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[Report No. 108-353]

Making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

SEPTEMBER 21, 2004

Mr. BOND, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported the following original bill; which was read twice and placed on the calendar

A BILL

Making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 That the following sums are appropriated, out of any
4 money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the
5 Departments of Veteran Affairs and Housing and Urban

1 *vided*, That administrative expenses of the Central Liquid-
2 ity Facility in fiscal year 2005 shall not exceed \$310,000.

3 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CREDIT UNION REVOLVING
4 LOAN FUND

5 For the Community Development Revolving Loan
6 Fund program as authorized by 42 U.S.C. 9812, 9822
7 and 9910, \$1,000,000 shall be available: *Provided*, That
8 of this amount \$200,000, together with amounts of prin-
9 cipal and interest on loans repaid, is available until ex-
10 pended for loans to community development credit unions,
11 and \$800,000 is available until expended for technical as-
12 sistance to low-income and community development credit
13 unions.

14 NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION
15 RESEARCH AND RELATED ACTIVITIES

16 For necessary expenses in carrying out the National
17 Science Foundation Act of 1950, as amended (42 U.S.C.
18 1861–1875), and the Act to establish a National Medal
19 of Science (42 U.S.C. 1880–1881); services as authorized
20 by 5 U.S.C. 3109; maintenance and operation of aircraft
21 and purchase of flight services for research support; acqui-
22 sition of aircraft; and authorized travel; \$4,404,320,000,
23 of which not to exceed \$350,000,000 shall remain avail-
24 able until expended for Polar research and operations sup-
25 port, and for reimbursement to other Federal agencies for
26 operational and science support and logistical and other

1 related activities for the United States Antarctic program;
2 the balance to remain available until September 30, 2006:
3 *Provided*, That receipts for scientific support services and
4 materials furnished by the National Research Centers and
5 other National Science Foundation supported research fa-
6 cilities may be credited to this appropriation: *Provided fur-*
7 *ther*, That to the extent that the amount appropriated is
8 less than the total amount authorized to be appropriated
9 for included program activities, all amounts, including
10 floors and ceilings, specified in the authorizing Act for
11 those program activities or their subactivities shall be re-
12 duced proportionally: *Provided further*, That \$90,000,000
13 of the funds available under this heading shall be made
14 available for a comprehensive research initiative on plant
15 genomes for economically significant crops.

16 MAJOR RESEARCH EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES

17 CONSTRUCTION

18 For necessary expenses for the acquisition, construc-
19 tion, commissioning, and upgrading of major research
20 equipment, facilities, and other such capital assets pursu-
21 ant to the National Science Foundation Act of 1950, as
22 amended, including authorized travel, \$130,420,000, to
23 remain available until expended.

24 EDUCATION AND HUMAN RESOURCES

25 For necessary expenses in carrying out science and
26 engineering education and human resources programs and

1 activities pursuant to the National Science Foundation
2 Act of 1950, as amended (42 U.S.C. 1861–1875), includ-
3 ing services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109, authorized
4 travel, and rental of conference rooms in the District of
5 Columbia, \$929,150,000, to remain available until Sep-
6 tember 30, 2006: *Provided*, That to the extent that the
7 amount of this appropriation is less than the total amount
8 authorized to be appropriated for included program activi-
9 ties, all amounts, including floors and ceilings, specified
10 in the authorizing Act for those program activities or their
11 subactivities shall be reduced proportionally.

12 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

13 For salaries and expenses necessary in carrying out
14 the National Science Foundation Act of 1950, as amended
15 (42 U.S.C. 1861–1875); services authorized by 5 U.S.C.
16 3109; hire of passenger motor vehicles; not to exceed
17 \$9,000 for official reception and representation expenses;
18 uniforms or allowances therefor, as authorized by 5 U.S.C.
19 5901–5902; rental of conference rooms in the District of
20 Columbia; and reimbursement of the General Services Ad-
21 ministration for security guard services; \$269,000,000:
22 *Provided*, That contracts may be entered into under “Sala-
23 ries and expenses” in fiscal year 2005 for maintenance
24 and operation of facilities, and for other services, to be
25 provided during the next fiscal year.

1 OFFICE OF THE NATIONAL SCIENCE BOARD

2 For necessary expenses (including payment of sala-
3 ries, authorized travel, hire of passenger motor vehicles,
4 the rental of conference rooms in the District of Columbia,
5 and the employment of experts and consultants under sec-
6 tion 3109 of title 5, United States Code) involved in car-
7 rying out section 4 of the National Science Foundation
8 Act of 1950 (42 U.S.C. 1863) and Public Law 86–209
9 (42 U.S.C. 1880 et seq.), \$4,000,000: *Provided*, That not
10 more than \$9,000 shall be available for official reception
11 and representation expenses.

12 OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

13 For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector
14 General as authorized by the Inspector General Act of
15 1978, as amended, \$10,110,000, to remain available until
16 September 30, 2006.

17 NEIGHBORHOOD REINVESTMENT CORPORATION

18 PAYMENT TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD REINVESTMENT

19 CORPORATION

20 For payment to the Neighborhood Reinvestment Cor-
21 poration for use in neighborhood reinvestment activities,
22 as authorized by the Neighborhood Reinvestment Corpora-
23 tion Act (42 U.S.C. 8101–8107), \$115,000,000, of which
24 \$5,000,000 shall be for a multi-family rental housing pro-
25 gram.