

**AMENDMENT TO FINANCIAL SERVICES AND
GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS BILL
OFFERED BY MRS. EMERSON OF MISSOURI**

In the BILL:

On page 6, line 5, strike “\$38,000,000” and insert
“\$36,000,000”.

On page 11, line 17 after “Committees on Appropriations” and insert “, the House Committee on Ways and Means, the Senate Committee on Finance,”.

On page 12, line 15 after “Committees on Appropriations” and insert “, the House Committee on Ways and Means, the Senate Committee on Finance,”.

On page 44, line 24 after “North Carolina” strike
“,”.

On page 68, line 12, strike “\$1,038,255,000” and insert “\$1,094,972,000”.

On page 68, line 14, insert “building security,” after
“for”.

On page 68, line 16, strike “\$1,103,588,000” and insert “\$1,046,871,000”.

In the REPORT:

On page 4, strike “14 percent” and insert “15 percent”.

On page 8, before the heading “OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL”, insert the following:

“The Committee provides resources to the Department’s Office of Terrorism and Financial Intelligence and the Financial Crimes Enforcement Network (FinCEN) to collect and analyze financial records in order to support the investigations of the U.S. intelligence and law enforcement communities. Ending the atrocities in Sudan should be a high priority for the Department. The Committee recommends that the Department and all parts of the U.S. Government, including the intelligence community, work closely together to deprive the Government of Sudan of the resources to repress the people of Sudan and South Sudan. Sharing relevant intelligence and analysis will help ensure that Sudan does not evade sanctions. Finally, the Committee recommends that the Department of the Treasury seek to strengthen the multilateral approach to enforcing and strengthening sanctions against Sudan internationally.”.

On page 18, before the heading “OPERATIONS SUPPORT”, insert the following:

The Committee notes that an advance notice of proposed regulation titled “Determination of Government Plan Status” may prohibit charter school teachers from participating in State retirement systems. The Committee appreciates the meeting that IRS held with representatives of charter schools in May and encourages the IRS to continue to elicit comments from the public.

On page 26, before the heading “FEDERAL DRUG CONTROL PROGRAMS”, insert the following:

“The Committee directs the Office of National Drug Control Policy to develop a biennial Caribbean Border Counternarcotics Strategy, on terms equivalent to the existing Southwest Border Counternarcotics Strategy and the Northern Border Counternarcotics Strategy. This strategy shall be publicly available within 180 days of the date of enactment of this Act.”.

On page 46, at the end insert the following:

“Regulatory Fees.—The offsetting collections provided for the FCC are to recover the costs of its regulatory activities including: enforcement activities, policy and rulemaking activities, user information services, and international activities as provided for in Section 9 of the Communications Act. The Committee understands that despite the dramatic changes that have occurred in the

communications marketplace, the methodology the FCC currently uses to derive its regulatory fees is essentially the same as the one developed in 1994. The Committee notes there is longstanding broad and bipartisan support among Commissioners to update this methodology and is pleased the FCC recently issued a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking to address this issue. The Committee encourages the Commission to issue a Final Rule in time for next year's payments by regulated entities.”.

On page 49, before the heading “GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION”, insert the following:

“The Committee is concerned by the rising rate of money transfer crimes, referred to as grandparent scams or emergency scams, in which a victim is scammed into making a money transfer they believe is needed to help a relative or friend. Funds are often transferred out of the country and victims have little recourse in bringing charges or recovering their money. The Committee directs the Federal Trade Commission to issue a report to the Committee within 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act on its plan to better coordinate with foreign consumer protection and law enforcement departments to prevent money transfer crimes and identify and prosecute offenders.”.

On page 49, strike “\$1,038,255,000” and insert “\$1,094,972,000” and strike “\$1,103,588,000” and insert “\$1,046,871,000”.

On page 53, at the end of the first full paragraph insert the following:

“The Committee strongly recommends cost-sharing between GSA and the affected tenant agencies and expects the Office of Management and Budget to review cost-sharing plans.”.

On page 54 under the heading “BUILDING OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE”, strike the table and insert the following:

Limitations on Availability of Revenue:

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| Limitation on availability, fiscal year 2012* | | \$1,119,097,000 |
| Limitation on availability, budget estimate, fiscal year 2013* | | 1,149,210,000 |
| Recommended in the bill | | 1,094,972,000 |
| <i>Bill compared with:</i> | | |
| Availability limitation, fiscal year 2012 | | – 24,125,000 |
| Availability limitation, fiscal year 2013 request | | – 54,238,000 |

On page 54 under the heading “BUILDING OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE”, insert “building security,” after “such as”.

On page 54 under the heading “BUILDING OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE”, strike “\$1,038,255,000” and insert “\$1,094,972,000” and strike “five percent” and insert “4.7 percent”.

On page 54 under the heading “PUBLIC BUILDINGS SERVICE, SALARIES AND EXPENSES”, strike the table and insert the following:

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| Limitations on Availability of Revenue: | | |
| Limitation on availability, fiscal year 2012* | | \$1,213,871,000 |
| Limitation on availability, budget estimate, fiscal year 2013* | | 1,250,948,000 |
| Recommended in the bill | | 1,046,871,000 |
| Bill compared with: | | |
| Availability limitation, fiscal year 2012 | | – 185,000,000 |
| Availability limitation, fiscal year 2013 request | | – 204,077,000 |

On page 54 under “PUBLIC BUILDINGS SERVICE”, strike “\$1,103,588,000” and insert “\$1,046,871,000” and strike “14 percent” and insert “15 percent”.

On page 57, before the heading “CIVILIAN BOARD OF CONTRACT APPEALS”, insert:

“Virtual Employees.”—The Committee supports the goals of GSA’s Mobility and Telework Policy (GSA Order HCO 6040.1), but is concerned that weak controls over virtual and distributed work arrangements may have led to undesirable outcomes such as either excessive travel costs or poor employee oversight. The benefits of virtual and distributed work arrangements should accrue to the American public in the form of more efficient and effective services. The Committee directs GSA not later than 90 days after enactment of this Act to submit a report on virtual and distributed work arrangements, including their number by bureau and by regional and head-

quarters offices; how GSA measures and monitors their effect on productivity; how GSA holds employees and managers accountable for meeting performance standards; the cost of related travel, equipment, supplies, and services; and how information and data is safeguarded.”.

On page 72, at the end of the page insert the following:

“Residential Mortgage-Backed Securities Working Group.—The Committee directs the SEC to report to the Committees on Appropriations the status of the Residential Mortgage-Backed Securities Working Group’s activities no later than 60 days after the enactment of this Act.”.

