AMENDMENT TO LEGISLATIVE BRANCH APPROPRIATIONS BILL

OFFERED BY MR. CRENSHAW

Page 16, line 19, increase the dollar amount by \$140,000 (and conform the Committee Report to increase the amount recommended for the Botanic Garden).

Page 25, line 3, reduce the dollar amount by \$140,000 (and conform the Committee Report to reduce the amount recommended for the Government Printing Office Revolving Fund).

Page 32, insert after line 14 the following new section (and redesignate the succeeding section accordingly):

- 1 AUTHORIZING COMMERCIAL ACTIVITY ON UNION SQUARE
- 2 Sec. 212. (a) Continuation of Types of Activity
- 3 Previously Authorized.—
- 4 (1) In General.—Notwithstanding any limita-
- 5 tions on the use of the United States Capitol
- 6 Grounds (including section 5104(c) of title 40,
- 7 United States Code), the Chief of the United States
- 8 Capitol Police (hereafter referred to as the
- 9 "Chief")—

1	(A) may issue a permit authorizing a per-
2	son to engage in commercial activity in Union
3	Square if the activity is similar to the types of
4	commercial activity permitted in Union Square
5	prior to the transfer of jurisdiction and control
6	of Union Square to the Architect of the Capitol
7	under section 1202 of the Legislative Branch
8	Appropriations Act, 2012 (Public Law 112-74);
9	and
10	(B) under the terms and conditions of such
11	a permit, may require the person to whom the
12	permit is issued to pay a fee to cover any costs
13	incurred by the Architect of the Capitol as a re-
14	sult of the issuance of the permit, if the fees
15	are similar to the fees collected by the Director
16	of the National Park Service for commercial ac-
17	tivity permitted in Union Square prior to such
18	transfer of jurisdiction and control.
19	(2) Regulations.—The Chief shall carry out
20	this section in accordance with such regulations as
21	the Capitol Police Board may promulgate pursuant
22	to the Board's authority under section 14 of the Act
23	of July 31, 1946 (2 U.S.C. 1969).
24	(b) Capitol Trust Account.—

1	(1) Establishment.—There is established in
2	the Treasury of the United States an account for
3	the Architect of the Capitol to be known as the
4	"Capitol Trust Account", consisting of all fees col-
5	lected by the Chief under subsection (a)(2).
6	(2) Transfer.—Immediately upon receiving
7	any fees collected under subsection (a)(2), the Chief
8	shall transfer the fees to the Capitol Trust Account.
9	(3) Use of funds.—Amounts in the Capitol
10	Trust Account shall be available without fiscal year
11	limitation for such maintenance, improvements, and
12	projects with respect to Union Square as the Archi-
13	tect of the Capitol considers appropriate, subject to
14	the approval of the Committees on Appropriations of
15	the House of Representatives and Senate.
16	(c) Union Square.—In this section, the term
17	"Union Square" means the area for which jurisdiction and
18	control was transferred to the Architect of the Capitol
19	under section 1202 of the Legislative Branch Appropria-
20	tions Act, 2012 (Public Law 112-74).
21	(d) Effective Date.—This section shall take effect
22	on the date of the enactment of the Legislative Branch
23	Appropriations Act, 2012 (Public Law 112-74).

