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REPORT

[To accompany H.R. 2250]

The Committee on Appropriations, to which was referred the bill (H.R. 2250) making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2016, and for other purposes, having considered the same reports favorably thereon with an amendment and recommends that the bill as amended do pass.

Amount of new budget (obligational) authority

Total of bill as reported to the Senate [1]	$4,309,174,000
Amount of 2015 appropriations	4,300,000,000
Amount of 2016 budget estimate	4,528,844,000
Amount of House allowance [2]	3,335,875,000
Bill as recommended to Senate compared to—	
2015 appropriations	+9,174,000
2016 budget estimate	−219,670,000
House allowance [2]	+973,299,000

[1] The Senate level includes $1,340,872,000 for House items, as approved by the House in H.R. 2250 on May 19, 2015.
[2] The House allowance does not include funding for Senate items.

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GENERAL STATEMENT AND SUMMARY

The Legislative Branch appropriations bill provides funding for the Congress and for the agencies that serve the Congress. The agencies funded through this bill provide oversight of executive branch agencies, including objective, nonpartisan, and timely audits and analysis of Federal programs. The funding in this bill also ensures that the public has permanent access to printed and electronic information products of the Federal Government.

All accounts in the bill have been examined in detail to ensure that the funding provided is appropriate for the agencies to carry out their responsibilities and to continue to respond to Congress in a timely and accurate manner. Details on the accounts, the funding levels provided, and the Committee's justification for the funding levels are included in the report.

Conforming to longstanding practice under which each body of Congress determines its own housekeeping requirements and the other concurs without intervention, funds for the House are included in the bill at the level approved by the House on May 19, 2015 in H.R. 2250.

The Committee recommends new budget (obligational) authority of $4,309,174,000 for the legislative branch for fiscal year 2016. This total is $219,670,000 below the budget request and $9,174,000 above the fiscal year 2015 appropriation.

The bill includes $870,158,501 for the operations of the Senate, which is $60,264,315 below the fiscal year 2016 request. The bill includes $579,383,000 for the Architect of the Capitol to maintain, improve, and construct buildings and facilities for the Congress. The recommendation for the Architect of the Capitol is $82,375,000 below the fiscal year 2016 request. The recommendation would allow for comprehensive repairs and life-safety systems improvements to remain on schedule in a manner that does not interfere with Presidential Inaugurals. The bill also includes $366,465,499 for the Capitol Police; $525,000,000 for the Government Accountability Office; $593,163,000 for the Library of Congress; and $119,000,000 for the Government Publishing Office.

Reprogramming Guidelines.—The Committee expects all agencies to notify the Committee of any significant departures from budget plans presented to the Committee in any agency's budget justifications. In particular, agencies funded through this bill are required to notify the Committee prior to each reprogramming of funds in excess of the lesser of 10 percent or $500,000 between programs, projects or activities, or in excess of $500,000 between object classifications (except for shifts within the pay categories, object class 11, 12, and 13 or as further specified in each agency's respective section). This includes cumulative reprogrammings that together total at least $500,000 from or to a particular program, activity, or object classification as well as reprogramming of FTEs or funds to create

new organizational entities within the Agency or to restructure entities which already exist. The Committee desires to be notified of reprogramming actions which involve less than the above-mentioned amounts if such actions would have the effect of changing an agency's funding requirements in future years or if programs or projects specifically cited in the Committee's reports are affected.

TITLE I

LEGISLATIVE BRANCH APPROPRIATIONS

SENATE

EXPENSE ALLOWANCES

Appropriations, 2015	$174,840
Budget estimate, 2016	174,840
House allowance	.....
Committee recommendation	174,840

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $174,840 for the expense allowances of the Vice President, the President pro tempore of the Senate, the majority and minority leaders, the majority and minority whips, the chairmen of the majority and minority conference committees, and the chairmen of the majority and minority policy committees. The recommendation is identical to both the fiscal year 2016 request and the fiscal year 2015 appropriation. The recommended allowances are as follows:

For the expense allowance of the Vice President, the Committee recommends an amount of $18,760.

For the expense allowance of the President pro tempore, the Committee recommends an amount of $37,520.

For the expense allowance of the majority and minority leaders, the Committee recommends $39,920 for each leader, for a total of $79,840.

For the expense allowance of the majority and minority whips, the Committee recommends $9,980 for each whip, for a total of $19,960.

For the expense allowance for the chairmen of the majority and minority conference committees, the Committee recommends $4,690 for each chairman, for a total of $9,380.

For the expense allowance for the chairmen of the majority and minority policy committees, the Committee recommends $4,690 for each chairman, for a total of $9,380.

Expenditures from all the foregoing allowances are made upon certification from the individuals for whom the allowances are authorized, and are reported semiannually in the report of the Secretary of the Senate.

REPRESENTATION ALLOWANCES FOR THE MAJORITY AND MINORITY LEADERS

Appropriations, 2015	$28,140
Budget estimate, 2016	28,140
House allowance	.....
Committee recommendation	28,140

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $28,140 for representation allowances for the majority and minority leaders. The

recommendation is identical to both the fiscal year 2016 request and the fiscal year 2015 appropriation.

This allowance was established in the Supplemental Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 1985 (Public Law 99–88). The funds were authorized to be used by the majority and minority leaders solely for the discharge of their appropriate responsibilities in connection with official visits to the United States by members of foreign legislative bodies and representatives of foreign governments and intergovernmental agencies. The recommended amount is to be divided equally between the two leaders.

Expenditures from this allowance are made upon certification of the leaders and are reported in the semiannual report of the Secretary of the Senate.

SALARIES, OFFICERS, AND EMPLOYEES

Appropriations, 2015	$177,723,681
Budget estimate, 2016	184,462,812
House allowance	.....
Committee recommendation	179,185,311

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $179,185,311 for the subaccounts funded under the overall account for the salaries of officers and employees of the Senate. The recommendation is $1,461,630 above the fiscal year 2015 appropriation and $5,277,501 below the fiscal year 2016 request.

It should be noted that except for a handful of positions in the Offices of the Secretary and the Sergeant at Arms that are required by statute, specific staffing levels are not stipulated either by the budget request or by the Committee's recommendation. Rather, lump-sum allowances are provided to fund staffing levels each office finds necessary and appropriate for the performance of its duties. Estimated staffing levels for offices funded under this appropriation for fiscal year 2016 are approximately 1,406 positions.

SALARIES, OFFICERS, AND EMPLOYEES

[Estimated staffing levels—fiscal years 2015 and 2016]

	2015	2016 Committee recommendation
Office of the Vice President	45	45
Office of the President Pro Tempore	11	11
Offices of the majority and minority leaders	43	43
Offices of the majority and minority whips	30	30
Conference committees	48	48
Offices of the secretaries of the conference of the majority and the conference of the minority	12	12
Policy Committees	55	55
Office of the Chaplain	4	4
Office of the Secretary	248	248
Office of the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper	892	892
Offices of the secretaries for the majority and minority	18	18
Totals	1,406	1,406

Any change from the allocation of funds in the subaccounts within this appropriation is subject to the approval of the Committee.

The total amount appropriated is allocated to the various offices of the Senate as displayed under the headings for the offices that follow.

OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT

Appropriations, 2015	$2,417,248
Budget estimate, 2016	2,448,248
House allowance	.....
Committee recommendation	2,417,248

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $2,417,248 to fund the salaries of the administrative and clerical staff of the Office of the Vice President in connection with his duties as the President of the Senate.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

Appropriations, 2015	$723,466
Budget estimate, 2016	733,466
House allowance	.....
Committee recommendation	723,466

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $723,466 for the Office of the President pro tempore.

OFFICES OF THE MAJORITY AND MINORITY LEADERS

Appropriations, 2015	$5,255,576
Budget estimate, 2016	5,321,576
House allowance	.....
Committee recommendation	5,255,576

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $5,255,576 for the offices of the majority and minority leaders. The amount recommended is to be equally divided, providing $2,627,788 for each office.

The administrative and clerical staffs funded by this appropriation were authorized under the provisions of Public Law 91–145, effective November 1, 1969.

OFFICES OF THE MAJORITY AND MINORITY WHIPS

Appropriations, 2015	$3,359,424
Budget estimate, 2016	3,403,424
House allowance	.....
Committee recommendation	3,359,424

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $3,359,424 for the offices of the majority and minority whips. It is to be equally divided, providing $1,679,712 for each office.

The authority for the administrative and clerical staff funded by this appropriation was created by Public Law 84–242, effective July 1, 1955.

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Appropriations, 2015	$15,142,000
Budget estimate, 2016	15,329,000
House allowance	.....
Committee recommendation	15,142,000

For the salaries of the staff of the Committee on Appropriations, the Committee recommends an appropriation of $15,142,000. The recommendation is equal to the fiscal year 2015 appropriation.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEES

Appropriations, 2015	$3,316,000
Budget estimate, 2016	3,360,000
House allowance	.....
Committee recommendation	3,316,000

For the administrative and clerical staffs of the majority and minority conference committees, the Committee recommends an appropriation of $3,316,000. The appropriation provides $1,658,000 in salaries for the staff of each conference committee. The chairman of each conference committee may transfer to or from amounts provided for salaries of each conference to the account for conference committee expenses within the "Miscellaneous Items" appropriation.

OFFICES OF THE SECRETARIES OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE MAJORITY AND THE CONFERENCE OF THE MINORITY

Appropriations, 2015	$817,402
Budget estimate, 2016	831,402
House allowance	.....
Committee recommendation	817,402

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $817,402 for the majority and minority conference secretaries.

These offices were created by section 6 of Senate Resolution 17, agreed to January 10, 1977, and two positions in each office were first funded in the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1977 (Public Law 95–26).

Section 102 of the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1979 (Public Law 96–38), abolished the specific positions and established a lump-sum allowance for the employment of staff, effective October 1, 1979. The amount recommended is to be divided equally between the majority secretary and the minority secretary.

POLICY COMMITTEES

Appropriations, 2015	$3,385,810
Budget estimate, 2016	3,429,810
House allowance	.....
Committee recommendation	3,385,810

For the salaries of the administrative and clerical staffs of the majority and minority policy committees, the Committee recommends an appropriation of $3,385,810. The appropriation provides $1,692,905 in salaries for the staff of each committee.

The chairman of each policy committee may transfer to or from amounts provided for salaries of each policy committee to the account for policy committee expenses within the "Miscellaneous Items" appropriation.

OFFICE OF THE CHAPLAIN

Appropriations, 2015	$416,886
Budget estimate, 2016	423,886
House allowance	.....
Committee recommendation	436,886

For the Office of the Chaplain, the Committee recommends an appropriation of $436,886. The amount recommended provides the salaries for the Chaplain of the Senate and support staff to assist the Chaplain with his pastoral duties. The Fiscal Year 1988 Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, Public Law 100–202, established the rate of pay for the Chaplain at Executive Level IV.

The Office of the Chaplain may transfer to or from amounts provided for salaries to the account for expenses within the "Miscellaneous Items" appropriation.

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Appropriations, 2015	$24,772,000
Budget estimate, 2016	25,077,000
House allowance	.....
Committee recommendation	24,772,000

The Committee recommends $24,772,000 for salaries of the Office of the Secretary. Fiscal year 2016 staffing levels are estimated at 248 positions. The recommendation is $305,000 below the fiscal year 2016 request and equal to the fiscal year 2015 enacted level.

This appropriation provides funds for four statutory positions (Secretary of the Senate, Assistant Secretary of the Senate, Financial Clerk of the Senate, and Parliamentarian of the Senate) and lump-sum allowances for the employment and adjustment of salaries of personnel in the Office of the Secretary of the Senate, as authorized by Public Law 97–51, effective October 1, 1981 (2 U.S.C. 6539).

The following departmental guidelines for fiscal year 2016 have been submitted by the Secretary to the Committee. The departmental budgets grouped in the apportionment schedule under executive offices include: the Executive Office of the Secretary of the Senate, Page School, Senate Security, Information Systems, and Web Technology. The departmental budgets grouped in the apportionment schedule under administrative services include: conservation and preservation, curator, disbursing office, gift shop, historical office, human resources, interparliamentary services, library, printing and document services, public records, chief counsel for employment, and the stationery room. The departmental budgets grouped in the apportionment schedule under legislative and legal services include: the bill clerk, daily digest, enrolling clerk, journal clerk, legislative clerk, Official Reporters of Debate, captioning services, executive clerk, LIS project office, and Parliamentarian.

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

[Estimated staffing levels—fiscal years 2015 and 2016]

	2015	2016 Committee recommendation
Executive offices	32	32
Administrative services	167	167

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE SENATE—Continued

[Estimated staffing levels—fiscal years 2015 and 2016]

	2015	2016 Committee recommendation
Legislative and legal services	49	49
Totals	248	248

OFFICE OF THE SERGEANT AT ARMS AND DOORKEEPER

Appropriations, 2015	$69,000,000
Budget estimate, 2016	71,533,000
House allowance	.....
Committee recommendation	69,000,000

This appropriation provides funds for the salaries of three statutory positions (Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper, Deputy Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper, and Administrative Assistant to the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper) and lump-sum allowances for employment and adjustments of salaries of personnel in the Office of the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate, as authorized by Public Law 97–51, effective October 1, 1981 (2 U.S.C. 6597).

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $69,000,000 for fiscal year 2016, which is equal to the fiscal year 2015 appropriation and $2,533,000 below the fiscal year 2016 request. The Committee recommendation supports a staffing level of 892 FTEs.

The Sergeant at Arms structure reflects five major divisions: Capitol Division, Operations Division, Technology Development Services Division, IT Support Services Division, and Staff Offices Division. The Capitol Division consists of the Executive Office of the Sergeant at Arms, the Office of Security and Emergency Preparedness, the U.S. Capitol Police Liaison, the Senate Post Office, and the Recording Studio. These offices provide the executive management and leadership of the Sergeant at Arms for day-to-day operations; for security of the Senate side of the Capitol complex; for liaison with the United States Capitol Police; and mailing and recording studio services. The Operations Division provides printing and photographic services; furnishes and maintains the Senate side of the Capitol Building; and offers office support services such as desktop computer acquisition, State office liaison, and customer support. The Technology Development Services Division supports enterprise information technology systems, applications development, Internet/intranet services, information security, and network engineering. The IT Support Services Division provides desktop computer support; correspondence management system acquisition, maintenance and support; telecommunications equipment and services; general office equipment; and new technology assessment. The Staff Offices Division includes Financial Management, Human Resources, the Joint Office of Education and Training, and Process Management and Innovation.

The offices and personnel covered by this appropriation are shown in the following table.

OFFICE OF THE SERGEANT AT ARMS AND DOORKEEPER OF THE SENATE APPORTIONMENT SCHEDULE

	Positions	2016 request	Committee recommendation	Difference
Capitol Division	216	$16,531,078	$15,882,000	−$649,078
Operations Division	334	21,460,894	20,613,000	−847,894
Technology Development Services Division	139	16,348,271	15,792,000	−556,271
IT Support Services Division	101	7,302,327	6,611,000	−691,327
Staff Offices Division	102	9,890,430	10,102,000	211,570
Total	892	71,533,000	69,000,000	−2,533,000

The Committee expects to be notified in writing in a timely manner of any changes to the staffing levels or distribution of staff.

OFFICES OF THE SECRETARIES FOR THE MAJORITY AND MINORITY

Appropriations, 2015	$1,762,000
Budget estimate, 2016	1,786,000
House allowance	.....
Committee recommendation	1,762,000

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $1,762,000 for the offices of the secretaries for the majority and minority. The appropriation is to be equally divided, providing $881,000 for each office.

AGENCY CONTRIBUTIONS

Appropriations, 2015	$47,355,869
Budget estimate, 2016	50,786,000
House allowance	.....
Committee recommendation	48,797,499

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $48,797,499 for agency contributions for employees paid under certain appropriations, including "Salaries, officers, and employees," "Joint Economic Committee," "Office of the Legislative Counsel of the Senate," and "Office of Senate Legal Counsel."

Agency contributions include the Senate's contributions as an employer to the Civil Service Retirement System, the Federal Employees' Retirement System, the Thrift Savings Plan, Federal employee group life insurance, Federal employee health insurance programs, and FICA. The Senate is required by law to make these payments, and the total required is dependent upon the number of Senate employees, their compensation levels, the benefit programs in which they are enrolled, and the extent of the benefits elected.

OFFICE OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL OF THE SENATE

Appropriations, 2015	$5,408,500
Budget estimate, 2016	5,642,500
House allowance	.....
Committee recommendation	5,408,500

For the Office of the Legislative Counsel of the Senate, the Committee recommends an appropriation of $5,408,500. This amount provides for the salaries and expenses of the office. The Committee recommendation provides the funding necessary for agency contributions for employees paid under this appropriation, under the

heading, "Agency Contributions" under the appropriation, "Salaries, officers, and employees."

OFFICE OF SENATE LEGAL COUNSEL

Appropriations, 2015	$1,120,000
Budget estimate, 2016	1,133,000
House allowance	.....
Committee recommendation	1,120,000

The Office of Senate Legal Counsel was established pursuant to section 701 of Public Law 95–521. The Committee recommends an appropriation of $1,120,000 for the Office of Senate Legal Counsel. The amount provided pays for the salaries and expenses of the office. The Committee recommendation provides the funding necessary for agency contributions for employees paid under this appropriation, under the heading, "Agency Contributions" under the appropriation "Salaries, officers, and employees."

EXPENSE ALLOWANCES OF THE SECRETARY OF THE SENATE, SERGEANT AT ARMS AND DOORKEEPER OF THE SENATE, AND SECRETARIES FOR THE MAJORITY AND MINORITY OF THE SENATE

Appropriations, 2015	$28,440
Budget estimate, 2016	28,440
House allowance	.....
Committee recommendation	28,440

Section 119 of Public Law 97–51 authorized an expense allowance for the Secretary of the Senate, the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate, the Secretary for the Majority, and the Secretary for the Minority. Since fiscal year 1983, the amount has been provided through a direct appropriation. The Committee recommends an appropriation of $28,440 providing an allowance of $7,110 for each office.

CONTINGENT EXPENSES OF THE SENATE

INQUIRIES AND INVESTIGATIONS

Appropriations, 2015	$133,265,000
Budget estimate, 2016	135,747,076
House allowance	.....
Committee recommendation	133,265,000

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $133,265,000 for inquiries and investigations by Senate standing, special, and select committees of which $26,650,000 shall be available until September 30, 2018. The recommendation is equal to the fiscal year 2015 appropriation and $2,482,076 below the fiscal year 2016 request.

This appropriation funds the liquidation of obligations incurred by committees under the authorization provided in Committee funding resolutions.

U.S. SENATE CAUCUS ON INTERNATIONAL NARCOTICS CONTROL

Appropriations, 2015	$508,000
Budget estimate, 2016	516,000
House allowance	.....
Committee recommendation	508,000

The Committee recommends $508,000 for the expenses of the U.S. Senate Caucus on International Narcotics Control. Established in 1985 by the Foreign Relations Authorization Act (Public Law 99–93), the Caucus was created to monitor and promote international compliance with narcotics control treaties and monitor and encourage U.S. Government and private programs seeking to expand international cooperation against drug abuse. The Caucus is composed of seven Senators, four from the majority party and three from the minority party, with a chairman from the majority party and a co-chairman from the minority party.

SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

Appropriations, 2015	$6,250,000
Budget estimate, 2016	8,750,000
House allowance	.....
Committee recommendation	8,750,000

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $8,750,000 for expenses of the Office of the Secretary. The recommendation is $2,500,000 above the fiscal year 2015 appropriation and equal to the fiscal year 2016 request. Of the total provided, the Committee recommends an appropriation of $2,500,000 to remain available until expended for the Financial Management Information System Modernization and $4,350,000 to remain available until September 30, 2020, for the Senate Information Services program.

The table printed below sets forth the apportionment of funds under this appropriation, followed by a brief description of the line items. Any deviation of more than 10 percent cumulatively from the stated levels for each item will require the customary prior approval of the Committee.

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY APPORTIONMENT SCHEDULE

Item	2015 enacted	Committee recommendation
Departmental operating budget:		
Executive office	$500,000	$500,000
Administrative services	5,601,600	8,101,600
Legislative services	148,400	148,400
Total operating budget	$6,250,000	$8,750,000

Typical expenditures of the Secretary of the Senate include:

Consultants.—Funding is provided for not to exceed two individual consultants as authorized by section 110 of Public Law 95–94, August 5, 1977, which amends section 101 of Public Law 95–26, May 4, 1977. Consultants employed under this authority shall not be paid in excess of the per diem equivalent of the highest gross rate of annual compensation which may be paid to employees of a standing committee of the Senate.

Legal Reference Volumes.—Funding is provided to furnish U.S. Senators with volumes of the U.S. Code Annotated or U.S. Code service, pocket parts and supplements, as authorized by Public Law 92–51, July 9, 1971.

The Disbursing Office is responsible for providing the U.S. Code Annotated or the U.S. Code Service to Senators when they assume office and upon receipt of a written request of a Senator.

Contractual Legal and Administrative Services and Miscellaneous Expenses.—Funding is provided for various contractual, administrative, and miscellaneous expenses incurred by the Office of the Secretary. In addition, the Office of the Secretary has incurred various types of legal and other expenses which have been authorized by the Senate. Funding is provided for contractual and other expenses necessary to update and publish the Senate's legislative precedents and procedure documentation. Administrative services and miscellaneous expenses are housekeeping expenses of the Office of the Secretary.

Travel and Registration Fees.—Funding is provided for travel expenses and registration fees incurred by the Secretary of the Senate and the employees of the Office of the Secretary. This line item excludes funding for travel expenses for the Federal Election Campaign Act under the Office of Public Records, which is provided separately under the authority of Public Law 92–342.

The authority for the travel portion of this account was provided for by section 101 of Public Law 94–59, July 25, 1975.

Orientation and Training.—Funding is provided for expenses incurred by the Secretary of the Senate to conduct orientation seminars or similar meetings for Senators, Senate officials, or members of staffs of Senators or Senate officials, not to exceed $30,000 under the authority of 2 U.S.C. 6514.

The Office of the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate is also authorized under these provisions to conduct seminars or similar meetings in the same manner and to the same extent as the Office of the Secretary of the Senate.

Postage.—This account also provides funding for postage for the Office of the Secretary of the Senate for special delivery, registered mail, and additional postage not covered under the frank.

Education of Senate Pages.—Funding is provided for the education of Senate pages. Senate Resolution 184, July 29, 1983, authorized the Secretary of the Senate to enter into a contract, agreement, or other arrangement with the board of education of the District of Columbia, or to provide such educational services and items in such other manner as the Secretary may deem appropriate. Public Law 98–125, October 13, 1983, amended Public Law 98–51, July 14, 1983, striking out the heading and paragraph "Education of Pages" under the heading "Joint Items", and redesignated the funds provided in Public Law 98–51.

Stationery.—Funding is provided for stationery supplies for the Office of the Secretary of the Senate. The funds provided have been allocated to the various departments of the Office of the Secretary.

Senate Commission on Art.—Funding is provided for the Senate Commission on Art, authorized by Public Law 100–696, November 18, 1988, to acquire any work of art, historical object, documents or material relating to historical matters, or exhibits for placement or exhibition within the Senate wing of the Capitol, any Senate office building, or in rooms, spaces, or corridors thereof, and to publish a Senate historical objects inventory and calendar of exhibits on display within the Senate wing of the Capitol and Senate office buildings.

The Senate Commission on Art was formerly the Commission on Arts and Antiquities, which was authorized by Senate Resolution

382, October 1, 1968, as amended by Senate Resolution 95, April 1, 1977, and Senate Resolution 400, March 23, 1988.

Representation Expenses.—Funding is provided, not to exceed $50,000, to the Secretary of the Senate to coordinate and carry out responsibilities in connection with foreign parliamentary groups or other foreign officials visiting the United States. Authorized by section 2 of Public Law 101–163, November 21, 1989.

Office of Conservation and Preservation.—Funding is provided for the Office of Conservation and Preservation to develop and coordinate programs directly related to the conservation and protection of Senate records and materials for which the Secretary of the Senate has statutory authority.

Book Preservation.—Funding is provided for the Office of Conservation and Preservation to use outside sources for the preservation and protection of the Senate book collection, including historically valuable documents under the care of the Secretary of the Senate.

Office of Public Records.—Funding is provided for expenses of the Office of Public Records. This office has evolved through various pieces of legislation and various responsibilities authorized by the Federal Election Campaign Act, as amended, the Ethics in Government Act, as amended, and the Lobbying Disclosure Act, as amended. Public Law 92–342, July 10, 1972, authorizes the Secretary of the Senate to procure technical support services, consultants, use of detailed employees and travel expenses in carrying out her duties under the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971. The Office of Public Records is mentioned for the first time in Public Law 93–145, November 1, 1973, which authorizes the Secretary of the Senate to appoint and fix the compensation of a superintendent and other positions for the Office of Public Records. In addition, under the authority of Public Law 95–521, October 26, 1978 (Ethics in Government Act) reports filed under section 101 shall be available for public inspection and a copy of the report shall be provided to any person upon request. Any person requesting a copy of a report may be required to pay a reasonable fee to cover the cost of reproduction. Any moneys received by the Secretary shall be deposited into the Office of Public Records Revolving Fund under the authority of Public Law 101–163, November 21, 1989. The office also performs functions such as registration of mass mailings.

Disbursing Office.—Funding is provided for expenses incurred in the operation of the disbursing office. Typical expenses for this office include online access charges for the Department of the Treasury systems, notary bonds, seals and supplies, necessary supplies in conjunction with the various machinery maintained in the office, which are not available in the stationery room, and necessary insurance policies required for the protection of the disbursing officer of the Senate for moneys assigned to his accountability.

Office of Captioning Services.—Funding is provided for the closed captioning of the televised Senate floor proceedings for the hearing impaired. Closed captioning was first authorized under the authority of Public Law 101–163, November 21, 1989.

Senate Chief Counsel for Employment.—Funding is provided for the Office of the Senate Chief Counsel for Employment. This office is a nonpartisan office formed in May 1993 at the direction of the

joint leadership and is charged with providing legal advice and representation of Senate offices in all areas of employment law.

SERGEANT AT ARMS AND DOORKEEPER OF THE SENATE

Appropriations, 2015	$128,300,499
Budget estimate, 2016	133,974,000
House allowance	.....
Committee recommendation	130,000,000

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $130,000,000 for expenses of the Sergeant at Arms, to remain available until September 30, 2020, which is $1,699,501 above the fiscal year 2015 appropriation and $3,974,000 below the fiscal year 2016 request.

The following table compares the fiscal year 2016 Committee recommendation for the component categories within this account to the fiscal year 2016 budget request.

EXPENSES—OFFICE OF THE SERGEANT AT ARMS AND DOORKEEPER

	2016 request	Committee recommendation	Difference
Capitol Division	$9,903,000	$9,238,000	−$665,000
Operations Division	24,749,000	23,675,000	−1,074,000
Technology Development Services Division	44,650,000	44,010,000	−640,000
IT Support Services Division	49,082,000	48,182,000	−900,000
Staff Offices Division	5,590,000	4,895,000	−695,000
Total	$133,974,000	$130,000,000	−3,974,000

Any deviation of more than 10 percent cumulatively from the level for each item in the spending plan will require the customary approval of the Committee.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

Appropriations, 2015	$21,178,002
Budget estimate, 2016	21,401,000
House allowance	.....
Committee recommendation	21,390,270

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $21,390,270 for miscellaneous items to remain available until September 30, 2018. Any deviation of more than 10 percent cumulatively from the stated levels for each item will require the customary prior approval of the Committee.

The following table sets forth the apportionment of funds under this appropriation:

FISCAL YEAR 2016 BUDGET—MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS APPORTIONMENT SCHEDULE

Item	Fiscal year 2016 request	Committee recommendation	Difference
Resolution and reorganization reserve	$5,000,000	$5,000,000	.....
Unallocated	6,000,000	6,000,000	.....
Reserve for contingencies (miscellaneous items)	800,000	800,000	.....
Employees' compensation fund reimbursement (worker's compensation)	849,500	849,500	.....
Reception of foreign dignitaries (S. Res. 247, dated February 7, 1962, as amended by S. Res. 370, dated October 10, 2000)	30,000	30,000	.....

FISCAL YEAR 2016 BUDGET—MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS APPORTIONMENT SCHEDULE—Continued

Item	Fiscal year 2016 request	Committee recommendation	Difference
Foreign travel—Members and employees (S. Res. 179, dated May 25, 1977)	125,000	125,000	
Federal employees compensation account (Public Law 96–499, dated December 5, 1980) (Unemployment Compensation)	1,230,000	1,230,000	
Conferences for the Majority and Minority (Public Laws: 97–51, dated January 3, 1983; 101–250, dated November 5, 1990; and 107–68, dated November 12, 2001)	300,000	300,000	
Policy Committees for the Majority and Minority (Public Law 104–53, dated November 19, 1995)	150,000	150,000	
Postage	6,000	6,000	
Stationery	16,500	16,500	
Communications	72,000	72,000	
Consultants—including agency contributions (2 U.S.C. 6501 as amended)	4,750,000	4,750,000	
National Security Working Group (S. Res. 480, November 21, 2004) (expires December 31, 2012)	700,000	700,000	
Committee on Appropriations (Public Law 105–275, dated October 21, 1998)	950,000	950,000	
Office of the Chaplain (Public Law 108–199, dated January 23, 2004)	50,000	50,000	
Senate Child Care Center:			
Agency Contribution costs authorized by Public Laws 102–90, dated August 14, 1991 and 103–50, dated July 2, 1993	350,000	340,000	−10,000
Training classes, conferences, and travel expenses as authorized by Public Law 104–197, dated September 16, 1996	22,000	21,270	−730
Total	21,401,000	21,390,270	−10,730

[1] Postage Apportionment (Fiscal year 2016):

President of the Senate	$2,700
Secretary for the Majority	1,100
Secretary for the Minority	1,100
Chaplain	1,100
TOTAL	6,000

[2] Stationery Apportionment (Fiscal year 2016):

President of the Senate	$8,000
Conference of the Majority	300
Conference of the Minority	300
Chaplain	700
Senate Chamber	7,200
TOTAL	16,500

[3] Communications Apportionment (Fiscal year 2016):

Office of the Vice President	$1,000
Secretary for the Majority	10,000
Secretary for the Minority	10,000
Office of the Chaplain	1,000
Majority Leader	15,000
Minority Leader	15,000
Majority Whip	10,000
Minority Whip	10,000
TOTAL	72,000

Veterans Hiring.—The Committee encourages Members of Congress and their offices to look favorably on congressional job applicants with previous United States military service. Through their service, many veterans gain valuable leadership skills, perseverance, and perspective that can enhance the legislative process. The Committee encourages Members to incorporate these veterans' unique skills by increasing the number of veterans hired in their congressional offices. The Committee also encourages Congress to evaluate the potential for a congressional veterans fellowship program.

Resolution and Reorganization Reserve.—This line item is used to cover the costs of Senate resolutions and public laws that authorize expenditures from the contingent fund of the Senate that do not have specific appropriations for such purpose.

Reserve for Contingencies.—This line item includes payment for gratuities for family members of deceased Senate employees; damage to automobiles in the Senate parking lots; contractual, legal, and administrative services; and miscellaneous expenses, and is controlled by the Committee on Rules and Administration.

Employees' Compensation Fund Reimbursements (Worker's Compensation).—Reimbursements made to the U.S. Department of Labor for total benefits and other payments made on behalf of Senate employees from the employees' compensation fund. A provision has been included under general provisions allowing this payment to be made from expired balances, a practice that is consistent with the other agencies of the legislative branch.

Reception of Foreign Dignitaries.—The Committee on Foreign Relations is authorized to expend not to exceed $30,000 each fiscal year to receive foreign dignitaries under the authority of Senate Resolution 247, agreed to February 7, 1962, as amended.

Foreign Travel: Members and Employees.—Senate Resolution 179, agreed to May 25, 1977, authorized payment from the contingent fund of the Senate, of the domestic portion of transportation costs and travel expenses incurred by Members and employees of the Senate when engaged in authorized foreign travel.

Federal Employees' Compensation Account (Unemployment Compensation).—This line item provides for expenses incurred for the Senate to reimburse the Federal employees' compensation account, pursuant to Public Law 96–499, approved December 5, 1980, for unemployment compensation payments made to Senate employees.

Conferences for the Majority and Minority.—The amount recommended provides for the expenses of the majority and minority conference committees.

Policy Committees for the Majority and Minority.—The amount recommended provides for the expenses of the majority and minority policy committees.

Postage.—Provides for postage allowances for the President of the Senate, Secretary of the Majority, Secretary of the Minority, and Senate Chaplain.

Stationery.—Provides funds for stationery and office supplies for the President of the Senate, conference committees of the Senate, Office of the Chaplain, and the Senate Chamber.

Communications.—Provides funds for cellular telephone and mobile data devices and services for the Office of the Vice President, Secretary for the Majority, Secretary for the Minority, Office of the Chaplain, Majority Leader, Minority Leader, Majority Whip, and Minority Whip.

Consultants: Including Agency Contributions.—Provides authority for the appointment and payment of consultants to the majority and minority leaders, President pro tempore, President pro tempore emeritus and the legislative counsel. The following summarizes the current authority and limitations:

Majority leader: Nine consultants at not to exceed the daily rate for maximum standing committee rate. All of the consultants may

be appointed at an annual rate of compensation not to exceed the maximum annual rate for a standing committee.

Minority leader: Nine consultants at not to exceed the daily rate for maximum standing committee rate. All of the consultants may be appointed at an annual rate of compensation not to exceed the maximum annual rate for a standing committee.

Legislative counsel (subject to President Pro Tempore approval): Two consultants at not to exceed the daily rate for maximum standing committee rate. All of the consultants may be appointed at an annual rate of compensation not to exceed the maximum annual rate for a standing committee.

President Pro Tempore: Three consultants at not to exceed the daily rate for maximum standing committee rate. The consultants may be appointed at an annual rate of compensation not to exceed the maximum annual rate for a standing committee.

President Pro Tempore Emeritus: One consultant at not to exceed the daily rate for maximum standing committee rate. The consultant may be appointed at an annual rate of compensation not to exceed the maximum annual rate for a standing committee.

Senate National Security Working Group.—Provides funding for the Senate National Security Working Group, under the authority of Senate Resolution 75, agreed to March 25, 1999. The Senate National Security Working Group was formerly the Senate Arms Control Observer Group.

Committee on Appropriations.—Pursuant to Public Law 105–275 provides funding for administrative expenses for the Committee on Appropriations.

Senate Employees' Child Care Center: Agency Contributions.—Provides for the payment of agency contribution costs as authorized by Public Law 102–90, approved August 14, 1991, and Public Law 103–50, approved July 2, 1993, for employees of the Senate Employees Child Care Center. The Senate Employees' Child Care Center is intended primarily for the children of members and employees of the Senate.

Senate Employees' Child Care Center: Training Classes and Conference Costs.—Provides for the reimbursement of any individual employed by the Senate Employees' Child Care Center for the cost of training classes and conferences in connection with the provision of child care services and for travel, transportation, and subsistence expenses incurred in connection with the training classes and conferences, as authorized by Public Law 104–197, approved September 16, 1996.

Student Loan Repayment Program.—$6,000,000 is provided for this program for fiscal year 2016 for the repayment of student loans, for eligible employees at the discretion of the employing office, to enhance recruitment and retention of Senate staff.

SENATORS' OFFICIAL PERSONNEL AND OFFICE EXPENSE ACCOUNT

Appropriations, 2015	$390,000,000
Budget estimate, 2016	438,245,008
House allowance	.....
Committee recommendation	390,000,000

The Committee recommends an appropriation for fiscal year 2016 of $390,000,000 for the Senators' Official Personnel and Office

Expense Account [SOPOEA]. The recommendation is equal to the fiscal year 2015 appropriation and $48,245,008 below the fiscal year 2016 request. Of the funding provided, $19,121,212 is available until September 30, 2018.

This account funds salaries and benefits of Senators' staffs as well as the office expense allowance for Senators' offices. The SOPOEA is comprised of three components. Two of these are for salaries of personnel in Senators' offices.

The allowance for administrative and clerical assistance is based on the population of States, beginning with States with a population of fewer than 5 million people to States with a population of 28 million or more. The table illustrates the allowances per population category and the States which fall into those categories. The estimate for fiscal year 2016 totals $259,685,358.

The second component of the salaries allowance is for legislative assistance to Senators, as authorized by Public Law 95–94. This allowance provides funding for three positions in each Senator's office for a total of $477,874 per office, or $47,787,400 for all 100 Senators.

The third component of the SOPOEA account is for official office expenses and totals $18,921,212. Each Senator's office is allocated an amount for office expenses, as displayed in the following table. In addition, an amount of $200,000 is provided to cover additional expenses that may be incurred in the event of the death or resignation of a Senator, and to provide for transitional expenses during election years subject to regulations set by the Committee on Rules and Administration with respect to official mail.

It should be noted that the amounts provided for the various components of the SOPOEA are interchangeable. Amounts provided for salaries may be used for expenses, and vice versa, subject to regulations set by the Committee on Rules and Administration with respect to official mail. It should also be noted that the figures in the following table are preliminary, and that official notification of member budgets is issued by the Financial Clerk of the Senate after enactment of this bill.

The following table illustrates the several components of the SOPOEA.

SENATORS' OFFICIAL PERSONNEL AND OFFICE EXPENSE ALLOWANCE FISCAL YEAR 2016

State	Administrative and clerical assistance allowance 10/1/2015	Legislative assistance allowance 10/1/2015	O.O.E.A. allowance 10/1/2015	Total allowance 10/1/2015
Alabama	2,409,294	477,874	171,750	3,058,918
Alaska	2,409,294	477,874	237,320	3,124,488
Arizona	2,551,003	477,874	195,871	3,224,748
Arkansas	2,409,294	477,874	158,588	3,045,756
California	3,829,063	477,874	453,274	4,760,211
Colorado	2,480,144	477,874	180,596	3,138,614
Connecticut	2,409,294	477,874	151,314	3,038,482
Delaware	2,409,294	477,874	121,120	3,008,288
Florida	3,421,072	477,874	300,253	4,199,199
Georgia	2,834,426	477,874	205,809	3,518,109
Hawaii	2,409,294	477,874	264,118	3,151,286
Idaho	2,409,294	477,874	156,100	3,043,268
Illinois	2,976,135	477,874	247,208	3,701,217
Indiana	2,551,003	477,874	181,330	3,210,207

SENATORS' OFFICIAL PERSONNEL AND OFFICE EXPENSE ALLOWANCE FISCAL YEAR 2016—
Continued

State	Administrative and clerical assistance allowance 10/1/2015	Legislative assistance allowance 10/1/2015	O.O.E.A. allowance 10/1/2015	Total allowance 10/1/2015
Iowa	2,409,294	477,874	159,025	3,046,193
Kansas	2,409,294	477,874	157,594	3,044,762
Kentucky	2,409,294	477,874	165,659	3,052,827
Louisiana	2,409,294	477,874	174,918	3,062,086
Maine	2,409,294	477,874	139,185	3,026,353
Maryland	2,480,144	477,874	163,035	3,121,053
Massachusetts	2,551,003	477,874	184,925	3,213,802
Michigan	2,834,426	477,874	216,556	3,528,856
Minnesota	2,480,144	477,874	176,855	3,134,873
Mississippi	2,409,294	477,874	157,995	3,045,163
Missouri	2,551,003	477,874	184,091	3,212,968
Montana	2,409,294	477,874	152,759	3,039,927
Nebraska	2,409,294	477,874	151,061	3,038,229
Nevada	2,409,294	477,874	167,063	3,054,231
New Hampshire	2,409,294	477,874	134,932	3,022,100
New Jersey	2,692,713	477,874	192,065	3,362,652
New Mexico	2,409,294	477,874	157,543	3,044,711
New York	3,421,072	477,874	302,628	4,201,574
North Carolina	2,763,567	477,874	205,688	3,447,129
North Dakota	2,409,294	477,874	141,713	3,028,881
Ohio	2,905,283	477,874	234,612	3,617,769
Oklahoma	2,409,294	477,874	169,202	3,056,370
Oregon	2,409,294	477,874	180,381	3,067,549
Pennsylvania	2,976,135	477,874	242,313	3,696,322
Rhode Island	2,409,294	477,874	130,813	3,017,981
South Carolina	2,409,294	477,874	165,643	3,052,811
South Dakota	2,409,294	477,874	142,767	3,029,935
Tennessee	2,551,003	477,874	184,144	3,213,021
Texas	3,738,396	477,874	356,292	4,572,562
Utah	2,409,294	477,874	162,768	3,049,936
Vermont	2,409,294	477,874	128,460	3,015,628
Virginia	2,692,713	477,874	185,373	3,355,960
Washington	2,621,855	477,874	206,015	3,305,744
West Virginia	2,409,294	477,874	137,696	3,024,864
Wisconsin	2,480,144	477,874	179,783	3,137,801
Wyoming	2,409,294	477,874	144,403	3,031,571
TOTAL	129,842,679	23,893,700	9,460,606	163,196,985
	x2	x2	x2	x2
GRAND TOTAL	259,685,358	47,787,400	18,921,212	326,393,970

According to the most recent employment data compiled by the Secretary of the Senate, as of April 30, 2015, there were 4,139 individuals employed in Senators' offices throughout the United States and covered by this appropriation.

In addition to providing funds for compensation of employees within Senators' offices, this appropriation also provides for agency contributions for those employees; that is, the Senate's share, as an employer, of the various employee benefit programs for which Senate employees are eligible. These payments are mandatory, and fluctuate according to the programs in which employees are enrolled, the level of compensation, and the degree of participation. Budget requests for this account prepared by the Financial Clerk must be based on both experience and evaluation of trends. The fis-

cal year 2016 funding level for this account anticipates $108,665,000 in agency contribution costs.

The amount recommended by the Committee for the SOPOEA is less than would be required to cover all obligations that could be incurred under the authorized allowances for all Senators. The Committee is able to recommend an appropriation of a lesser amount than potentially necessary because Senators typically do not obligate funds up to the absolute ceiling of their respective allowances.

SENATE OFFICIAL MAIL COSTS

Appropriations, 2015	$300,000
Budget estimate, 2016	300,000
House allowance	.....
Committee recommendation	300,000

For the official mail costs of the Senate, the Committee recommends an appropriation of $300,000 which is equal to the fiscal year 2016 request.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

SEC. 1. This provision requires that amounts remaining in the Senators' Official Personnel and Office Expense Account be used for deficit reduction or to reduce the Federal debt.

SEC. 2. This provision makes a technical correction to 2 U.S.C. 6153 regarding funding for the Office of the Chaplain of the Senate.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Appropriations, 2015	$1,180,736,000
Budget estimate, 2016	1,180,736,000
House allowance	1,180,736,000
Committee recommendation	1,180,736,000

In keeping with the longstanding tradition of comity between the Houses on matters pertaining solely to one House, the Committee has included funds for the House of Representatives, and five administrative provisions related to the House of Representatives, as recommended by the House in H.R. 2250, as passed by the House on May 19, 2015. As this item pertains solely to the House, the Committee makes no independent judgment on the House allowance.

JOINT ITEMS

JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE

Appropriations, 2015	$4,203,000
Budget estimate, 2016	4,254,000
House allowance	4,203,000
Committee recommendation	4,203,000

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $4,203,000 for the Joint Economic Committee [JEC]. The recommendation is equal to the fiscal year 2015 appropriation and $51,000 below the fiscal year 2016 request. The Joint Economic Committee was created by the Employment Act of 1946. The primary tasks of the JEC are to

review economic conditions and to recommend improvements in economic policy. The JEC performs research and economic analysis, and monitors and analyzes current economic, financial, and employment conditions.

JOINT CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE ON INAUGURAL CEREMONIES, 2017

Appropriations, 2015	.....
Budget estimate, 2016	.....
House allowance	.....
Committee recommendation	$1,250,000

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $1,250,000 for the 2017 Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies [JCCIC]. This is the same level of funding that was provided for the JCCIC in fiscal year 2008 and $13,000 more than was provided for the JCCIC in fiscal year 2012.

JOINT COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

Appropriations, 2015	$10,095,000
Budget estimate, 2016	10,300,000
House allowance	10,095,000
Committee recommendation	10,095,000

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $10,095,000 for salaries and expenses of the Joint Committee on Taxation. The recommendation is equal to the fiscal year 2015 appropriation and $205,000 below the fiscal year 2016 request.

The Joint Committee is established under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to:

—investigate the operation and effects of internal revenue taxes and the administration of such taxes;

—investigate measures and methods for the simplification of such taxes;

—make reports to the House Committee on Ways and Means and the Senate Committee on Finance (or to the House and the Senate) on the results of such investigations and studies and to make recommendations; and

—review any proposed refund or credit of income or estate and gift taxes or certain other taxes set forth in Code section 6405 in excess of $2,000,000. In addition to these functions that are specified in the Internal Revenue Code, the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 requires the Joint Committee to provide revenue estimates for all tax legislation considered by either the House of Representatives or the Senate.

OFFICE OF THE ATTENDING PHYSICIAN

Appropriations, 2015	$3,371,000
Budget estimate, 2016	3,797,000
House allowance	3,784,000
Committee recommendation	3,371,000

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $3,371,000 for the Office of the Attending Physician. The recommendation is equal to the fiscal year 2015 appropriation and $426,000 below the fiscal

year 2016 request. The Office was first established by House Resolution 253, adopted December 5, 1928.

OFFICE OF CONGRESSIONAL ACCESSIBILITY SERVICES

Appropriations, 2015	$1,387,000
Budget estimate, 2016	1,416,000
House allowance	1,387,000
Committee recommendation	1,387,000

The Committee recommends $1,387,000 for the Office of Congressional Accessibility Services. This office is a successor to the Special Services Office following enactment of the Capitol Visitor Center Act of 2008.

The Office of Congressional Accessibility Services [OCAS] provides and coordinates accessibility services for individuals with disabilities, including Members of Congress, staff, and visitors to the U.S. Capitol complex. These services include sign language interpreting, adaptive tours, and wheelchair loans. OCAS also provides information regarding accessibility for individuals with disabilities, as well as related training and staff development to Members of Congress and employees of the Senate and House of Representatives.

CAPITOL POLICE

Appropriations, 2015	$347,959,000
Budget estimate, 2016	378,900,000
House allowance	369,000,000
Committee recommendation	366,465,499

The United States Capitol Police [USCP] is charged with the protection of the United States Congress, its legislative processes, Members, employees, visitors and facilities within the U.S. Capitol complex from crime, disruption or terrorism, so that the Congress may fulfill its constitutional responsibilities in a safe and open environment.

The Committee recommends $366,465,499 for the USCP. The recommendation is $18,506,499 above the fiscal year 2015 appropriation and $12,434,501 below the fiscal year 2016 request.

SALARIES

Appropriations, 2015	$286,500,000
Budget estimate, 2016	307,428,000
House allowance	300,000,000
Committee recommendation	300,000,000

The amount provided covers salaries, benefits, and overtime costs. USCP personnel are also eligible for hazardous duty pay and comparability pay similar to locality pay adjustments granted other Federal law enforcement personnel in the Washington, DC, area.

The Committee recommends $300,000,000 and 2,145 FTEs for USCP salaries, which is $13,500,000 above the fiscal year 2015 appropriation and $7,428,000 below the fiscal year 2016 request. The total staffing level is expected to be approximately 1,775 sworn and 370 civilian staff under the Committee recommendation.

USCP Office of Inspector General.—The Committee values the work of the USCP Office of Inspector General to investigate and re-

port on waste, fraud, and abuse and to identify and make recommendations to improve USCP operations. The Committee includes funds to support not less than six FTEs within the USCP Office of Inspector General. The Committee notes that additional oversight of the USCP is conducted by the Government Accountability Office to supplement the work of the USCP Office of Inspector General, as needed.

Overtime.—The Committee recommends no more than $30,928,000 for overtime in fiscal year 2016. This provides for approximately 502,223 hours of additional duty.

The Committee notes that overtime pay is a standard practice law enforcement entities utilize to respond to unscheduled and unanticipated events. However, the Committee finds that keeping overtime pay at a minimum should continue to be a goal of the USCP. The Committee appreciates the efforts of the USCP to better track and manage overtime pay in order to keep overtime costs to a minimum. The Committee directs the USCP to continue to keep the Committee apprised of these efforts.

The Committee directs the USCP to provide for overtime in accordance with the budget request, as provided for in the following table.

	Funding	Hours (est.)
Scheduled, (including training)	$27,599,000	448,523
Unscheduled	1,240,000	20,000
LOC—non-reimbursable events	229,000	3,700
Conventions	1,860,000	30,000
Total	30,928,000	502,223

The recommendation does not include funds for USCP overtime for requirements associated with the restoration of the U.S. Capitol Dome, the Cannon House Renewal Project, or any other major construction projects undertaken by the Architect of the Capitol [AOC] as those funds are provided to the AOC as part of the overall project costs for those major projects and are paid to the USCP on a reimbursable basis. The Committee expects the USCP to operate within the designated funding level for requirements associated with each project. The Committee directs the USCP to provide for any additional requirement costs beyond that allocation.

GENERAL EXPENSES

Appropriations, 2015	$61,459,000
Budget estimate, 2016	71,472,000
House allowance	69,000,000
Committee recommendation	66,465,499

Expenses include office supplies and equipment, communications, motor vehicles, uniforms and equipment, investigations, training, and miscellaneous items.

The Committee recommends $66,465,499 for general expenses, which is $5,006,499 above the fiscal year 2015 appropriation and $5,006,501 below the fiscal year 2016 request.

Training.—The Committee understands that over the course of the last several years, as budgets have been tightened across the Federal Government, the Capitol Police have sacrificed some train-

ing initiatives in order to maintain the current operational force and security of the Capitol campus. The Committee appreciates that the Capitol Police have prioritized restoring training funding within increases provided for fiscal years 2014 and 2015. The increase of $5,006,499 for fiscal year 2016 is provided in the general expenses account in order to ensure base funding for training activities in fiscal year 2016.

The Committee supports the Department's efforts to provide quality training and development of its workforce. As such, the Committee encourages the Department to consider a rotation policy for sworn personnel, so that all sworn officers have the opportunity to gain additional experience through varied assignments. The Committee intends to maintain an open dialogue with the Department on this and any other management initiatives that may be necessary for the continued improvement of the officers' work environment.

The Committee directs the Department to review duties currently performed by officers that can be done by civilians, so that USCP's highly trained officers may perform primarily sworn activities. Some areas for consideration are: the Command Center, Communications, training, firearms instruction, and Special Events. The Department shall report back to the Committee with a written report on its review within 120 days of enactment.

Cell phones.—The Committee remains concerned by the use of cell phones and other electronic devices, as well as other distractions, while officers are on post. The Department is directed to continue to address this matter and report back to the Committee on its efforts to alleviate such distractions.

Threat Vulnerabilities.—The Committee finds that it is critical to ensure that the USCP is taking every possible step to protect the Capitol now and also to prepare to implement emerging technology and operational capabilities that will decrease our potential vulnerability to threats in the future.

Within 60 days of enactment, USCP is directed to submit a report to the Committee detailing: (1) USCP's engagement with its operational partners, such as the Department of Defense, United States Secret Service, and the United States Park Police, on preparation for potential emerging threats, including regularly scheduled meetings and joint exercises; and (2) USCP's coordination with its partners and research on best practices related to threat responses currently available or soon becoming available.

Finally, the USCP is directed to keep the Committee immediately and fully apprised of resource and operational needs as emerging threats to the Capitol evolve and to robustly engage with leaders in Federal and commercial research and development on technology to counter potential emerging threats.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISION

SEC. 1001. This provision allows for the deposit of reimbursements for law enforcement assistance in connection with an activity that was not sponsored by Congress.

OFFICE OF COMPLIANCE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

Appropriations, 2015	$3,959,000
Budget estimate, 2016	4,020,000
House allowance	3,959,000
Committee recommendation	3,959,000

The Office of Compliance [OOC] is an independent nonpartisan agency established to administer and enforce the Congressional Accountability Act [CAA]. The OOC administers the dispute resolution system established to resolve disagreements that arise under the CAA; carries out an education and training program for the regulated community on the rights and responsibilities of the CAA; and advises Congress on needed changes and amendments to the CAA. The OOC General Counsel has independent investigatory and enforcement authority for certain violations of the CAA.

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $3,959,000 for the salaries and expenses of the OOC, which is equal to the fiscal year 2015 enacted level and $61,000 below the fiscal year 2016 request.

The Office of Compliance is directed to develop a pilot project with the Library of Congress [LOC] to provide all LOC employees an opportunity to avail themselves of the administrative dispute resolution processes under the statutory protections afforded legislative branch employees by the Congressional Accountability Act [CAA], including counseling, mediation, and administrative hearings with recommended decisions. The Office of Compliance is directed to provide an interim report to the Committee by December 1, 2015, concerning those employees who have started in the pilot project by that date. The report will include an analysis of the pilot project and make recommendations on the costs, benefits and implications of extending Congressional Accountability Act coverage to the Library of Congress. Information revealed during this period shall be included in the report to the extent pertinent to the complaint process, the application of CAA to the Library and employee/management relations generally, but only in a manner that maintains employee confidentiality where desired. The Library of Congress shall cooperate with the Office of Compliance as needed to facilitate the production of this report, and shall advise its employees of the availability of these administrative services during this period. The Library shall further advise employees that those participating in counseling may do so confidentially, and may participate in counseling, mediation, and the administrative hearing process without fear of reprisal. The LOC will reimburse the Office of Compliance for additional costs associated with this pilot project that are not already appropriated for this purpose.

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

Appropriations, 2015	$45,700,000
Budget estimate, 2016	47,270,000
House allowance	47,270,000
Committee recommendation	45,700,000

The Congressional Budget Office [CBO] is responsible for providing to the Congress objective, nonpartisan, and timely analyses to aid in economic and budgetary decisions on the wide array of programs covered by the Federal budget, and the information and estimates required for the congressional budget process.

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $45,700,000 for the CBO. The recommendation is equal to the fiscal year 2015 appropriation and $1,570,000 below the fiscal year 2016 request.

ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL

The Office of the Architect of the Capitol [AOC] is responsible to the United States Congress for the maintenance, operation, development, and preservation of 16.5 million square feet of buildings and more than 450 acres of land throughout the Capitol complex. This includes the Capitol, the Capitol Visitor Center, the House and Senate office buildings, the Library of Congress buildings, the U.S. Botanic Garden, the Capitol Power Plant, and other facilities. The AOC also provides professional expertise with regard to the preservation of architectural and artistic elements entrusted to its care, and provides recommendations concerning design, construction, and maintenance of the facilities and grounds.

The Committee has recommended a funding level of $579,383,000 for all activities of the Architect of the Capitol. The recommendation is $20,878,000 below the fiscal year 2015 appropriation and $82,374,687 below the fiscal year 2016 request.

The following table compares the Committee recommendation for the AOC accounts to the fiscal year 2016 request.

Item	Fiscal year 2016 request	Committee recommendation	Difference
Capitol Construction and Operations	$95,396,000	$91,589,000	−$3,807,000
Capitol Building	58,052,000	45,546,000	−12,506,000
Capitol Grounds	15,273,000	11,973,000	−3,300,000
Senate Office Buildings	84,748,000	84,221,000	−527,000
House Office Buildings [1]	160,282,000	159,962,000	−320,000
Capitol Power Plant	120,803,000	101,601,000	−19,202,000
Library Buildings and Grounds	65,800,687	29,132,000	−36,668,687
Capitol Police Buildings, Grounds, and Security	28,247,000	22,535,000	−5,712,000
Botanic Garden	12,113,000	11,980,000	−133,000
Capitol Visitor Center	21,043,000	20,844,000	−199,000
Total	661,757,687	579,383,000	−82,374,687

[1] Level recommended by the House in H.R. 2250, as passed by the House on May 19, 2015. The Committee made no alteration to this amount.

Outdoor Recycling.—The Committee commends the efforts of the Architect of the Capitol and the United States Capitol Police [USCP] for implementing outdoor recycling programs on the Capitol grounds while maintaining security of the complex. The Committee encourages the Architect of the Capitol and the USCP to continue to collaborate and work together to expand these efforts where appropriate in high-traffic areas across the Capitol complex.

Financial Management.—The Committee commends the AOC for earning an unmodified audit opinion, without any material weaknesses, on its financial statements for fiscal year 2014. An unmodified opinion is the highest rating that may be received from an external auditor, and the AOC has earned this rating for 10 consecu-

tive years. The AOC also successfully eliminated material weaknesses that were identified in the AOC's financial controls in prior years. This positive independent assessment of the agency's financial stewardship of taxpayer resources demonstrates the agency's strong financial foundation as it embarks on major restoration and renovation projects.

Notification to Members of Congress.—The Committee is aware of the enormous challenges facing the Architect of the Capitol (AOC) as stewards of the buildings and grounds across the Capitol complex that are many decades and even centuries old. These symbols of American democracy are suffering from deteriorating and falling stone, aging infrastructure, and safety issues that must be addressed in order to protect the Members of Congress and staff who work in these buildings and the millions of visitors welcomed here every year. The Committee recognizes that the tasks at hand are not simple and commends the AOC for its excellent management of these projects. As all Members of Congress are impacted by the daily work performed by AOC and its contractors, the Committee expects the AOC to proactively keep all Members of Congress informed of current, on-going and planned future projects across the Capitol campus. When appropriate, this update should include a situational awareness outlook to projects on the horizon.

CAPITOL CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATIONS

Appropriations, 2015	$91,455,000
Budget estimate, 2016	95,396,000
House allowance	90,946,000
Committee recommendation	91,589,000

The Capitol Construction and Operations appropriation provides funding for salaries and related benefits of the Architect, officers, administrative and support staff, including engineering and architecture employees. This account also provides for administrative items such as agency-wide contractual services; surveys and studies; information technology; and safety engineering operations. This appropriation was previously titled "General Administration".

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $91,589,000 for general administration. The recommendation is $134,000 above the fiscal year 2015 appropriation and $3,807,000 below the fiscal year 2016 request.

The following table displays the budget detail.

CAPITOL CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATIONS

Item	Amount requested	Committee recommendation
Fiscal Year 2016 Operating Budget		
Payroll	$56,818,000	$56,094,000
Administrative	6,009,000	5,621,000
Architectural and Engineering	2,319,000	2,280,000
Construction Services	66,000	65,000
Curator Services	220,000	215,000
Electronic Systems	823,000	805,000
Facilities Maintenance	1,044,000	1,023,000
Information Resource Management	22,681,000	20,234,000
Inspector General	877,000	864,000
Jurisdiction Centralized Activities	2,116,000	2,015,000

CAPITOL CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATIONS—Continued

Item	Amount requested	Committee recommendation
Safety Engineering Operations and Maintenance	2,423,000	2,373,000
Subtotal, Operating Budget	95,396,000	91,589,000
Total, Capitol Construction and Operations	95,396,000	91,589,000

CAPITOL BUILDING

Appropriations, 2015	$54,665,000
Budget estimate, 2016	58,052,000
House allowance	46,737,000
Committee recommendation	45,546,000

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $45,546,000 for necessary expenses for the maintenance, care and operation of the Capitol, which is $9,119,000 below the fiscal year 2015 appropriation and $12,506,000 below the fiscal year 2016 request. Of the amount recommended, $21,237,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2020.

Miscellaneous Improvements Notifications.—The Committee appreciates the AOC's efforts to document and notify the Committee of "Miscellaneous Improvements" projects, which are completed projects that costs less than $5,000 for labor and materials. The Committee directs the AOC to provide quarterly reports on Miscellaneous Improvements projects, including a description and cost of each project and the status of total funding set aside for this purpose.

The following table displays the budget detail.

CAPITOL BUILDING

Item	Amount requested	Committee recommendation
Fiscal Year 2016 Operating Budget		
Payroll	$20,745,000	$20,525,000
Facilities Maintenance	3,289,000	3,120,000
Furniture Repair	52,000	50,000
Jurisdiction Centralized Activities	656,000	614,000
Subtotal, Operating Budget	24,742,000	24,309,000
Fiscal Year 2016 Project Budget		
Exterior Stone & Metal Preservation, South Extension, Phase IIB	14,287,000	14,287,000
Fiscal Year 2017 Presidential Inaugural Stands & Support Facilities	4,950,000	4,950,000
Senate Reception Room Restoration & Conservation	4,025,000	.....
Domestic Water, Storm, Sanitary & Vent Piping Replacement	3,339,000	.....
Brumidi Corridors Restoration & Conservation Plan	2,610,000	.....
Conservation of Fine and Architectural Art	599,000	.....
Minor Construction	3,500,000	2,000,000
Subtotal, Project Budget	33,310,000	21,237,000
Total, Capitol Building	58,052,000	45,546,000

CAPITOL GROUNDS

Appropriations, 2015	$11,973,000
Budget estimate, 2016	15,273,000
House allowance	11,880,000
Committee recommendation	11,973,000

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $11,973,000 for Capitol Grounds for the care and improvements of the grounds surrounding the Capitol, the Senate and House office buildings, and the Capitol Power Plant. The recommendation is equal to the fiscal year 2015 appropriation and $3,300,000 below the fiscal year 2016 request. Of the amount recommended, $2,000,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2020.

The following table displays the budget detail:

CAPITOL GROUNDS

Item	Amount requested	Committee recommendation
Fiscal Year 2016 Operating Budget		
Payroll	$6,835,000	$6,767,000
Grounds Maintenance	2,990,000	2,924,000
Jurisdiction Centralized Activities	288,000	282,000
Subtotal, Operating Budget	10,113,000	9,973,000
Fiscal Year 2016 Project Budget		
Summerhouse Restoration	2,298,000	.....
Capitol Square Infrastructure Repair	862,000	.....
Minor Construction	2,000,000	2,000,000
Subtotal, Project Budget	5,160,000	2,000,000
Total, Capitol Grounds	15,273,000	11,973,000

SENATE OFFICE BUILDINGS

Appropriations, 2015	$94,313,000
Budget estimate, 2016	84,748,000
House allowance	.....
Committee recommendation	84,221,000

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $84,221,000 for maintenance of the Senate office buildings. The recommendation is $10,092,000 below the fiscal year 2015 appropriation and $527,000 below the fiscal year 2016 request. Of the amount recommended, $26,283,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2020.

The following table displays the budget detail:

SENATE OFFICE BUILDINGS

Item	Amount requested	Committee recommendation
Fiscal Year 2016 Operating Budget		
Payroll	$42,667,000	$42,293,000
Facilities Maintenance	5,900,000	5,770,000
Furniture Repair	1,473,000	1,450,000
Jurisdiction Centralized Activities	8,425,000	8,425,000

SENATE OFFICE BUILDINGS—Continued

Item	Amount requested	Committee recommendation
Subtotal, Operating Budget	58,465,000	57,938,000
Fiscal Year 2016 Project Budget		
Exterior Envelope Repair & Restoration, Phase III, West Façade, RSOB	10,182,000	10,182,000
Senate Underground Garage Renovations & Landscape Restoration, Phase IB	8,200,000	8,200,000
Kitchen Exhaust System Upgrade, Phase III, DSOB & RSOB	1,732,000	1,732,000
Exterior Envelope Rehabilitation, HSOB	1,169,000	1,169,000
Minor Construction	5,000,000	5,000,000
Subtotal, Project Budget	26,283,000	26,283,000
Total, Senate Office Buildings	84,748,000	84,221,000

HOUSE OFFICE BUILDINGS

Appropriations, 2015	$159,447,000
Budget estimate, 2016	160,282,000
House allowance	159,962,000
Committee recommendation	159,962,000

In keeping with the longstanding tradition of comity between the Houses on matters pertaining solely to one House, the Committee has included funds for House office buildings at the level recommended by the House in H.R. 2250, as passed by the House on May 19, 2015. As this item pertains solely to the House, the Committee makes no independent judgment on the House allowance.

CAPITOL POWER PLANT

Appropriations, 2015	$90,652,000
Budget estimate, 2016	120,803,000
House allowance	91,550,000
Committee recommendation	101,601,000

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $101,601,000 for the operations of the Capitol Power Plant. This is supplemented by $9,000,000 in reimbursements, for a total of $110,601,000. The recommendation is $10,949,000 above the fiscal year 2015 appropriation and $19,202,000 below the fiscal year 2016 request. Of the amount provided, $19,635,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2020.

The Power Plant provides heat, light, power, and air-conditioning for the Capitol, Senate and House office buildings, and the Library of Congress buildings; heat, light, and power for the Botanic Garden and the Senate and House Garages; light for the Capitol Grounds' street, park, and floodlighting system; steam heat for the Government Publishing Office and Washington City Post Office, also known as Postal Square; and steam heat and air-conditioning for the Union Station complex, Folger Shakespeare Library, the Thurgood Marshall Federal Judiciary Building, and the U.S. Supreme Court Building on a reimbursable basis.

Within the operating budget, the recommended amount for the purchase of electricity from the local private utility, payment to the government of the District of Columbia for the provision of water

and sewer services, and the procurement of boiler fuel, is displayed in the following table.

FISCAL YEAR 2016 ESTIMATED UTILITY COSTS

[In thousands of dollars]

	Cost
Purchase of electrical energy	32,461
Purchase of natural gas	16,750
Purchase of steam	630
Purchase of chilled water	1,417
Purchase of oil	2,591
Purchase of solid fuel	500
Water and Sewer payments	6,869
Utilities for Postal Square	721
Energy Saving Performance Contracts	9,256
Total	71,195

The balance of this appropriation supports a workforce to operate and maintain the Power Plant.

The following table displays the budget detail:

CAPITOL POWER PLANT

Item	Amount requested	Committee recommendation
Fiscal Year 2016 Operating Budget		
Payroll	$9,762,000	$9,648,000
Jurisdiction Centralized Activities	242,000	237,000
Plant Operations & Maintenance	9,915,000	9,712,000
Safety Engineering Operations and Maintenance	177,000	174,000
Utilities	62,195,000	62,195,000
Subtotal, Operating Budget	82,291,000	81,966,000
Fiscal Year 2016 Project Budget		
WRP Chiller System Replacement, RPR, Phase IIIA, CPP	29,190,000	16,010,000
Roof Replacement, PPBP & PPGP	3,697,000	.....
Cogeneration Management Program	1,625,000	1,625,000
Minor Construction	4,000,000	2,000,000
Subtotal, Project Budget	38,512,000	19,635,000
Total, Capitol Power Plant	120,803,000	101,601,000

LIBRARY BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

Appropriations, 2015	$42,180,000
Budget estimate, 2016	65,800,687
House allowance	36,589,000
Committee recommendation	29,132,000

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $29,132,000 for the care and maintenance of the Library buildings and grounds by the Architect of the Capitol, of which $3,994,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2020. The recommendation is $13,048,000 below the fiscal year 2015 appropriation and $36,668,687 below the fiscal year 2016 request.

The following table displays the budget detail:

LIBRARY BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

Item	Amount requested	Committee recommendation
Fiscal Year 2016 Operating Budget		
Payroll	$16,740,687	$16,545,000
Facilities Maintenance	8,431,000	8,263,000
Jurisdiction Centralized Activities	340,000	330,000
Subtotal, Operating Budget	25,511,687	25,138,000
Fiscal Year 2016 Project Budget		
North Exit Stair B, Phase II, TJB	15,308,000	.....
East and West Pavilion Roof Replacement, TJB	6,119,000	.....
Direct Digital Controls Upgrades, Phase III, JMMB	4,321,000	.....
Elevator Modernization, JMMB MC1–MC4; JAB 13–14	3,916,000	.....
Emergency Lighting System Upgrade, JAB	3,331,000	.....
Collection Storage Modules 6&7, Ft. Meade, LOC	1,994,000	1,994,000
South Stair E, Phase I, Expansion Shelving Renovations, TJB	1,350,000	.....
Roof Repairs, TJB	887,000	.....
Fire Alarm and Audibility Upgrade, JMMB	563,000	.....
Minor Construction	2,500,000	2,000,000
Subtotal, Project Budget	40,289,000	3,994,000
Total, Library Buildings & Grounds	65,800,687	29,132,000

CAPITOL POLICE BUILDINGS, GROUNDS, AND SECURITY

Appropriations, 2015	$19,159,000
Budget estimate, 2016	28,247,000
House allowance	22,058,000
Committee recommendation	22,535,000

The Committee recommends $22,535,000 for Capitol Police Buildings, Grounds, and Security, which is $3,376,000 above the fiscal year 2015 appropriation and $5,712,000 below the fiscal year 2016 request. Of this amount, $4,376,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2020.

The following table displays the budget detail:

CAPITOL POLICE BUILDINGS, GROUNDS, AND SECURITY

Item	Amount requested	Committee recommendation
Fiscal Year 2016 Operating Budget		
Payroll	$2,264,000	$2,243,000
Facilities Maintenance	8,469,000	8,095,000
Furniture Repair	77,000	75,000
Jurisdiction Centralized Activities	8,036,000	7,746,000
Subtotal, Operating Budget	18,846,000	18,159,000
Fiscal Year 2016 Project Budget		
Power Switchgear Replacement, USCP HQ	3,525,000	.....
Critical Electrical Infrastructure Upgrade, ACF	3,376,000	3,376,000
Minor Construction	2,500,000	1,000,000
Subtotal, Project Budget	9,401,000	4,376,000

CAPITOL POLICE BUILDINGS, GROUNDS, AND SECURITY—Continued

Item	Amount requested	Committee recommendation
Total, Capitol Police Buildings & Grounds	28,247,000	22,535,000

BOTANIC GARDEN

Appropriations, 2015	$15,573,000
Budget estimate, 2016	12,113,000
House allowance	11,892,000
Committee recommendation	11,980,000

The Committee recommends $11,980,000 for salaries and expenses of the Botanic Garden. The recommendation is $3,593,000 below the fiscal year 2015 appropriation and $133,000 below the fiscal year 2016 request. Of this amount, $2,100,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2020.

The following table displays the budget detail:

BOTANIC GARDEN

Item	Amount requested	Committee recommendation
Fiscal Year 2016 Operating Budget		
Payroll	$6,399,000	$6,338,000
Exhibits	409,000	400,000
Facilities Maintenance	2,243,000	2,200,000
Jurisdiction Centralized Activities	962,000	942,000
Subtotal, Operating Budget	10,013,000	9,880,000
Fiscal Year 2016 Project Budget		
Minor Construction	2,100,000	2,100,000
Subtotal, Project Budget	2,100,000	2,100,000
Total, Botanic Garden	12,113,000	11,980,000

CAPITOL VISITOR CENTER

Appropriations, 2015	$20,844,000
Budget estimate, 2016	21,043,000
House allowance	20,557,000
Committee recommendation	20,844,000

The Committee recommends a total of $20,844,000 for the operation of the Capitol Visitor Center. The recommendation is equal to the fiscal year 2015 appropriation and $199,000 below the fiscal year 2016 request.

The following table displays the budget detail:

CAPITOL VISITOR CENTER

Item	Amount requested	Committee recommendation
Fiscal Year 2016 Operating Budget		
Payroll	$17,209,000	$17,090,000

CAPITOL VISITOR CENTER—Continued

Item	Amount requested	Committee recommendation
Information Resource Management	1,152,000	1,131,000
Jurisdiction Centralized Activities	398,000	391,000
Visitor Services	2,284,000	2,232,000
Subtotal, Operating Budget	21,043,000	20,844,000
Total, Capitol Visitor Center	21,043,000	20,844,000

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

SEC. 1101. This provision prohibits payment of bonuses to contractors behind schedule or over budget.

SEC. 1102. This provision prohibits the expenditure of funds for scrims containing photographs of building facades for projects performed by the Architect of the Capitol.

SEC. 1103. This provision authorizes acquisition, at no cost, of certain acreage at Fort George Meade from the Maryland State Highway Administration.

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

The Library of Congress is the Nation's oldest cultural institution and largest repository of human knowledge in the world. It is the main research arm of the United States Congress. Its mission is to support the Congress in fulfilling its constitutional duties and to further the progress of knowledge and creativity for the benefit of the American people. The Library's collections include more than 147 million artifactual items (books, photographs, maps, sound recordings, films, sheet music, legal materials) in 470 languages. Digital technology is transforming the way the Library does its work, and the institution plays an important leadership role in superimposing digital library collections and services on those that are analog based. The Library of Congress houses the Congressional Research Service, U.S. Copyright Office, National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, Law Library of Congress, and numerous other programs and services.

The Committee recommends a total of $593,163,000 for the Library of Congress, an increase of $2,242,000 above the fiscal year 2015 appropriation and $31,339,000 below the fiscal year 2016 request.

In addition to the appropriation, the Library estimates receipts of $42,127,000, funds from gifts and trusts totaling $12,229,000, and reimbursable and revolving funds totaling $186,015,000. Total funds available to support Library operations, including the Architect of the Capitol account, are expected to be approximately $622,295,000 in fiscal year 2016 under the Committee recommendation.

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

Appropriations, 2015:	
Salaries and expenses	$419,357,000
Authority to spend receipts	−6,350,000
Net, salaries and expenses	413,007,000
Budget estimate, 2016:	
Salaries and expenses	$443,370,000
Authority to spend receipts	−6,350,000
Net, salaries and expenses	438,020,000
House allowance:	
Salaries and expenses	$419,357,000
Authority to spend receipts	−6,350,000
Net, salaries and expenses	413,007,000
Committee recommendation:	
Salaries and expenses	$421,607,000
Authority to spend receipts	−6,350,000
Net, salaries and expenses	415,257,000

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $415,257,000 for salaries and expenses of the Library of Congress and approves authority to spend receipts of $6,350,000 in fiscal year 2016, for a total of $421,607,000. The recommendation is $2,250,000 above the fiscal year 2015 appropriation and $22,763,000 below the fiscal year 2016 request. This amount provides for 2,492 FTEs, which may be shifted among PPAs within this appropriation. The amount recommended includes $750,000 to begin the financial management system upgrade, $1,500,000 for the national collection stewardship program, and $8,231,000 for the digital collections and education curricula program.

Veterans History Project.—The Committee recommends an appropriation of $2,041,000 for the Library of Congress' Veterans History Project [VHP], which is consistent with the fiscal year 2016 request. VHP oversees a nationwide effort to build an archive of oral histories, from World War I through current conflicts, by collecting, preserving, and making available the personal stories of American war veterans and the civilian workers who support them. The VHP collection includes submissions from every State and is the largest oral history project in the United States. In fiscal year 2014, through an active national outreach effort to volunteer organizations, institutions, and individuals across the country, VHP gained new participants and acquired 5,535 new collections.

Teaching with Primary Sources.—The Committee recommends an appropriation of $8,231,000 for the Library of Congress' Teaching with Primary Sources program [TPS]. TPS is a teacher training initiative that encourages educators to incorporate the Library's online primary sources into school curricula. Library staff harness the power of primary sources as teaching tools by providing educators with methods and materials that build student literacy skills, content knowledge, and critical thinking abilities. TPS has successfully worked with educators in 49 States, the District of Columbia, and American Samoa. The Committee notes that the Library sponsors

many educational lectures and events and encourages the Library to incorporate excerpts from these presentations into the curriculum materials it develops.

Preservation.—The Committee notes that the Library utilizes multiple preservation strategies to extend the life of its vast collections for future generations to enjoy, including building and operating climate-controlled storage facilities, preparing new acquisitions for commercial binding and shelving, deacidification, and digital reformatting. During 2014, the Library treated more than 5.6 million books, serials, prints, photographs, and other high value, high use, and at-risk items. In 2015, the Library and the Architect of the Capitol will begin construction of a fifth climate-controlled storage facility at Fort Meade, Maryland. The Committee supports the Library's preservation efforts and directs the Library to continue funding for ongoing preservation activities at not less than the current level for each ongoing preservation strategy.

Information Technology Management.—The Committee is concerned about Government Accountability Office [GAO] findings related to the Library's information technology management (GAO–15–315). In particular, GAO noted a lack of central leadership and oversight at the Library, which has resulted in duplicative, overlapping, and inefficient information technology policies and investments. The Committee notes that GAO provided a number of specific recommendations to strengthen the management of information technology. The Committee finds that it is critical that the Library efficiently acquire, protect and make accessible its digital material, as well as effectively manage its overall information technology infrastructure. The Committee is encouraged by initial steps the Library has taken to strengthen its leadership and communicate constructively. The Committee directs the Library to provide quarterly updates on progress to strengthen its information technology management and processes, including key milestones and schedule for addressing specific GAO recommendations.

COPYRIGHT OFFICE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

Appropriations, 2015:	
Salaries and expenses	$54,303,000
Authority to spend receipts	−33,582,000
Net, salaries and expenses	20,721,000
Budget estimate, 2016:	
Salaries and expenses	$58,875,000
Authority to spend receipts	−35,777,000
Net, salaries and expenses	23,098,000
House allowance:	
Salaries and expenses	$57,008,000
Authority to spend receipts	−35,777,000
Net, salaries and expenses	21,231,000
Committee recommendation:	
Salaries and expenses	$56,490,000
Authority to spend receipts	−35,777,000
Net, salaries and expenses	20,713,000

The United States Copyright Office plays an important role in our Nation's intellectual property system. Copyright law is the foundation for the creation and dissemination of American artistic works, leading to substantial economic and cultural benefits. The Copyright Office serves multiple central roles in the copyright system, overseeing the registration of copyrighted works, administering the copyright law, and providing counsel to Congress on copyright policy.

The Committee recommends the direct appropriation of $20,713,000 for the Copyright Office and approves authority to spend receipts of $35,777,000 in fiscal year 2016, for a total of $56,490,000. The recommendation is $8,000 below the fiscal year 2015 appropriation and $2,385,000 below the fiscal year 2016 request.

Modernization.—The Committee recognizes the vital and expanding role of the Copyright Office in our economy. In particular, the Committee finds that digital technologies have profoundly changed the copyright marketplace and that, as a result of these changes, the Copyright Office's role is different than when it was originally founded and housed within the Library of Congress in 1870. The Committee finds that it is necessary to ensure that effective, efficient, and secure systems are in place at the Copyright Office to support the needs of all copyright-related industries. The Committee notes that, in addition to ongoing technological and process improvements, modernization of the Copyright Office could include proposed alternatives to its current structure and location within the Library of Congress. The Committee encourages an open dialogue to consider all options that allow for a thriving and efficient Copyright Office in the modern economy.

CONGRESSIONAL RESEARCH SERVICE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

Appropriations, 2015	$106,945,000
Budget estimate, 2016	111,956,000
House allowance	106,945,000
Committee recommendation	106,945,000

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $106,945,000 for the Congressional Research Service. The recommendation is equal to the fiscal year 2015 appropriation and $5,011,000 below the fiscal year 2016 request.

BOOKS FOR THE BLIND AND PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

Appropriations, 2015	$50,248,000
Budget estimate, 2016	51,428,000
House allowance	50,248,000
Committee recommendation	50,248,000

This appropriation supports a national reading program for eligible residents of the United States and U.S. citizens living overseas who are blind or physically handicapped. Books and magazines in braille and various recorded formats are produced by the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped for distribution through a network of State and locally supported libraries. At present, 57 regional libraries in 49 States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands house and circulate books and magazines to eligible readers. Eighty-one subregional libraries in 15 States, and Guam, assist at the local public library level. Fifty-three of the regional libraries and four separate cooperating agencies distribute sound reproducers. Two multi-State centers, under contract to the National Library Service, store and distribute books and other materials in their geographical region. The program supports a readership of approximately 900,000.

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $50,248,000 for salaries and expenses for Books for the Blind and Physically Handicapped. The recommendation is equal to the fiscal year 2015 appropriation and $1,180,000 below the fiscal year 2016 request.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISION

SEC. 1201. The Committee has included a routine administrative provision regarding reimbursable and revolving funds carried in prior years.

GOVERNMENT PUBLISHING OFFICE

The U.S. Government Publishing Office [GPO] is the Federal Government's primary centralized resource for gathering, cataloging, producing, providing, and preserving published information in all its forms. By law and tradition, the GPO's mission is to provide expert publishing and printing services to all three branches of Government; to provide, in partnership with Federal depository libraries, permanent public access to the printed and electronic information products of all three branches of the Federal Govern-

ment; and to sell copies of authentic printed and electronic documents and other government information products to the public.

GPO's core mission dates to 1813 when Congress determined that information regarding the work of the Federal Government should be available to all Americans. Over 200 years later, GPO's mission remains unchanged. However, the means for producing and distributing that information has transformed dramatically with the advent of the digital revolution.

Today, GPO provides free online public access to more than one million searchable titles, including the Budget of the U.S. Government, the Code of Federal Regulations, the Congressional Record, and congressional bills, hearings, and reports. GPO also provides access to Government information in digital format through apps, eBooks, and related technologies. In April of 2014, GPO surpassed the milestone of one billion electronic retrievals from its Federal Digital System [FDsys], symbolizing the evolution of how Americans access information in the digital era.

CONGRESSIONAL PUBLISHING

Appropriations, 2015	$79,736,000
Budget estimate, 2016	79,736,000
House allowance	79,736,000
Committee recommendation	79,736,000

The appropriation for Congressional Publishing supports transparency of the congressional process by funding digital and print publication of congressional proceedings, including the Congressional Record, bills, amendments, Committee reports, and hearing transcripts. This appropriation also supports the direct publication and printing needs of Congress.

The Committee recommends $79,736,000 for congressional publishing. The recommendation is equal to the fiscal year 2015 appropriation and the 2016 request.

The following table compares the component categories within this account for fiscal year 2015 and the fiscal year 2016 request. The Committee has not recommended separate amounts for each activity in order to give the GPO the flexibility to meet changing requirements.

CONGRESSIONAL PUBLISHING

	Fiscal year 2015 enacted	Fiscal year 2016 requested	Committee recommendation
Congressional Record Publications	$21,400,000	$23,399,000	$23,399,000
Miscellaneous publications	4,287,000	4,134,000	4,134,000
Miscellaneous publishing and services	16,006,000	16,362,000	16,362,000
Details to Congress	5,172,000	5,172,000	5,172,000
Document envelopes and document franks	1,050,000	1,127,000	1,127,000
Business and committee calendars	2,563,000	3,625,000	3,625,000
Bills, resolutions, and amendments	4,611,000	4,165,000	4,165,000
Committee reports	3,082,000	3,318,000	3,318,000
Documents	3,176,000	2,677,000	2,677,000
Hearings	19,925,000	20,689,000	20,689,000
Committee prints	1,397,000	1,082,000	1,082,000
Transfers	(2,933,000)	(6,014,000)	(6,014,000)
Total	79,736,000	79,736,000	79,736,000

PUBLIC INFORMATION PROGRAMS OF THE OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF DOCUMENTS

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

Appropriations, 2015	$31,500,000
Budget estimate, 2016	30,500,000
House allowance	30,500,000
Committee recommendation	30,500,000

This appropriation provides for salaries and expenses associated with the distribution of electronic and printed Government documents to depository and international exchange libraries, the cataloging and indexing of Government publications, and the distribution of electronic and printed publications authorized by law at the request of Members of Congress and other Government agencies.

The Committee recommends $30,500,000 for salaries and expenses of the Public Information Programs of the Office of the Superintendent of Documents. The recommendation is $1,000,000 below the fiscal year 2015 appropriation and equal to the fiscal year 2016 request.

GOVERNMENT PUBLISHING OFFICE BUSINESS OPERATIONS REVOLVING FUND

Appropriations, 2015	$8,757,000
Budget estimate, 2016	9,764,000
House allowance	.....
Committee recommendation	8,764,000

The Committee recommends $8,764,000 for the Government Publishing Office [GPO] Business Operations Revolving Fund. The recommendation is $7,000 above the fiscal year 2015 appropriation and $1,000,000 below the fiscal year 2016 request.

The Committee supports continued investment in the Revolving Fund as the most efficient solution to both cutting costs and ensuring efficient online access to government documents. One reason the GPO is able to meet the increased work demands and continually reduce costs is through its constant focus on capital investments to modernize information systems, production equipment, and major facility repairs. The Committee supports the GPO's continued development of its Federal Digital System and its other information technology systems given that these efforts continue to reduce costs.

GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

Appropriations, 2015	$522,000,000
Budget estimate, 2016	553,058,000
House allowance	522,000,000
Committee recommendation	525,000,000

The U.S. Government Accountability Office [GAO] is an independent nonpartisan agency that was established by the Budget and Accounting Act of 1921 to act as an auditor for Congress and investigate how the Federal Government spends taxpayer dollars.

The function of the GAO includes auditing agency operations to determine whether Federal funds are being spent efficiently and ef-

fectively; investigating allegations of illegal and improper activities; reporting on how well Government programs and policies are meeting their objectives; performing policy analyses and outlining options for congressional consideration; and issuing legal decisions and opinions, such as bid protest rulings and reports on agency rules.

The Committee recommends funding of $525,000,000 for salaries and expenses of the Government Accountability Office. The recommendation is $3,000,000 above the fiscal year 2015 appropriation and $28,058,000 below the fiscal year 2016 request.

Additionally, $25,450,000 is authorized in offsetting collections derived from rent receipts and reimbursements for conducting financial audits of Government corporations, for a total of $550,450,000.

Technology Assessment.—The Committee commends the GAO for implementing a new strategic plan for its technology assessment program that expands the scale and scope of its assessment analysis. To further enhance the GAO's technology assessment capabilities in fiscal year 2016, the Committee encourages GAO to focus hiring efforts on increasing technology assessment staff capacity.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISION

SEC. 1301. This provision authorizes details of personnel to the Government Accountability Office.

OPEN WORLD LEADERSHIP CENTER TRUST FUND

Appropriations, 2015	$5,700,000
Budget estimate, 2016	8,000,000
House allowance	
Committee recommendation	5,700,000

The Committee recommends $5,700,000 as a payment to the Open World Leadership Center Trust Fund, which is equal to the fiscal year 2015 appropriation and $2,300,000 below the fiscal year 2016 request. The Center for Russian Leadership Development was established on December 21, 2000 (Public Law 106–554) as a legislative branch entity. The Fiscal Year 2003 Consolidated Appropriation Resolution (Public Law 108–7) carried legislation (section 1401) changing the name to the Open World Leadership Center and expanding the mission of the program to include Newly Independent States of the former Soviet Union including the Baltic States. The mission of the Center is to enable emerging leaders in Russia and Newly Independent States at all levels of civic life to gain significant, first-hand exposure to the American free market economic system and the operation of American democratic institutions through visits to comparable governments and communities in the United States.

While the Committee recognizes the ongoing U.S. national interest in maintaining constructive relations with the Russian people, the Committee includes a provision that limits the Open World Leadership Center to using appropriated funds only for Russian participants engaging in free market development, humanitarian activities, and civic engagement, and not for senior officials of the central Government of Russia.

JOHN C. STENNIS CENTER FOR PUBLIC SERVICE TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT

Appropriations, 2015	$430,000
Budget estimate, 2016	430,000
House allowance	430,000
Committee recommendation	430,000

The John C. Stennis Center for Public Service Training and Development was created by Congress in 1988. The mandate of the Center is to promote and strengthen public service. The Committee recommends the budget request of $430,000 as authorized by 2 U.S.C. 1105, for the Center's congressional staff training and development programs.

TITLE II

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Included are several routine general provisions carried annually in the bill (sections 201–210), as follows:

Section 201 bans the use of appropriated funds for service and maintenance of private vehicles, except under such regulations as may be promulgated by the House Administration Committee and the Senate Rules and Administration Committee, respectively.

Section 202 limits the availability for obligation of appropriations to the fiscal year for which it is expressly provided in the bill accompanying this report.

Section 203 provides that any pay rate and title designation for a staff position created in this act, and not specifically established by the Legislative Pay Act of 1929, is to be made permanent law by this act. Further, any pay rate and title change for a position provided for in the 1929 Act is to be made permanent law by this act and any changes in the official expenses of Members, officers, and committees, and in the clerk hire of the House and Senate are to be made permanent law by this act.

Section 204 bans the use of funds for contracts unless such contracts are matters of public record and are available for public inspection.

Section 205 authorizes legislative branch entities participating in the Legislative Branch Financial Managers Council [LBFMC] to finance the costs of the LBFMC.

Section 206 authorizes the Architect of the Capitol to maintain certain property.

Section 207 prohibits unauthorized transfers of funds to other agencies.

Section 208 ensures continuation of the staff-led tours of the Capitol.

Section 209 authorizes battery recharging stations at the Library of Congress.

Section 210 is related to the cost of living adjustment for Members of Congress.

COMPLIANCE WITH PARAGRAPH 7, RULE XVI, OF THE STANDING RULES OF THE SENATE

Paragraph 7 of rule XVI requires that Committee reports on general appropriations bills identify, with particularity, each Committee amendment to the House bill "which proposes an item of appropriation which is not made to carry out the provisions of an existing law, a treaty stipulation, or an act or resolution previously passed by the Senate during that session."

The Committee has recommended no such funding.

COMPLIANCE WITH PARAGRAPH 7(c), RULE XXVI OF THE STANDING RULES OF THE SENATE

Pursuant to paragraph 7(c) of rule XXVI, on June 11, 2015, the Committee ordered favorably reported a bill (H.R. 2250) making appropriations for the legislative branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2016, and for other purposes, provided, that the bill be subject to further amendment and that the bill be consistent with its budget allocation, by a recorded vote of 27–3, a quorum being present. The vote was as follows:

Yeas	Nays
Chairman Cochran	Mrs. Murray
Mr. McConnell	Mr. Reed
Mr. Shelby	Mr. Tester
Mr. Alexander	
Ms. Collins	
Ms. Murkowski	
Mr. Graham	
Mr. Kirk	
Mr. Blunt	
Mr. Moran	
Mr. Hoeven	
Mr. Boozman	
Mrs. Capito	
Mr. Cassidy	
Mr. Lankford	
Mr. Daines	
Ms. Mikulski	
Mr. Leahy	
Mrs. Feinstein	
Mr. Durbin	
Mr. Udall	
Mrs. Shaheen	
Mr. Merkley	
Mr. Coons	
Mr. Schatz	

Ms. Baldwin
Mr. Murphy

COMPLIANCE WITH PARAGRAPH 12, RULE XXVI, OF THE STANDING RULES OF THE SENATE

Paragraph 12 of rule XXVI requires that Committee reports on a bill or joint resolution repealing or amending any statute or part of any statute include "(a) the text of the statute or part thereof which is proposed to be repealed; and (b) a comparative print of that part of the bill or joint resolution making the amendment and of the statute or part thereof proposed to be amended, showing by stricken-through type and italics, parallel columns, or other appropriate typographical devices the omissions and insertions which would be made by the bill or joint resolution if enacted in the form recommended by the Committee."

In compliance with this rule, the following changes in existing law proposed to be made by the bill are shown as follows: existing law to be omitted is enclosed in black brackets; new matter is printed in italic; and existing law in which no change is proposed is shown in roman.

TITLE 31—MONEY AND FINANCE

SUBTITLE I—GENERAL

CHAPTER 7—GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE

SUBCHAPTER III—PERSONNEL

§ 731. General

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(j) Funds appropriated to the Government Accountability Office for salaries and expenses are available for meals and other related reasonable expenses incurred in connection with recruitment.

(k) FEDERAL GOVERNMENT DETAILS.—The activities of the Government Accountability Office may, in the reasonable discretion of the Comptroller General, be carried out by sending or receiving details of personnel to other branches or agencies of the Federal Government, on a reimbursable, partially-reimbursable, or non-reimbursable basis.

LEGISLATIVE BRANCH APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 1991, PUBLIC LAW 101–520

TITLE I—CONGRESSIONAL OPERATIONS

SENATE

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SECTION 1. (a)(1) * * *
(b)(1) * * *

(2) The Chairman of the Majority or Minority Conference Committee of the Senate may, during any fiscal year, at his or her election transfer funds from the appropriation account for expenses, within the contingent fund of the Senate, for the Majority and Minority Conference Committees of the Senate, to the account from which salaries are payable for such committees.

(c)(1) The Chaplain of the Senate may, during any fiscal year, at the election of the Chaplain of the Senate, transfer funds from the appropriation account for salaries for the Office of the Chaplain of the Senate to the account, within the contingent fund of the Senate, from which expenses are payable for the Office of the Chaplain.

(2) The Chaplain of the Senate may, during any fiscal year, at the election of the Chaplain of the Senate, transfer funds from the appropriation account for expenses, within the contingent fund of the Senate, for the Office of the Chaplain to the account from which salaries are payable for the Office of the Chaplain of the Senate.

[(c)**]** *(d)* Any funds transferred under this section shall be—

(1) available for expenditure by such committee *or the Office of the Chaplain of the Senate, as the case may be,* in like manner and for the same purposes as are other moneys which are available for expenditure by such committee *or the Office of the Chaplain of the Senate, as the case may be,*from the account to which the funds were transferred; and

(2) made at such time or times as the Chairman *or the Chaplain of the Senate, as the case may be,* shall specify in writing to the Senate Disbursing Office.

[(d)**]** *(e)* The Chairman of a committee transferring funds under this section shall notify the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate of the transfer.

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2001, PUBLIC LAW 107–20

TITLE II—OTHER SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS

CHAPTER 8

LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

CAPITOL POLICE BOARD

CAPITOL POLICE

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISION

SEC. 2802. (a)(1) Any funds received by the Capitol Police as reimbursement for law enforcement assistance from any Federal, State, or local government agency (including any agency of the **[**District of Columbia**]** *District of Columbia), shall be deposited in the United States Treasury for credit to the appropriation for "GENERAL EXPENSES" under the heading "CAPITOL POLICE BOARD", or "SECURITY ENHANCEMENTS" under the heading "CAPITOL POLICE BOARD".*

(2) Funds deposited under this subsection may be expended by the Capitol Police Board for any authorized purpose, including overtime pay expenditures relating to [law enforcement assistance to any Federal, State, or local government agency (including any agency of the District of Columbia)] *any law enforcement assistance for which reimbursement described in paragraph (1) is made*, and shall remain available until expended.

BUDGETARY IMPACT OF BILL

PREPARED IN CONSULTATION WITH THE CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE PURSUANT TO SEC. 308(a), PUBLIC LAW 93–344, AS AMENDED

[In millions of dollars]

	Budget authority		Outlays	
	Committee allocation	Amount in bill	Committee allocation	Amount in bill
Comparison of amounts in the bill with the subcommittee allocation for 2016: Subcommittee on the Legislative Branch:				
Mandatory	135	135	134	[1] 134
Discretionary	4,309	4,309	4,267	[1] 4,265
Security	.....	.....	NA	NA
Nonsecurity	4,309	4,309	NA	NA
Overseas Contingency Operations/Global War on Terrorism	.....	.....	.....	.....
Projections of outlays associated with the recommendation:				
2016	.....	.....	.....	[2] 3,676
2017	.....	.....	.....	484
2017	.....	.....	.....	142
2018	.....	.....	.....	46
2019 and future years	.....	.....	.....	28
Financial assistance to State and local governments for 2016	NA	.....	NA	.....

[1] Includes outlays from prior-year budget authority.
[2] Excludes outlays from prior-year budget authority.

NA: Not applicable.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF NEW BUDGET (OBLIGATIONAL) AUTHORITY FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015 AND BUDGET ESTIMATES AND AMOUNTS RECOMMENDED IN THE BILL FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016

[In thousands of dollars]

Item	2015 appropriation	Budget estimate	House allowance	Committee recommendation	Senate Committee recommendation compared with (+ or −)		
					2015 appropriation	House allowance	Budget estimate
TITLE I—LEGISLATIVE BRANCH							
SENATE							
Expense allowances:							
Vice President	19	19		19			+19
President Pro Tempore of the Senate	38	38		38			+38
Majority Leader of the Senate	40	40		40			+40
Minority Leader of the Senate	40	40		40			+40
Majority Whip of the Senate	10	10		10			+10
Minority Whip of the Senate	10	10		10			+10
Chairman of the Majority Conference Committee	5	5		5			+5
Chairman of the Minority Conference Committee	5	5		5			+5
Chairman of the Majority Policy Committee	5	5		5			+5
Chairman of the Minority Policy Committee	5	5		5			+5
Subtotal, expense allowances	177	177		177			+177
Representation allowances for the Majority and Minority Leaders	28	28		28			+28
Total, Expense allowances and representation	205	205		205			+205
Salaries, Officers and Employees							
Office of the Vice President	2,417	2,448		2,417		−31	+2,417
Office of the President Pro Tempore	723	733		723		−10	+723
Offices of the Majority and Minority Leaders	5,256	5,322		5,256		−66	+5,256
Offices of the Majority and Minority Whips	3,359	3,403		3,359		−44	+3,359
Committee on Appropriations	15,142	15,329		15,142		−187	+15,142
Conference committees	3,316	3,360		3,316		−44	+3,316
Offices of the Secretaries of the Conference of the Majority and the Conference of the Minority	817	831		817		−14	+817

Policy committees	3,386	3,430	.....	3,386	.....	−44	+3,386
Office of the Chaplain	417	424	.....	437	+20	+13	+437
Office of the Secretary	24,772	25,077	.....	24,772	.....	−305	+24,772
Office of the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper	69,000	71,533	.....	69,000	.....	−2,533	+69,000
Offices of the Secretaries for the Majority and Minority	1,762	1,786	.....	1,762	.....	−24	+1,762
Agency contributions and related expenses	47,356	50,786	.....	48,797	+1,441	−1,989	+48,797
Total, Salaries, officers and employees	177,723	184,462	.....	179,184	+1,461	−5,278	+179,184
Office of the Legislative Counsel of the Senate							
Salaries and expenses	5,409	5,643	.....	5,409	.....	−234	+5,409
Office of Senate Legal Counsel							
Salaries and expenses	1,120	1,133	.....	1,120	.....	−13	+1,120
Expense Allowances of the Secretary of the Senate, Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate, and Secretaries for the Majority and Minority of the Senate: Expenses allowances	28	28	.....	28	.....	.....	+28
Contingent Expenses of the Senate							
Inquiries and investigations	133,265	135,747	.....	133,265	.....	−2,482	+133,265
Expenses of United States Senate Caucus on International Narcotics Control	508	516	.....	508	.....	−8	+508
Secretary of the Senate	6,250	8,750	.....	8,750	+2,500	.....	+8,750
Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate	128,300	133,974	.....	130,000	+1,700	−3,974	+130,000
Miscellaneous items	21,178	21,401	.....	21,390	+212	−11	+21,390
Senators' Official Personnel and Office Expense Account	390,000	438,245	.....	390,000	.....	−48,245	+390,000
Official Mail Costs							
Expenses	300	300	.....	300	.....	.....	+300
Total, Contingent expenses of the Senate	679,801	738,933	.....	684,213	+4,412	−54,720	+684,213
Total, Senate	864,286	930,404	.....	870,159	+5,873	−60,245	+870,159
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES							
Payment to Widows and Heirs of Deceased Members of Congress	.....	.....	174	174	+174	+174	.....

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[In thousands of dollars]

Item	2015 appropriation	Budget estimate	House allowance	Committee recommendation	Senate Committee recommendation compared with (+ or −)		
					2015 appropriation	House allowance	Budget estimate
Salaries and Expenses							
House Leadership Offices							
Office of the Speaker	6,645	6,645	6,645	6,645	.....	.....	.....
Office of the Majority Floor Leader	2,180	2,180	2,180	2,180	.....	.....	.....
Office of the Minority Floor Leader	7,114	7,114	7,114	7,114	.....	.....	.....
Office of the Majority Whip	1,887	1,887	1,887	1,887	.....	.....	.....
Office of the Minority Whip	1,460	1,460	1,460	1,460	.....	.....	.....
Republican Conference	1,505	1,505	1,505	1,505	.....	.....	.....
Democratic Caucus	1,487	1,487	1,487	1,487	.....	.....	.....
Subtotal, House Leadership Offices	22,278	22,278	22,278	22,278	.....	.....	.....
Members' Representational Allowances Including Members' Clerk Hire, Official Expenses of Members, and Official Mail							
Expenses	554,318	554,318	554,318	554,318	.....	.....	.....
Committee Employees							
Standing Committees, Special and Select	123,903	123,903	123,903	123,903	.....	.....	.....
Committee on Appropriations (including studies and investigations)	23,271	23,271	23,271	23,271	.....	.....	.....
Subtotal, Committee employees	147,174	147,174	147,174	147,174	.....	.....	.....
Salaries, Officers and Employees							
Office of the Clerk	24,009	24,981	24,981	24,981	+972	.....	.....
Office of the Sergeant at Arms	11,927	14,827	14,827	14,827	+2,900	.....	.....
Office of the Chief Administrative Officer	113,100	117,165	115,010	115,010	+1,910	−2,155	.....
Office of the Inspector General	4,742	4,742	4,742	4,742	.....	.....	.....
Office of General Counsel	1,341	1,413	1,413	1,413	+72	.....	.....
Office of the Parliamentarian	1,952	1,975	1,975	1,975	+23	.....	.....

Office of the Law Revision Counsel of the House	4,088	3,120	3,120	3,120	−968	.....	.....
Office of the Legislative Counsel of the House	8,893	8,353	8,353	8,353	−540	.....	.....
Office of Interparliamentary Affairs	814	814	814	814	.....	.....	.....
Other authorized employees	479	479	479	479	.....	.....	.....
Subtotal, Salaries, officers and employees	171,345	177,869	175,714	175,714	+4,369	−2,155	.....
Allowances and Expenses							
Supplies, materials, administrative costs and Federal tort claims	4,153	3,625	3,625	3,625	−528	.....	.....
Official mail for committees, leadership offices, and administrative offices of the House	190	190	190	190	.....	.....	.....
Government contributions	256,636	252,164	254,448	254,448	−2,188	+2,284	.....
Business continuity and disaster recovery	16,217	16,289	16,217	16,217	.....	−72	.....
Transition activities	3,737	2,084	2,084	2,084	−1,653	.....	.....
Wounded Warrior program	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500	.....	.....	.....
Office of Congressional Ethics	1,467	1,524	1,467	1,467	.....	−57	.....
Miscellaneous items	720	720	720	720	.....	.....	.....
Subtotal, Allowances and expenses	285,620	279,096	281,251	281,251	−4,369	+2,155	.....
Total, House of Representatives	1,180,735	1,180,735	1,180,909	1,180,909	+174	+174	.....
JOINT ITEMS							
Joint Economic Committee	4,203	4,254	4,203	4,203	.....	−51	.....
Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies	.....	.....	.....	1,250	+1,250	+1,250	+1,250
Joint Committee on Taxation	10,095	10,300	10,095	10,095	.....	−205	.....
Office of the Attending Physician							
Medical supplies, equipment, expenses, and allowances	3,371	3,797	3,784	3,371	.....	−426	−413
Office of Congressional Accessibility Services	1,387	1,416	1,387	1,387	.....	−29	.....
Total, Joint items	19,056	19,767	19,469	20,306	+1,250	+539	+837
CAPITOL POLICE							
Salaries	286,500	307,428	300,000	300,000	+13,500	−7,428	.....
General expenses	61,459	71,472	69,000	66,465	+5,006	−5,007	−2,535
Total, Capitol Police	347,959	378,900	369,000	366,465	+18,506	−12,435	−2,535

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[In thousands of dollars]

Item	2015 appropriation	Budget estimate	House allowance	Committee recommendation	Senate Committee recommendation compared with (+ or −)		
					2015 appropriation	House allowance	Budget estimate
OFFICE OF COMPLIANCE							
Salaries and expenses	3,959	4,020	3,959	3,959	.....	−61	.....
CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE							
Salaries and expenses	45,700	47,270	47,270	45,700	.....	−1,570	−1,570
ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL							
Capitol Construction and Operations [1]	91,455	95,396	90,946	91,589	+134	−3,807	+643
Capitol building	54,665	58,052	46,737	45,546	−9,119	−12,506	−1,191
Capitol grounds	11,973	15,273	11,880	11,973	.....	−3,300	+93
Senate office buildings	94,313	84,748	.....	84,221	−10,092	−527	+84,221
House of Representatives buildings:							
House office buildings	89,447	90,282	149,962	149,962	+60,515	+59,680	.....
House Historic Buildings Revitalization Trust Fund	70,000	70,000	10,000	10,000	−60,000	−60,000	.....
Capitol Power Plant	99,652	129,803	100,550	110,601	+10,949	−19,202	+10,051
Offsetting collections	−9,000	−9,000	−9,000	−9,000	.....	.....	.....
Subtotal, Capitol Power Plant	90,652	120,803	91,550	101,601	+10,949	−19,202	+10,051
Library buildings and grounds	42,180	65,801	36,589	29,132	−13,048	−36,669	−7,457
Capitol police buildings, grounds, and security	19,159	28,247	22,058	22,535	+3,376	−5,712	+477
Botanic Garden	15,573	12,113	11,892	11,980	−3,593	−133	+88
Capitol Visitor Center:							
CVC operations	20,844	21,043	20,557	20,844	.....	−199	+287
Total, Architect of the Capitol	600,261	661,758	492,171	579,383	−20,878	−82,375	+87,212
LIBRARY OF CONGRESS							
Salaries and expenses	419,357	444,370	419,357	421,607	+2,250	−22,763	+2,250

Authority to spend receipts	−6,350	−6,350	−6,350	−6,350	.....	.....	.....
Subtotal, Salaries and expenses	413,007	438,020	413,007	415,257	+2,250	−22,763	+2,250
Copyright Office, salaries and expenses	54,303	58,875	57,008	56,490	+2,187	−2,385	−518
Authority to spend receipts	−33,582	−35,777	−35,777	−35,777	−2,195	.....	.....
Subtotal, Copyright Office	20,721	23,098	21,231	20,713	−8	−2,385	−518
Congressional Research Service, Salaries and expenses	106,945	111,956	106,945	106,945	.....	−5,011	.....
Books for the blind and physically handicapped, Salaries and expenses	50,248	51,428	50,248	50,248	.....	−1,180	.....
Total, Library of Congress	590,921	624,502	591,431	593,163	+2,242	−31,339	+1,732
GOVERNMENT PUBLISHING OFFICE							
Congressional publishing	79,736	79,736	79,736	79,736	.....	.....	.....
Public Information Programs of the Superintendent of Documents, Salaries and expenses	31,500	30,500	30,500	30,500	−1,000	.....	.....
Government Publishing Office Business Operations Revolving Fund	8,757	9,764	.....	8,764	+7	−1,000	+8,764
Total, Government Publishing Office	119,993	120,000	110,236	119,000	−993	−1,000	+8,764
GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE							
Salaries and expenses	545,750	578,508	547,450	550,450	+4,700	−28,058	+3,000
Offsetting collections	−23,750	−25,450	−25,450	−25,450	−1,700	.....	.....
Total, Government Accountability Office	522,000	553,058	522,000	525,000	+3,000	−28,058	+3,000
OPEN WORLD LEADERSHIP CENTER TRUST FUND							
Payment to the Open World Leadership Center Trust Fund	5,700	8,000	.....	5,700	.....	−2,300	+5,700
JOHN C. STENNIS CENTER FOR PUBLIC SERVICE TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT							
Stennis Center for Public Service	430	430	430	430	.....	.....	.....
GENERAL PROVISIONS							
Scorekeeping adjustment (CBO estimate)	−1,000	.....	−1,000	−1,000	.....	−1,000	.....
Grand total	4,300,000	4,528,844	3,335,875	4,309,174	+9,174	−219,670	+973,299

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF NEW BUDGET (OBLIGATIONAL) AUTHORITY FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015 AND BUDGET ESTIMATES AND AMOUNTS RECOMMENDED IN THE BILL FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016—Continued

[In thousands of dollars]

Item	2015 appropriation	Budget estimate	House allowance	Committee recommendation	Senate Committee recommendation compared with (+ or −)		
					2015 appropriation	House allowance	Budget estimate
RECAPITULATION							
Senate	864,286	930,404	.....	870,159	+5,873	−60,245	+870,159
House of Representatives	1,180,735	1,180,735	1,180,909	1,180,909	+174	+174	.....
Joint Items	19,056	19,767	19,469	20,306	+1,250	+539	+837
Capitol Police	347,959	378,900	369,000	366,465	+18,506	−12,435	−2,535
Office of Compliance	3,959	4,020	3,959	3,959	.....	−61	.....
Congressional Budget Office	45,700	47,270	47,270	45,700	.....	−1,570	−1,570
Architect of the Capitol	600,261	661,758	492,171	579,383	−20,878	−82,375	+87,212
Library of Congress	590,921	624,502	591,431	593,163	+2,242	−31,339	+1,732
Government Publishing Office	119,993	120,000	110,236	119,000	−993	−1,000	+8,764
Government Accountability Office	522,000	553,058	522,000	525,000	+3,000	−28,058	+3,000
Open World Leadership Center	5,700	8,000	.....	5,700	.....	−2,300	+5,700
Stennis Center for Public Service	430	430	430	430	.....	.....	.....
General Provisions	−1,000	.....	−1,000	−1,000	.....	−1,000	.....
Grand total	4,300,000	4,528,844	3,335,875	4,309,174	+9,174	−219,670	+973,299
Discretionary	(4,300,000)	(4,528,844)	(3,335,701)	(4,309,000)	(+9,000)	(−219,844)	(+973,299)
Mandatory	.....	.....	(174)	(174)	(+174)	(+174)	.....

[1] Budget Request proposes Operations.

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