

1 *States; (2) provides to the Committees on Appropriations*
2 *of both Houses of Congress (“the Committees”) a report de-*
3 *tailing the findings of the cost analysis; and (3) certifies*
4 *in writing to the Committees that the preferred site for the*
5 *consolidation or relocation yields the greatest savings for*
6 *the Air Force: Provided, That the term “United States” in*
7 *this section does not include any territory or possession of*
8 *the United States.*

9

TITLE II

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

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VETERANS BENEFITS ADMINISTRATION

12

COMPENSATION AND PENSIONS

13

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

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15 *For the payment of compensation benefits to or on be-*
16 *half of veterans and a pilot program for disability examina-*
17 *tions as authorized by section 107 and chapters 11, 13, 18,*
18 *51, 53, 55, and 61 of title 38, United States Code; pension*
19 *benefits to or on behalf of veterans as authorized by chapters*
20 *15, 51, 53, 55, and 61 of title 38, United States Code; and*
21 *Survivors, emergency and other officers’ retirement pay, ad-*
22 *justed-service credits and certificates, payment of premiums*
23 *due on commercial life insurance policies guaranteed under*
24 *the provisions of title IV of the Servicemembers Civil Relief*
25 *Act (50 U.S.C. App. 541 et seq.) and for other benefits as*

1 *authorized by sections 107, 1312, 1977, and 2106, and*
2 *chapters 23, 51, 53, 55, and 61 of title 38, United States*
3 *Code, \$166,271,436,000, to remain available until ex-*
4 *pended, of which \$87,146,761,000 shall become available on*
5 *October 1, 2016: Provided, That not to exceed \$15,562,000*
6 *of the amount appropriated for fiscal year 2016 and*
7 *\$16,021,000 of the amount made available for fiscal year*
8 *2017 under this heading shall be reimbursed to “General*
9 *Operating Expenses, Veterans Benefits Administration”,*
10 *and “Information Technology Systems” for necessary ex-*
11 *penses in implementing the provisions of chapters 51, 53,*
12 *and 55 of title 38, United States Code, the funding source*
13 *for which is specifically provided as the “Compensation and*
14 *Pensions” appropriation: Provided further, That such sums*
15 *as may be earned on an actual qualifying patient basis,*
16 *shall be reimbursed to “Medical Care Collections Fund” to*
17 *augment the funding of individual medical facilities for*
18 *nursing home care provided to pensioners as authorized.*

19 *READJUSTMENT BENEFITS*

20 *For the payment of readjustment and rehabilitation*
21 *benefits to or on behalf of veterans as authorized by chapters*
22 *21, 30, 31, 33, 34, 35, 36, 39, 41, 51, 53, 55, and 61 of*
23 *title 38, United States Code, \$32,088,826,000, to remain*
24 *available until expended, of which \$16,743,904,000 shall be-*
25 *come available on October 1, 2016: Provided, That expenses*

1 *for rehabilitation program services and assistance which the*
2 *Secretary is authorized to provide under subsection (a) of*
3 *section 3104 of title 38, United States Code, other than*
4 *under paragraphs (1), (2), (5), and (11) of that subsection,*
5 *shall be charged to this account.*

6 *VETERANS INSURANCE AND INDEMNITIES*

7 *For military and naval insurance, national service life*
8 *insurance, servicemen's indemnities, service-disabled vet-*
9 *erans insurance, and veterans mortgage life insurance as*
10 *authorized by chapters 19 and 21, title 38, United States*
11 *Code, \$169,080,000, to remain available until expended, of*
12 *which \$91,920,000 shall become available on October 1,*
13 *2016.*

14 *VETERANS HOUSING BENEFIT PROGRAM FUND*

15 *For the cost of direct and guaranteed loans, such sums*
16 *as may be necessary to carry out the program, as authorized*
17 *by subchapters I through III of chapter 37 of title 38,*
18 *United States Code: Provided, That such costs, including*
19 *the cost of modifying such loans, shall be as defined in sec-*
20 *tion 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974: Provided*
21 *further, That, during fiscal year 2016, within the resources*
22 *available, not to exceed \$500,000 in gross obligations for*
23 *direct loans are authorized for specially adapted housing*
24 *loans.*

1 *erans described in section 1705(a) of title 38, United States*
2 *Code, including care and treatment in facilities not under*
3 *the jurisdiction of the Department, and including medical*
4 *supplies and equipment, bioengineering services, food serv-*
5 *ices, and salaries and expenses of healthcare employees*
6 *hired under title 38, United States Code, aid to State homes*
7 *as authorized by section 1741 of title 38, United States*
8 *Code, assistance and support services for caregivers as au-*
9 *thorized by section 1720G of title 38, United States Code,*
10 *loan repayments authorized by section 604 of the Caregivers*
11 *and Veterans Omnibus Health Services Act of 2010 (Public*
12 *Law 111–163; 124 Stat. 1174; 38 U.S.C. 7681 note), and*
13 *hospital care and medical services authorized by section*
14 *1787 of title 38, United States Code; \$1,124,197,000, which*
15 *shall be in addition to funds previously appropriated under*
16 *this heading that become available on October 1, 2015; and,*
17 *in addition, \$51,673,000,000, plus reimbursements, shall*
18 *become available on October 1, 2016, and shall remain*
19 *available until September 30, 2017: Provided, That, of the*
20 *amount made available on October 1, 2016, under this*
21 *heading, \$1,400,000,000 shall remain available until Sep-*
22 *tember 30, 2018: Provided further, That, notwithstanding*
23 *any other provision of law, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs*
24 *shall establish a priority for the provision of medical treat-*
25 *ment for veterans who have service-connected disabilities,*

1 *lower income, or have special needs: Provided further, That,*
2 *notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary*
3 *of Veterans Affairs shall give priority funding for the provi-*
4 *sion of basic medical benefits to veterans in enrollment pri-*
5 *ority groups 1 through 6: Provided further, That, notwith-*
6 *standing any other provision of law, the Secretary of Vet-*
7 *erans Affairs may authorize the dispensing of prescription*
8 *drugs from Veterans Health Administration facilities to en-*
9 *rolled veterans with privately written prescriptions based*
10 *on requirements established by the Secretary: Provided fur-*
11 *ther, That the implementation of the program described in*
12 *the previous proviso shall incur no additional cost to the*
13 *Department of Veterans Affairs: Provided further, That, of*
14 *the amount made available on October 1, 2016, under this*
15 *heading, not less than \$900,000,000 shall be available for*
16 *highly effective Hepatitis C Virus (HCV) clinical treat-*
17 *ments including clinical treatments with modern medica-*
18 *tions that have significantly higher cure rates than older*
19 *medications, are easier to prescribe, and have fewer and*
20 *milder side effects.*

21 *MEDICAL SUPPORT AND COMPLIANCE*

22 *For necessary expenses in the administration of the*
23 *medical, hospital, nursing home, domiciliary, construction,*
24 *supply, and research activities, as authorized by law; ad-*
25 *ministrative expenses in support of capital policy activities;*

1 *and administrative and legal expenses of the Department*
2 *for collecting and recovering amounts owed the Department*
3 *as authorized under chapter 17 of title 38, United States*
4 *Code, and the Federal Medical Care Recovery Act (42*
5 *U.S.C. 2651 et seq.), \$6,524,000,000, plus reimbursements,*
6 *shall become available on October 1, 2016, and shall remain*
7 *available until September 30, 2017: Provided, That, of the*
8 *amount made available on October 1, 2016, under this*
9 *heading, \$100,000,000 shall remain available until Sep-*
10 *tember 30, 2018.*

11 *MEDICAL FACILITIES*

12 *For necessary expenses for the maintenance and oper-*
13 *ation of hospitals, nursing homes, domiciliary facilities,*
14 *and other necessary facilities of the Veterans Health Admin-*
15 *istration; for administrative expenses in support of plan-*
16 *ning, design, project management, real property acquisition*
17 *and disposition, construction, and renovation of any facil-*
18 *ity under the jurisdiction or for the use of the Department;*
19 *for oversight, engineering, and architectural activities not*
20 *charged to project costs; for repairing, altering, improving,*
21 *or providing facilities in the several hospitals and homes*
22 *under the jurisdiction of the Department, not otherwise pro-*
23 *vided for, either by contract or by the hire of temporary*
24 *employees and purchase of materials; for leases of facilities;*
25 *and for laundry services, \$5,074,000,000, plus reimburse-*

1 *ments, shall become available on October 1, 2016, and shall*
2 *remain available until September 30, 2017: Provided, That,*
3 *of the amount made available on October 1, 2016, under*
4 *this heading, \$250,000,000 shall remain available until*
5 *September 30, 2018.*

6 *MEDICAL AND PROSTHETIC RESEARCH*

7 *For necessary expenses in carrying out programs of*
8 *medical and prosthetic research and development as author-*
9 *ized by chapter 73 of title 38, United States Code,*
10 *\$621,813,000, plus reimbursements, shall remain available*
11 *until September 30, 2017.*

12 *NATIONAL CEMETERY ADMINISTRATION*

13 *For necessary expenses of the National Cemetery Ad-*
14 *ministration for operations and maintenance, not otherwise*
15 *provided for, including uniforms or allowances therefor;*
16 *cemeterial expenses as authorized by law; purchase of one*
17 *passenger motor vehicle for use in cemeterial operations;*
18 *hire of passenger motor vehicles; and repair, alteration or*
19 *improvement of facilities under the jurisdiction of the Na-*
20 *tional Cemetery Administration, \$266,220,000, of which*
21 *not to exceed \$26,600,000 shall remain available until Sep-*
22 *tember 30, 2017.*

1 *DEPARTMENTAL ADMINISTRATION*2 *GENERAL ADMINISTRATION*3 *(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)*

4 *For necessary operating expenses of the Department of*
5 *Veterans Affairs, not otherwise provided for, including ad-*
6 *ministrative expenses in support of Department-Wide cap-*
7 *ital planning, management and policy activities, uniforms,*
8 *or allowances therefor; not to exceed \$25,000 for official re-*
9 *ception and representation expenses; hire of passenger*
10 *motor vehicles; and reimbursement of the General Services*
11 *Administration for security guard services, \$321,591,000,*
12 *of which not to exceed \$10,000,000 shall remain available*
13 *until September 30, 2017: Provided, That funds provided*
14 *under this heading may be transferred to "General Oper-*
15 *ating Expenses, Veterans Benefits Administration".*

16 *BOARD OF VETERANS APPEALS*

17 *For necessary operating expenses of the Board of Vet-*
18 *erans Appeals, \$107,884,000, of which not to exceed*
19 *\$10,788,000 shall remain available until September 30,*
20 *2017.*

21 *GENERAL OPERATING EXPENSES, VETERANS BENEFITS*22 *ADMINISTRATION*

23 *For necessary operating expenses of the Veterans Bene-*
24 *fits Administration, not otherwise provided for, including*
25 *hire of passenger motor vehicles, reimbursement of the Gen-*

1 *eral Services Administration for security guard services,*
2 *and reimbursement of the Department of Defense for the*
3 *cost of overseas employee mail, \$2,697,734,000: Provided,*
4 *That expenses for services and assistance authorized under*
5 *paragraphs (1), (2), (5), and (11) of section 3104(a) of title*
6 *38, United States Code, that the Secretary of Veterans Af-*
7 *fairs determines are necessary to enable entitled veterans:*
8 *(1) to the maximum extent feasible, to become employable*
9 *and to obtain and maintain suitable employment; or (2)*
10 *to achieve maximum independence in daily living, shall be*
11 *charged to this account: Provided further, That, of the funds*
12 *made available under this heading, not to exceed*
13 *\$160,000,000 shall remain available until September 30,*
14 *2017.*

15 *INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS*

16 *For necessary expenses for information technology sys-*
17 *tems and telecommunications support, including develop-*
18 *mental information systems and operational information*
19 *systems; for pay and associated costs; and for the capital*
20 *asset acquisition of information technology systems, includ-*
21 *ing management and related contractual costs of said ac-*
22 *quisitions, including contractual costs associated with oper-*
23 *ations authorized by section 3109 of title 5, United States*
24 *Code, \$4,106,363,000, plus reimbursements: Provided, That*
25 *\$1,115,757,000 shall be for pay and associated costs, of*

1 *which not to exceed \$34,800,000 shall remain available*
2 *until September 30, 2017: Provided further, That*
3 *\$2,512,863,000 shall be for operations and maintenance, of*
4 *which not to exceed \$175,000,000 shall remain available*
5 *until September 30, 2017: Provided further, That*
6 *\$477,743,000 shall be for information technology systems*
7 *development, modernization, and enhancement, and shall*
8 *remain available until September 30, 2017: Provided fur-*
9 *ther, That amounts made available for information tech-*
10 *nology systems development, modernization, and enhance-*
11 *ment may not be obligated or expended until the Secretary*
12 *of Veterans Affairs or the Chief Information Officer of the*
13 *Department of Veterans Affairs submits to the Committees*
14 *on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress a certifi-*
15 *cation of the amounts, in parts or in full, to be obligated*
16 *and expended for each development project: Provided fur-*
17 *ther, That amounts made available for salaries and ex-*
18 *penses, operations and maintenance, and information tech-*
19 *nology systems development, modernization, and enhance-*
20 *ment may be transferred among the three subaccounts after*
21 *the Secretary of Veterans Affairs requests from the Commit-*
22 *tees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress the au-*
23 *thority to make the transfer and an approval is issued: Pro-*
24 *vided further, That amounts made available for the “Infor-*
25 *mation Technology Systems” account for development, mod-*

1 *ernization, and enhancement may be transferred among*
2 *projects or to newly defined projects: Provided further, That*
3 *no project may be increased or decreased by more than*
4 *\$1,000,000 of cost prior to submitting a request to the Com-*
5 *mittees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress to*
6 *make the transfer and an approval is issued, or absent a*
7 *response, a period of 30 days has elapsed: Provided further,*
8 *That funds under this heading may be used by the Inter-*
9 *agency Program Office through the Department of Veterans*
10 *Affairs to develop a standard data reference terminology*
11 *model: Provided further, That, of the funds made available*
12 *for information technology systems development, mod-*
13 *ernization, and enhancement for VistA Evolution, not more*
14 *than 25 percent may be obligated or expended until the Sec-*
15 *retary of Veterans Affairs submits to the Committees on Ap-*
16 *propriations of both Houses of Congress, and such Commit-*
17 *tees approve, a report that describes: (1) the status of and*
18 *changes to the VistA Evolution program plan dated March*
19 *24, 2014 (hereinafter referred to as the “Plan”), the VistA*
20 *4 product roadmap dated February 26, 2015 (“Roadmap”),*
21 *and the VistA 4 Incremental Life Cycle Cost Estimate,*
22 *dated October 26, 2014; (2) any changes to the scope or*
23 *functionality of projects within the VistA Evolution pro-*
24 *gram as established in the Plan; (3) actual program costs*
25 *incurred to date; (4) progress in meeting the schedule mile-*

1 *stones that have been established in the Plan; (5) a Project*
2 *Management Accountability System (PMAS) Dashboard*
3 *Progress report that identifies each VistA Evolution project*
4 *being tracked through PMAS, what functionality it is in-*
5 *tended to provide, and what evaluation scores it has re-*
6 *ceived throughout development; (6) the definition being used*
7 *for interoperability between the electronic health record sys-*
8 *tems of the Department of Defense and the Department of*
9 *Veterans Affairs, the metrics to measure the extent of inter-*
10 *operability, the milestones and timeline associated with*
11 *achieving interoperability, and the baseline measurements*
12 *associated with interoperability; (7) progress toward devel-*
13 *oping and implementing all components and levels of inter-*
14 *operability, including semantic interoperability; (8) the*
15 *change management tools in place to facilitate the imple-*
16 *mentation of VistA Evolution and interoperability; and (9)*
17 *any changes to the governance structure for the VistA Evo-*
18 *lution program and its chain of decisionmaking authority:*
19 *Provided further, That the funds made available under this*
20 *heading for information technology systems development,*
21 *modernization, and enhancement, shall be for the projects,*
22 *and in the amounts, specified under this heading in the*
23 *report accompanying this Act.*

1 OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

2 For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector Gen-
3 eral, to include information technology, in carrying out the
4 provisions of the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C.
5 App.), \$126,766,000, of which \$12,676,000 shall remain
6 available until September 30, 2017.

7 CONSTRUCTION, MAJOR PROJECTS

8 For constructing, altering, extending, and improving
9 any of the facilities, including parking projects, under the
10 jurisdiction or for the use of the Department of Veterans
11 Affairs, or for any of the purposes set forth in sections 316,
12 2404, 2406 and chapter 81 of title 38, United States Code,
13 not otherwise provided for, including planning, architec-
14 tural and engineering services, construction management
15 services, maintenance or guarantee period services costs as-
16 sociated with equipment guarantees provided under the
17 project, services of claims analysts, offsite utility and storm
18 drainage system construction costs, and site acquisition,
19 where the estimated cost of a project is more than the
20 amount set forth in section 8104(a)(3)(A) of title 38, United
21 States Code, or where funds for a project were made avail-
22 able in a previous major project appropriation,
23 \$1,027,064,000, of which \$967,064,000 shall remain avail-
24 able until September 30, 2020, and of which \$60,000,000
25 shall remain available until expended: Provided, That ex-

1 *cept for advance planning activities, including needs assess-*
2 *ments which may or may not lead to capital investments,*
3 *and other capital asset management related activities, in-*
4 *cluding portfolio development and management activities,*
5 *and investment strategy studies funded through the advance*
6 *planning fund and the planning and design activities fund-*
7 *ed through the design fund, including needs assessments*
8 *which may or may not lead to capital investments, and*
9 *salaries and associated costs of the resident engineers who*
10 *oversee those capital investments funded through this ac-*
11 *count, and funds provided for the purchase of land for the*
12 *National Cemetery Administration through the land acqui-*
13 *sition line item, none of the funds made available under*
14 *this heading shall be used for any project which has not*
15 *been approved by the Congress in the budgetary process:*
16 *Provided further, That funds made available under this*
17 *heading for fiscal year 2016, for each approved project shall*
18 *be obligated: (1) by the awarding of a construction docu-*
19 *ments contract by September 30, 2016; and (2) by the*
20 *awarding of a construction contract by September 30, 2017:*
21 *Provided further, That the Secretary of Veterans Affairs*
22 *shall promptly submit to the Committees on Appropriations*
23 *of both Houses of Congress a written report on any ap-*
24 *proved major construction project for which obligations are*
25 *not incurred within the time limitations established above:*

1 *Provided further, That, of the amount made available on*
2 *October 1, 2016, under this heading, \$490,700,000 for Vet-*
3 *erans Health Administration major construction projects*
4 *shall not be available until the Secretary of Veterans Af-*
5 *airs:*

6 (1) *Enters into an agreement with the U.S.*
7 *Army Corps of Engineers, to serve as the design and*
8 *construction agent for Veterans Health Administra-*
9 *tion projects with a Total Estimated Cost of*
10 *\$250,000,000 or above.*

11 (2) *That such an agreement will designate the*
12 *U.S. Army Corps of Engineers as the design and con-*
13 *struction agent to serve as—*

14 (A) *the overall construction project man-*
15 *ager, with a dedicated project delivery team in-*
16 *cluding engineers, medical facility designers, and*
17 *professional project managers;*

18 (B) *the facility design manager, with a*
19 *dedicated design manager and technical support;*

20 (C) *the design agent, with standardized and*
21 *rigorous facility designs;*

22 (D) *the architect/engineer designer; and*

23 (E) *the overall construction agent, with a*
24 *dedicated construction and technical team dur-*

1 *ing pre-construction, construction, and commis-*
2 *sioning phases.*

3 *(3) Certifies in writing that such an agreement*
4 *is in effect and will prevent subsequent major con-*
5 *struction project cost overruns, provides a copy of the*
6 *agreement entered into (and any required supple-*
7 *mentary information) to the Committees on Appro-*
8 *ropriations of both Houses of Congress, and a period of*
9 *60 days has elapsed.*

10 *CONSTRUCTION, MINOR PROJECTS*

11 *For constructing, altering, extending, and improving*
12 *any of the facilities, including parking projects, under the*
13 *jurisdiction or for the use of the Department of Veterans*
14 *Affairs, including planning and assessments of needs which*
15 *may lead to capital investments, architectural and engi-*
16 *neering services, maintenance or guarantee period services*
17 *costs associated with equipment guarantees provided under*
18 *the project, services of claims analysts, offsite utility and*
19 *storm drainage system construction costs, and site acquisi-*
20 *tion, or for any of the purposes set forth in sections 316,*
21 *2404, 2406 and chapter 81 of title 38, United States Code,*
22 *not otherwise provided for, where the estimated cost of a*
23 *project is equal to or less than the amount set forth in sec-*
24 *tion 8104(a)(3)(A) of title 38, United States Code,*
25 *\$378,080,000, to remain available until September 30,*

1 2020, along with unobligated balances of previous “Con-
2 struction, Minor Projects” appropriations which are hereby
3 made available for any project where the estimated cost is
4 equal to or less than the amount set forth in such section:
5 Provided, That funds made available under this heading
6 shall be for: (1) repairs to any of the nonmedical facilities
7 under the jurisdiction or for the use of the Department
8 which are necessary because of loss or damage caused by
9 any natural disaster or catastrophe; and (2) temporary
10 measures necessary to prevent or to minimize further loss
11 by such causes.

12 GRANTS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF STATE EXTENDED CARE
13 FACILITIES

14 For grants to assist States to acquire or construct
15 State nursing home and domiciliary facilities and to re-
16 model, modify, or alter existing hospital, nursing home, and
17 domiciliary facilities in State homes, for furnishing care
18 to veterans as authorized by sections 8131 through 8137 of
19 title 38, United States Code, \$100,000,000, to remain avail-
20 able until expended.

21 GRANTS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF VETERANS CEMETERIES

22 For grants to assist States and tribal organizations
23 in establishing, expanding, or improving veterans ceme-
24 teries as authorized by section 2408 of title 38, United

1 *States Code, \$46,000,000, to remain available until ex-*
2 *pended.*

3 *ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS*

4 *(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)*

5 *SEC. 201. Any appropriation for fiscal year 2016 for*
6 *“Compensation and Pensions”, “Readjustment Benefits”,*
7 *and “Veterans Insurance and Indemnities” may be trans-*
8 *ferred as necessary to any other of the mentioned appro-*
9 *priations: Provided, That, before a transfer may take place,*
10 *the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall request from the*
11 *Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress*
12 *the authority to make the transfer and such Committees*
13 *issue an approval, or absent a response, a period of 30 days*
14 *has elapsed.*

15 *(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)*

16 *SEC. 202. Amounts made available for the Department*
17 *of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 2016, in this Act or any*
18 *other Act, under the “Medical Services”, “Medical support*
19 *and compliance”, and “Medical Facilities” accounts may*
20 *be transferred among the accounts: Provided, That any*
21 *transfers between the “Medical Services” and “Medical*
22 *Support and Compliance” accounts of 1 percent or less of*
23 *the total amount appropriated to the account in this or any*
24 *other Act may take place subject to notification from the*
25 *Secretary of Veterans Affairs to the Committees on Appro-*

1 *priations of both Houses of Congress of the amount and*
2 *purpose of the transfer: Provided further, That any trans-*
3 *fers between the “Medical Services” and “Medical Support*
4 *and Compliance” accounts in excess of 1 percent, or exceed-*
5 *ing the cumulative 1 percent for the fiscal year, may take*
6 *place only after the Secretary requests from the Committees*
7 *on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress the authority*
8 *to make the transfer and an approval is issued: Provided*
9 *further, That any transfers to or from the “Medical Facili-*
10 *ties” account may take place only after the Secretary re-*
11 *quests from the Committees on Appropriations of both*
12 *Houses of Congress the authority to make the transfer and*
13 *an approval is issued.*

14 *SEC. 203. Appropriations available in this title for sal-*
15 *aries and expenses shall be available for services authorized*
16 *by section 3109 of title 5, United States Code; hire of pas-*
17 *senger motor vehicles; lease of a facility or land or both;*
18 *and uniforms or allowances therefore, as authorized by sec-*
19 *tions 5901 through 5902 of title 5, United States Code.*

20 *SEC. 204. No appropriations in this title (except the*
21 *appropriations for “Construction, Major Projects”, and*
22 *“Construction, Minor Projects”)* *shall be available for the*
23 *purchase of any site for or toward the construction of any*
24 *new hospital or home.*

1 *SEC. 205. No appropriations in this title shall be*
2 *available for hospitalization or examination of any persons*
3 *(except beneficiaries entitled to such hospitalization or ex-*
4 *amination under the laws providing such benefits to vet-*
5 *erans, and persons receiving such treatment under sections*
6 *7901 through 7904 of title 5, United States Code, or the*
7 *Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assist-*
8 *ance Act (42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq.)), unless reimbursement*
9 *of the cost of such hospitalization or examination is made*
10 *to the "Medical Services" account at such rates as may be*
11 *fixed by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs.*

12 *SEC. 206. Appropriations available in this title for*
13 *"Compensation and pensions", "Readjustment benefits",*
14 *and "Veterans insurance and indemnities" shall be avail-*
15 *able for payment of prior year accrued obligations required*
16 *to be recorded by law against the corresponding prior year*
17 *accounts within the last quarter of fiscal year 2015.*

18 *SEC. 207. Appropriations available in this title shall*
19 *be available to pay prior year obligations of corresponding*
20 *prior year appropriations accounts resulting from sections*
21 *3328(a), 3334, and 3712(a) of title 31, United States Code,*
22 *except that if such obligations are from trust fund accounts*
23 *they shall be payable only from "Compensation and Pen-*
24 *sions".*

1 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

2 SEC. 208. Notwithstanding any other provision of law,
3 during fiscal year 2016, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs
4 shall, from the National Service Life Insurance Fund under
5 section 1920 of title 38, United States Code, the Veterans'
6 Special Life Insurance Fund under section 1923 of title 38,
7 United States Code, and the United States Government Life
8 Insurance Fund under section 1955 of title 38, United
9 States Code, reimburse the "General operating expenses,
10 Veterans Benefits Administration" and "Information Tech-
11 nology Systems" accounts for the cost of administration of
12 the insurance programs financed through those accounts:
13 Provided, That reimbursement shall be made only from the
14 surplus earnings accumulated in such an insurance pro-
15 gram during fiscal year 2016 that are available for divi-
16 dends in that program after claims have been paid and ac-
17 tuarially determined reserves have been set aside: Provided
18 further, That, if the cost of administration of such an insur-
19 ance program exceeds the amount of surplus earnings accu-
20 mulated in that program, reimbursement shall be made
21 only to the extent of such surplus earnings: Provided fur-
22 ther, That the Secretary shall determine the cost of adminis-
23 tration for fiscal year 2016 which is properly allocable to
24 the provision of each such insurance program and to the

1 *provision of any total disability income insurance included*
2 *in that insurance program.*

3 *SEC. 209. Amounts deducted from enhanced-use lease*
4 *proceeds to reimburse an account for expenses incurred by*
5 *that account during a prior fiscal year for providing en-*
6 *hanced-use lease services, may be obligated during the fiscal*
7 *year in which the proceeds are received.*

8 *(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)*

9 *SEC. 210. Funds available in this title or funds for*
10 *salaries and other administrative expenses shall also be*
11 *available to reimburse the Office of Resolution Management*
12 *of the Department of Veterans Affairs and the Office of Em-*
13 *ployment Discrimination Complaint Adjudication under*
14 *section 319 of title 38, United States Code, for all services*
15 *provided at rates which will recover actual costs but not*
16 *to exceed \$43,700,000 for the Office of Resolution Manage-*
17 *ment and \$3,400,000 for the Office of Employment Dis-*
18 *crimination Complaint Adjudication: Provided, That pay-*
19 *ments may be made in advance for services to be furnished*
20 *based on estimated costs: Provided further, That amounts*
21 *received shall be credited to the "General Administration"*
22 *and "Information Technology Systems" accounts for use by*
23 *the office that provided the service.*

1 (TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

2 SEC. 211. Of the amounts made available to the De-
3 partment of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 2016 for the
4 Office of Rural Health under the heading “Medical Serv-
5 ices”, including any advance appropriation for fiscal year
6 2016 provided in prior appropriation Acts, up to
7 \$20,000,000 may be transferred to and merged with funds
8 appropriated under the heading “Grants for Construction
9 of State Extended Care Facilities”.

10 SEC. 212. No funds of the Department of Veterans Af-
11 fairs shall be available for hospital care, nursing home care,
12 or medical services provided to any person under chapter
13 17 of title 38, United States Code, for a non-service-con-
14 nected disability described in section 1729(a)(2) of such
15 title, unless that person has disclosed to the Secretary of
16 Veterans Affairs, in such form as the Secretary may require,
17 current, accurate third-party reimbursement information
18 for purposes of section 1729 of such title: Provided, That
19 the Secretary may recover, in the same manner as any other
20 debt due the United States, the reasonable charges for such
21 care or services from any person who does not make such
22 disclosure as required: Provided further, That any amounts
23 so recovered for care or services provided in a prior fiscal
24 year may be obligated by the Secretary during the fiscal
25 year in which amounts are received.

1 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

2 SEC. 213. Notwithstanding any other provision of law,
3 proceeds or revenues derived from enhanced-use leasing ac-
4 tivities (including disposal) may be deposited into the
5 “Construction, Major Projects” and “Construction, Minor
6 Projects” accounts and be used for construction (including
7 site acquisition and disposition), alterations, and improve-
8 ments of any medical facility under the jurisdiction or for
9 the use of the Department of Veterans Affairs. Such sums
10 as realized are in addition to the amount provided for in
11 “Construction, Major Projects” and “Construction, Minor
12 Projects”.

13 SEC. 214. Amounts made available under “Medical
14 Services” are available—

15 (1) for furnishing recreational facilities, sup-
16 plies, and equipment; and

17 (2) for funeral expenses, burial expenses, and
18 other expenses incidental to funerals and burials for
19 beneficiaries receiving care in the Department.

20 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

21 SEC. 215. Such sums as may be deposited to the Med-
22 ical Care Collections Fund pursuant to section 1729A of
23 title 38, United States Code, may be transferred to “Medical
24 Services”, to remain available until expended for the pur-
25 poses of that account: Provided, That, for fiscal year 2016,

1 *up to \$27,000,000 deposited in the Department of Veterans*
2 *Affairs Medical Care Collections Fund shall be transferred*
3 *to “Information Technology Systems”, to remain available*
4 *until expended, for development of the Medical Care Collec-*
5 *tions Fund electronic data exchange provider and payer*
6 *system.*

7 *SEC. 216. The Secretary of Veterans Affairs may enter*
8 *into agreements with Indian tribes and tribal organizations*
9 *which are party to the Alaska Native Health Compact with*
10 *the Indian Health Service, and Indian tribes and tribal*
11 *organizations serving rural Alaska which have entered into*
12 *contracts with the Indian Health Service under the Indian*
13 *Self Determination and Educational Assistance Act, to pro-*
14 *vide healthcare, including behavioral health and dental*
15 *care. The Secretary shall require participating veterans and*
16 *facilities to comply with all appropriate rules and regula-*
17 *tions, as established by the Secretary. The term “rural Alas-*
18 *ka” shall mean those lands sited within the external bound-*
19 *aries of the Alaska Native regions specified in sections*
20 *7(a)(1)–(4) and (7)–(12) of the Alaska Native Claims Set-*
21 *tlement Act, as amended (43 U.S.C. 1606), and those lands*
22 *within the Alaska Native regions specified in sections*
23 *7(a)(5) and 7(a)(6) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement*
24 *Act, as amended (43 U.S.C. 1606), which are not within*
25 *the boundaries of the municipality of Anchorage, the Fair-*

1 *banks North Star Borough, the Kenai Peninsula Borough*
2 *or the Matanuska Susitna Borough.*

3 *(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)*

4 *SEC. 217. Such sums as may be deposited to the De-*
5 *partment of Veterans Affairs Capital Asset Fund pursuant*
6 *to section 8118 of title 38, United States Code, may be*
7 *transferred to the “Construction, Major Projects” and “Con-*
8 *struction, Minor Projects” accounts, to remain available*
9 *until expended for the purposes of these accounts.*

10 *SEC. 218. None of the funds made available in this*
11 *title may be used to implement any policy prohibiting the*
12 *Directors of the Veterans Integrated Services Networks from*
13 *conducting outreach or marketing to enroll new veterans*
14 *within their respective Networks.*

15 *SEC. 219. The Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall sub-*
16 *mit to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses*
17 *of Congress a quarterly report on the financial status of*
18 *the Veterans Health Administration.*

19 *(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)*

20 *SEC. 220. Amounts made available under the “Medical*
21 *Services”, “Medical Support and Compliance”, “Medical*
22 *Facilities”, “General Operating Expenses, Veterans Bene-*
23 *fits Administration”, “General Administration”, and “Na-*
24 *tional Cemetery Administration” accounts for fiscal year*
25 *2016 may be transferred to or from the “Information Tech-*

1 *nology Systems” account: Provided, That, before a transfer*
2 *may take place, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall re-*
3 *quest from the Committees on Appropriations of both*
4 *Houses of Congress the authority to make the transfer and*
5 *an approval is issued.*

6 *SEC. 221. None of the funds appropriated or otherwise*
7 *made available by this Act or any other Act for the Depart-*
8 *ment of Veterans Affairs may be used in a manner that*
9 *is inconsistent with: (1) section 842 of the Transportation,*
10 *Treasury, Housing and Urban Development, the Judiciary,*
11 *the District of Columbia, and Independent Agencies Appro-*
12 *priations Act, 2006 (Public Law 109–115; 119 Stat. 2506);*
13 *or (2) section 8110(a)(5) of title 38, United States Code.*

14 *SEC. 222. Of the amounts made available to the De-*
15 *partment of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 2016, in this*
16 *Act or any other Act, under the “Medical Facilities” ac-*
17 *count for nonrecurring maintenance, not more than 20 per-*
18 *cent of the funds made available shall be obligated during*
19 *the last 2 months of that fiscal year: Provided, That the*
20 *Secretary may waive this requirement after providing writ-*
21 *ten notice to the Committees on Appropriations of both*
22 *Houses of Congress.*

23 *(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)*

24 *SEC. 223. Of the amounts appropriated to the Depart-*
25 *ment of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 2016 for “Medical*

1 *Services*”, “*Medical Support and Compliance*”, “*Medical*
2 *Facilities*”, “*Construction, Minor Projects*”, and “*Informa-*
3 *tion Technology Systems*”, up to \$266,303,000, plus reim-
4 *bursements, may be transferred to the Joint Department of*
5 *Defense-Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Facility*
6 *Demonstration Fund, established by section 1704 of the Na-*
7 *tional Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010 (Pub-*
8 *lic Law 111–84; 123 Stat. 3571) and may be used for oper-*
9 *ation of the facilities designated as combined Federal med-*
10 *ical facilities as described by section 706 of the Duncan*
11 *Hunter National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year*
12 *2009 (Public Law 110–417; 122 Stat. 4500): Provided,*
13 *That additional funds may be transferred from accounts*
14 *designated in this section to the Joint Department of De-*
15 *fense-Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Facility*
16 *Demonstration Fund upon written notification by the Sec-*
17 *retary of Veterans Affairs to the Committees on Appropria-*
18 *tions of both Houses of Congress: Provided further, That sec-*
19 *tion 223 of Title II of Division I of Public Law 113–235*
20 *is repealed.*

21 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

22 SEC. 224. *Of the amounts appropriated to the Depart-*
23 *ment of Veterans Affairs which become available on October*
24 *1, 2016, for “Medical Services”, “Medical Support and*
25 *Compliance”, and “Medical Facilities”, up to*

1 \$265,675,000, plus reimbursements, may be transferred to
2 the Joint Department of Defense-Department of Veterans
3 Affairs Medical Facility Demonstration Fund, established
4 by section 1704 of the National Defense Authorization Act
5 for Fiscal Year 2010 (Public Law 111-84; 123 Stat. 3571)
6 and may be used for operation of the facilities designated
7 as combined Federal medical facilities as described by sec-
8 tion 706 of the Duncan Hunter National Defense Author-
9 ization Act for Fiscal Year 2009 (Public Law 110-417; 122
10 Stat. 4500): Provided, That additional funds may be trans-
11 ferred from accounts designated in this section to the Joint
12 Department of Defense-Department of Veterans Affairs
13 Medical Facility Demonstration Fund upon written notifi-
14 cation by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to the Commit-
15 tees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress.

16 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

17 SEC. 225. Such sums as may be deposited to the Med-
18 ical Care Collections Fund pursuant to section 1729A of
19 title 38, United States Code, for healthcare provided at fa-
20 cilities designated as combined Federal medical facilities as
21 described by section 706 of the Duncan Hunter National
22 Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2009 (Public
23 Law 110-417; 122 Stat. 4500) shall also be available: (1)
24 for transfer to the Joint Department of Defense-Department
25 of Veterans Affairs Medical Facility Demonstration Fund,

1 *established by section 1704 of the National Defense Author-*
2 *ization Act for Fiscal Year 2010 (Public Law 111–84; 123*
3 *Stat. 3571); and (2) for operations of the facilities des-*
4 *ignated as combined Federal medical facilities as described*
5 *by section 706 of the Duncan Hunter National Defense Au-*
6 *thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2009 (Public Law 110–417;*
7 *122 Stat. 4500).*

8 *(TRANSFER OF FUNDS)*

9 *SEC. 226. Of the amounts available in this title for*
10 *“Medical Services”, “Medical Support and Compliance”,*
11 *and “Medical Facilities”, a minimum of \$15,000,000 shall*
12 *be transferred to the DOD–VA Health Care Sharing Incen-*
13 *tive Fund, as authorized by section 8111(d) of title 38,*
14 *United States Code, to remain available until expended, for*
15 *any purpose authorized by section 8111 of title 38, United*
16 *States Code.*

17 *(INCLUDING RESCISSIONS OF FUNDS)*

18 *SEC. 227. (a) Of the funds appropriated in division*
19 *I of Public Law 113–235, the following amounts which be-*
20 *come available on October 1, 2015, are hereby rescinded*
21 *from the following accounts in the amounts specified:*

22 *(1) “Department of Veterans Affairs, Medical*
23 *Services”, \$1,400,000,000.*

24 *(2) “Department of Veterans Affairs, Medical*
25 *Support and Compliance”, \$150,000,000.*

1 (3) “Department of Veterans Affairs, Medical
2 Facilities”, \$250,000,000.

3 (b) In addition to amounts provided elsewhere in this
4 Act, an additional amount is appropriated to the following
5 accounts in the amounts specified to remain available until
6 September 30, 2017:

7 (1) “Department of Veterans Affairs, Medical
8 Services”, \$1,400,000,000.

9 (2) “Department of Veterans Affairs, Medical
10 Support and Compliance”, \$100,000,000.

11 (3) “Department of Veterans Affairs, Medical
12 Facilities”, \$250,000,000.

13 SEC. 228. The Secretary of the Department of Veterans
14 Affairs shall notify the Committees on Appropriations of
15 both Houses of Congress of all bid savings in major con-
16 struction projects that total at least \$5,000,000, or 5 percent
17 of the programmed amount of the project, whichever is less:
18 Provided, That such notification shall occur within 14 days
19 of a contract identifying the programmed amount: Provided
20 further, That the Secretary shall notify the Committees on
21 Appropriations of both Houses of Congress 14 days prior
22 to the obligation of such bid savings and shall describe the
23 anticipated use of such savings.

24 SEC. 229. The scope of work for a project included in
25 “Construction, Major Projects” may not be increased above

1 *the scope specified for that project in the original justifica-*
2 *tion data provided to the Congress as part of the request*
3 *for appropriations.*

4 *SEC. 230. The Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall sub-*
5 *mit to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses*
6 *of Congress a quarterly report that contains the following*
7 *information from each Veterans Benefits Administration*
8 *Regional Office: (1) the average time to complete a dis-*
9 *ability compensation claim; (2) the number of claims pend-*
10 *ing more than 125 days; (3) error rates; (4) the number*
11 *of claims personnel; (5) any corrective action taken within*
12 *the quarter to address poor performance; (6) training pro-*
13 *grams undertaken; and (7) the number and results of Qual-*
14 *ity Review Team audits: Provided, That each quarterly re-*
15 *port shall be submitted no later than 30 days after the end*
16 *of the respective quarter.*

17 *SEC. 231. Of the funds provided to the Department of*
18 *Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 2016 for "Medical Services"*
19 *and "Medical Support and Compliance", a maximum of*
20 *\$5,000,000 may be obligated from the "Medical Services"*
21 *account and a maximum of \$154,596,000 may be obligated*
22 *from the "Medical Support and Compliance" account for*
23 *the VistA Evolution and electronic health record interoper-*
24 *ability projects: Provided, That funds in addition to these*
25 *amounts may be obligated for the VistA Evolution and elec-*

1 *tronic health record interoperability projects upon written*
2 *notification by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to the Com-*
3 *mittees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress.*

4 *SEC. 232. The Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall pro-*
5 *vide written notification to the Committees on Appropria-*
6 *tions of both Houses of Congress 15 days prior to organiza-*
7 *tional changes which result in the transfer of 25 or more*
8 *full-time equivalents from one organizational unit of the*
9 *Department of Veterans Affairs to another.*

10 *SEC. 233. The Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall pro-*
11 *vide on a quarterly basis to the Committees on Appropria-*
12 *tions of both Houses of Congress notification of any single*
13 *national outreach and awareness marketing campaign in*
14 *which obligations exceed \$2,000,000.*

15 *SEC. 234. Not more than \$4,400,000 of the funds pro-*
16 *vided in this Act under the heading “Department of Vet-*
17 *erans Affairs—Departmental Administration—General*
18 *Administration” may be used for the Office of Congres-*
19 *sional and Legislative Affairs.*

20 *SEC. 235. None of the funds available to the Depart-*
21 *ment of Veterans Affairs, in this or any other Act, may*
22 *be used to replace the current system by which the Veterans*
23 *Integrated Service Networks select and contract for diabetes*
24 *monitoring supplies and equipment.*

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1 (RESCISSIONS OF FUNDS)

2 *SEC. 236. Of the discretionary funds made available*
3 *in title II of division I of Public Law 113–235 for the De-*
4 *partment of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 2016,*
5 *\$198,000,000 are rescinded from “Medical Services”,*
6 *\$42,000,000 are rescinded from “Medical Support and*
7 *Compliance”, and \$15,000,000 are rescinded from “Medical*
8 *Facilities”.*

9 (RESCISSIONS OF FUNDS)

10 *SEC. 237. (a) There is hereby rescinded an aggregate*
11 *amount of \$55,000,000 from the total budget authority pro-*
12 *vided for fiscal year 2016 for discretionary accounts of the*
13 *Department of Veterans Affairs in—*

14 (1) *this Act; or*

15 (2) *any advance appropriation for fiscal year*
16 *2016 in prior appropriation Acts.*

17 (b) *The Secretary shall submit to the Committees on*
18 *Appropriations of both Houses of Congress a report speci-*
19 *fying the account and amount of each rescission not later*
20 *than 30 days following enactment of this Act.*

21 (RESCISSION OF FUNDS)

22 *SEC. 238. Of the unobligated balances available within*
23 *the “DOD-VA Health Care Sharing Incentive Fund”,*
24 *\$50,000,000 are hereby rescinded.*

1 (RESCISSIONS OF FUNDS)

2 SEC. 239. *Of the discretionary funds made available*
3 *in title II of division I of Public Law 113–235 for the De-*
4 *partment of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 2015,*
5 *\$1,052,000 are rescinded from “General Administration”,*
6 *and \$5,000,000 are rescinded from “Construction, Minor*
7 *Projects”.*

8 (RESCISSIONS OF FUNDS)

9 SEC. 240. (a) *There is hereby rescinded an aggregate*
10 *amount of \$90,293,000 from prior year unobligated bal-*
11 *ances available within discretionary accounts of the De-*
12 *partment of Veterans Affairs;*

13 (b) *No funds may be rescinded from amounts provided*
14 *under the following headings:*

15 (1) *“Medical Services”;*

16 (2) *“Medical and Prosthetic Research”;*

17 (3) *“National Cemetery Administration”;*

18 (4) *“Board of Veterans Appeals”;*

19 (5) *“General Operating Expenses, Veterans Ben-*
20 *efits Administration”;*

21 (6) *“Office of Inspector General”;*

22 (7) *“Grants for Construction of State Extended*
23 *Care Facilities”;* and

24 (8) *“Grants for Construction of Veterans Ceme-*
25 *teries”.*

1 (c) *No amounts may be rescinded from amounts that*
2 *were designated by the Congress as an emergency require-*
3 *ment pursuant to the Concurrent Resolution on the Budget*
4 *or the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act*
5 *of 1985, as amended.*

6 (d) *The Secretary shall submit to the Committees on*
7 *Appropriations of both Houses of Congress a report speci-*
8 *fying the account and amount of each rescission not later*
9 *than 30 days following enactment of this Act.*

10 *SEC. 241. Section 2302(a)(2)(A)(viii) of title 5, United*
11 *States Code, is amended by inserting "or under title 38"*
12 *after "of this title".*

13 *TITLE III*

14 *RELATED AGENCIES*

15 *AMERICAN BATTLE MONUMENTS COMMISSION*

16 *SALARIES AND EXPENSES*

17 *For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for, of*
18 *the American Battle Monuments Commission, including the*
19 *acquisition of land or interest in land in foreign countries;*
20 *purchases and repair of uniforms for caretakers of national*
21 *cemeteries and monuments outside of the United States and*
22 *its territories and possessions; rent of office and garage*
23 *space in foreign countries; purchase (one-for-one replace-*
24 *ment basis only) and hire of passenger motor vehicles; not*
25 *to exceed \$7,500 for official reception and representation*

1 *expenses; and insurance of official motor vehicles in foreign*
2 *countries, when required by law of such countries,*
3 *\$75,100,000, to remain available until expended.*

4 *FOREIGN CURRENCY FLUCTUATIONS ACCOUNT*

5 *For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for, of*
6 *the American Battle Monuments Commission, such sums as*
7 *may be necessary, to remain available until expended, for*
8 *purposes authorized by section 2109 of title 36, United*
9 *States Code.*

10 *UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR VETERANS*

11 *CLAIMS*

12 *SALARIES AND EXPENSES*

13 *For necessary expenses for the operation of the United*
14 *States Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims as authorized*
15 *by sections 7251 through 7298 of title 38, United States*
16 *Code, \$32,141,000: Provided, That \$2,500,000 shall be*
17 *available for the purpose of providing financial assistance*
18 *as described, and in accordance with the process and report-*
19 *ing procedures set forth, under this heading in Public Law*
20 *102-229.*

21 *DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE—CIVIL*

22 *CEMETERIAL EXPENSES, ARMY*

23 *SALARIES AND EXPENSES*

24 *For necessary expenses for maintenance, operation,*
25 *and improvement of Arlington National Cemetery and Sol-*

1 *diers' and Airmen's Home National Cemetery, including*
2 *the purchase or lease of passenger motor vehicles for replace-*
3 *ment on a one-for-one basis only, and not to exceed \$1,000*
4 *for official reception and representation expenses,*
5 *\$70,800,000, of which not to exceed \$28,000,000 shall re-*
6 *main available until September 30, 2018. In addition, such*
7 *sums as may be necessary for parking maintenance, repairs*
8 *and replacement, to be derived from the "Lease of Depart-*
9 *ment of Defense Real Property for Defense Agencies" ac-*
10 *count.*

11 *ARMED FORCES RETIREMENT HOME*

12 *TRUST FUND*

13 *For expenses necessary for the Armed Forces Retire-*
14 *ment Home to operate and maintain the Armed Forces Re-*
15 *irement Home—Washington, District of Columbia, and the*
16 *Armed Forces Retirement Home—Gulfport, Mississippi, to*
17 *be paid from funds available in the Armed Forces Retire-*
18 *ment Home Trust Fund, \$64,300,000, of which \$1,000,000*
19 *shall remain available until expended for construction and*
20 *renovation of the physical plants at the Armed Forces Re-*
21 *irement Home—Washington, District of Columbia, and the*
22 *Armed Forces Retirement Home—Gulfport, Mississippi.*

23 *ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS*

24 *SEC. 301. Funds appropriated in this Act under the*
25 *heading "Department of Defense—Civil, Cemeterial Ex-*

1 *penses, Army”, may be provided to Arlington County, Vir-*
2 *ginia, for the relocation of the federally owned water main*
3 *at Arlington National Cemetery, making additional land*
4 *available for ground burials.*

5 *SEC. 302. Amounts deposited during the current fiscal*
6 *year to the special account established under 10 U.S.C.*
7 *4727 are appropriated and shall be available until ex-*
8 *pended to support activities at the Army National Military*
9 *Cemeteries.*

10 *TITLE IV*

11 *GENERAL PROVISIONS*

12 *SEC. 401. No part of any appropriation contained in*
13 *this Act shall remain available for obligation beyond the*
14 *current fiscal year unless expressly so provided herein.*

15 *SEC. 402. None of the funds made available in this*
16 *Act may be used for any program, project, or activity, when*
17 *it is made known to the Federal entity or official to which*
18 *the funds are made available that the program, project, or*
19 *activity is not in compliance with any Federal law relating*
20 *to risk assessment, the protection of private property rights,*
21 *or unfunded mandates.*

22 *SEC. 403. Such sums as may be necessary for fiscal*
23 *year 2016 for pay raises for programs funded by this Act*
24 *shall be absorbed within the levels appropriated in this Act.*

1 *SEC. 404. No part of any funds appropriated in this*
2 *Act shall be used by an agency of the executive branch, other*
3 *than for normal and recognized executive-legislative rela-*
4 *tionships, for publicity or propaganda purposes, and for*
5 *the preparation, distribution, or use of any kit, pamphlet,*
6 *booklet, publication, radio, television, or film presentation*
7 *designed to support or defeat legislation pending before*
8 *Congress, except in presentation to Congress itself.*

9 *SEC. 405. All departments and agencies funded under*
10 *this Act are encouraged, within the limits of the existing*
11 *statutory authorities and funding, to expand their use of*
12 *“E-Commerce” technologies and procedures in the conduct*
13 *of their business practices and public service activities.*

14 *SEC. 406. Unless stated otherwise, all reports and noti-*
15 *fications required by this Act shall be submitted to the Sub-*
16 *committee on Military Construction and Veterans Affairs,*
17 *and Related Agencies of the Committee on Appropriations*
18 *of the House of Representatives and the Subcommittee on*
19 *Military Construction and Veterans Affairs, and Related*
20 *Agencies of the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate.*

21 *SEC. 407. None of the funds made available in this*
22 *Act may be transferred to any department, agency, or in-*
23 *strumentality of the United States Government except pur-*
24 *suant to a transfer made by, or transfer authority provided*
25 *in, this or any other appropriations Act.*

1 *SEC. 408. (a) Any agency receiving funds made avail-*
2 *able in this Act, shall, subject to subsections (b) and (c),*
3 *post on the public Web site of that agency any report re-*
4 *quired to be submitted by the Congress in this or any other*
5 *Act, upon the determination by the head of the agency that*
6 *it shall serve the national interest.*

7 *(b) Subsection (a) shall not apply to a report if—*

8 *(1) the public posting of the report compromises*
9 *national security; or*

10 *(2) the report contains confidential or propri-*
11 *etary information.*

12 *(c) The head of the agency posting such report shall*
13 *do so only after such report has been made available to the*
14 *requesting Committee or Committees of Congress for no less*
15 *than 45 days.*

16 *SEC. 409. (a) None of the funds made available in this*
17 *Act may be used to maintain or establish a computer net-*
18 *work unless such network blocks the viewing, downloading,*
19 *and exchanging of pornography.*

20 *(b) Nothing in subsection (a) shall limit the use of*
21 *funds necessary for any Federal, State, tribal, or local law*
22 *enforcement agency or any other entity carrying out crimi-*
23 *nal investigations, prosecution, or adjudication activities.*

24 *SEC. 410. (a) IN GENERAL.—None of the funds appro-*
25 *priated or otherwise made available to the Department of*

1 *Defense in this Act may be used to construct, renovate, or*
2 *expand any facility in the United States, its territories, or*
3 *possessions to house any individual detained at United*
4 *States Naval Station, Guantánamo Bay, Cuba, for the pur-*
5 *poses of detention or imprisonment in the custody or under*
6 *the control of the Department of Defense.*

7 **(b)** *The prohibition in subsection (a) shall not apply*
8 *to any modification of facilities at United States Naval*
9 *Station, Guantánamo Bay, Cuba.*

10 **(c)** *An individual described in this subsection is any*
11 *individual who, as of June 24, 2009, is located at United*
12 *States Naval Station, Guantánamo Bay, Cuba, and who—*

13 **(1)** *is not a citizen of the United States or a*
14 *member of the Armed Forces of the United States; and*

15 **(2)** *is—*

16 **(A)** *in the custody or under the effective*
17 *control of the Department of Defense; or*

18 **(B)** *otherwise under detention at United*
19 *States Naval Station, Guantánamo Bay, Cuba.*

20 *This Act may be cited as the “Military Construction,*
21 *Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act,*
22 *2016”.*

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