That of the amount provided under this heading,  
5    \$6,000,000 shall be made available for the cost of guaran-  
6    teed notes and other obligations, as authorized by title VI  
7    of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-De-  
8    termination Act of 1996: *Provided, further*, That such  
9    costs, including the costs of modifying such notes and  
10   other obligations, shall be as defined in section 502 of the  
11   Congressional Budget Act of 1974, as amended: *Provided,*  
12   *further*, That these funds are available to subsidize the  
13   total principal amount of any notes and other obligations,  
14   any part of which is to be guaranteed, not to exceed  
15   \$54,600,000.

16        In addition, for administrative expenses to carry out  
17   the guaranteed loan program, up to \$200,000, which shall  
18   be transferred to and merged with the appropriation for  
19   departmental salaries and expenses, to be used only for  
20   the administrative costs of these guarantees: *Provided,*  
21   That the funds made available in the first proviso in the  
22   preceding paragraph are for a demonstration on ways to  
23   enhance economic growth, to increase access to private  
24   capital, and to encourage the investment and participation

1 of traditional financial institutions in tribal and other Na-  
2 tive American areas.

3 INDIAN HOUSING LOAN GUARANTEE FUND PROGRAM

4 ACCOUNT

5 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

6 For the cost of guaranteed loans, as authorized by  
7 section 184 of the Housing and Community Development  
8 Act of 1992 (106 Stat. 3739), \$6,000,000, to remain  
9 available until expended: *Provided*, That such costs, in-  
10 cluding the costs of modifying such loans, shall be as de-  
11 fined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of  
12 1974, as amended: *Provided further*, That these funds are  
13 available to subsidize total loan principal, any part of  
14 which is to be guaranteed, not to exceed \$68,881,000.

15 In addition, for administrative expenses to carry out  
16 the guaranteed loan program, up to \$400,000, which shall  
17 be transferred to and merged with the appropriation for  
18 departmental salaries and expenses, to be used only for  
19 the administrative costs of these guarantees.

20 COMMUNITY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

21 HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONS WITH AIDS

22 For carrying out the Housing Opportunities for Per-  
23 sons with AIDS program, as authorized by the AIDS  
24 Housing Opportunity Act (42 U.S.C. 12901),  
25 \$225,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Pro-*

1 *vided*, That up to 1 percent of such funds shall be avail-  
2 able to the Secretary for technical assistance.

3 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANTS

4 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

5 For grants to States and units of general local gov-  
6 ernment and for related expenses, not otherwise provided  
7 for, to carry out a community development grants pro-  
8 gram as authorized by title I of the Housing and Commu-  
9 nity Development Act of 1974, as amended (the “Act”  
10 herein) (42 U.S.C. 5301), \$4,725,000,000, to remain  
11 available until September 30, 2001: *Provided*, That  
12 \$67,000,000 shall be for grants to Indian tribes notwith-  
13 standing section 106(a)(1) of such Act; \$3,000,000 shall  
14 be available as a grant to the Housing Assistance Council;  
15 \$1,800,000 shall be available as a grant to the National  
16 American Indian Housing Council; \$50,000,000 shall be  
17 for grants pursuant to section 107 of the Act;  
18 \$20,000,000 shall be for grants pursuant to the Self Help  
19 Housing Opportunity program, subject to authorization:  
20 *Provided further*, That not to exceed 20 percent of any  
21 grant made with funds appropriated herein (other than  
22 a grant made available under the preceding proviso to the  
23 Housing Assistance Council or the National American In-  
24 dian Housing Council, or a grant using funds under sec-  
25 tion 107(b)(3) of the Housing and Community Develop-  
26 ment Act of 1974, as amended) shall be expended for

1 “Planning and Management Development” and “Adminis-  
2 tration” as defined in regulations promulgated by the De-  
3 partment.

4       Of the amount made available under this heading,  
5 \$20,000,000 shall be available for Economic Development  
6 Grants, as authorized by section 108(q) of the Housing  
7 and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended,  
8 for Brownfields redevelopment projects: *Provided*, That  
9 the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development shall  
10 make these grants available on a competitive basis as spec-  
11 ified in section 102 of the Department of Housing and  
12 Urban Development Reform Act of 1989.

13       Of the amount made available under this heading,  
14 \$30,000,000 shall be made available for “capacity building  
15 for community development and affordable housing”, as  
16 authorized by section 4 of the HUD Demonstration Act  
17 of 1993 (Public Law 103–120), with not less than  
18 \$10,000,000 of the funding to be used in rural areas, in-  
19 cluding tribal areas, to be divided equally among four enti-  
20 ties, as specified in the report of the Appropriations Com-  
21 mittee accompanying this Act.

22       Of the amount provided under this heading, the Sec-  
23 retary of Housing and Urban Development may use up  
24 to \$50,000,000 for a public and assisted housing self-suf-  
25 ficiency program, of which up to \$5,000,000 may be used

1 for the Moving to Work Demonstration, and at least  
2 \$20,000,000 shall be used for grants for service coordina-  
3 tors and congregate services for the elderly and disabled:  
4 *Provided*, That for self-sufficiency activities, the Secretary  
5 may make grants to public housing agencies (including In-  
6 dian tribes and their tribally designated housing entities),  
7 nonprofit corporations, and other appropriate entities for  
8 a supportive services program to assist residents of public  
9 and assisted housing, former residents of such housing re-  
10 ceiving tenant-based assistance under section 8 of such  
11 Act (42 U.S.C. 1437f), and other low-income families and  
12 individuals: *Provided further*, That the program shall pro-  
13 vide supportive services, principally for the benefit of pub-  
14 lic housing residents, to the elderly and the disabled, and  
15 to families with children where the head of household  
16 would benefit from the receipt of supportive services and  
17 is working, seeking work, or is preparing for work by par-  
18 ticipating in job training or educational programs: *Pro-*  
19 *vided further*, That the supportive services may include  
20 congregate services for the elderly and disabled, service co-  
21 ordinators, and coordinated education, training, and other  
22 supportive services, including case management skills  
23 training, job search assistance, assistance related to re-  
24 taining employment, vocational and entrepreneurship de-  
25 velopment and support programs, such as transportation,

1 and child care: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall  
2 require applications to demonstrate firm commitments of  
3 funding or services from other sources: *Provided further*,  
4 That the Secretary shall select public and Indian housing  
5 agencies to receive assistance under this heading on a  
6 competitive basis, taking into account the quality of the  
7 proposed program, including any innovative approaches,  
8 the extent of the proposed coordination of supportive serv-  
9 ices, the extent of commitments of funding or services  
10 from other sources, the extent to which the proposed pro-  
11 gram includes reasonably achievable, quantifiable goals for  
12 measuring performance under the program over a three-  
13 year period, the extent of success an agency has had in  
14 carrying out other comparable initiatives, and other appro-  
15 priate criteria established by the Secretary (except that  
16 this proviso shall not apply to renewal of grants for service  
17 coordinators and congregate services for the elderly and  
18 disabled).

19       Of the amount made available under this heading,  
20 notwithstanding any other provision of law, \$35,000,000  
21 shall be available for YouthBuild program activities au-  
22 thorized by subtitle D of title IV of the Cranston-Gonzalez  
23 National Affordable Housing Act, as amended, and such  
24 activities shall be an eligible activity with respect to any  
25 funds made available under this heading: *Provided*, That

1 local YouthBuild programs that demonstrate an ability to  
2 leverage private and nonprofit funding shall be given a pri-  
3 ority for YouthBuild funding.

4       Of the amount made available under this heading,  
5 \$50,000,000 shall be available for the Economic Develop-  
6 ment Initiative (EDI).

7       Of the amount made available under this heading,  
8 \$25,000,000 shall be available for neighborhood initiatives  
9 that are utilized to improve the conditions of distressed  
10 and blighted areas and neighborhoods, and to determine  
11 whether housing benefits can be integrated more effec-  
12 tively with welfare reform initiatives.

13       For the cost of guaranteed loans, \$29,000,000, as au-  
14 thorized by section 108 of the Housing and Community  
15 Development Act of 1974: *Provided*, That such costs, in-  
16 cluding the cost of modifying such loans, shall be as de-  
17 fined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of  
18 1974, as amended: *Provided further*, That these funds are  
19 available to subsidize total loan principal, any part of  
20 which is to be guaranteed, not to exceed \$1,261,000,000,  
21 notwithstanding any aggregate limitation on outstanding  
22 obligations guaranteed in section 108(k) of the Housing  
23 and Community Development Act of 1974: *Provided fur-*  
24 *ther*, That in addition, for administrative expenses to carry  
25 out the guaranteed loan program, \$1,000,000, which shall

1 be transferred to and merged with the appropriation for  
2 departmental salaries and expenses.

3 HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM

4 For the HOME investment partnerships program, as  
5 authorized under title II of the Cranston-Gonzalez Na-  
6 tional Affordable Housing Act (Public Law 101–625), as  
7 amended, \$1,600,000,000, to remain available until ex-  
8 pended: *Provided*, That up to \$7,000,000 of these funds  
9 shall be available for the development and operation of in-  
10 tegrated community development management informa-  
11 tion systems: *Provided further*, That up to \$10,000,000  
12 of these funds shall be available for Housing Counseling  
13 under section 106 of the Housing and Urban Development  
14 Act of 1968.

15 HOMELESS ASSISTANCE GRANTS

16 For the emergency shelter grants program (as au-  
17 thorized under subtitle B of title IV of the Stewart B.  
18 McKinney Homeless Assistance Act, as amended); the  
19 supportive housing program (as authorized under subtitle  
20 C of title IV of such Act); the section 8 moderate rehabili-  
21 tation single room occupancy program (as authorized  
22 under the United States Housing Act of 1937, as amend-  
23 ed) to assist homeless individuals pursuant to section 441  
24 of the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act; and  
25 the shelter plus care program (as authorized under sub-  
26 title F of title IV of such Act), \$975,000,000, to remain

1 available until expended: *Provided*, That permanent hous-  
2 ing assisted under the supportive housing program with  
3 amounts provided under this heading in this Act shall be  
4 given to chronically homeless individuals and families who  
5 have, or who include members who have, chronic disabil-  
6 ities, including substance and alcohol abuse, and mental  
7 illness and other chronic health conditions: *Provided fur-*  
8 *ther*, That any permanent housing assisted under this  
9 heading shall be provided only if supportive services are  
10 linked to the individuals living in the housing: *Provided*  
11 *further*, That the Secretary of Housing and Urban Devel-  
12 opment shall conduct a review of any balances of amounts  
13 provided under this heading in this or any previous appro-  
14 priation Act that have been obligated but remain unex-  
15 pended and shall deobligate any such amounts that the  
16 Secretary determines were obligated for contracts that are  
17 unlikely to be performed: *Provided further*, That up to 1%  
18 of the funds appropriated under this heading may be used  
19 for technical assistance and tracking systems needed to  
20 carry out the directive provided in the Committee Report.

21 HOUSING FOR SPECIAL POPULATIONS

22 For assistance for the purchase, construction, acqui-  
23 sition, or development of additional public and subsidized  
24 housing units for low-income families under the United  
25 States Housing Act of 1937, as amended (42 U.S.C  
26 1437), not otherwise provided for, \$839,000,000, to re-

1 main available until expended: *Provided*, That of the total  
2 amount provided under this heading, \$645,000,000 shall  
3 be for capital advances, including amendments to capital  
4 advance contracts, for housing for the elderly, as author-  
5 ized by section 202 of the Housing Act of 1959, as amend-  
6 ed, and for project rental assistance, and amendments to  
7 contracts for project rental assistance, for the elderly  
8 under section 202(c)(2) of the Housing Act of 1959, and  
9 for supportive services associated with the housing; and  
10 \$194,000,000 shall be for capital advances, including  
11 amendments to capital advance contracts, for supportive  
12 housing for persons with disabilities, as authorized by sec-  
13 tion 811 of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable  
14 Housing Act, for project rental assistance, for amend-  
15 ments to contracts for project rental assistance, and sup-  
16 portive services associated with the housing for persons  
17 with disabilities as authorized by section 811 of such Act:  
18 *Provided further*, That the Secretary may designate up to  
19 25 percent of the amounts for section 811 of such Act  
20 for tenant-based assistance, as authorized under that sec-  
21 tion, including such authority as may be waived under the  
22 next proviso, which assistance shall be for five years in  
23 duration: *Provided further*, That the Secretary may waive  
24 any provision of section 202 of the Housing Act of 1959  
25 or section 811 of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Afford-

1 able Housing Act (including the provisions governing the  
2 terms and conditions of project rental assistance and ten-  
3 ant-based assistance) that the Secretary determines is not  
4 necessary to achieve the respective objectives of these pro-  
5 grams, or that otherwise impedes the ability to develop,  
6 operate or administer projects assisted under these pro-  
7 grams, and may make provision for alternative conditions  
8 or terms where appropriate.

9 FLEXIBLE SUBSIDY FUND

10 (TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

11 From the Rental Housing Assistance Fund, all un-  
12 committed balances of excess rental charges as of Septem-  
13 ber 30, 1998, and any collections made during fiscal year  
14 1999, shall be transferred to the Flexible Subsidy Fund,  
15 as authorized by section 236(g) of the National Housing  
16 Act, as amended.

17 FEDERAL HOUSING ADMINISTRATION

18 FHA—MUTUAL MORTGAGE INSURANCE PROGRAM

19 ACCOUNT

20 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

21 During fiscal year 1999, commitments to guarantee  
22 loans to carry out the purposes of section 203(b) of the  
23 National Housing Act, as amended, shall not exceed a loan  
24 principal of \$110,000,000,000.

25 During fiscal year 1999, obligations to make direct  
26 loans to carry out the purposes of section 204(g) of the

1 National Housing Act, as amended, shall not exceed  
2 \$50,000,000: *Provided*, That the foregoing amount shall  
3 be for loans to nonprofit and governmental entities in con-  
4 nection with sales of single family real properties owned  
5 by the Secretary and formerly insured under the Mutual  
6 Mortgage Insurance Fund.

7 For administrative expenses necessary to carry out  
8 the guaranteed and direct loan program, \$328,888,000,  
9 to be derived from the FHA-mutual mortgage insurance  
10 guaranteed loans receipt account, of which not to exceed  
11 \$324,866,000 shall be transferred to the appropriation for  
12 departmental salaries and expenses; and of which not to  
13 exceed \$4,022,000 shall be transferred to the appropria-  
14 tion for the Office of Inspector General.

15 In addition, for non-overhead administrative expenses  
16 necessary to carry out the Mutual Mortgage Insurance  
17 guarantee and direct loan program, \$200,000,000, to be  
18 derived from the FHA-mutual mortgage insurance guar-  
19 anteed loan receipt account.

20 FHA—GENERAL AND SPECIAL RISK PROGRAM ACCOUNT  
21 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

22 For the cost of guaranteed loans, as authorized by  
23 sections 238 and 519 of the National Housing Act (12  
24 U.S.C. 1715z-3 and 1735c), including the cost of loan  
25 guarantee modifications (as that term is defined in section  
26 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, as amend-

1 ed), \$81,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Pro-*  
2 *vided*, That these funds are available to subsidize total  
3 loan principal, any part of which is to be guaranteed, of  
4 up to \$18,100,000,000.

5       Gross obligations for the principal amount of direct  
6 loans, as authorized by sections 204(g), 207(l), 238, and  
7 519(a) of the National Housing Act, shall not exceed  
8 \$50,000,000; of which not to exceed \$30,000,000 shall be  
9 for bridge financing in connection with the sale of multi-  
10 family real properties owned by the Secretary and for-  
11 merly insured under such Act; and of which not to exceed  
12 \$20,000,000 shall be for loans to nonprofit and govern-  
13 mental entities in connection with the sale of single-family  
14 real properties owned by the Secretary and formerly in-  
15 sured under such Act.

16       In addition, for administrative expenses necessary to  
17 carry out the guaranteed and direct loan programs,  
18 \$211,455,000, of which \$193,134,000, shall be trans-  
19 ferred to the appropriation for departmental salaries and  
20 expenses; and of which \$18,321,000 shall be transferred  
21 to the appropriation for the Office of Inspector General.

22       In addition, for non-overhead administrative expenses  
23 necessary to carry out the guaranteed and direct loan pro-  
24 grams, \$104,000,000.

1       GOVERNMENT NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION  
2       GUARANTEES OF MORTGAGE-BACKED SECURITIES LOAN  
3                GUARANTEE PROGRAM ACCOUNT  
4                (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

5       During fiscal year 1999, new commitments to issue  
6       guarantees to carry out the purposes of section 306 of the  
7       National Housing Act, as amended (12 U.S.C. 1721(g)),  
8       shall not exceed \$150,000,000,000.

9       For administrative expenses necessary to carry out  
10      the guaranteed mortgage-backed securities program,  
11      \$9,383,000, to be derived from the GNMA-guarantees of  
12      mortgage-backed securities guaranteed loan receipt ac-  
13      count, of which not to exceed \$9,383,000 shall be trans-  
14      ferred to the appropriation for departmental salaries and  
15      expenses.

16               POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND RESEARCH  
17                RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY

18      For contracts, grants, and necessary expenses of pro-  
19      grams of research and studies relating to housing and  
20      urban problems, not otherwise provided for, as authorized  
21      by title V of the Housing and Urban Development Act  
22      of 1970, as amended (12 U.S.C. 1701z-1 et seq.), includ-  
23      ing carrying out the functions of the Secretary under sec-  
24      tion 1(a)(1)(i) of Reorganization Plan No. 2 of 1968,  
25      \$47,500,000, to remain available until September 30,  
26      2000, of which \$10,000,000 shall be for activities to sup-

1 port the Partnership for Advanced Technologies in Hous-  
2 ing.

3 FAIR HOUSING AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITY

4 FAIR HOUSING ACTIVITIES

5 For contracts, grants, and other assistance, not oth-  
6 erwise provided for, as authorized by title VIII of the Civil  
7 Rights Act of 1968, as amended by the Fair Housing  
8 Amendments Act of 1988, and section 561 of the Housing  
9 and Community Development Act of 1987, as amended,  
10 \$40,000,000, to remain available until September 30,  
11 2000, of which \$23,500,000 shall be to carry out activities  
12 pursuant to such section 561: *Provided*, That no funds  
13 made available under this heading shall be used to lobby  
14 the executive or legislative branches of the Federal Gov-  
15 ernment in connection with a specific contract, grant or  
16 loan.

17 OFFICE OF LEAD HAZARD CONTROL

18 LEAD HAZARD REDUCTION

19 For the Lead Hazard Reduction Program, as author-  
20 ized by sections 1011 and 1053 of the Residential Lead-  
21 Based Hazard Reduction Act of 1992, \$80,000,000 to re-  
22 main available until expended, of which \$2,500,000 shall  
23 be for CLEARCorps and \$20,000,000 shall be for a  
24 Healthy Homes Initiative, which shall be a program pur-  
25 suant to sections 501 and 502 of the Housing and Urban

1 Development Act of 1970 that shall include research,  
2 studies, testing, and demonstration efforts, including edu-  
3 cation and outreach concerning lead-based paint poisoning  
4 and other housing-related environmental diseases and haz-  
5 ards.

6 MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION

7 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

8 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

9 For necessary administrative and nonadministrative  
10 expenses of the Department of Housing and Urban Devel-  
11 opment not otherwise provided for, including not to exceed  
12 \$7,000 for official reception and representation expenses,  
13 \$985,826,000, of which \$518,000,000 shall be provided  
14 from the various funds of the Federal Housing Adminis-  
15 tration, \$9,383,000 shall be provided from funds of the  
16 Government National Mortgage Association, \$1,000,000  
17 shall be provided from the “Community Development  
18 Grants Program” account, \$200,000 shall be provided  
19 from the “Native American Housing Block Grants” ac-  
20 count, and \$400,000 shall be provided from the “Indian  
21 Housing Loan Guarantee Fund Program Account”.

22 OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

23 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

24 For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector  
25 General in carrying out the Inspector General Act of 1978,  
26 as amended, \$81,910,000, of which \$22,343,000 shall be

1 provided from the various funds of the Federal Housing  
2 Administration and \$10,000,000 shall be provided from  
3 the amount earmarked for Operation Safe Home in the  
4 “Drug Elimination Grants for Low-Income Housing” ac-  
5 count.

6 OFFICE OF FEDERAL HOUSING ENTERPRISE OVERSIGHT  
7 SALARIES AND EXPENSES  
8 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

9 For carrying out the Federal Housing Enterprise Fi-  
10 nancial Safety and Soundness Act of 1992, \$16,551,000,  
11 to remain available until expended, to be derived from the  
12 Federal Housing Enterprise Oversight Fund: *Provided*,  
13 That not to exceed such amount shall be available from  
14 the General Fund of the Treasury to the extent necessary  
15 to incur obligations and make expenditures pending the  
16 receipt of collections to the Fund: *Provided further*, That  
17 the General Fund amount shall be reduced as collections  
18 are received during the fiscal year so as to result in a final  
19 appropriation from the General Fund estimated at not  
20 more than \$0.

21 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS  
22 PUBLIC AND ASSISTED HOUSING RENTS, PREFERENCES,  
23 AND FLEXIBILITY

24 SEC. 201. (a) Section 402(a) of The Balanced Budg-  
25 et Downpayment Act, I (Public Law 104–99; (110 Stat.

1 40)) is amended by striking “fiscal years 1997 and 1998”  
2 and inserting “fiscal years 1997, 1998, and 1999”.

3 (b) Section 402(f) of The Balanced Budget Downpay-  
4 ment Act, I (42 U.S.C. 1437aa note) is amended by in-  
5 serting before the period at the end the following: “, except  
6 that subsection (d) and the amendments made by such  
7 subsection shall also be effective for fiscal year 1999”.

8 (c) PUBLIC HOUSING FUNDING FLEXIBILITY.—Sec-  
9 tion 201(a)(2) of the Departments of Veterans Affairs and  
10 Housing and Urban Development, and Independent Agen-  
11 cies Appropriations Act, 1996 (42 U.S.C. 1437l note), is  
12 amended to read as follows:

13 “(2) APPLICABILITY.—Section 14(q) of the  
14 United States Housing Act of 1937 shall be effective  
15 only with respect to assistance provided from funds  
16 made available for fiscal year 1999 or any preceding  
17 fiscal year, except that the authority in the first sen-  
18 tence of section 14(q)(1) to use up to 10 percent of  
19 the allocation of certain funds for any operating sub-  
20 sidy purpose shall not apply to amounts made avail-  
21 able for fiscal years 1998 and 1999.”

22 DELAY REISSUANCE OF VOUCHERS AND CERTIFICATES

23 SEC. 202. Section 403(c) of The Balanced Budget  
24 Downpayment Act, I (Public Law 104–99; (110 Stat. 44))  
25 is amended—



1 immunodeficiency syndrome required under such  
2 clause.

3 (b) AMOUNT.—The amount of the allocation and  
4 grant for any State described in subsection (a) shall be  
5 an amount based on the cumulative number of AIDS cases  
6 in the areas of that State that are outside of metropolitan  
7 statistical areas that qualify under clause (i) of such sec-  
8 tion 854(c)(1)(A) in fiscal year 1999 in proportion to  
9 AIDS cases among cities and States that qualify under  
10 clauses (i) and (ii) of such section and States deemed eligi-  
11 ble under subsection (a).

12 (c) ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW.—For purposes of en-  
13 vironmental review, pursuant to the National Environ-  
14 mental Policy Act of 1969 and other provisions of law that  
15 further the purposes of such Act, a grant under the AIDS  
16 Housing Opportunity Act (42 U.S.C. 12901 et seq.) from  
17 amounts provided under this or prior Acts shall be treated  
18 as assistance for a special project that is subject to section  
19 305(c) of the Multifamily Housing Property Disposition  
20 Reform Act of 1994 (42 U.S.C. 3547), and shall be sub-  
21 ject to the regulations issued by the Secretary to imple-  
22 ment such section. Where the grantee under the AIDS  
23 Housing Opportunity Act is a nonprofit organization and  
24 the activity is proposed to be carried out within the juris-  
25 diction of an Indian tribe or the community of an Alaska

1 native village, the role of the State or unit of general local  
2 government under sections 305(c)(1)–(3) of such Act may  
3 be carried out by the Indian tribe or Alaska native village  
4 instead.

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6 DRAWDOWN OF FUNDS

6 SEC. 204. Section 14(q)(1) of the United States  
7 Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437l(q)(1)) is amended  
8 by inserting after the first sentence the following sentence:  
9 “Such assistance may involve the drawdown of funds on  
10 a schedule commensurate with construction draws for de-  
11 posit into an interest earning escrow account to serve as  
12 collateral or credit enhancement for bonds issued by a  
13 public agency for the construction or rehabilitation of the  
14 development.”.

15 ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATES AND VOUCHERS TO SINGLE  
16 PERSONS

17 SEC. 205. (a) CERTIFICATE PROGRAM.—Section  
18 8(c)(1) of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42  
19 U.S.C. 1437f(c)(1)) is amended by inserting after the  
20 third sentence the following new sentence: “The maximum  
21 monthly rent for a single person (other than an elderly  
22 person or person with disabilities, if such elderly person  
23 or person with disabilities is living with one or more per-  
24 sons determined under the regulations of the Secretary to  
25 be essential to such person’s care or well-being) receiving  
26 tenant-based rental assistance in the certificate program

1 under subsection (b)(1) shall not exceed by more than the  
2 amount permitted under the second sentence of this para-  
3 graph the fair market rental for an efficiency unit, except  
4 that the Secretary, or the public housing agency in accord-  
5 ance with guidelines established by the Secretary, may de-  
6 termine not to apply the limitation in this sentence if there  
7 is an insufficient supply of efficiency units in the market  
8 area or if necessary to meet the needs of persons with dis-  
9 abilities.”.

10 (b) VOUCHER PROGRAM.—Section 8(o) of such Act  
11 (42 U.S.C. 1437f(o)) is amended by inserting the follow-  
12 ing at the end of paragraph (1): “The payment standard  
13 for a single person (other than an elderly person or person  
14 with disabilities, if such elderly person or person with dis-  
15 abilities is living with one or more persons determined  
16 under the regulations of the Secretary to be essential to  
17 such person’s care or well-being) shall be based on the fair  
18 market rental for an efficiency unit, except that the Sec-  
19 retary, or the public housing agency in accordance with  
20 guidelines established by the Secretary, may determine not  
21 to apply the limitation in this sentence if there is an insuf-  
22 ficient supply of efficiency units in the market area or if  
23 necessary to meet the needs of persons with disabilities.”.

1 (c) APPLICABILITY.—This section shall take effect 60  
2 days after the later of October 1, 1998 or the date of en-  
3 actment of this Act.

4 ELIMINATION OF SHOPPING INCENTIVE FOR VOUCHER  
5 FAMILIES WHO REMAIN IN SAME UNIT UPON INITIAL  
6 RECEIPT OF ASSISTANCE

7 SEC. 206. (a) Section 8(o)(2) of the United States  
8 Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437f(o)(2)) is amended  
9 by inserting the following new sentence at the end: “Not-  
10 withstanding the preceding sentence, for families being ad-  
11 mitted to the voucher program who remain in the same  
12 unit or complex, where the rent (including the amount al-  
13 lowed for utilities) does not exceed the payment standard,  
14 the monthly assistance payment for any family shall be  
15 the amount by which such rent exceeds the greater of 30  
16 percent of the family’s monthly adjusted income or 10 per-  
17 cent of the family’s monthly income.”.

18 (b) This section shall take effect 60 days after the  
19 later of October 1, 1998 or the date of enactment of this  
20 Act.

21 RENEGOTIATION OF PERFORMANCE FUNDING SYSTEM

22 SEC. 207. Section 9(a)(3)(A) of the United States  
23 Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437g(a)(3)(A)) is  
24 amended—

25 (1) by inserting after the third sentence the fol-  
26 lowing new sentence to read as follows:

1 “Notwithstanding the preceding sentences, the Secretary  
2 may revise the performance funding system in a manner  
3 that takes into account equity among public housing agen-  
4 cies and that includes appropriate incentives for sound  
5 management.”; and

6 (2) in the last sentence, by inserting after “va-  
7 cant public housing units” the following: “, or any  
8 substantial change under the preceding sentence,”.

#### 9 CDBG AND HOME EXEMPTION

10 SEC. 208. The City of Oxnard, California may use  
11 amounts available to the City under title I of the Housing  
12 and Community Development Act of 1974 and under sub-  
13 title A of title II of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Af-  
14 fordable Housing Act to reimburse the City for its cost  
15 in purchasing 19.89 acres of land, more or less, located  
16 at the northwest corner of Lombard Street and Camino  
17 del Sol in the City, on the north side of the 2100 block  
18 of Camino del Sol, for the purpose of providing affordable  
19 housing. The procedures set forth in sections 104(g) (2)  
20 and (3) of the Housing and Community Development Act  
21 of 1974 and sections 288 (b) and (c) of the Cranston-  
22 Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act shall not apply  
23 to any release of funds for such reimbursement.

#### 24 CDBG PUBLIC SERVICES CAP

25 SEC. 209. Section 105(a)(8) of the Housing and  
26 Community Development Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C.

1 5305(a)(8)) is amended by striking “1998” and inserting  
2 “1999”.

3 TITLE III—INDEPENDENT AGENCIES

4 AMERICAN BATTLE MONUMENTS COMMISSION

5 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

6 For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for,  
7 of the American Battle Monuments Commission, including  
8 the acquisition of land or interest in land in foreign coun-  
9 tries; purchases and repair of uniforms for caretakers of  
10 national cemeteries and monuments outside of the United  
11 States and its territories and possessions; rent of office  
12 and garage space in foreign countries; purchase (one for  
13 replacement only) and hire of passenger motor vehicles;  
14 and insurance of official motor vehicles in foreign coun-  
15 tries, when required by law of such countries;  
16 \$26,431,000, to remain available until expended: *Pro-*  
17 *vided*, That where station allowance has been authorized  
18 by the Department of the Army for officers of the Army  
19 serving the Army at certain foreign stations, the same al-  
20 lowance shall be authorized for officers of the Armed  
21 Forces assigned to the Commission while serving at the  
22 same foreign stations, and this appropriation is hereby  
23 made available for the payment of such allowance: *Pro-*  
24 *vided further*, That when traveling on business of the Com-  
25 mission, officers of the Armed Forces serving as members

1 or as Secretary of the Commission may be reimbursed for  
 2 expenses as provided for civilian members of the Commis-  
 3 sion: *Provided further*, That the Commission shall reim-  
 4 burse other Government agencies, including the Armed  
 5 Forces, for salary, pay, and allowances of personnel as-  
 6 signed to it.

7 CHEMICAL SAFETY AND HAZARD INVESTIGATION BOARD  
 8 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

9 For necessary expenses in carrying out activities pur-  
 10 suant to section 112(r)(6) of the Clean Air Act, as amend-  
 11 ed, including hire of passenger vehicles, and for services  
 12 authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109, but at rates for individuals  
 13 not to exceed the per diem equivalent to the maximum  
 14 rate payable for senior level positions under 5 U.S.C.  
 15 5376, \$6,500,000: *Provided*, That the Chemical Safety  
 16 and Hazard Investigation Board shall have not more than  
 17 three career Senior Executive Service positions.

18 DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY  
 19 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS  
 20 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS  
 21 FUND PROGRAM ACCOUNT

22 For grants, loans, and technical assistance to qualify-  
 23 ing community development lenders, and administrative  
 24 expenses of the Fund, including services authorized by 5  
 25 U.S.C. 3109, but at rates for individuals not to exceed  
 26 the per diem rate equivalent to the rate for ES-3,

1 \$80,000,000, to remain available until September 30,  
2 2000, of which \$12,000,000 may be used for the cost of  
3 direct loans, and up to \$1,000,000 may be used for admin-  
4 istrative expenses to carry out the direct loan program:  
5 *Provided*, That the cost of direct loans, including the cost  
6 of modifying such loans, shall be as defined in section 502  
7 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974: *Provided fur-*  
8 *ther*, That these funds are available to subsidize gross obli-  
9 gations for the principal amount of direct loans not to ex-  
10 ceed \$32,000,000: *Provided further*, That not more than  
11 \$25,000,000 of the funds made available under this head-  
12 ing may be used for programs and activities authorized  
13 in section 114 of the Community Development Banking  
14 and Financial Institutions Act of 1994.

15 CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

16 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

17 For necessary expenses of the Consumer Product  
18 Safety Commission, including hire of passenger motor ve-  
19 hicles, services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109, but at  
20 rates for individuals not to exceed the per diem rate equiv-  
21 alent to the maximum rate payable under 5 U.S.C. 5376,  
22 purchase of nominal awards to recognize non-Federal offi-  
23 cials' contributions to Commission activities, and not to  
24 exceed \$500 for official reception and representation ex-  
25 penses, \$46,000,000. The Commission is to establish a

1 Chronic Hazard Advisory Panel according to the provi-  
2 sions of 15 U.S.C. 2077(b)–(h), inclusive, convened for the  
3 purpose of advising the Commission on the potential  
4 health effects (including carcinogenicity, neurotoxicity,  
5 mutagenicity, and any other chronic and acute effects)  
6 upon consumers exposed to such chemical treatment of  
7 fabrics. No funds shall be expended in promulgating a No-  
8 tice of Proposed Rulemaking or Final Rule under the  
9 Flammable Fabrics Act, which could directly or indirectly  
10 lead to increased chemical treatment of upholstery fabrics,  
11 unless the published Notice of Proposed Rulemaking or  
12 Final Rule includes the final recommendations of the  
13 Chronic Hazard Advisory Panel.

14 CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

15 NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAMS

16 OPERATING EXPENSES

17 Of the funds appropriated under this heading in Pub-  
18 lic Law 105–65, the Corporation for National and Com-  
19 munity Service shall use such amounts of such funds as  
20 may be necessary to carry out the orderly termination of  
21 (1) the programs, activities, and initiatives under the Na-  
22 tional and Community Service Act of 1990 (Public Law  
23 103–82); the Corporation; and (3) the Corporation’s Of-  
24 fice of Inspector General: *Provided*, That such sums shall  
25 be utilized to resolve all responsibilities and obligations in

1 connection with said Corporation and the Corporation's  
2 Office of Inspector General.

3 COURT OF VETERANS APPEALS

4 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

5 For necessary expenses for the operation of the  
6 United States Court of Veterans Appeals as authorized  
7 by 38 U.S.C. sections 7251–7298, \$10,195,000, of which  
8 \$865,000, shall be available for the purpose of providing  
9 financial assistance as described, and in accordance with  
10 the process and reporting procedures set forth, under this  
11 heading in Public Law 102–229.

12 DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE—CIVIL

13 CEMETERIAL EXPENSES, ARMY

14 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

15 For necessary expenses, as authorized by law, for  
16 maintenance, operation, and improvement of Arlington  
17 National Cemetery and Soldiers' and Airmen's Home Na-  
18 tional Cemetery, including the purchase of one passenger  
19 motor vehicle for replacement only, and not to exceed  
20 \$1,000 for official reception and representation expenses,  
21 \$11,666,000, to remain available until expended.

22 ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

23 SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

24 For science and technology, including research and  
25 development activities, which shall include research and

1 development activities under the Comprehensive Environ-  
2 mental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of  
3 1980 (CERCLA), as amended; necessary expenses for per-  
4 sonnel and related costs and travel expenses, including  
5 uniforms, or allowances therefore, as authorized by 5  
6 U.S.C. 5901–5902; services as authorized by 5 U.S.C.  
7 3109, but at rates for individuals not to exceed the per  
8 diem rate equivalent to the maximum rate payable for sen-  
9 ior level positions under 5 U.S.C. 5376; procurement of  
10 laboratory equipment and supplies; other operating ex-  
11 penses in support of research and development; construc-  
12 tion, alteration, repair, rehabilitation, and renovation of  
13 facilities, not to exceed \$75,000 per project,  
14 \$656,505,000, which shall remain available until Septem-  
15 ber 30, 2000: *Provided*, That the obligated balance of such  
16 sums shall remain available through September 30, 2007  
17 for liquidating obligations made in fiscal years 1999 and  
18 2000.

19 ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS AND MANAGEMENT

20 For environmental programs and management, in-  
21 cluding necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for, for  
22 personnel and related costs and travel expenses, including  
23 uniforms, or allowances therefore, as authorized by 5  
24 U.S.C. 5901–5902; services as authorized by 5 U.S.C.  
25 3109, but at rates for individuals not to exceed the per  
26 diem rate equivalent to the maximum rate payable for sen-

ior level positions under 5 U.S.C. 5376; hire of passenger motor vehicles; hire, maintenance, and operation of aircraft; purchase of reprints; library memberships in societies or associations which issue publications to members only or at a price to members lower than to subscribers who are not members; construction, alteration, repair, rehabilitation, and renovation of facilities, not to exceed \$75,000 per project; and not to exceed \$6,000 for official reception and representation expenses, \$1,856,000,000, which shall remain available until September 30, 2000: *Provided*, That the obligated balance of such sums shall remain available through September 30, 2007 for liquidating obligations made in fiscal years 1999 and 2000: *Provided further*, That none of the funds appropriated by this Act shall be used to develop, propose, or issue rules, regulations, decrees, or orders for the purpose of implementation, or in contemplation of implementation, of the Kyoto Protocol which was adopted on December 11, 1997, in Kyoto, Japan at the Third Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, which has not been submitted to the Senate for advice and consent to ratification pursuant to article II, section 2, clause 2, of the United States Constitution, and which has not entered into force pursuant to article 25 of such Protocol: *Provided further*, That none of the funds

1 made available in this Act may be used to implement or  
2 administer the interim guidance issued on February 5,  
3 1998 by the Environmental Protection Agency relating to  
4 title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and designated  
5 as the “Interim Guidance for Investigating Title VI Ad-  
6 ministrative Complaints Challenging Permits” with re-  
7 spect to complaints filed under such title after the date  
8 of enactment of this Act and until guidance is finalized.  
9 Nothing in the above proviso may be construed to restrict  
10 the Environmental Protection Agency from developing or  
11 issuing final guidance relating to title VI of the Civil  
12 Rights Act of 1964.

13                                   OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

14       For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector  
15 General in carrying out the provisions of the Inspector  
16 General Act of 1978, as amended, and for construction,  
17 alteration, repair, rehabilitation, and renovation of facili-  
18 ties, not to exceed \$75,000 per project, \$31,154,000, to  
19 remain available until September 30, 2000: *Provided,*  
20 That the obligated balance of such sums shall remain  
21 available through September 30, 2007 for liquidating obli-  
22 gations made in fiscal years 1999 and 2000.

23                                   BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES

24       For construction, repair, improvement, extension, al-  
25 teration, and purchase of fixed equipment or facilities of,

1 or for use by, the Environmental Protection Agency,  
2 \$60,948,000, to remain available until expended.

3 HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE SUPERFUND

4 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

5 For necessary expenses to carry out the Comprehen-  
6 sive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liabil-  
7 ity Act of 1980 (CERCLA), as amended, including sec-  
8 tions 111(c)(3), (c)(5), (c)(6), and (e)(4) (42 U.S.C.  
9 9611), and for construction, alteration, repair, rehabilita-  
10 tion, and renovation of facilities, not to exceed \$75,000  
11 per project; not to exceed \$1,500,000,000, consisting of  
12 \$650,000,000 as appropriated under this heading in Pub-  
13 lic Law 105–65, notwithstanding the second proviso under  
14 this heading of said Act, and not to exceed \$850,000,000  
15 (of which \$100,000,000 shall not become available until  
16 September 1, 1999), all of which is to remain available  
17 until expended, consisting of \$1,175,000,000, as author-  
18 ized by section 517(a) of the Superfund Amendments and  
19 Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA), as amended by  
20 Public Law 101–508, and \$325,000,000 as a payment  
21 from general revenues to the Hazardous Substance Super-  
22 fund for purposes as authorized by section 517(b) of  
23 SARA, as amended by Public Law 101–508: *Provided*,  
24 That funds appropriated under this heading may be allo-  
25 cated to other Federal agencies in accordance with section  
26 111(a) of CERCLA: *Provided further*, That \$12,237,000

1 of the funds appropriated under this heading shall be  
2 transferred to the “Office of Inspector General” appro-  
3 priation to remain available until September 30, 2000:  
4 *Provided further*, That notwithstanding section 111(m) of  
5 CERCLA or any other provision of law, \$74,000,000 of  
6 the funds appropriated under this heading shall be avail-  
7 able to the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Reg-  
8 istry to carry out activities described in sections 104(i),  
9 111(c)(4), and 111(c)(14) of CERCLA and section 118(f)  
10 of SARA: *Provided further*, That \$40,000,000 of the funds  
11 appropriated under this heading shall be transferred to  
12 the “Science and Technology” appropriation to remain  
13 available until September 30, 2000: *Provided further*, That  
14 \$75,000,000 of the funds appropriated under this heading  
15 shall be available only for grants to State, local, and tribal  
16 governments for “Brownfields” site assessment projects;  
17 grants to State, local, and tribal governments for the de-  
18 velopment of State, local, and tribal cleanup programs;  
19 and related Environmental Protection Agency personnel  
20 and administrative expenses: *Provided further*, That none  
21 of the funds appropriated under this heading shall be  
22 available for the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease  
23 Registry to issue in excess of 40 toxicological profiles pur-  
24 suant to section 104(i) of CERCLA during fiscal year  
25 1999.

## 1 LEAKING UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK TRUST FUND

2 For necessary expenses to carry out leaking under-  
3 ground storage tank cleanup activities authorized by sec-  
4 tion 205 of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthoriza-  
5 tion Act of 1986, and for construction, alteration, repair,  
6 rehabilitation, and renovation of facilities, not to exceed  
7 \$75,000 per project, \$70,000,000, to remain available  
8 until expended: *Provided*, That hereafter, the Adminis-  
9 trator is authorized to enter into assistance agreements  
10 with Federally recognized Indian tribes on such terms and  
11 conditions as the Administrator deems appropriate for the  
12 same purposes as are set forth in section 9003(h)(7) of  
13 the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act.

14 OIL SPILL RESPONSE  
15 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

16 For expenses necessary to carry out the Environ-  
17 mental Protection Agency's responsibilities under the Oil  
18 Pollution Act of 1990, \$15,000,000, to be derived from  
19 the Oil Spill Liability trust fund, and to remain available  
20 until expended.

## 21 STATE AND TRIBAL ASSISTANCE GRANTS

22 For environmental programs and infrastructure as-  
23 sistance, including capitalization grants for State revolv-  
24 ing funds and performance partnership grants,  
25 \$3,233,132,000, to remain available until expended, of  
26 which \$1,250,000,000 shall be for making capitalization

1 grants for the Clean Water State Revolving Funds under  
2 title VI of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as  
3 amended, and \$775,000,000 shall be for capitalization  
4 grants for the Drinking Water State Revolving Funds  
5 under section 1452 of the Safe Drinking Water Act, as  
6 amended; \$55,000,000 for architectural, engineering,  
7 planning, design, construction and related activities in  
8 connection with the construction of high priority water  
9 and wastewater facilities in the area of the United States-  
10 Mexico border, after consultation with the appropriate  
11 border commission; \$15,000,000 for grants to the State  
12 of Alaska to address drinking water and wastewater infra-  
13 structure needs of rural and Alaska Native Villages as  
14 provided by section 303 of Public Law 104-182;  
15 \$253,475,000 for making grants for the construction of  
16 wastewater and water treatment facilities and ground-  
17 water protection infrastructure in accordance with the  
18 terms and conditions specified for such grants in the re-  
19 port accompanying this Act (H.R. ); and \$884,657,000  
20 for grants, including associated program support costs, to  
21 States, Federally recognized tribes, interstate agencies,  
22 Tribal consortia, and air pollution control agencies for  
23 multi-media or single media pollution prevention, control  
24 and abatement and related activities, including activities  
25 pursuant to the provisions set forth under this heading

1 in Public Law 104–134, and for making grants under sec-  
2 tion 103 of the Clean Air Act for particulate matter mon-  
3 itoring and data collection activities: *Provided*, That, con-  
4 sistent with section 1452(g) of the Safe Drinking Water  
5 Act (42 U.S.C. 300j–12(g)), section 302 of the Safe  
6 Drinking Water Act Amendments of 1996 (Public Law  
7 104–182) and the accompanying joint explanatory state-  
8 ment of the committee on conference (H. Rept. No. 104–  
9 741 to accompany S. 1316, the Safe Drinking Water Act  
10 Amendments of 1996), and notwithstanding any other  
11 provision of law, beginning in fiscal year 1999 and there-  
12 after, States may combine the assets of State Revolving  
13 Funds (SRFs) established under section 1452 of the Safe  
14 Drinking Water Act, as amended, and title VI of the Fed-  
15 eral Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, as security  
16 for bond issues to enhance the lending capacity of one or  
17 both SRFs, but not to acquire the State match for either  
18 program, provided that revenues from the bonds are allo-  
19 cated to the purposes of the Safe Drinking Water Act and  
20 the Federal Water Pollution Control Act in the same por-  
21 tion as the funds are used as security for the bonds: *Pro-*  
22 *vided further*, That hereafter, the Administrator is author-  
23 ized to enter into assistance agreements with Federally  
24 recognized Indian tribes on such terms and conditions as  
25 the Administrator deems appropriate for the development

1 and implementation of programs to manage hazardous  
2 waste, and underground storage tanks: *Provided further*,  
3 That beginning in fiscal year 1999 and thereafter, pes-  
4 ticide program implementation grants under section  
5 23(a)(1) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and  
6 Rodenticide Act, as amended, shall be available for pes-  
7 ticide program development and implementation, including  
8 enforcement and compliance activities: *Provided further*,  
9 That, notwithstanding the matching requirement in Public  
10 Law 104–204 for funds appropriated under this heading  
11 for grants to the State of Texas for improving wastewater  
12 treatment for the Colonias, such funds that remain unobli-  
13 gated may also be used for improving water treatment for  
14 the Colonias, and shall be matched by the State funds  
15 from State resources equal to 20 percent of such unobli-  
16 gated funds.

17 EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

18 OFFICE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY POLICY

19 For necessary expenses of the Office of Science and  
20 Technology Policy, in carrying out the purposes of the Na-  
21 tional Science and Technology Policy, Organization, and  
22 Priorities Act of 1976 (42 U.S.C. 6601 and 6671), hire  
23 of passenger motor vehicles, and services as authorized by  
24 5 U.S.C. 3109, not to exceed \$2,500 for official reception

1 and representation expenses, and rental of conference  
2 rooms in the District of Columbia, \$5,026,000.

3 COUNCIL ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY AND OFFICE OF  
4 ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

5 For necessary expenses to continue functions as-  
6 signed to the Council on Environmental Quality and Office  
7 of Environmental Quality pursuant to the National Envi-  
8 ronmental Policy Act of 1969, the Environmental Quality  
9 Improvement Act of 1970, and Reorganization Plan No.  
10 1 of 1977, \$2,675,000: *Provided*, That, notwithstanding  
11 any other provision of law, no funds other than those ap-  
12 propriated under this heading shall be used for or by the  
13 Council on Environmental Quality and Office of Environ-  
14 mental Quality: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding  
15 section 202 of the National Environmental Policy Act of  
16 1970, the Council shall consist of one member, appointed  
17 by the President, by and with the advice and consent of  
18 the Senate, serving as chairman and exercising all powers,  
19 functions, and duties of the Council.

20 FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION  
21 OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL  
22 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

23 For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector  
24 General in carrying out the provisions of the Inspector  
25 General Act of 1978, as amended, \$34,666,000, to be de-

1 rived from the Bank Insurance Fund, the Savings Asso-  
2 ciation Insurance Fund, and the FSLIC Resolution Fund.

3 FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

4 DISASTER RELIEF

5 For necessary expenses in carrying out the Robert  
6 T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act  
7 (42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq.), \$307,745,000, and, notwith-  
8 standing 42 U.S.C. 5203, to remain available until ex-  
9 pended.

10 DISASTER ASSISTANCE DIRECT LOAN PROGRAM ACCOUNT

11 For the cost of direct loans, \$1,355,000, as author-  
12 ized by section 319 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Re-  
13 lief and Emergency Assistance Act: *Provided*, That such  
14 costs, including the cost of modifying such loans, shall be  
15 as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act  
16 of 1974, as amended: *Provided further*, That these funds  
17 are available to subsidize gross obligations for the prin-  
18 cipal amount of direct loans not to exceed \$25,000,000.

19 In addition, for administrative expenses to carry out  
20 the direct loan program, \$440,000.

21 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

22 For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for,  
23 including hire and purchase of motor vehicles as author-  
24 ized by 31 U.S.C. 1343; uniforms, or allowances therefor,  
25 as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 5901–5902; services as author-  
26 ized by 5 U.S.C. 3109, but at rates for individuals not

1 to exceed the per diem rate equivalent to the maximum  
2 rate payable for senior level positions under 5 U.S.C.  
3 5376; expenses of attendance of cooperating officials and  
4 individuals at meetings concerned with the work of emer-  
5 gency preparedness; transportation in connection with the  
6 continuity of Government programs to the same extent  
7 and in the same manner as permitted the Secretary of  
8 a Military Department under 10 U.S.C. 2632; and not to  
9 exceed \$2,500 for official reception and representation ex-  
10 penses, \$171,138,000.

11 OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL

12 For necessary expenses of the Office of the Inspector  
13 General in carrying out the Inspector General Act of 1978,  
14 as amended, \$4,930,000.

15 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLANNING AND ASSISTANCE

16 For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for,  
17 to carry out activities under the National Flood Insurance  
18 Act of 1968, as amended, and the Flood Disaster Protec-  
19 tion Act of 1973, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4001 et seq.),  
20 the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency As-  
21 sistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq.), the Earthquake  
22 Hazards Reduction Act of 1977, as amended (42 U.S.C.  
23 7701 et seq.), the Federal Fire Prevention and Control  
24 Act of 1974, as amended (15 U.S.C. 2201 et seq.), the  
25 Defense Production Act of 1950, as amended (50 U.S.C.  
26 App. 2061 et seq.), sections 107 and 303 of the National

1 Security Act of 1947, as amended (50 U.S.C. 404–405),  
2 and Reorganization Plan No. 3 of 1978, \$231,674,000:  
3 *Provided*, That for purposes of pre-disaster mitigation  
4 pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 5131(b) and (c) and 42 U.S.C.  
5 5196(e) and (i), \$30,000,000 of the funds made available  
6 under this heading shall be available until expended for  
7 project grants. The U.S. Fire Administration is to conduct  
8 a three-year pilot project to promote the installation and  
9 maintenance of smoke detectors in the localities of highest  
10 risk for residential fires. No funds shall be expended by  
11 the U.S. Fire Administration or other agencies under the  
12 jurisdiction of the Committees on Appropriations, for any  
13 pilot project, program or rulemaking that could directly  
14 or indirectly cause the introduction of flame retardant  
15 chemicals into products used in the home, until this three-  
16 year pilot project has been completed and a report has  
17 been presented to the Committees on Appropriations.

18 RADIOLOGICAL EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS FUND

19 There is hereby established in the Treasury a Radio-  
20 logical Emergency Preparedness Fund, which shall be  
21 available under the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amend-  
22 ed, and Executive Order 12657, for offsite radiological  
23 emergency planning, preparedness, and response. Begin-  
24 ning in fiscal year 1999 and thereafter, the Director of  
25 the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)  
26 shall promulgate through rulemaking fees to be assessed

1 and collected, applicable to persons subject to FEMA's ra-  
2 diological emergency preparedness regulations. The aggre-  
3 gate charges assessed pursuant to this paragraph during  
4 fiscal year 1999 shall not be less than 100 percent of the  
5 amounts anticipated by FEMA necessary for its radiologi-  
6 cal emergency preparedness program for such fiscal year.  
7 The methodology for assessment and collection of fees  
8 shall be fair and equitable; and shall reflect costs of pro-  
9 viding such services, including administrative costs of col-  
10 lecting such fees. Fees received pursuant to this section  
11 shall be deposited in the Fund as offsetting collections and  
12 will become available for authorized purposes on October  
13 1, 1999, and remain available until expended.

14 For necessary expenses of the Fund for fiscal year  
15 1999, \$12,849,000, to remain available until expended.

16 EMERGENCY FOOD AND SHELTER PROGRAM

17 To carry out an emergency food and shelter program  
18 pursuant to title III of Public Law 100-77, as amended,  
19 \$100,000,000: *Provided*, That total administrative costs  
20 shall not exceed three and one-half percent of the total  
21 appropriation.

22 NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE FUND

23 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

24 For activities under the National Flood Insurance  
25 Act of 1968, the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973,  
26 as amended, not to exceed \$22,685,000 for salaries and

1 expenses associated with flood mitigation and flood insur-  
2 ance operations, and not to exceed \$78,464,000 for flood  
3 mitigation, including up to \$20,000,000 for expenses  
4 under section 1366 of the National Flood Insurance Act,  
5 which amount shall be available for transfer to the Na-  
6 tional Flood Mitigation Fund until September 30, 2000.  
7 In fiscal year 1999, no funds in excess of: (1) \$47,000,000  
8 for operating expenses; (2) \$343,989,000 for agents' com-  
9 missions and taxes; and (3) \$60,000,000 for interest on  
10 Treasury borrowings shall be available from the National  
11 Flood Insurance Fund without prior notice to the Commit-  
12 tees on Appropriations. For fiscal year 1999, flood insur-  
13 ance rates shall not exceed the level authorized by the Na-  
14 tional Flood Insurance Reform Act of 1994.

15                   GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

16                   CONSUMER INFORMATION CENTER FUND

17       For necessary expenses of the Consumer Information  
18 Center, including services authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109,  
19 \$2,619,000, to be deposited into the Consumer Informa-  
20 tion Center Fund: *Provided*, That the appropriations, rev-  
21 enues and collections deposited into the fund shall be  
22 available for necessary expenses of Consumer Information  
23 Center activities in the aggregate amount of \$7,500,000.  
24 Appropriations, revenues, and collections accruing to this  
25 fund during fiscal year 1999 in excess of \$7,500,000 shall

1 remain in the fund and shall not be available for expendi-  
2 ture except as authorized in appropriations Acts.

3 NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

4 HUMAN SPACE FLIGHT

5 For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for,  
6 in the conduct and support of human space flight research  
7 and development activities, including research, develop-  
8 ment, operations, and services; maintenance; construction  
9 of facilities including repair, rehabilitation, and modifica-  
10 tion of real and personal property, and acquisition or con-  
11 demnation of real property, as authorized by law; space  
12 flight, spacecraft control and communications activities in-  
13 cluding operations, production, and services; and pur-  
14 chase, lease, charter, maintenance and operation of mis-  
15 sion and administrative aircraft, \$5,309,000,000, to re-  
16 main available until September 30, 2000.

17 SCIENCE, AERONAUTICS AND TECHNOLOGY

18 For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for,  
19 in the conduct and support of science, aeronautics and  
20 technology research and development activities, including  
21 research, development, operations, and services; mainte-  
22 nance; construction of facilities including repair, rehabili-  
23 tation, and modification of real and personal property, and  
24 acquisition or condemnation of real property, as author-  
25 ized by law; space flight, spacecraft control and commu-  
26 nications activities including operations, production, and

1 services; and purchase, lease, charter, maintenance and  
2 operation of mission and administrative aircraft,  
3 \$5,541,600,000, to remain available until September 30,  
4 2000.

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6 MISSION SUPPORT

6 For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for,  
7 in carrying out mission support for human space flight  
8 programs and science, aeronautical, and technology pro-  
9 grams, including research operations and support; space  
10 communications activities including operations, production  
11 and services; maintenance; construction of facilities in-  
12 cluding repair, rehabilitation, and modification of facili-  
13 ties, minor construction of new facilities and additions to  
14 existing facilities, facility planning and design, environ-  
15 mental compliance and restoration, and acquisition or con-  
16 demnation of real property, as authorized by law; program  
17 management; personnel and related costs, including uni-  
18 forms or allowances therefor, as authorized by 5 U.S.C.  
19 5901–5902; travel expenses; purchase, lease, charter,  
20 maintenance, and operation of mission and administrative  
21 aircraft; not to exceed \$35,000 for official reception and  
22 representation expenses; and purchase (not to exceed 33  
23 for replacement only) and hire of passenger motor vehi-  
24 cles; \$2,458,600,000, to remain available until September  
25 30, 2000.

## 1 OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

2 For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector  
3 General in carrying out the Inspector General Act of 1978,  
4 as amended, \$19,000,000.

## 5 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

6 Notwithstanding the limitation on the availability of  
7 funds appropriated for “Human space flight”, “Science,  
8 aeronautics and technology”, or “Mission support” by this  
9 appropriations Act, when any activity has been initiated  
10 by the incurrence of obligations for construction of facili-  
11 ties as authorized by law, such amount available for such  
12 activity shall remain available until expended. This provi-  
13 sion does not apply to the amounts appropriated in “Mis-  
14 sion support” pursuant to the authorization for repair, re-  
15 habilitation and modification of facilities, minor construc-  
16 tion of new facilities and additions to existing facilities,  
17 and facility planning and design.

18 Notwithstanding the limitation on the availability of  
19 funds appropriated for “Human space flight”, “Science,  
20 aeronautics and technology”, or “Mission support” by this  
21 appropriations Act, the amounts appropriated for con-  
22 struction of facilities shall remain available until Septem-  
23 ber 30, 2001.

24 Notwithstanding the limitation on the availability of  
25 funds appropriated for “Mission support” and “Office of  
26 Inspector General”, amounts made available by this Act

1 for personnel and related costs and travel expenses of the  
2 National Aeronautics and Space Administration shall re-  
3 main available until September 30, 1999 and may be used  
4 to enter into contracts for training, investigations, costs  
5 associated with personnel relocation, and for other serv-  
6 ices, to be provided during the next fiscal year.

7       NASA shall develop a revised appropriation structure  
8 for submission in the Fiscal Year 2000 budget request  
9 consisting of two basic appropriations (the Human Space  
10 Flight Appropriation and the Science, Aeronautics and  
11 Technology Appropriation) with a separate (third) appro-  
12 priation for the Office of Inspector General. The appro-  
13 priations shall each include the planned full costs (direct  
14 and indirect costs) of NASA's related activities and allow  
15 NASA to shift civil service salaries, benefits and support  
16 between and/or among appropriations or accounts, as re-  
17 quired, for the safe, timely, and successful accomplishment  
18 of NASA missions.

19       None of the funds made available by this Act may  
20 be used for feasibility studies for, or construction or pro-  
21 curement of satellite hardware for, a mission to a region  
22 of space identified as an Earth LaGrange point, other  
23 than for the Solar and Heliospheric Observatory (SOHO),  
24 Advanced Composition Explorer (ACE), or Genesis mis-  
25 sion. Such funds shall also not be used for the addition

1 of an Earth-observing payload to any of the missions  
2 named in the preceding sentence.

3 NATIONAL CREDIT UNION ADMINISTRATION

4 CENTRAL LIQUIDITY FACILITY

5 During fiscal year 1999, gross obligations of the Cen-  
6 tral Liquidity Facility for the principal amount of new di-  
7 rect loans to member credit unions, as authorized by the  
8 National Credit Union Central Liquidity Facility Act (12  
9 U.S.C. 1795), shall not exceed \$600,000,000: *Provided*,  
10 That administrative expenses of the Central Liquidity Fa-  
11 cility in fiscal year 1999 shall not exceed \$176,000: *Pro-*  
12 *vided further*, That \$2,000,000, together with amounts of  
13 principal and interest on loans repaid, to be available until  
14 expended, is available for loans to community development  
15 credit unions.

16 NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

17 RESEARCH AND RELATED ACTIVITIES

18 For necessary expenses in carrying out the National  
19 Science Foundation Act of 1950, as amended (42 U.S.C.  
20 1861–1875), and the Act to establish a National Medal  
21 of Science (42 U.S.C. 1880–1881); services as authorized  
22 by 5 U.S.C. 3109; maintenance and operation of aircraft  
23 and purchase of flight services for research support; acqui-  
24 sition of aircraft; \$2,745,000,000, of which not to exceed  
25 \$244,960,000, shall remain available until expended for

1 Polar research and operations support, and for reimburse-  
2 ment to other Federal agencies for operational and science  
3 support and logistical and other related activities for the  
4 United States Antarctic program; the balance to remain  
5 available until September 30, 2000: *Provided*, That re-  
6 ceipts for scientific support services and materials fur-  
7 nished by the National Research Centers and other Na-  
8 tional Science Foundation supported research facilities  
9 may be credited to this appropriation: *Provided further*,  
10 That to the extent that the amount appropriated is less  
11 than the total amount authorized to be appropriated for  
12 included program activities, all amounts, including floors  
13 and ceilings, specified in the authorizing Act for those pro-  
14 gram activities or their subactivities shall be reduced pro-  
15 portionally: *Provided further*, That none of the funds ap-  
16 propriated or otherwise made available to the National  
17 Science Foundation in this or any prior Act may be obli-  
18 gated or expended by the National Science Foundation to  
19 enter into or extend a grant, contract, or cooperative  
20 agreement for the support of administering the domain  
21 name and numbering system of the Internet after Septem-  
22 ber 30, 1998.

23 MAJOR RESEARCH EQUIPMENT

24 For necessary expenses of major construction  
25 projects pursuant to the National Science Foundation Act

1 of 1950, as amended, \$90,000,000, to remain available  
2 until expended.

3 EDUCATION AND HUMAN RESOURCES

4 For necessary expenses in carrying out science and  
5 engineering education and human resources programs and  
6 activities pursuant to the National Science Foundation  
7 Act of 1950, as amended (42 U.S.C. 1861–1875), includ-  
8 ing services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109 and rental  
9 of conference rooms in the District of Columbia,  
10 \$642,500,000, to remain available until September 30,  
11 2000: *Provided*, That to the extent that the amount of  
12 this appropriation is less than the total amount authorized  
13 to be appropriated for included program activities, all  
14 amounts, including floors and ceilings, specified in the au-  
15 thorizing Act for those program activities or their sub-  
16 activities shall be reduced proportionally.

17 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

18 For salaries and expenses necessary in carrying out  
19 the National Science Foundation Act of 1950, as amended  
20 (42 U.S.C. 1861–1875); services authorized by 5 U.S.C.  
21 3109; hire of passenger motor vehicles; not to exceed  
22 \$9,000 for official reception and representation expenses;  
23 uniforms or allowances therefor, as authorized by 5 U.S.C.  
24 5901–5902; rental of conference rooms in the District of  
25 Columbia; reimbursement of the General Services Admin-  
26 istration for security guard services; \$144,000,000: *Pro-*

1 *vided*, That contracts may be entered into under “Salaries  
2 and expenses” in fiscal year 1999 for maintenance and  
3 operation of facilities, and for other services, to be pro-  
4 vided during the next fiscal year.

5 OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

6 For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector  
7 General as authorized by the Inspector General Act of  
8 1978, as amended, \$5,200,000, to remain available until  
9 September 30, 2000.

10 NEIGHBORHOOD REINVESTMENT CORPORATION

11 PAYMENT TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD REINVESTMENT

12 CORPORATION

13 For payment to the Neighborhood Reinvestment Cor-  
14 poration for use in neighborhood reinvestment activities,  
15 as authorized by the Neighborhood Reinvestment Corpora-  
16 tion Act (42 U.S.C. 8101–8107), \$90,000,000, of which  
17 \$25,000,000 shall be for a pilot homeownership initiative,  
18 including an evaluation by an independent third party to  
19 determine its effectiveness.

20 SELECTIVE SERVICE SYSTEM

21 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

22 For necessary expenses of the Selective Service Sys-  
23 tem, including expenses of attendance at meetings and of  
24 training for uniformed personnel assigned to the Selective  
25 Service System, as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 4101–4118 for  
26 civilian employees; and not to exceed \$1,000 for official

1 reception and representation expenses; \$24,176,000: *Pro-*  
2 *vided*, That during the current fiscal year, the President  
3 may exempt this appropriation from the provisions of 31  
4 U.S.C. 1341, whenever he deems such action to be nec-  
5 essary in the interest of national defense: *Provided further*,  
6 That none of the funds appropriated by this Act may be  
7 expended for or in connection with the induction of any  
8 person into the Armed Forces of the United States.

#### 9 TITLE IV—GENERAL PROVISIONS

10 SEC. 401. Where appropriations in titles I, II, and  
11 III of this Act are expendable for travel expenses and no  
12 specific limitation has been placed thereon, the expendi-  
13 tures for such travel expenses may not exceed the amounts  
14 set forth therefore in the budget estimates submitted for  
15 the appropriations: *Provided*, That this provision does not  
16 apply to accounts that do not contain an object classifica-  
17 tion for travel: *Provided further*, That this section shall  
18 not apply to travel performed by uncompensated officials  
19 of local boards and appeal boards of the Selective Service  
20 System; to travel performed directly in connection with  
21 care and treatment of medical beneficiaries of the Depart-  
22 ment of Veterans Affairs; to travel performed in connec-  
23 tion with major disasters or emergencies declared or deter-  
24 mined by the President under the provisions of the Robert  
25 T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance

1 Act; to travel performed by the Offices of Inspector Gen-  
2 eral in connection with audits and investigations; or to  
3 payments to interagency motor pools where separately set  
4 forth in the budget schedules: *Provided further*, That if  
5 appropriations in titles I, II, and III exceed the amounts  
6 set forth in budget estimates initially submitted for such  
7 appropriations, the expenditures for travel may cor-  
8 respondingly exceed the amounts therefore set forth in the  
9 estimates in the same proportion.

10 SEC. 402. Appropriations and funds available for the  
11 administrative expenses of the Department of Housing  
12 and Urban Development and the Selective Service System  
13 shall be available in the current fiscal year for purchase  
14 of uniforms, or allowances therefor, as authorized by 5  
15 U.S.C. 5901–5902; hire of passenger motor vehicles; and  
16 services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109.

17 SEC. 403. Funds of the Department of Housing and  
18 Urban Development subject to the Government Corpora-  
19 tion Control Act or section 402 of the Housing Act of  
20 1950 shall be available, without regard to the limitations  
21 on administrative expenses, for legal services on a contract  
22 or fee basis, and for utilizing and making payment for  
23 services and facilities of Federal National Mortgage Asso-  
24 ciation, Government National Mortgage Association, Fed-  
25 eral Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, Federal Financ-

1 ing Bank, Federal Reserve banks or any member thereof,  
2 Federal Home Loan banks, and any insured bank within  
3 the meaning of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation  
4 Act, as amended (12 U.S.C. 1811–1831).

5 SEC. 404. No part of any appropriation contained in  
6 this Act shall remain available for obligation beyond the  
7 current fiscal year unless expressly so provided herein.

8 SEC. 405. No funds appropriated by this Act may be  
9 expended—

10 (1) pursuant to a certification of an officer or  
11 employee of the United States unless—

12 (A) such certification is accompanied by,  
13 or is part of, a voucher or abstract which de-  
14 scribes the payee or payees and the items or  
15 services for which such expenditure is being  
16 made, or

17 (B) the expenditure of funds pursuant to  
18 such certification, and without such a voucher  
19 or abstract, is specifically authorized by law;  
20 and

21 (2) unless such expenditure is subject to audit  
22 by the General Accounting Office or is specifically  
23 exempt by law from such audit.

24 SEC. 406. None of the funds provided in this Act to  
25 any department or agency may be expended for the trans-

1 portation of any officer or employee of such department  
2 or agency between their domicile and their place of em-  
3 ployment, with the exception of any officer or employee  
4 authorized such transportation under 31 U.S.C. 1344 or  
5 5 U.S.C. 7905.

6       SEC. 407. None of the funds provided in this Act may  
7 be used for payment, through grants or contracts, to re-  
8 cipients that do not share in the cost of conducting re-  
9 search resulting from proposals not specifically solicited  
10 by the Government: *Provided*, That the extent of cost  
11 sharing by the recipient shall reflect the mutuality of in-  
12 terest of the grantee or contractor and the Government  
13 in the research.

14       SEC. 408. None of the funds in this Act may be used,  
15 directly or through grants, to pay or to provide reimburse-  
16 ment for payment of the salary of a consultant (whether  
17 retained by the Federal Government or a grantee) at more  
18 than the daily equivalent of the rate paid for level IV of  
19 the Executive Schedule, unless specifically authorized by  
20 law.

21       SEC. 409. None of the funds provided in this Act  
22 shall be used to pay the expenses of, or otherwise com-  
23 pensate, non-Federal parties intervening in regulatory or  
24 adjudicatory proceedings. Nothing herein affects the au-  
25 thority of the Consumer Product Safety Commission pur-

1 suant to section 7 of the Consumer Product Safety Act  
2 (15 U.S.C. 2056 et seq.).

3       SEC. 410. Except as otherwise provided under exist-  
4 ing law, or under an existing Executive Order issued pur-  
5 suant to an existing law, the obligation or expenditure of  
6 any appropriation under this Act for contracts for any  
7 consulting service shall be limited to contracts which are  
8 (1) a matter of public record and available for public in-  
9 spection, and (2) thereafter included in a publicly available  
10 list of all contracts entered into within twenty-four months  
11 prior to the date on which the list is made available to  
12 the public and of all contracts on which performance has  
13 not been completed by such date. The list required by the  
14 preceding sentence shall be updated quarterly and shall  
15 include a narrative description of the work to be per-  
16 formed under each such contract.

17       SEC. 411. Except as otherwise provided by law, no  
18 part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall be  
19 obligated or expended by any executive agency, as referred  
20 to in the Office of Federal Procurement Policy Act (41  
21 U.S.C. 401 et seq.), for a contract for services unless such  
22 executive agency (1) has awarded and entered into such  
23 contract in full compliance with such Act and the regula-  
24 tions promulgated thereunder, and (2) requires any report  
25 prepared pursuant to such contract, including plans, eval-

1 uations, studies, analyses and manuals, and any report  
2 prepared by the agency which is substantially derived from  
3 or substantially includes any report prepared pursuant to  
4 such contract, to contain information concerning (A) the  
5 contract pursuant to which the report was prepared, and  
6 (B) the contractor who prepared the report pursuant to  
7 such contract.

8       SEC. 412. Except as otherwise provided in section  
9 406, none of the funds provided in this Act to any depart-  
10 ment or agency shall be obligated or expended to provide  
11 a personal cook, chauffeur, or other personal servants to  
12 any officer or employee of such department or agency.

13       SEC. 413. None of the funds provided in this Act to  
14 any department or agency shall be obligated or expended  
15 to procure passenger automobiles as defined in 15 U.S.C.  
16 2001 with an EPA estimated miles per gallon average of  
17 less than 22 miles per gallon.

18       SEC. 414. None of the funds appropriated in title I  
19 of this Act shall be used to enter into any new lease of  
20 real property if the estimated annual rental is more than  
21 \$300,000 unless the Secretary submits, in writing, a re-  
22 port to the Committees on Appropriations of the Congress  
23 and a period of 30 days has expired following the date  
24 on which the report is received by the Committees on Ap-  
25 propriations.

1       SEC. 415. (a) It is the sense of the Congress that,  
2 to the greatest extent practicable, all equipment and prod-  
3 ucts purchased with funds made available in this Act  
4 should be American-made.

5       (b) In providing financial assistance to, or entering  
6 into any contract with, any entity using funds made avail-  
7 able in this Act, the head of each Federal agency, to the  
8 greatest extent practicable, shall provide to such entity a  
9 notice describing the statement made in subsection (a) by  
10 the Congress.

11       SEC. 416. None of the funds appropriated in this Act  
12 may be used to implement any cap on reimbursements to  
13 grantees for indirect costs, except as published in Office  
14 of Management and Budget Circular A-21.

15       SEC. 417. Such sums as may be necessary for fiscal  
16 year 1999 pay raises for programs funded by this Act shall  
17 be absorbed within the levels appropriated in this Act.

18       SEC. 418. None of the funds made available in this  
19 Act may be used for any program, project, or activity,  
20 when it is made known to the Federal entity or official  
21 to which the funds are made available that the program,  
22 project, or activity is not in compliance with any Federal  
23 law relating to risk assessment, the protection of private  
24 property rights, or unfunded mandates.

1        SEC. 419. Corporations and agencies of the Depart-  
2 ment of Housing and Urban Development which are sub-  
3 ject to the Government Corporation Control Act, as  
4 amended, are hereby authorized to make such expendi-  
5 tures, within the limits of funds and borrowing authority  
6 available to each such corporation or agency and in accord  
7 with law, and to make such contracts and commitments  
8 without regard to fiscal year limitations as provided by  
9 section 104 of the Act as may be necessary in carrying  
10 out the programs set forth in the budget for 1999 for such  
11 corporation or agency except as hereinafter provided: *Pro-*  
12 *vided*, That collections of these corporations and agencies  
13 may be used for new loan or mortgage purchase commit-  
14 ments only to the extent expressly provided for in this Act  
15 (unless such loans are in support of other forms of assist-  
16 ance provided for in this or prior appropriations Acts), ex-  
17 cept that this proviso shall not apply to the mortgage in-  
18 surance or guaranty operations of these corporations, or  
19 where loans or mortgage purchases are necessary to pro-  
20 tect the financial interest of the United States Govern-  
21 ment.

22        SEC. 420. Notwithstanding section 320(g) of the  
23 Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1330(g)),  
24 funds made available pursuant to authorization under  
25 such section for fiscal year 1999 and prior fiscal years

1 may be used for implementing comprehensive conservation  
2 and management plans.

3       SEC. 421. Notwithstanding any other provision of  
4 law, the term “qualified student loan” with respect to na-  
5 tional service education awards shall mean any loan made  
6 directly to a student by the Alaska Commission on Post-  
7 secondary Education, in addition to other meanings under  
8 section 148(b)(7) of the National and Community Service  
9 Act.

10       SEC. 422. Notwithstanding any other law, funds  
11 made available by this or any other Act to the Environ-  
12 mental Protection Agency, the National Science Founda-  
13 tion, or the National Aeronautics and Space Administra-  
14 tion for the United States/Mexico Foundation for Science  
15 may be used for the endowment of such Foundation.

16       SEC. 423. (a) Not later than 90 days after the date  
17 of the enactment of this Act, the Consumer Product Safe-  
18 ty Commission shall propose for comment and, not later  
19 than 270 days after the date of the enactment of this Act,  
20 issue a final rule amending its Flammable Fabrics Act  
21 standards to revoke the amendments to the standards for  
22 the flammability of children’s sleepwear sizes 0 through  
23 6X (contained in regulations published at 16 CFR part  
24 1615) and 7 through 14 (contained in regulations pub-

1 lished at 16 CFR part 1616) issued by the Commission  
2 on September 9, 1996 (61 FR 47634).

3 (b) None of the following shall apply with respect to  
4 the promulgation of the amendment prescribed by sub-  
5 section (a):

6 (1) The Consumer Product Safety Act (15  
7 U.S.C. 2051 et seq.).

8 (2) The Flammable Fabrics Act (15 U.S.C.  
9 1191 et seq.).

10 (3) Chapter 6 of title 5, United States Code.

11 (4) The National Environmental Policy Act of  
12 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.).

13 (5) The Small Business Regulatory Enforce-  
14 ment Fairness Act of 1996 (Public Law 104–121).

15 (6) Any other statute or Executive order.

16 (c) Sleepwear manufactured or imported before the  
17 effective date (as established by the Commission) of the  
18 Consumer Product Safety Commission’s revocation re-  
19 quired by subsection (a) shall not be considered in viola-  
20 tion of the Flammable Fabrics Act if it complied with the  
21 Commission rules in effect at the time it was manufac-  
22 tured or imported.

23 SEC. 424. (a) Subparagraph (A) of section 203(b)(2)  
24 of the National Housing Act (12 U.S.C. 1709(b)(2)(A))  
25 is amended by striking clause (ii) and all that follows

1 through the end of the subparagraph and inserting the  
2 following:

3                   “(ii) 87 percent of the dollar amount  
4                   limitation determined under section  
5                   305(a)(2) of the Federal Home Loan  
6                   Mortgage Corporation Act for a residence  
7                   of the applicable size; except that the dol-  
8                   lar amount limitation in effect for any area  
9                   under this subparagraph may not be less  
10                  than 48 percent of the dollar limitation de-  
11                  termined under section 305(a)(2) of the  
12                  Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation  
13                  Act for a residence of the applicable size;  
14                  and”,

15 and, in addition to the amounts appropriated in other  
16 parts of this Act, \$10,000,000 is appropriated to the De-  
17 partment of Veterans Affairs, “Medical and prosthetic re-  
18 search”, and \$70,000,000 is appropriated to the National  
19 Science Foundation, “Research and related activities”.

20           (b) The first sentence in the matter following section  
21 203(b)(2)(B)(iii) of the National Housing Act (12 U.S.C.  
22 1709(b)(2)(B)(iii) is amended to read as follows: “For  
23 purposes of the preceding sentence, the term ‘area’ means  
24 a metropolitan statistical area as established by the Office  
25 of Management and Budget; and the median 1-family

1 house price for an area shall be equal to the median 1-  
2 family house price of the county within the area that has  
3 the highest such median price.”.

4       This Act may be cited as the “Departments of Veter-  
5 ans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and  
6 Independent Agencies Appropriations Act, 1999”.

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## **A BILL**

Making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, and for other purposes.

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