House of Representatives

CONFERENCE REPORT AND EXPLANATORY MATERIAL STATEMENT ON H.R. RES. 31, FURTHER CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS FOR DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, 2019, SUBMITTED BY MRS. LOWEY, CHAIRWOMAN OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

CONFERENCE REPORT (H. Rept. 116-9)

The committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment of the Senate to the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 31), making further continuing appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for fiscal year 2019, and for other purposes, having met, after full and free conference, have agreed to recommend and do recommend to their respective Houses as follows:

That the House records from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the Senate amendment, insert the following:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
This Act may be cited as the " Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2019".

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Title III—Budgetary Effects

SEC. 3. REFERENCES TO ACT.

Except as expressly provided otherwise, any reference to "this Act" contained in any division of this Act shall be treated as referring only to the provisions of that division.

SEC. 4. STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS.

The following sums in this Act are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019.

SEC. 5. AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.

Each amount designated in this Act by the Congress for Overseas Contingency Operations/Global War on Terrorism pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 shall be available (or rescinded, if applicable) only if the President subsequently so designates all such amounts and transmits such designations to the Congress.

SEC. 6. ADJUSTMENTS TO COMPENSATION.

For a payment to Joe Anne Jones, widow of Walter B. Jones Jr., late a Representative from North Carolina, $714,000.

SEC. 7. TECHNICAL CORRECTION.

Division O of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2018 (Public Law 115-141) is amended—

(1) by adding at the end of section 101, "Wildfire"; and

(2) by amending section 101 to read as follows:

"SEC. 101. SHORT TITLE.

(1) A short title. This division may be cited as the "Wildfire Suppression Funding and Forest Management Activities Act".

(2) A reference. A reference to the Wildfire Suppression Funding and Forest Management Activities Act, including a reference in a regulation, order, or other law, is deemed to refer to the Wildfire Suppression Funding and Forest Management Activities Act.".

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emission reduction activities deemed necessary for compliance with national ambient air quality standards and included in a State Implementation Plan submitted to EPA. The Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) shall—subject to the availability of funds—begin to construct new or rehabilitate existing rural roads and streets in the areas designated by the Secretary of Transportation. The FHWA shall establish performance measures and evaluation criteria for the construction and rehabilitation of these roads and streets. The Secretary shall ensure that the emphasis for these activities is on providing the maximum economic benefit to the rural areas involved.

Categorical Grants. The bill provides $1,077,041,000 for Categorical Grants. Funding levels are specified in the table at the end of this division. Within this amount, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) directs funds to support the implementation of the following programs:

- **Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Program Account (WIFIA)**: The bill provides a total of $680,000,000 for the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA) programs. Within this funding in Title II, the bill provides $100,000,000 for the WIFIA program, and the Appropriations Committee provides additional $50,000,000,000 for the program. By utilizing $3,000,000 in base funds and $3,000,000 in the WIFIA program, the agency can use up to a total of $3,000,000 to assist with the administrative expenses for the program. The remaining $650,000,000 in WIFIA funds is provided to subsidize direct loans, which may translate into a potential loan capacity greater than $7,000,000,000 for eligible entities for water infrastructure projects.

The Appropriations Committee encourages the agency to prioritize applications for WIFIA financing for projects that address lead and emerging contaminants in drinking water, and for projects that improve water quality, such as those that reduce pollution from non-point sources. The agency may use up to a total of $3,000,000 to assist with the administrative expenses for the program. The remaining $650,000,000 in WIFIA funds is provided to subsidize direct loans, which may translate into a potential loan capacity greater than $7,000,000,000 for eligible entities for water infrastructure projects.

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