

**AMENDMENTS ADOPTED TO THE
COMMERCE, JUSTICE, SCIENCE
APPROPRIATIONS BILL
FOR FY 2016**

**Full Committee Markup
House Appropriations Committee
Wednesday, May 20, 2015**

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**AMENDMENT TO COMMERCE, JUSTICE, SCIENCE
APPROPRIATIONS BILL, 2016**

OFFERED BY MR. CULBERSON OF TEXAS

In the bill, on page 24, line 5, increase the first dollar amount by \$1,000,000.

In the bill, on page 34, line 19, decrease the dollar amount by \$1,000,000.

Amend the report accordingly to reflect an increase of \$1,000,000 for Administrative Review and Appeals and an equivalent reduction in Federal Prison System, Salaries and Expenses.

In the report, under "Department of Justice, General Administration, Administrative Review and Appeals", at the end of the first paragraph, insert:

The recommendation includes \$1,000,000 for information help desks, to provide orientation information for non-detained individuals at the most backlogged immigration courts. These funds are not for legal representation.

In the bill, on page 34, line 19, decrease the dollar amount by \$2,500,000.

In the bill, on page 49, line 4, increase the dollar amount by \$2,500,000.

Amend the report accordingly to reflect an increase of \$2,500,000 for the Collaborative Reform line within the Community Trust Initiative.

In the report, under “Department of Commerce, International Trade Administration, Operations and Administration”, strike the last paragraph and insert:

Within the level of funds provided, no less than \$9,000,000 shall be provided for the Interagency Trade Enforcement Center (ITEC) to improve trade enforcement by the Federal government. The Committee urges ITA and ITEC to facilitate the identification and prioritization of efforts to address trade barriers and practices in areas of strategic economic importance to U.S. industry and workers. Commerce should enhance its outreach to trade-impacted stakeholders to ensure greater transparency in the enforcement of trade violations.

In the report, under “Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Current Surveys and Programs”, insert the following new paragraph:

Foreign Trade Statistics.—The Committee notes the importance of accurate and complete international trade statistics, and directs the Census Bureau to include, as

part of its regular reporting on International Trade in Goods and Services, statistics on countries with which the United States has a trade agreement, to include data on U.S. exports and imports in addition to the overall trade balance.

In the report, under “Department of Commerce, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Scientific and Technical Research and Services”, in the paragraph titled “Textile research”, after the last sentence, insert:

The Committee directs that the Department of Commerce, no later than 30 days after the enactment of this Act, provide a report detailing the Department’s efforts to fund projects specifically related to advanced textile and apparel research and manufacturing activities since fiscal year 2014.

In the report, under “Department of Commerce, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Scientific and Technical Research and Services”, insert the following new paragraph:

Neuroscience.—New discoveries resulting from increased Federal investment in neuroscience have the potential to lead to advancement in many areas including communication, education, medicine, and the economy. The Committee encourages NIST to work with stake-

holders to help expedite the commercialization of these new discoveries.

In the report, under “Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Operations, Research, and Facilities”, in the paragraph titled “Marine Debris Program”, after the last sentence, insert:

The Committee encourages the program to continue its efforts on plastic marine debris, which NOAA has identified as one of the main types of marine debris and as having the potential to harm fish and other wildlife.

In the report, under “Department of Commerce, Departmental Management, Salaries and Expenses”, insert the following new paragraph:

Middle-market job growth.—Within the funds provided, the Committee encourages the Department to initiate an independent study, through a competitive bid process, to determine the impact of private capital on middle-market job growth, company revenues, and economic development.

In the report, under “Department of Justice, General Administration, Salaries and Expenses”, insert the following new paragraph:

Conferences.—The Committee understands that OMB Memorandum M–12–12 called for agencies to reduce travel expenses 30 percent compared to fiscal year 2010 level, and limit conference spending. The Committee expects the Department of Justice to minimize conferences and conference expenses to those necessary to carry out the mission of the Department. The Committee expects the Department to make conference location decisions based on transparency, accountability and best value in the use of appropriated funds.

In the report, under “Department of Justice, General Administration, Salaries and Expenses”, insert the following new paragraph:

White-collar prosecutions.—The Department of Justice shall report to the Committee, within 90 days of enactment of this Act, on the actions taken and settlements achieved on financial fraud cases in the wake of the recent financial crisis, to include completed cases against CEOs, board members, and other executives of Wall Street firms, hedge funds, and banks; the amount paid by financial institutions and individuals since 2009 in civil and criminal cases; and the percentage of white-collar prosecutions represented as an average of all Federal cases.

In the report, under “Department of Justice, General Administration, Administrative Review and Appeals”, in the first paragraph, after the third sentence, insert:

In hiring the additional immigration judge teams the Committee encourages EOIR to look at the pool of candidates it identified for selection as temporary immigration judges in 2014.

In the report, under “Department of Justice, General Administration, Administrative Review and Appeals”, in the paragraph titled “EOIR Performance reporting”, in the last sentence, insert before the period:

, and the impact of EOIR implementation of electronic registry, filing, and case information applications on productivity and backlog reduction

In the report, under “Department of Justice, General Administration, Administrative Review and Appeals”, at the end of the paragraph titled “Legal orientation program and pilots”, insert the following new sentence:

Recognizing that LOP served detained individuals in a limited number of States last year, EOIR shall brief the Committee not later than 90 days after the date of enactment on how it is allocating LOP services nation-

wide, including to remote immigration detention sites that are far from legal service providers in urban centers.

In the report, under “Department of Justice, Legal Activities, Salaries and Expenses, General Legal Activities”, insert the following new paragraph:

Civil Rights Division, Voting Section.—The Department of Justice shall submit to the Committee, at the time the 2017 budget request is submitted, the following information about Section 203 cases investigated in fiscal year 2016, including: the number of cases, broken out by language(s) involved; the number of such investigations opened and number closed, by reason closed (e.g., not enough evidence of non-compliance available, no evidence of non-compliance, MOA); the average number of investigations per attorney; and the average length of time per investigation.

In the report, under “Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Salaries and Expenses”, insert the following new paragraph:

Private sector laboratory DNA testing.—The Committee encourages the FBI to explore the development of a system to expedite the upload of DNA profiles to the Combined DNA Index System (CODIS). The Committee encourages the FBI to develop a method for timely tech-

nical review of private lab analysis that will result in DNA profiles being uploaded to CODIS in a timely fashion. The Committee also encourages the FBI to advise the Committee of any other options that will not only maintain the integrity of CODIS but will expedite the current upload of DNA profiles.

In the report, under “Department of Justice, Drug Enforcement Administration, Salaries and Expenses”, insert the following new paragraph:

Medical efficacy of marijuana.—The Committee directs the DEA to review all relevant DEA rules governing research on the medical efficacy of marijuana and determine ways to facilitate further research through streamlining the DEA approval process. The Committee further directs DEA to work in collaboration with NIH/NIDA and FDA to facilitate such research efforts. The Committee requests DEA to report back to the Committee within 120 days with a plan by which the agency can facilitate additional research.

In the report, under “Department of Justice, State and Local Law Enforcement Activities”, before the last paragraph, insert:

The Committee expects the Department of Justice to consult with Indian tribal governments on the distribu-

tion of the funds made available in Sec. 510 from the Crime Victims Fund.

In the report, under “Department of Justice, State and Local Law Enforcement Activities, Office of Justice Programs, State and Local Law Enforcement Assistance”, in the paragraph titled “Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (Byrne/JAG) program”, after the last sentence, insert:

The Committee is concerned by the impact on law enforcement of the growing epidemic of prescription drug and heroin abuse, and notes that funds within this account may be utilized for the implementation of medication-assisted treatment to maintain abstinence from all opioids and heroin.

In the report, under “Department of Justice, State and Local Law Enforcement Activities, Office of Justice Programs, State and Local Law Enforcement Assistance”, in the paragraph titled “Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (Byrne/JAG) program”, after the last sentence, insert:

The Committee notes that Byrne/JAG funding can be used for law enforcement purposes, including the hiring of law enforcement officers.

In the report, under “Department of Justice, State and Local Law Enforcement Activities, Office of Justice Programs, Juvenile Justice Programs”, in the paragraph titled “Missing and exploited children programs”, strike the last sentence and insert:

The Committee expects the Department to allocate no less than the current year level, for task force grants, training and technical assistance, research and statistics, and administrative costs for the Internet Crimes Against Children program.

In the report, under “National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Space Operations”, in the paragraph titled “21st Century Space Launch Complex”, before the first full sentence, insert:

This program is designed to modernize and upgrade both Wallops Flight Facility and Kennedy Space Center launch and range complexes.

In the report, under “National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Science”, in the paragraph titled “Exploration goals”, strike “biennial” and insert “biannual”.

In the report, under “National Science Foundation”, after the paragraph titled “Innovation Corps”, insert the following new paragraph:

Ocean Sciences.—The Committee notes that the 2015–2025 Decadal Survey of Ocean Sciences calls for immediate reductions in academic fleet costs for operations and maintenance. Prior to implementation of such reductions, the Committee directs NSF to submit in its fiscal year 2017 budget request a comprehensive plan to balance the need for fleet cost reductions with the retention of unique research capabilities within the fleet.



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**AMENDMENT TO COMMERCE, JUSTICE, SCIENCE
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OFFERED BY MR. FARR OF CALIFORNIA**

Page 14, line 24, reduce the dollar amount by \$7,200,000.

On page 23 of the report, in the paragraph relating to *“Management and administrative costs”*, reduce the dollar amount by \$7,200,000.

On page 23 of the report, in the paragraph relating to *“NOAA education program”*—

(1) strike the first sentence and insert “The Committee includes \$23,631,000, \$7,200,000 above the amount requested, for NOAA’s education program.”; and

(2) add at the end the following: “Of the total amount included, \$7,200,000 is provided to continue to the B-WET regional programs”.

On page 24 of the report, in the table relating to “Program Support”—

(1) in the subitem relating to “NOAA-Wide Corporate Services and Agency Management”, strike “108,000” and insert “100,800”;

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(2) in the item relating to "Corporate Services and Facilities", strike "215,300" and insert "208,100";

(3) under the first item relating to "NOAA Education Program", add at the end the following new subitem:

"B-WET regional programs7,200"; and

(4) in the second item relating to "NOAA Education Program", strike "16,431" and insert "23,631".

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**AMENDMENT TO COMMERCE, JUSTICE, SCIENCE
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OFFERED BY MS. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ OF
FLORIDA**

Page 18, line 8, decrease the dollar amount by
\$5,000,000.

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

1 Sec. _____. For an additional amount for “State and
2 Local Law Enforcement Activities—Office on Violence
3 Against Women—Violence Against Women Prevention
4 and Prosecution Programs”, there is appropriated
5 \$5,000,000 for the purposes authorized under the Rape
6 Survivor Child Custody Act.

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McCOLLUM AMENDMENT #1 - OFFERED TO THE FY2016 COMMERCE, JUSTICE & SCIENCE APPROPRIATIONS BILL

REPORT LANGUAGE:

COUNTERING RECRUITMENT BY VIOLENT EXTREMISTS –

The Committee is concerned by the radicalization and recruitment in the United States of young adults who seek to join terrorist organizations such as al-Shabab in Somalia and ISIS in Syria. The Committee supports the efforts of the Department of Justice to build resiliency against ideologically based extremist violence in communities with at-risk populations. Activities that bring together community representatives, law enforcement, religious leaders, and United States Attorneys to improve local engagement, to counter violent extremism, and to build community partnerships to prevent the recruitment of at-risk youth are strongly encouraged. The Committee requests that the Attorney General submit to the Committee, not later than 60 days after the date of the enactment of the bill, a report outlining efforts by the Department of Justice to prevent the recruitment of youth by violent extremists to join foreign terrorist organizations, the resources allocated by the Department by program to address these recruitment activities, and the Department benchmarks for the evaluation of program success.

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FLORIDA**

At the appropriate place in the report, insert the following: "The Committee expects the Department to allocate \$1,000,000 to be used to hire and equip wounded, ill, or injured veterans as digital forensic analysts or investigators to support child exploitation investigations."



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**AMENDMENT TO COMMERCE, JUSTICE, SCIENCE
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OFFERED BY MR. FATTAH OF PENNSYLVANIA**

Page 43, beginning on line 8, strike “a Preventing Violence” and all that follows through “(VALOR)” on line 10, and insert the following: “an Officer Robert Wilson III memorial initiative on Preventing Violence Against Law Enforcement Officer Resilience and Survivability (VALOR)”.

At the appropriate place in the report, insert the following (and revise the report accordingly to reflect the new program name):

Officer Robert Wilson III.—The Committee includes bill language naming the Preventing Violence Against Law Enforcement Officer Resilience and Survivability (VALOR) initiative in honor of officer Robert Wilson III.

