

***In the Senate of the United States,***

*March 26, 2009.*

*Resolved,* That the bill from the House of Representatives (H.R. 1388) entitled “An Act to reauthorize and reform the national service laws.”, do pass with the following

**AMENDMENTS:**

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

1 ***SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.***

2       (a) *SHORT TITLE.*—*This Act may be cited as the*  
3 *“Serve America Act”.*

4       (b) *TABLE OF CONTENTS.*—*The table of contents of this*  
5 *Act is as follows:*

*Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.*

***TITLE I—AMENDMENTS TO NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE  
ACT OF 1990***

*Sec. 1001. References.*

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- Sec. 1202. Higher education provisions.*
- Sec. 1203. Campuses of Service.*
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- Sec. 1302. Eligible national service programs.*
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- Sec. 1305. Assistance to State Commissions; challenge grants.*
- Sec. 1306. Allocation of assistance to States and other eligible entities.*
- Sec. 1307. Additional authority.*
- Sec. 1308. State selection of programs.*
- Sec. 1309. National service program assistance requirements.*
- Sec. 1310. Prohibited activities and ineligible organizations.*
- Sec. 1311. Consideration of applications.*
- Sec. 1312. Description of participants.*
- Sec. 1313. Selection of national service participants.*
- Sec. 1314. Terms of service.*
- Sec. 1315. Adjustments to living allowance.*

*Subtitle D—Amendments to Subtitle D (National Service Trust and Provision of National Service Educational Awards)*

- Sec. 1401. Availability of funds in the National Service Trust.*
- Sec. 1402. Individuals eligible to receive an educational award from the Trust.*
- Sec. 1403. Certifications.*
- Sec. 1404. Determination of the amount of the educational award.*
- Sec. 1405. Disbursement of educational awards.*
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*Subtitle E—Amendments to Subtitle E (National Civilian Community Corps)*

- Sec. 1501. Purpose.*
- Sec. 1502. Program components.*
- Sec. 1503. Eligible participants.*
- Sec. 1504. Summer national service program.*
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- Sec. 1506. Training.*
- Sec. 1507. Consultation with State Commissions.*
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- Sec. 1509. Permanent cadre.*
- Sec. 1510. Status of Corps members and Corps personnel under Federal law.*
- Sec. 1511. Contract and grant authority.*
- Sec. 1512. Other departments.*
- Sec. 1513. Advisory Board.*
- Sec. 1514. Evaluations.*
- Sec. 1515. Repeal of funding limitation.*
- Sec. 1516. Definitions.*
- Sec. 1517. Terminology.*

*Subtitle F—Amendments to Subtitle F (Administrative Provisions)*

- Sec. 1601. Family and medical leave.*
- Sec. 1602. Reports.*
- Sec. 1603. Use of funds.*
- Sec. 1604. Notice, hearing, and grievance procedures.*
- Sec. 1605. Resolution of displacement complaints.*
- Sec. 1606. State Commissions on National and Community Service.*
- Sec. 1607. Evaluation and accountability.*
- Sec. 1608. Civic Health Assessment.*
- Sec. 1609. Contingent extension.*
- Sec. 1610. Partnerships with schools.*
- Sec. 1611. Rights of access, examination, and copying.*
- Sec. 1612. Additional administrative provisions.*
- Sec. 1613. Availability of assistance.*
- Sec. 1614. Criminal history checks for individuals working with vulnerable populations.*

*Subtitle G—Amendments to Subtitle G (Corporation for National and Community Service)*

- Sec. 1701. Terms of office.*
- Sec. 1702. Board of Directors authorities and duties.*
- Sec. 1703. Chief Executive Officer compensation.*
- Sec. 1704. Authorities and duties of the Chief Executive Officer.*
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- Sec. 1706. Nonvoting members; personal services contracts.*
- Sec. 1707. Donated services.*
- Sec. 1708. Assignment to State Commissions.*
- Sec. 1709. Study of involvement of veterans.*
- Sec. 1710. Study to examine and increase service programs for displaced workers in services corps and community service and to develop pilot program planning study.*
- Sec. 1711. Study to evaluate the effectiveness of agency coordination.*
- Sec. 1712. Study of program effectiveness.*
- Sec. 1713. Volunteer Management Corps study.*

*Subtitle H—Amendments to Subtitle H (Investment for Quality and Innovation)*

- Sec. 1801. Technical amendment to subtitle H.*
- Sec. 1802. Additional Corporation activities to support national service.*
- Sec. 1803. Repeals.*
- Sec. 1804. Presidential awards.*
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- Sec. 1807. Social Innovation Funds pilot program.*
- Sec. 1808. Clearinghouses.*
- Sec. 1809. Nonprofit Capacity Building Program.*

*Subtitle I—Training and Technical Assistance*

- Sec. 1821. Training and technical assistance.*

*Subtitle J—Repeal of Title III (Points of Light Foundation)*

- Sec. 1831. Repeal.*

*Subtitle K—Amendments to Title V (Authorization of Appropriations)**Sec. 1841. Authorization of appropriations.**TITLE II—DOMESTIC VOLUNTEER SERVICE ACT OF 1973**Sec. 2001. References.**Sec. 2002. Volunteerism policy.**Subtitle A—National Volunteer Antipoverty Programs**CHAPTER 1—VOLUNTEERS IN SERVICE TO AMERICA**Sec. 2101. Statement of purpose.**Sec. 2102. Selection and assignment of volunteers.**Sec. 2103. Support service.**Sec. 2104. Repeal.**Sec. 2105. Redesignation.**CHAPTER 2—UNIVERSITY YEAR FOR VISTA**Sec. 2121. University year for VISTA.**CHAPTER 3—SPECIAL VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS**Sec. 2131. Statement of purpose.**Sec. 2132. Literacy challenge grants.**Subtitle B—National Senior Service Corps**Sec. 2141. Title.**Sec. 2142. Statement of purpose.**Sec. 2143. Retired and Senior Volunteer Program.**Sec. 2144. Foster grandparent program.**Sec. 2145. Senior companion program.**Sec. 2146. General provisions.**Subtitle C—Administration and Coordination**Sec. 2151. Special limitations.**Sec. 2152. Application of Federal law.**Sec. 2153. Evaluation.**Sec. 2154. Definitions.**Sec. 2155. Protection against improper use.**Sec. 2156. Provisions under the National and Community Service Act of 1990.**Subtitle D—Authorization of Appropriations**Sec. 2161. Authorizations of appropriations.**TITLE III—TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS TO TABLES OF CONTENTS**Sec. 3101. Table of contents of the National and Community Service Act of 1990.**Sec. 3102. Table of contents of the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973.**TITLE IV—AMENDMENTS TO OTHER LAWS**Sec. 4101. Inspector General Act of 1978.*

## TITLE V—VOLUNTEERS FOR PROSPERITY PROGRAM

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Sec. 5104. Authorization of appropriations.

## TITLE VI—EFFECTIVE DATE

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Sec. 6102. Sense of the Senate.

1 **TITLE I—AMENDMENTS TO NA-**  
 2 **TIONAL AND COMMUNITY**  
 3 **SERVICE ACT OF 1990**

4 **SEC. 1001. REFERENCES.**

5 *Except as otherwise specifically provided, whenever in*  
 6 *this title an amendment or repeal is expressed in terms of*  
 7 *an amendment to, or repeal of, a provision, the amendment*  
 8 *or repeal shall be considered to be made to a provision of*  
 9 *the National and Community Service Act of 1990 (42*  
 10 *U.S.C. 12501 et seq.).*

11 **Subtitle A—Amendments to Subtitle**  
 12 **A (General Provisions)**

13 **SEC. 1101. PURPOSES.**

14 *Section 2(b) (42 U.S.C. 12501(b)) is amended—*

15 *(1) in paragraph (2), by striking “community*  
 16 *throughout” and inserting “community and service*  
 17 *throughout the varied and diverse communities of”;*

18 *(2) in paragraph (4), by inserting after “in-*  
 19 *come,” the following: “geographic location,”;*

1           (3) in paragraph (6), by inserting after “exist-  
2           ing” the following: “national”;

3           (4) in paragraph (7)—

4                 (A) by striking “programs and agencies”  
5                 and inserting “programs, agencies, and commu-  
6                 nities”; and

7                 (B) by striking “and” at the end;

8           (5) in paragraph (8), by striking the period and  
9           inserting a semicolon; and

10          (6) by adding at the end the following:

11                 “(9) expand and strengthen service-learning pro-  
12                 grams through year-round opportunities, including  
13                 opportunities during the summer months, to improve  
14                 the education of children and youth and to maximize  
15                 the benefits of national and community service, in  
16                 order to renew the ethic of civic responsibility and the  
17                 spirit of community for children and youth through-  
18                 out the United States;

19                 “(10) assist in coordinating and strengthening  
20                 Federal and other service opportunities, including op-  
21                 portunities for participation in emergency and dis-  
22                 aster preparedness, relief, and recovery;

23                 “(11) increase service opportunities for the Na-  
24                 tion’s retiring professionals, including such opportu-  
25                 nities for those retiring from the science, technical,

1     *engineering, and mathematics professions, to improve*  
2     *the education of the Nation's youth and keep America*  
3     *competitive in the global knowledge economy, and to*  
4     *further utilize the experience, knowledge, and skills of*  
5     *older individuals;*

6             *“(12) encourage the continued service of the*  
7     *alumni of the national service programs, including*  
8     *service in times of national need;*

9             *“(13) encourage individuals age 55 or older to*  
10    *partake of service opportunities;*

11            *“(14) focus national service on the areas of na-*  
12    *tional need such service has the capacity to address,*  
13    *such as improving education, increasing energy con-*  
14    *servation, improving the health status of economically*  
15    *disadvantaged individuals, and improving economic*  
16    *opportunity for economically disadvantaged individ-*  
17    *uals;*

18            *“(15) recognize and increase the impact of social*  
19    *entrepreneurs and other nonprofit community organi-*  
20    *zations in addressing national and local challenges;*

21            *“(16) increase public and private investment in*  
22    *nonprofit community organizations that are effec-*  
23    *tively addressing national and local challenges and*  
24    *encourage such organizations to replicate and expand*  
25    *successful initiatives;*

1           “(17) leverage Federal investments to increase  
2           State, local, business, and philanthropic resources to  
3           address national and local challenges;

4           “(18) support institutions of higher education  
5           that engage students in community service activities  
6           and provide high-quality service-learning opportuni-  
7           ties; and

8           “(19) recognize the expertise veterans can offer to  
9           national service programs, expand the participation  
10          of the veterans in the national service programs, and  
11          assist the families of veterans and members of the  
12          Armed Forces on active duty.”.

13 **SEC. 1102. DEFINITIONS.**

14          (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Section 101 (42 U.S.C. 12511) is  
15          amended—

16               (1) in paragraph (3), by striking “described in  
17               section 122”;

18               (2) in paragraph (13), by striking “section  
19               101(a) of the Higher Education Act of 1965” and in-  
20               serting “sections 101(a) and 102(a)(1) of the Higher  
21               Education Act of 1965”;

22               (3) in paragraph (17)(B), by striking “program  
23               in which the participant is enrolled” and inserting  
24               “organization receiving assistance under the national



1 *service laws through which the participant is engag-*  
2 *ing in service”;*

3 *(4) in paragraph (19)—*

4 *(A) by striking “section 111(a)” and insert-*  
5 *ing “section 112(a)”;*

6 *(B) by striking “117A(a),”;*

7 *(C) by striking “119(b)(1), or 122(a),” and*  
8 *inserting “118A, or 118(b)(1), or subsection (a),*  
9 *(b), or (c) of section 122,”;*

10 *(D) by inserting “section 198B, 198C,*  
11 *198G, 198H, or 198K,” after “section 152(b),”;*  
12 *and*

13 *(E) by striking “198, 198C, or 198D” and*  
14 *inserting “179A, 198, 198O, 198P, or 199N”;*

15 *(5) in paragraph (21)(B)—*

16 *(A) by striking “602” and inserting*  
17 *“602(3)”;* *and*

18 *(B) by striking “1401” and inserting*  
19 *“1401(3)”;*

20 *(6) in paragraph (24), by striking “section 111”*  
21 *and inserting “section 112”;*

22 *(7) in paragraph (26), by striking the second*  
23 *sentence; and*

24 *(8) by adding at the end the following:*

1           “(30) *ALASKA NATIVE-SERVING INSTITUTION.*—  
2           *The term ‘Alaska Native-serving institution’ has the*  
3           *meaning given the term in section 317(b) of the High-*  
4           *er Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1059d(b)).*

5           “(31) *APPROVED SILVER SCHOLAR POSITION.*—  
6           *The term ‘approved silver scholar position’ means a*  
7           *position, in a program described in section 198C(a),*  
8           *for which the Corporation has approved the provision*  
9           *of a silver scholarship educational award as one of*  
10           *the benefits to be provided for successful service in the*  
11           *position.*

12           “(32) *APPROVED SUMMER OF SERVICE POSI-*  
13           *TION.*—*The term ‘approved summer of service posi-*  
14           *tion’ means a position, in a program described in sec-*  
15           *tion 119(c)(8), for which the Corporation has ap-*  
16           *proved the provision of a summer of service edu-*  
17           *cational award as one of the benefits to be provided*  
18           *for successful service in the position.*

19           “(33) *ASIAN AMERICAN AND NATIVE AMERICAN*  
20           *PACIFIC ISLANDER-SERVING INSTITUTION.*—*The term*  
21           *‘Asian American and Native American Pacific Is-*  
22           *lander-serving institution’ has the meaning given the*  
23           *term in section 320(b) of the Higher Education Act*  
24           *of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1059g(b)).*

1           “(34) *AUTHORIZING COMMITTEES.*—*The term*  
2           *‘authorizing committees’ means the Committee on*  
3           *Education and Labor of the House of Representatives*  
4           *and the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and*  
5           *Pensions of the Senate.*

6           “(35) *COMMUNITY-BASED ENTITY.*—*The term*  
7           *‘community-based entity’ means a public or private*  
8           *nonprofit organization that—*

9                   “(A) *has experience with meeting unmet*  
10                   *human, educational, environmental, or public*  
11                   *safety needs; and*

12                   “(B) *meets other such criteria as the Chief*  
13                   *Executive Officer may establish.*

14           “(36) *DISADVANTAGED YOUTH.*—*The term ‘dis-*  
15           *advantaged youth’ includes those youth who are eco-*  
16           *nomically disadvantaged and 1 or more of the fol-*  
17           *lowing:*

18                   “(A) *Who are out-of-school youth, including*  
19                   *out-of-school youth who are unemployed.*

20                   “(B) *Who are in or aging out of foster care.*

21                   “(C) *Who have limited English proficiency.*

22                   “(D) *Who are homeless or who have run*  
23                   *away from home.*

24                   “(E) *Who are at-risk to leave secondary*  
25                   *school without a diploma.*

1           “(F) Who are former juvenile offenders or at  
2           risk of delinquency.

3           “(G) Who are individuals with disabilities.

4           “(37) *ENCORE SERVICE PROGRAM*.—The term  
5           ‘encore service program’ means a program, carried  
6           out by an eligible entity as described in subsection  
7           (a), (b), or (c) of section 122, that—

8           “(A) involves a significant number of par-  
9           ticipants age 55 or older in the program; and

10           “(B) takes advantage of the skills and expe-  
11           rience that such participants offer in the design  
12           and implementation of the program.

13           “(38) *HISPANIC-SERVING INSTITUTION*.—The  
14           term ‘Hispanic-serving institution’ has the meaning  
15           given such term in section 502(a) of the Higher Edu-  
16           cation Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1101a(a)).

17           “(39) *HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGE OR UNI-*  
18           *VERSITY*.—The term ‘historically black college or uni-  
19           versity’ means a part B institution, as defined in sec-  
20           tion 322 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20  
21           U.S.C. 1061).

22           “(40) *MEDICALLY UNDERSERVED POPULATION*.—  
23           The term ‘medically underserved population’ has the  
24           meaning given that term in section 330(b)(3) of the  
25           Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 254b(b)(3)).

1           “(41) *NATIVE AMERICAN-SERVING, NONTRIBAL*  
2 *INSTITUTION.—The term ‘Native American-serving,*  
3 *nontribal institution’ has the meaning given the term*  
4 *in section 319(b) of the Higher Education Act of 1965*  
5 *(20 U.S.C. 1059f(b)).*

6           “(42) *NATIVE HAWAIIAN-SERVING INSTITU-*  
7 *TION.—The term ‘Native Hawaiian-serving institu-*  
8 *tion’ has the meaning given the term in section*  
9 *317(b) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20*  
10 *U.S.C. 1059d(b)).*

11           “(43) *PREDOMINANTLY BLACK INSTITUTION.—*  
12 *The term ‘Predominantly Black Institution’ has the*  
13 *meaning given the term in section 318 of the Higher*  
14 *Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1059e).*

15           “(44) *PRINCIPLES OF SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH.—*  
16 *The term ‘principles of scientific research’ means*  
17 *principles of research that—*

18                   “(A) *apply rigorous, systematic, and objec-*  
19 *tive methodology to obtain reliable and valid*  
20 *knowledge relevant to the subject matter involved;*

21                   “(B) *present findings and make claims that*  
22 *are appropriate to, and supported by, the meth-*  
23 *ods that have been employed; and*

24                   “(C) *include, appropriate to the research*  
25 *being conducted—*

1           “(i) use of systematic, empirical meth-  
2           ods that draw on observation or experiment;

3           “(ii) use of data analyses that are ade-  
4           quate to support the general findings;

5           “(iii) reliance on measurements or ob-  
6           servational methods that provide reliable  
7           and generalizable findings;

8           “(iv) strong claims of causal relation-  
9           ships, only with research designs that elimi-  
10          nate plausible competing explanations for  
11          observed results, such as, but not limited to,  
12          random-assignment experiments;

13          “(v) presentation of studies and meth-  
14          ods in sufficient detail and clarity to allow  
15          for replication or, at a minimum, to offer  
16          the opportunity to build systematically on  
17          the findings of the research;

18          “(vi) acceptance by a peer-reviewed  
19          journal or critique by a panel of inde-  
20          pendent experts through a comparably rig-  
21          orous, objective, and scientific review; and

22          “(vii) consistency of findings across  
23          multiple studies or sites to support the gen-  
24          erality of results and conclusions.

1           “(45) *QUALIFIED ORGANIZATION.*—*The term*  
2           *‘qualified organization’ means a public or private*  
3           *nonprofit organization with experience working with*  
4           *school-age youth that meets such criteria as the Chief*  
5           *Executive Officer may establish.*

6           “(46) *SCIENTIFICALLY VALID RESEARCH.*—*The*  
7           *term ‘scientifically valid research’ includes applied*  
8           *research, basic research, and field-initiated research*  
9           *in which the rationale, design, and interpretation are*  
10           *soundly developed in accordance with principles of*  
11           *scientific research.*

12           “(47) *TERRITORY.*—*The term ‘territory’ means*  
13           *the United States Virgin Islands, Guam, American*  
14           *Samoa, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mar-*  
15           *iana Islands.*

16           “(48) *TRIBALLY CONTROLLED COLLEGE OR UNI-*  
17           *VERSITY.*—*The term ‘tribally controlled college or*  
18           *university’ has the meaning given such term in sec-*  
19           *tion 2 of the Tribally Controlled Colleges and Univer-*  
20           *sities Assistance Act of 1978 (25 U.S.C. 1801).*

21           “(49) *VETERAN.*—*The term ‘veteran’ has the*  
22           *meaning given the term in section 101 of title 38,*  
23           *United States Code.”.*

24           **(b) REDESIGNATION.**—*Section 101 (42 U.S.C. 12511)*  
25           *is amended—*

1           (1) by redesignating paragraphs (1) through (49)  
 2           as paragraphs (1), (3), (8), (9), (10), (12), (14), (15),  
 3           (19), (20), (21), (22), (23), (24), (26), (29), (30), (31),  
 4           (34), (35), (37), (39), (40), (41), (42), (43), (44), (45),  
 5           (46), (2), (4), (5), (6), (7), (11), (13), (16), (17), (18),  
 6           (25), (27), (28), (32), (33), (36), (38), (47), (48), and  
 7           (49); and

8           (2) so that paragraphs (1) through (49), as so re-  
 9           designated in paragraph (1), appear in numerical  
 10          order.

11       ***Subtitle B—Amendments to Subtitle***  
 12       ***B (Learn and Serve America)***

13       ***SEC. 1201. SCHOOL-BASED ALLOTMENTS.***

14       *Part I of subtitle B of title I (42 U.S.C. 12521 et seq.)*  
 15       *is amended to read as follows:*

16       ***“PART I—PROGRAMS FOR ELEMENTARY AND***  
 17       ***SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS***

18       ***“SEC. 111. PURPOSE.***

19       *“The purpose of this part is to promote service-learn-*  
 20       *ing as a strategy to—*

21           *“(1) support high-quality service-learning*  
 22           *projects that engage students in meeting community*  
 23           *needs with demonstrable results, while enhancing stu-*  
 24           *dents’ academic and civic learning; and*



1           “(2) *support efforts to build institutional capac-*  
2           *ity, including the training of educators, and to*  
3           *strengthen the service infrastructure to expand service*  
4           *opportunities.*

5   **“SEC. 111A. DEFINITIONS.**

6           *“In this part:*

7           “(1) *STATE.—The term ‘State’ means each of the*  
8           *several States, the District of Columbia, and the Com-*  
9           *monwealth of Puerto Rico.*

10           “(2) *STATE EDUCATIONAL AGENCY.—The term*  
11           *‘State educational agency’ means—*

12                   “(A) *a State educational agency (as defined*  
13                   *in section 101) of a State; or*

14                   “(B) *for a State in which a State edu-*  
15                   *cational agency described in subparagraph (A)*  
16                   *has designated a statewide entity under section*  
17                   *112(e), that designated statewide entity.*

18   **“SEC. 112. ASSISTANCE TO STATES, TERRITORIES, AND IN-**  
19                   **DIAN TRIBES.**

20           “(a) *ALLOTMENTS TO STATES, TERRITORIES, AND IN-*  
21           *DIAN TRIBES.—The Corporation, in consultation with the*  
22           *Secretary of Education, may make allotments to State edu-*  
23           *cational agencies, territories, and Indian tribes to pay for*  
24           *the Federal share of—*

1           “(1) *planning and building the capacity within*  
2 *the State, territory, or Indian tribe involved to imple-*  
3 *ment service-learning programs that are based prin-*  
4 *cipally in elementary schools and secondary schools,*  
5 *including—*

6           “(A) *providing training and professional*  
7 *development for teachers, supervisors, personnel*  
8 *from community-based entities (particularly*  
9 *with regard to the recruitment, utilization, and*  
10 *management of participants), and trainers, to be*  
11 *conducted by qualified individuals or organiza-*  
12 *tions that have experience with service-learning;*

13           “(B) *developing service-learning curricula,*  
14 *consistent with State or local academic content*  
15 *standards, to be integrated into academic pro-*  
16 *grams, including curricula for an age-appro-*  
17 *priate learning component that provides partici-*  
18 *pants an opportunity to analyze and apply their*  
19 *service experiences;*

20           “(C) *forming local partnerships described in*  
21 *paragraph (2) or (4)(D) to develop school-based*  
22 *service-learning programs in accordance with*  
23 *this part;*

24           “(D) *devising appropriate methods for re-*  
25 *search on and evaluation of the educational*

1           *value of service-learning and the effect of service-*  
2           *learning activities on communities;*

3           “(E) *establishing effective outreach and dis-*  
4           *semination of information to ensure the broadest*  
5           *possible involvement of community-based entities*  
6           *with demonstrated effectiveness in working with*  
7           *school-age youth in their communities; and*

8           “(F) *establishing effective outreach and dis-*  
9           *semination of information to ensure the broadest*  
10           *possible participation of schools throughout the*  
11           *State, throughout the territory, or serving the In-*  
12           *Indian tribe involved with particular attention to*  
13           *schools not making adequate yearly progress for*  
14           *two or more consecutive years under section 1111*  
15           *of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act*  
16           *of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6301 et seq.);*

17           “(2) *implementing, operating, or expanding*  
18           *school-based service-learning programs, which may*  
19           *include paying for the cost of the recruitment, train-*  
20           *ing, supervision, placement, salaries, and benefits of*  
21           *service-learning coordinators, through distribution by*  
22           *State educational agencies, territories, and Indian*  
23           *tribes of Federal funds made available under this part*  
24           *to projects operated by local partnerships among—*

25           “(A) *local educational agencies; and*

1           “(B) 1 or more community partners that—

2                   “(i) shall include a public or private  
3           nonprofit organization that—

4                           “(I) has a demonstrated expertise  
5                   in the provision of services to meet  
6                   unmet human, education, environ-  
7                   mental, or public safety needs;

8                           “(II) will make projects available  
9                   for participants, who shall be students;  
10                   and

11                           “(III) was in existence at least 1  
12                   year before the date on which the orga-  
13                   nization submitted an application  
14                   under section 113; and

15                           “(ii) may include a private for-profit  
16                   business, private elementary school or sec-  
17                   ondary school, or Indian tribe (except that  
18                   an Indian tribe distributing funds to a  
19                   project under this paragraph is not eligible  
20                   to be part of the partnership operating that  
21                   project);

22                   “(3) planning of school-based service-learning  
23                   programs, through distribution by State educational  
24                   agencies, territories, and Indian tribes of Federal  
25                   funds made available under this part to local edu-

1     *cational agencies and Indian tribes, which planning*  
2     *may include paying for the cost of—*

3             *“(A) the salaries and benefits of service-*  
4             *learning coordinators; or*

5             *“(B) the recruitment, training and profes-*  
6             *sional development, supervision, and placement*  
7             *of service-learning coordinators who may be par-*  
8             *ticipants in a program under subtitle C or re-*  
9             *ceive a national service educational award under*  
10            *subtitle D, who may be participants in a project*  
11            *under section 201 of the Domestic Volunteer*  
12            *Service Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C. 5001), or who*  
13            *may participate in a Youthbuild program under*  
14            *section 173A of the Workforce Investment Act of*  
15            *1998 (29 U.S.C. 2918a),*

16     *who will identify the community partners described*  
17     *in paragraph (2)(B) and assist in the design and im-*  
18     *plementation of a program described in paragraph*  
19     *(2);*

20            *“(4) implementing, operating, or expanding*  
21            *school-based service-learning programs to utilize adult*  
22            *volunteers in service-learning to improve the edu-*  
23            *cation of students, through distribution by State edu-*  
24            *cational agencies, territories, and Indian tribes of*  
25            *Federal funds made available under this part to—*

1           “(A) local educational agencies;

2           “(B) Indian tribes (except that an Indian  
3           tribe distributing funds under this paragraph is  
4           not eligible to be a recipient of those funds);

5           “(C) public or private nonprofit organiza-  
6           tions; or

7           “(D) partnerships or combinations of local  
8           educational agencies, and entities described in  
9           subparagraph (B) or (C); and

10          “(5) developing, as service-learning programs,  
11          civic engagement programs that promote a better un-  
12          derstanding of—

13               “(A) the principles of the Constitution, the  
14               heroes of United States history (including mili-  
15               tary heroes), and the meaning of the Pledge of  
16               Allegiance;

17               “(B) how the Nation’s government func-  
18               tions; and

19               “(C) the importance of service in the Na-  
20               tion’s character.

21          “(b) *DUTIES OF SERVICE-LEARNING COORDINATOR.*—  
22          A service-learning coordinator referred to in paragraph (2)  
23          or (3) of subsection (a) shall provide services to a local part-  
24          nership described in subsection (a)(2) or entity described  
25          in subsection (a)(3), respectively, that may include—

1           “(1) *providing technical assistance and informa-*  
2           *tion to, and facilitating the training of, teachers and*  
3           *assisting in the planning, development, execution, and*  
4           *evaluation of service-learning in their classrooms;*

5           “(2) *assisting local partnerships described in*  
6           *subsection (a)(2) in the planning, development, and*  
7           *execution of service-learning projects, including sum-*  
8           *mer of service programs;*

9           “(3) *assisting schools and local educational agen-*  
10           *cies in developing school policies and practices that*  
11           *support the integration of service-learning into the*  
12           *curriculum; and*

13           “(4) *carrying out such other duties as the local*  
14           *partnership or entity, respectively, may determine to*  
15           *be appropriate.*

16           “(c) *RELATED EXPENSES.—An entity that receives fi-*  
17           *nancial assistance under this part from a State, territory,*  
18           *or Indian tribe may, in carrying out the activities described*  
19           *in subsection (a), use such assistance to pay for the Federal*  
20           *share of reasonable costs related to the supervision of par-*  
21           *ticipants, program administration, transportation, insur-*  
22           *ance, and evaluations and for other reasonable expenses re-*  
23           *lated to the activities.*

24           “(d) *SPECIAL RULE.—A State educational agency de-*  
25           *scribed in section 111A(2)(A) may designate a statewide*

1 *entity (which may be a community-based entity) with dem-*  
2 *onstrated experience in supporting or implementing service-*  
3 *learning programs, to receive the State educational agency’s*  
4 *allotment under this part, and carry out the functions of*  
5 *the agency under this part.*

6 “(e) *CONSULTATION WITH SECRETARY OF EDU-*  
7 *CATION.—The Corporation is authorized to enter into agree-*  
8 *ments with the Secretary of Education for initiatives (and*  
9 *may use funds authorized under section 501(a)(6) to enter*  
10 *into the agreements if the additional costs of the initiatives*  
11 *are warranted) that may include—*

12 “(1) *identification and dissemination of research*  
13 *findings on service-learning and scientifically valid*  
14 *research based practices for service-learning; and*

15 “(2) *provision of professional development oppor-*  
16 *tunities that—*

17 “(A) *improve the quality of service-learning*  
18 *instruction and delivery for teachers both*  
19 *preservice and in-service, personnel from commu-*  
20 *nity-based entities and youth workers; and*

21 “(B) *create and sustain effective partner-*  
22 *ships for service-learning programs between local*  
23 *educational agencies, community-based entities,*  
24 *businesses, and other stakeholders.*



1 **“SEC. 112A. ALLOTMENTS.**

2       “(a) *INDIAN TRIBES AND TERRITORIES.*—Of the  
3 amounts appropriated to carry out this part for any fiscal  
4 year, the Corporation shall reserve an amount of not less  
5 than 2 percent and not more than 3 percent for payments  
6 to Indian tribes, the United States Virgin Islands, Guam,  
7 American Samoa, and the Commonwealth of the Northern  
8 Mariana Islands, to be allotted in accordance with their  
9 respective needs.

10       “(b) *ALLOTMENTS THROUGH STATES.*—

11               “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—After reserving an amount  
12 under subsection (a), the Corporation shall use the re-  
13 mainder of the funds appropriated to carry out this  
14 part for the fiscal year as follows:

15                       “(A) *ALLOTMENTS BASED ON SCHOOL-AGE*  
16 *YOUTH.*—From 50 percent of such remainder, the  
17 Corporation shall allot to each State an amount  
18 that bears the same ratio to 50 percent of such  
19 remainder as the number of school-age youth in  
20 the State bears to the total number of school-age  
21 youth in all States.

22                       “(B) *ALLOTMENTS BASED ON ALLOCATIONS*  
23 *UNDER ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDU-*  
24 *CATION ACT OF 1965.*—From 50 percent of such  
25 remainder, the Corporation shall allot to each  
26 State an amount that bears the same ratio to 50

1           *percent of such remainder as the allocation to the*  
2           *State for the previous fiscal year under title I of*  
3           *the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of*  
4           *1965 (20 U.S.C. 6301 et seq.) bears to the total*  
5           *of such allocations to all States.*

6           “(2) *MINIMUM AMOUNT.—For any fiscal year for*  
7           *which amounts appropriated for this subtitle exceed*  
8           *\$50,000,000, the minimum allotment to each State*  
9           *under paragraph (1) shall be \$75,000.*

10          “(c) *REALLOTMENT.—If the Corporation determines*  
11          *that the allotment of a State, territory, or Indian tribe*  
12          *under this section will not be required for a fiscal year be-*  
13          *cause the State, territory, or Indian tribe did not submit*  
14          *and receive approval of an application for the allotment*  
15          *under section 113, the Corporation shall make the allotment*  
16          *for such State, territory, or Indian tribe available for grants*  
17          *to community-based entities to carry out service-learning*  
18          *programs as described in section 112(b) in such State, in*  
19          *such territory, or for such Indian tribe. After community-*  
20          *based entities apply for grants from the allotment, by sub-*  
21          *mitting an application at such time and in such manner*  
22          *as the Corporation requires, and receive approval, the re-*  
23          *mainder of such allotment shall be available for reallocation*  
24          *to such other States, territories, or Indian tribes with ap-*

1 *proved applications submitted under section 113 as the Cor-*  
2 *poration may determine to be appropriate.*

3 **“SEC. 113. APPLICATIONS.**

4 *“(a) APPLICATIONS TO CORPORATION FOR ALLOT-*  
5 *MENTS.—*

6 *“(1) IN GENERAL.—To be eligible to receive an*  
7 *allotment under section 112A, a State, acting through*  
8 *the State educational agency, territory, or Indian*  
9 *tribe shall prepare and submit to the Corporation an*  
10 *application at such time and in such manner as the*  
11 *Chief Executive Officer may reasonably require, and*  
12 *obtain approval of the application.*

13 *“(2) CONTENTS.—An application for an allot-*  
14 *ment under section 112 shall include—*

15 *“(A) a proposal for a 3-year plan pro-*  
16 *moting service-learning, which shall contain such*  
17 *information as the Chief Executive Officer may*  
18 *reasonably require, including how the applicant*  
19 *will integrate service opportunities into the aca-*  
20 *demie program of the participants;*

21 *“(B) information about the criteria the*  
22 *State educational agency, territory, or Indian*  
23 *tribe will use to evaluate and grant approval to*  
24 *applications submitted under subsection (b), in-*  
25 *cluding an assurance that the State educational*

1           *agency, territory, or Indian tribe will comply*  
2           *with the requirement in section 114(a);*

3           “(C) assurances about the applicant’s efforts  
4           to—

5                     “(i) ensure that students of different  
6                     ages, races, sexes, ethnic groups, disabilities,  
7                     and economic backgrounds have opportuni-  
8                     ties to serve together;

9                     “(ii) include any opportunities for stu-  
10                    dents, enrolled in schools or programs of  
11                    education providing elementary or sec-  
12                    ondary education, to participate in service-  
13                    learning programs and ensure that such  
14                    service-learning programs include opportu-  
15                    nities for such students to serve together;

16                    “(iii) involve participants in the de-  
17                    sign and operation of the programs;

18                    “(iv) promote service-learning in areas  
19                    of greatest need, including low-income or  
20                    rural areas; and

21                    “(v) otherwise integrate service oppor-  
22                    tunities into the academic program of the  
23                    participants; and

24           “(D) assurances that the applicant will  
25           comply with the nonduplication and non-

1           *displacement requirements of section 177 and the*  
2           *notice, hearing, and grievance procedures re-*  
3           *quired by section 176.*

4           “(b) *APPLICATION TO STATE, TERRITORY, OR INDIAN*  
5           *TRIBE FOR ASSISTANCE TO CARRY OUT SCHOOL-BASED*  
6           *SERVICE-LEARNING PROGRAMS.—*

7           “(1) *IN GENERAL.—Any—*

8                   “(A) *qualified organization, Indian tribe,*  
9                   *territory, local educational agency, for-profit*  
10                   *business, private elementary school or secondary*  
11                   *school, or institution of higher education that de-*  
12                   *sires to receive financial assistance under this*  
13                   *subpart from a State, territory, or Indian tribe*  
14                   *for an activity described in section 112(a)(1);*

15                   “(B) *partnership described in section*  
16                   *112(a)(2) that desires to receive such assistance*  
17                   *from a State, territory, or Indian tribe for an*  
18                   *activity described in section 112(a)(2);*

19                   “(C) *entity described in section 112(a)(3)*  
20                   *that desires to receive such assistance from a*  
21                   *State, territory, or Indian tribe for an activity*  
22                   *described in such section;*

23                   “(D) *entity or partnership described in sec-*  
24                   *tion 112(a)(4) that desires to receive such assist-*

1           *ance from a State, territory, or Indian tribe for*  
2           *an activity described in such section; and*

3                   “(E) *entity that desires to receive such as-*  
4                   *istance from a State, territory, or Indian tribe*  
5                   *for an activity described in section 111(a)(5),*  
6           *shall prepare, submit to the State educational agency*  
7           *for the State, territory, or Indian tribe, and obtain*  
8           *approval of, an application for the program.*

9                   “(2) *SUBMISSION.—Such application shall be*  
10           *submitted at such time and in such manner, and*  
11           *shall contain such information, as the agency, terri-*  
12           *tory, or Indian tribe may reasonably require.*

13   **“SEC. 114. CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATIONS.**

14           “(a) *CRITERIA FOR LOCAL APPLICATIONS.—In pro-*  
15           *viding assistance under this part, a State educational agen-*  
16           *cy, territory, or Indian tribe (or the Corporation if section*  
17           *112A(c) applies) shall consider criteria with respect to sus-*  
18           *tainability, replicability, innovation, and quality of pro-*  
19           *grams.*

20           “(b) *PRIORITY FOR LOCAL APPLICATIONS.—In pro-*  
21           *viding assistance under this part, a State educational agen-*  
22           *cy, territory, or Indian tribe (or the Corporation if section*  
23           *112A(c) applies) shall give priority to entities that submit*  
24           *applications under section 113 with respect to service-learn-*  
25           *ing programs described in section 111 that are in the great-*

1 *est need of assistance, such as programs targeting low-in-*  
2 *come areas or serving economically disadvantaged youth.*

3       “(c) *REJECTION OF APPLICATIONS TO CORPORA-*  
4 *TION.—If the Corporation rejects an application submitted*  
5 *by a State, territory, or Indian tribe under section 113 for*  
6 *an allotment, the Corporation shall promptly notify the*  
7 *State, territory, or Indian tribe of the reasons for the rejec-*  
8 *tion of the application. The Corporation shall provide the*  
9 *State, territory, or Indian tribe with a reasonable oppor-*  
10 *tunity to revise and resubmit the application and shall pro-*  
11 *vide technical assistance, if needed, to the State, territory,*  
12 *or Indian tribe as part of the resubmission process. The*  
13 *Corporation shall promptly reconsider such resubmitted ap-*  
14 *plication.*

15 **“SEC. 115. PARTICIPATION OF STUDENTS AND TEACHERS**  
16 **FROM PRIVATE SCHOOLS.**

17       “(a) *IN GENERAL.—To the extent consistent with the*  
18 *number of students in the State, in the territory, or served*  
19 *by the Indian tribe or in the school district of the local edu-*  
20 *cational agency involved who are enrolled in private non-*  
21 *profit elementary schools and secondary schools, such State,*  
22 *territory, or Indian tribe, or agency shall (after consulta-*  
23 *tion with appropriate private school representatives) make*  
24 *provision—*

1           “(1) for the inclusion of services and arrange-  
2           ments for the benefit of such students so as to allow  
3           for the equitable participation of such students in the  
4           programs implemented to carry out the objectives and  
5           provide the benefits described in this part; and

6           “(2) for the training of the teachers of such stu-  
7           dents so as to allow for the equitable participation of  
8           such teachers in the programs implemented to carry  
9           out the objectives and provide the benefits described in  
10          this part.

11          “(b) *WAIVER.*—If a State, territory, Indian tribe, or  
12          local educational agency is prohibited by law from pro-  
13          viding for the participation of students or teachers from  
14          private nonprofit schools as required by subsection (a), or  
15          if the Corporation determines that a State, territory, In-  
16          dian tribe, or local educational agency substantially fails  
17          or is unwilling to provide for such participation on an eq-  
18          uitable basis, the Chief Executive Officer shall waive such  
19          requirements and shall arrange for the provision of services  
20          to such students and teachers.

21          “**SEC. 116. FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL CONTRIBUTIONS.**

22          “(a) *CORPORATION SHARE.*—

23                 “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—The Corporation share of the  
24                 cost of carrying out a program for which a grant is  
25                 made from an allotment under this part—



1           “(A) for new grants may not exceed 80 per-  
2           cent of the total cost of the program for the first  
3           year of the grant period, 65 percent for the sec-  
4           ond year, and 50 percent for each remaining  
5           year; and

6           “(B) for continuing grants, may not exceed  
7           50 percent of the total cost of the program.

8           “(2) NONCORPORATION CONTRIBUTION.—In pro-  
9           viding for the remaining share of the cost of carrying  
10          out such a program, each recipient of such a grant  
11          under this part—

12          “(A) shall provide for such share through a  
13          payment in cash or in kind, fairly evaluated, in-  
14          cluding facilities, equipment, or services;

15          “(B) except as provided in subparagraph  
16          (C), may provide for such share through Federal,  
17          State, or local sources, including private funds  
18          or donated services; and

19          “(C) may not provide for such share  
20          through Federal funds made available under title  
21          I of the Elementary and Secondary Education  
22          Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6311 et seq.) or the Indi-  
23          viduals with Disabilities Education Act (20  
24          U.S.C. 1400 et seq.).

1       “(b) *WAIVER.*—*The Chief Executive Officer may waive*  
 2 *the requirements of subsection (a) in whole or in part with*  
 3 *respect to any such program for any fiscal year, on a deter-*  
 4 *mination that such a waiver would be equitable due to a*  
 5 *lack of resources at the local level.*

6       **“SEC. 117. LIMITATIONS ON USES OF FUNDS.**

7       *“Not more than 6 percent of the amount of assistance*  
 8 *received by a State, territory, or Indian tribe that is the*  
 9 *original recipient of an allotment under this part for a fis-*  
 10 *cal year may be used to pay, in accordance with such stand-*  
 11 *ards as the Corporation may issue, for administrative costs,*  
 12 *incurred by that recipient.”.*

13       **SEC. 1202. HIGHER EDUCATION PROVISIONS.**

14       *(a) REDESIGNATION.*—*Section 119 (42 U.S.C. 12561)*  
 15 *is redesignated as section 118.*

16       *(b) HIGHER EDUCATION INNOVATIVE PROGRAMS.*—  
 17 *Section 118 (as so redesignated) is amended—*

18               *(1) in subsection (a), by inserting after “commu-*  
 19 *nity service programs” the following: “through serv-*  
 20 *ice-learning”;*

21               *(2) in subsection (b)—*

22                       *(A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),*  
 23 *by striking “combination” and inserting “con-*  
 24 *sortium”;*

25                       *(B) in paragraph (1)—*

1                   (i) in subparagraph (A), by striking  
2                   “and” at the end;

3                   (ii) in subparagraph (B), by adding  
4                   “and” at the end; and

5                   (iii) by adding at the end the fol-  
6                   lowing:

7                   “(C) the institution or partnership may co-  
8                   ordinate with service-learning curricula being of-  
9                   fered in the academic curricula at the institution  
10                  of higher education or at 1 or more members of  
11                  the partnership;”; and

12                  (C) in paragraph (3)—

13                   (i) in the matter preceding subpara-  
14                   graph (A), by striking “teachers at the ele-  
15                   mentary, secondary, and postsecondary lev-  
16                   els” and inserting “institutions of higher  
17                   education and their faculty”;

18                   (ii) in subparagraph (A), by striking  
19                   “education of the institution; and” and in-  
20                   serting “curricula of the institution to  
21                   strengthen the instructional capacity of  
22                   teachers to provide service-learning at the  
23                   elementary and secondary levels;”;

24                   (iii) by redesignating subparagraph  
25                   (B) as subparagraph (C); and

1                   (iv) by inserting after subparagraph

2                   (A) the following:

3                   “(B) including service-learning as a compo-  
4                   nent of other curricula or academic programs  
5                   (other than education curricula or programs),  
6                   such as curricula or programs relating to nurs-  
7                   ing, medicine, criminal justice, or public policy;  
8                   and”;

9                   (3) by striking subsections (c), (d), (e), and (g);

10                  (4) by redesignating subsection (f) as subsection  
11                  (i); and

12                  (5) by inserting after subsection (b) the fol-  
13                  lowing:

14                  “(c) *FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL CONTRIBUTIONS.*—

15                         “(1) *FEDERAL SHARE.*—

16                                 “(A) *IN GENERAL.*—The Federal share of  
17                                 the cost of carrying out a program for which as-  
18                                 sistance is provided under this part may not ex-  
19                                 ceed 50 percent of the total cost of the program.

20                                 “(B) *NON-FEDERAL CONTRIBUTION.*—In  
21                                 providing for the remaining share of the cost of  
22                                 carrying out such a program, each recipient of  
23                                 a grant or contract under this part—

24   “(i) shall provide for such share  
25   through a payment in cash or in kind, fair-

1            *ly evaluated, including facilities, equip-*  
2            *ment, or services; and*

3            *“(ii) may provide for such share*  
4            *through State sources or local sources, in-*  
5            *cluding private funds or donated services.*

6            *“(2) WAIVER.—The Chief Executive Officer may*  
7            *waive the requirements of paragraph (1) in whole or*  
8            *in part with respect to any such program for any fis-*  
9            *cal year if the Corporation determines that such a*  
10           *waiver would be equitable due to a lack of available*  
11           *financial resources at the local level.*

12           *“(d) APPLICATION FOR GRANT.—*

13           *“(1) SUBMISSION.—To receive a grant or enter*  
14           *into a contract under this part, an institution or*  
15           *partnership shall prepare and submit to the Corpora-*  
16           *tion, an application at such time, in such manner,*  
17           *and containing such information and assurances as*  
18           *the Corporation may reasonably require, and obtain*  
19           *approval of the application. In requesting applica-*  
20           *tions for assistance under this part, the Corporation*  
21           *shall specify such required information and assur-*  
22           *ances.*

23           *“(2) CONTENTS.—An application submitted*  
24           *under paragraph (1) shall contain, at a minimum—*

25           *“(A) assurances that—*

1           “(i) prior to the placement of a partic-  
2           ipant, the applicant will consult with the  
3           appropriate local labor organization, if  
4           any, representing employees in the area who  
5           are engaged in the same or similar work as  
6           that proposed to be carried out by such pro-  
7           gram, to prevent the displacement and pro-  
8           tect the rights of such employees; and

9           “(ii) the applicant will comply with  
10          the nonduplication and nondisplacement  
11          provisions of section 177 and the notice,  
12          hearing, and grievance procedures required  
13          by section 176; and

14          “(B) such other assurances as the Chief Ex-  
15          ecutive Officer may reasonably require.

16          “(e) *SPECIAL CONSIDERATION.*—To the extent prac-  
17          ticable, in making grants and entering into contracts under  
18          subsection (b), the Corporation shall give special consider-  
19          ation to applications submitted by, or applications from  
20          partnerships including, institutions serving primarily low-  
21          income populations, including—

22                 “(1) Alaska Native-serving institutions;

23                 “(2) Asian American and Native American Pa-  
24          cific Islander-serving institutions;

25                 “(3) Hispanic-serving institutions;

1           “(4) *historically black colleges and universities;*

2           “(5) *Native American-serving, nontribal institu-*  
3           *tions;*

4           “(6) *Native Hawaiian-serving institutions;*

5           “(7) *Predominantly Black Institutions;*

6           “(8) *tribally controlled colleges and universities;*

7           *and*

8           “(9) *community colleges serving predominantly*  
9           *minority populations.*

10          “(f) *CONSIDERATIONS.—In making grants and enter-*  
11          *ing into contracts under subsection (b), the Corporation*  
12          *shall take into consideration whether the applicants submit*  
13          *applications containing proposals that—*

14               “(1) *demonstrate the commitment of the institu-*  
15               *tion of higher education involved, other than by dem-*  
16               *onstrating the commitment of the students, to sup-*  
17               *porting the community service projects carried out*  
18               *under the program;*

19               “(2) *specify the manner in which the institution*  
20               *will promote faculty, administration, and staff par-*  
21               *ticipation in the community service projects;*

22               “(3) *specify the manner in which the institution*  
23               *will provide service to the community through orga-*  
24               *nized programs, including, where appropriate, clin-*

1        *ical programs for students in professional schools and*  
2        *colleges;*

3                *“(4) describe any partnership that will partici-*  
4        *pate in the community service projects, such as a*  
5        *partnership comprised of—*

6                        *“(A) the institution;*

7                        *“(B)(i) a community-based agency;*

8                        *“(ii) a local government agency; or*

9                        *“(iii) a nonprofit entity that serves or in-*  
10        *volves school-age youth, older adults, or low-in-*  
11        *come communities; and*

12                        *“(C)(i) a student organization;*

13                        *“(ii) a department of the institution; or*

14                        *“(iii) a group of faculty comprised of dif-*  
15        *ferent departments, schools, or colleges at the in-*  
16        *stitution;*

17                *“(5) demonstrate community involvement in the*  
18        *development of the proposal and the extent to which*  
19        *the proposal will contribute to the goals of the in-*  
20        *volved community members;*

21                *“(6) demonstrate a commitment to perform com-*  
22        *munity service projects in underserved urban and*  
23        *rural communities;*



1           “(7) describe research on effective strategies and  
2           methods to improve service utilized in the design of  
3           the projects;

4           “(8) specify that the institution or partnership  
5           will use the assistance provided through the grant or  
6           contract to strengthen the service infrastructure in in-  
7           stitutions of higher education;

8           “(9) with respect to projects involving delivery of  
9           services, specify projects that involve leadership devel-  
10          opment of school-age youth; or

11          “(10) describe the needs that the proposed  
12          projects are designed to address, such as housing, eco-  
13          nomic development, infrastructure, health care, job  
14          training, education, crime prevention, urban plan-  
15          ning, transportation, information technology, or child  
16          welfare.

17          “(g) *FEDERAL WORK-STUDY*.—To be eligible for as-  
18          sistance under this part, an institution of higher education  
19          shall demonstrate that it meets the minimum requirements  
20          under section 443(b)(2)(A) of the Higher Education Act of  
21          1965 (42 U.S.C. 2753(b)(2)(A)) relating to the participa-  
22          tion of students employed under part C of title IV of the  
23          Higher Education Act of 1965 (42 U.S.C. 2751 et seq.) (re-  
24          lating to Federal Work-Study programs) in community

1 *service activities, or has received a waiver of those require-*  
2 *ments from the Secretary of Education.*

3 “(h) *DEFINITION.*—*Notwithstanding section 101, as*  
4 *used in this part, the term ‘student’ means an individual*  
5 *who is enrolled in an institution of higher education on*  
6 *a full- or part-time basis.”*

7 **SEC. 1203. CAMPUSES OF SERVICE.**

8 *Subtitle B of title I (42 U.S.C. 12521 et seq.) is amend-*  
9 *ed by inserting after section 118 (as redesignated by section*  
10 *1202) the following:*

11 **“SEC. 118A. CAMPUSES OF SERVICE.**

12 “(a) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Corporation, after consulta-*  
13 *tion with the Secretary of Education, may annually des-*  
14 *ignate not more than 25 institutions of higher education*  
15 *as Campuses of Service, from among institutions nomi-*  
16 *nated by State Commissions.*

17 “(b) *APPLICATIONS FOR NOMINATION.*—

18 “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—*To be eligible for a nomina-*  
19 *tion to receive designation under subsection (a), and*  
20 *have an opportunity to apply for funds under sub-*  
21 *section (d) for a fiscal year, an institution of higher*  
22 *education in a State shall submit an application to*  
23 *the State Commission at such time, in such manner,*  
24 *and containing such information as the State Com-*  
25 *mission may require.*

1           “(2) *CONTENTS.*—*At a minimum, the applica-*  
2           *tion shall include information specifying—*

3                   “(A)(i) *the number of undergraduate and, if*  
4                   *applicable, graduate service-learning courses of-*  
5                   *fered at such institution for the most recent full*  
6                   *academic year preceding the fiscal year for*  
7                   *which designation is sought; and*

8                   “(ii) *the number and percentage of under-*  
9                   *graduate students and, if applicable, the number*  
10                   *and percentage of graduate students at such in-*  
11                   *stitution who were enrolled in the corresponding*  
12                   *courses described in clause (i), for such preceding*  
13                   *academic year;*

14                   “(B) *the percentage of undergraduate stu-*  
15                   *dent*s engaging in and, if applicable, the percent-  
16                   *age of graduate students engaging in activities*  
17                   *providing community services, as defined in sec-*  
18                   *tion 441(c) of the Higher Education Act of 1965*  
19                   *(42 U.S.C. 2751(c)), during such preceding aca-*  
20                   *dem*ic year, the quality of such activities, and  
21                   *the average amount of time spent, per student,*  
22                   *engaged in such activities;*

23                   “(C) *for such preceding academic year, the*  
24                   *percentage of Federal work-study funds made*  
25                   *available to the institution under part C of title*

1        *IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (42*  
2        *U.S.C. 2751 et seq.) that is used to compensate*  
3        *students employed in providing community serv-*  
4        *ices, as so defined, and a description of the ef-*  
5        *forts the institution undertakes to make available*  
6        *to students opportunities to provide such commu-*  
7        *nity services and be compensated through such*  
8        *work-study funds;*

9            *“(D) at the discretion of the institution, in-*  
10        *formation demonstrating the degree to which re-*  
11        *cent graduates of the institution, and all grad-*  
12        *uates of the institution, have obtained full-time*  
13        *public service employment in the nonprofit sector*  
14        *or government, with a private nonprofit organi-*  
15        *zation or a Federal, State, or local public agen-*  
16        *cy; and*

17            *“(E) any programs the institution has in*  
18        *place to encourage or assist graduates of the in-*  
19        *stitution to pursue careers in public service in*  
20        *the nonprofit sector or government.*

21        *“(c) NOMINATIONS AND DESIGNATION.—*

22            *“(1) NOMINATION.—*

23            *“(A) IN GENERAL.—A State Commission*  
24        *that receives applications from institutions of*  
25        *higher education under subsection (b) may nomi-*

1           nate, for designation under subsection (a), not  
2           more than 3 such institutions of higher edu-  
3           cation, consisting of—

4                   “(i) not more than one 4-year public  
5                   institution of higher education;

6                   “(ii) not more than one 4-year private  
7                   institution of higher education; and

8                   “(iii) not more than one 2-year insti-  
9                   tution of higher education.

10           “(B) *SUBMISSION.*—*The State Commission*  
11           *shall submit to the Corporation the name and*  
12           *application of each institution nominated by the*  
13           *State Commission under subparagraph (A).*

14           “(2) *DESIGNATION.*—*The Corporation shall des-*  
15           *ignate, under subsection (a), not more than 25 insti-*  
16           *tutions of higher education from among the institu-*  
17           *tions nominated under paragraph (1). In making the*  
18           *designations, the Corporation shall, if feasible, des-*  
19           *ignate various types of institutions, including institu-*  
20           *tions from each of the categories of institutions de-*  
21           *scribed in clauses (i), (ii), and (iii) of paragraph*  
22           *(1)(A).*

23           “(d) *AWARDS.*—

24                   “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—*Using sums reserved under*  
25           *section 501(a)(1)(C) for Campuses of Service, the Cor-*

1     *poration shall provide an award of funds to institu-*  
2     *tions designated under subsection (c), to be used by*  
3     *the institutions to develop or disseminate service-*  
4     *learning models and information on best practices re-*  
5     *garding service-learning to other institutions of higher*  
6     *education.*

7             “(2) *PLAN.*—*To be eligible to receive funds under*  
8     *this subsection, an institution designated under sub-*  
9     *section (c) shall submit a plan to the Corporation de-*  
10    *scribing how the institution intends to use the funds*  
11    *to develop or disseminate service-learning models and*  
12    *information on best practices regarding service-learn-*  
13    *ing to other institutions of higher education.*

14            “(3) *ALLOCATION.*—*The Corporation shall deter-*  
15    *mine how the funds reserved under section*  
16    *501(a)(1)(C) for Campuses of Service for a fiscal year*  
17    *will be allocated among the institutions submitting*  
18    *acceptable plans under paragraph (2). In determining*  
19    *the amount of funds to be allocated to such an insti-*  
20    *tution, the Corporation shall consider the number of*  
21    *students at the institution, the quality and scope of*  
22    *the plan submitted by the institution under para-*  
23    *graph (2), and the institution’s current (as of the date*  
24    *of submission of the plan) strategies to encourage or*

1       *assist students to pursue public service careers in the*  
 2       *nonprofit sector or government.”.*

3   **SEC. 1204. INNOVATIVE PROGRAMS AND RESEARCH.**

4       *Subtitle B of title I (42 U.S.C. 12521 et seq.), as*  
 5   *amended by section 1203, is further amended by adding at*  
 6   *the end the following:*

7   **“PART III—INNOVATIVE AND COMMUNITY-BASED**  
 8   **SERVICE—LEARNING PROGRAMS AND RESEARCH**

9   **“SEC. 119. INNOVATIVE AND COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICE-**  
 10       **LEARNING PROGRAMS AND RESEARCH.**

11       “(a) *DEFINITIONS.—In this part:*

12               “(1) *ELIGIBLE ENTITY.—The term ‘eligible enti-*  
 13       *ty’ means a State educational agency, a State Com-*  
 14       *mission, a territory, an Indian tribe, an institution*  
 15       *of higher education, or a public or private nonprofit*  
 16       *organization (including community-based entities), a*  
 17       *public or private elementary school or secondary*  
 18       *school, a local educational agency, a consortium of*  
 19       *such entities, or a consortium of 2 or more such enti-*  
 20       *ties and a for-profit organization.*

21               “(2) *ELIGIBLE PARTNERSHIP.—The term ‘eligi-*  
 22       *ble partnership’ means a partnership that—*

23                       “(A) *shall include—*

24                               “(i) *1 or more community-based enti-*  
 25       *ties that have demonstrated records of suc-*

1           *cess in carrying out service-learning pro-*  
2           *grams with economically disadvantaged stu-*  
3           *dents, and that meet such criteria as the*  
4           *Chief Executive Officer may establish; and*

5           *“(ii) a local educational agency for*  
6           *which—*

7                     *“(I) a high number or percentage,*  
8                     *as determined by the Corporation, of*  
9                     *the students served by the agency are*  
10                    *economically disadvantaged students;*  
11                    *and*

12                    *“(II) the graduation rate (as de-*  
13                    *finied in section 1111(b)(2)(C)(vi) of*  
14                    *the Elementary and Secondary Edu-*  
15                    *cation Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C.*  
16                    *6311(b)(2)(C)(vi)) and as clarified in*  
17                    *applicable regulations promulgated by*  
18                    *the Department of Education for the*  
19                    *secondary school students served by the*  
20                    *agency is less than 70 percent; and*

21           *“(B) may also include—*

22                     *“(i) a local government agency that is*  
23                     *not described in subparagraph (A);*

24                     *“(ii) the office of the chief executive of-*  
25                     *ficer of a unit of general local government;*



1                   “(iii) an institution of higher edu-  
2                   cation;

3                   “(iv) a State Commission or State edu-  
4                   cational agency; or

5                   “(v) more than 1 local educational  
6                   agency described in subclause (I).

7                   “(3) YOUTH ENGAGEMENT ZONE.—The term  
8                   ‘youth engagement zone’ means the area in which a  
9                   youth engagement zone program is carried out.

10                  “(4) YOUTH ENGAGEMENT ZONE PROGRAM.—The  
11                  term ‘youth engagement zone program’ means a serv-  
12                  ice-learning program in which members of an eligible  
13                  partnership collaborate to provide coordinated school-  
14                  based or community-based service-learning opportuni-  
15                  ties—

16                         “(A) in order to address a specific commu-  
17                         nity challenge;

18                         “(B) for an increasing percentage of out-of-  
19                         school youth and secondary school students  
20                         served by a local educational agency; and

21                         “(C) in circumstances under which—

22                                 “(i) not less than 90 percent of such  
23                                 students participate in service-learning ac-  
24                                 tivities as part of the program; or

1                   “(ii) service-learning is a part of the  
2                   curriculum in all of the secondary schools  
3                   served by the local educational agency.

4           “(b) *GENERAL AUTHORITY.*—From the amounts ap-  
5   propriated to carry out this part for a fiscal year, the Cor-  
6   poration may make grants (which may include approved  
7   summer of service positions in the case of a grant for a  
8   program described in subsection (c)(8)) and fixed-amount  
9   grants (in accordance with section 129(l)) to eligible entities  
10   or eligible partnerships, as appropriate, for programs and  
11   activities described in subsection (c).

12           “(c) *AUTHORIZED ACTIVITIES.*—Funds under this  
13   part may be used to—

14                   “(1) integrate service-learning programs into the  
15                   science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (re-  
16                   ferred to in this part as ‘STEM’) curricula at the ele-  
17                   mentary, secondary, postsecondary, or  
18                   postbaccalaureate levels in coordination with prac-  
19                   ticing or retired STEM professionals;

20                   “(2) involve students in service-learning pro-  
21                   grams focusing on energy conservation in their com-  
22                   munity, including conducting educational outreach  
23                   on energy conservation and working to improve en-  
24                   ergy efficiency in low-income housing and in public  
25                   spaces;

1           “(3) involve students in service-learning pro-  
2           grams in emergency and disaster preparedness;

3           “(4) involve students in service-learning pro-  
4           grams aimed at improving access to and obtaining  
5           the benefits from computers and other emerging tech-  
6           nologies, including improving such access for individ-  
7           uals with disabilities, in low-income or rural commu-  
8           nities, in senior centers and communities, in schools,  
9           in libraries, and in other public spaces;

10          “(5) involve high school age youth in the men-  
11          toring of middle school youth while involving all par-  
12          ticipants in service-learning to seek to meet unmet  
13          human, educational, environmental, public safety, or  
14          emergency and disaster preparedness needs in their  
15          community;

16          “(6) conduct research and evaluations on service-  
17          learning, including service-learning in middle schools,  
18          and disseminate such research and evaluations wide-  
19          ly;

20          “(7) conduct innovative and creative activities  
21          as described in section 112(a);

22          “(8) establish or implement summer of service  
23          programs (giving priority to programs that enroll  
24          youth who will be enrolled in any of grades 6 through  
25          9 at the end of the summer concerned) during the

1 *summer months (including recruiting, training, and*  
2 *placing service-learning coordinators)—*

3 *“(A) for youth who will be enrolled in any*  
4 *of grades 6 through 12 at the end of the summer*  
5 *concerned; and*

6 *“(B) for community-based service-learning*  
7 *projects—*

8 *“(i) that shall—*

9 *“(I) meet unmet human, edu-*  
10 *cational, environmental (including en-*  
11 *ergy conservation and stewardship),*  
12 *and emergency and disaster prepared-*  
13 *ness and other public safety needs; and*

14 *“(II) be intensive, structured, su-*  
15 *pervised, and designed to produce iden-*  
16 *tifiable improvements to the commu-*  
17 *nity;*

18 *“(ii) that may include the extension of*  
19 *academic year service-learning programs*  
20 *into the summer months; and*

21 *“(iii) under which a student who com-*  
22 *pletes 100 hours of service as described in*  
23 *section 146(b)(2), shall be eligible for a*  
24 *summer of service educational award of*

1           \$500 or \$750 as described in sections  
2           146(a)(2)(C) and 147(d);

3           “(9) establish or implement youth engagement  
4           zone programs in youth engagement zones, for stu-  
5           dents in secondary schools served by local educational  
6           agencies for which a majority of such students do not  
7           participate in service-learning activities that are—

8           “(A) carried out by eligible partnerships;  
9           and

10          “(B) designed to—

11           “(i) involve all students in secondary  
12           schools served by the local educational agen-  
13           cy in service-learning to address a specific  
14           community challenge;

15           “(ii) improve student engagement, in-  
16           cluding student attendance and student be-  
17           havior, and student achievement, gradua-  
18           tion rates, and college-going rates at sec-  
19           ondary schools; and

20           “(iii) involve an increasing percentage  
21           of students in secondary school and out-of-  
22           school youth in the community in school-  
23           based or community-based service-learning  
24           activities each year, with the goal of involv-  
25           ing all students in secondary schools served

1           *by the local educational agency and involv-*  
2           *ing an increasing percentage of the out-of-*  
3           *school youth in service-learning activities;*  
4           *and*

5           “(10) *conduct semester of service programs*  
6       *that—*

7           “(A) *provide opportunities for secondary*  
8           *school students to participate in a semester of co-*  
9           *ordinated school-based or community-based serv-*  
10          *ice-learning opportunities for a minimum of 70*  
11          *hours (of which at least a third will be spent*  
12          *participating in field-based activities) over a se-*  
13          *mester, to address specific community challenges;*

14          “(B) *engage as participants high percent-*  
15          *ages or numbers of economically disadvantaged*  
16          *students;*

17          “(C) *allow participants to receive academic*  
18          *credit, for the time spent in the classroom and*  
19          *in the field for the program, that is equivalent*  
20          *to the academic credit for any class of equivalent*  
21          *length and with an equivalent time commitment;*  
22          *and*

23          “(D) *ensure that the classroom-based in-*  
24          *struction component of the program is integrated*

1           *into the academic program of the local edu-*  
2           *catational agency involved; and*

3           “(11) *carry out any other innovative service-*  
4           *learning programs or research that the Corporation*  
5           *considers appropriate.*

6           “(d) *APPLICATIONS.—To be eligible to receive a grant*  
7           *to carry out a program or activity under this part, an enti-*  
8           *ty or partnership, as appropriate, shall prepare and submit*  
9           *to the Corporation an application at such time and in such*  
10           *manner as the Chief Executive Officer may reasonably re-*  
11           *quire, and obtain approval of the application.*

12           “(e) *PRIORITY.—In making grants under this part, the*  
13           *Corporation shall give priority to applicants proposing*  
14           *to—*

15           “(1) *involve students and community stake-*  
16           *holders in the design and implementation of service-*  
17           *learning programs carried out using funds received*  
18           *under this part;*

19           “(2) *implement service-learning programs in*  
20           *low-income or rural communities; and*

21           “(3) *utilize adult volunteers, including tapping*  
22           *the resources of retired and retiring adults, in the*  
23           *planning and implementation of service-learning pro-*  
24           *grams.*

25           “(f) *REQUIREMENTS.—*

1           “(1) *TERM.*—Each program or activity funded  
2 under this part shall be carried out over a period of  
3 3 years, which may include 1 planning year. In the  
4 case of a program funded under this part, the 3-year  
5 period may be extended by 1 year, if the program  
6 meets performance levels established in accordance  
7 with section 179(k) and any other criteria determined  
8 by the Corporation.

9           “(2) *COLLABORATION ENCOURAGED.*—Each enti-  
10 ty carrying out a program or activity funded under  
11 this part shall, to the extent practicable, collaborate  
12 with entities carrying out programs under this sub-  
13 title, subtitle C, and titles I and II of the Domestic  
14 Volunteer Service Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C. 4951 et seq.,  
15 5001 et seq.).

16           “(3) *EVALUATION.*—Not later than 4 years after  
17 the effective date of the Serve America Act, the Cor-  
18 poration shall conduct an independent evaluation of  
19 the programs and activities carried out using funds  
20 made available under this part, and determine best  
21 practices relating to service-learning and rec-  
22 ommendations for improvement of those programs  
23 and activities. The Corporation shall widely dissemi-  
24 nate the results of the evaluations, and information  
25 on the best practices and recommendations to the



1       *service community through multiple channels, includ-*  
 2       *ing the Corporation’s Resource Center or a clearing-*  
 3       *house of effective strategies.”.*

4       **SEC. 1205. SERVICE-LEARNING IMPACT STUDY.**

5       *Subtitle B of title I (42 U.S.C. 12521 et seq.), as*  
 6       *amended by section 1204, is further amended by adding at*  
 7       *the end the following:*

8       **“PART IV—SERVICE-LEARNING IMPACT STUDY**

9       **“SEC. 120. STUDY AND REPORT.**

10       “(a) *STUDY.—*

11               “(1) *IN GENERAL.—From the sums reserved*  
 12       *under section 501(a)(1)(B) for this section, the Cor-*  
 13       *poration shall enter into a contract with an entity*  
 14       *that is not otherwise a recipient of financial assist-*  
 15       *ance under this subtitle, to conduct a 10-year longitu-*  
 16       *dinal study on the impact of the activities carried out*  
 17       *under this subtitle.*

18               “(2) *CONTENTS.—In conducting the study, the*  
 19       *entity shall consider the impact of service-learning ac-*  
 20       *tivities carried out under this subtitle on students*  
 21       *participating in such activities, including in par-*  
 22       *ticular examining the degree to which the activities—*

23                       “(A) *improved student academic achieve-*  
 24       *ment;*

25                       “(B) *improved student engagement;*

1           “(C) improved graduation rates, as defined  
2           in section 1111(b)(2)(C)(vi) of the Elementary  
3           and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20  
4           U.S.C. 6311(b)(2)(C)(vi)) and as clarified in ap-  
5           plicable regulations promulgated by the Depart-  
6           ment of Education; and

7           “(D) improved the degree to which the par-  
8           ticipants in the activities engaged in subsequent  
9           national service, volunteering, or other service  
10          activities, or pursued careers in public service,  
11          in the nonprofit sector or government.

12          “(3) ANALYSIS.—In carrying out such study, the  
13          entity shall examine the impact of the service-learn-  
14          ing activities on the 4 factors described in subpara-  
15          graphs (A) through (D) of paragraph (2), analyzed in  
16          terms of how much time participants were engaged in  
17          service-learning activities.

18          “(4) BEST PRACTICES.—The entity shall collect  
19          information on best practices concerning using serv-  
20          ice-learning activities to improve the 4 factors.

21          “(b) INTERIM REPORTS.—The entity shall periodically  
22          submit reports to the Corporation containing the interim  
23          results of the study and the information on best practices.  
24          The Corporation shall submit such reports to the author-  
25          izing committees.

1       “(c) *FINAL REPORT.*—*The entity shall submit a report*  
 2 *to the Corporation containing the results of the study and*  
 3 *the information on best practices. The Corporation shall*  
 4 *submit such report to the authorizing committees, and shall*  
 5 *make such report available to the public on the Corpora-*  
 6 *tion’s website.*

7       “(d) *CONSULTATION AND DISSEMINATION.*—*On receiv-*  
 8 *ing the report described in subsection (c), the Corporation*  
 9 *shall consult with the Secretary of Education to review the*  
 10 *results of the study, and to identify best practices con-*  
 11 *cerning using service-learning activities to improve the 4*  
 12 *factors described in subparagraphs (A) through (D) of sub-*  
 13 *section (a)(2). The Corporation shall disseminate informa-*  
 14 *tion on the identified best practices.”.*

15 ***Subtitle C—Amendments to Subtitle***  
 16 ***C (National Service Trust Program)***

17 ***SEC. 1301. PROHIBITION ON GRANTS TO FEDERAL AGEN-***  
 18 ***CIES; LIMITS ON CORPORATION COSTS.***

19       *Section 121 (42 U.S.C. 12571) is amended—*

20               *(1) in subsection (a)—*

21                       *(A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),*  
 22               *by inserting after “subdivisions of States,” the*  
 23               *following: “territories,”; and*

1           (B) in paragraphs (1) and (2), by striking  
2           “section 122(a)” and inserting “subsection (a),  
3           (b), or (c) of section 122”;  
4           (2) in subsection (b)—

5           (A) in the heading, by striking “AGREE-  
6           MENTS WITH FEDERAL AGENCIES” and insert-  
7           ing “RESTRICTIONS ON AGREEMENTS WITH  
8           FEDERAL AGENCIES”;

9           (B) by striking paragraph (1) and inserting  
10          the following:

11          “(1) AGREEMENTS AUTHORIZED.—The Corpora-  
12          tion may enter into an interagency agreement (other  
13          than a grant agreement) with another Federal agency  
14          to support a national service program carried out or  
15          otherwise supported by the agency. The Corporation,  
16          in entering into the interagency agreement may ap-  
17          prove positions as approved national service positions  
18          for a program carried out or otherwise supported by  
19          the agency.”;

20          (C) by striking paragraph (2) and inserting  
21          the following:

22          “(2) PROHIBITION ON GRANTS.—The Corpora-  
23          tion may not provide a grant under this section to a  
24          Federal agency.”;

25          (D) in paragraph (3)—

1           (i) by striking “receiving assistance  
2           under this subsection” and inserting “car-  
3           rying out or supporting a national service  
4           program”; and

5           (ii) by striking “using such assistance”  
6           and inserting “through that program”;

7           (E) in paragraph (4), by striking “a con-  
8           tract or cooperative agreement” the first place it  
9           appears and inserting “an interagency agree-  
10          ment”; and

11          (F) by adding at the end the following:

12          “(5) *APPLICATION OF REQUIREMENTS.*—A re-  
13          quirement under this Act that applies to an entity re-  
14          ceiving assistance under section 121 (other than a re-  
15          quirement limited to an entity receiving assistance  
16          under section 121(a)) shall be considered to apply to  
17          a Federal agency that enters into an interagency  
18          agreement under this subsection, even though no Fed-  
19          eral agency may receive financial assistance under  
20          such an agreement.”;

21          (3) in subsection (c)—

22               (A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),  
23               by striking “subsections (a) and (b),” and insert-  
24               ing “subsection (a), and in providing approved

1           *national service positions under subsection (b),”;*

2           *and*

3                     *(B) in paragraph (2)(B), by striking “to be*  
4                     *provided” and inserting “to be provided or oth-*  
5                     *erwise approved”;*

6                     *(4) in paragraphs (1) and (2) of subsection (d),*  
7           *by striking “or (b)”;*

8                     *(5) in subsection (e)—*

9                             *(A) in paragraph (1), by striking “Federal*  
10                            *share of the cost” and inserting “Corporation*  
11                            *share of the cost (including the costs of member*  
12                            *living allowances, employment-related taxes,*  
13                            *health care coverage, and workers’ compensation*  
14                            *and other necessary operation costs)”;* *and*

15                            *(B) by adding at the end the following:*

16                     *“(5) OTHER FEDERAL FUNDS.—*

17                             *“(A) RECIPIENT REPORT.—A recipient of*  
18                            *assistance under this section (other than a re-*  
19                            *ipient of assistance through a fixed-amount*  
20                            *grant in accordance with section 129(l)) shall re-*  
21                            *port to the Corporation the amount and source*  
22                            *of any Federal funds used to carry out the pro-*  
23                            *gram for which the assistance is made available*  
24                            *other than those provided by the Corporation.*

1           “(B) CORPORATION REPORT.—*The Corpora-*  
2           *tion shall report to the authorizing committees*  
3           *on an annual basis information regarding each*  
4           *recipient of such assistance that uses Federal*  
5           *funds other than those provided by the Corpora-*  
6           *tion to carry out such a program, including the*  
7           *amounts and sources of the other Federal*  
8           *funds.”; and*

9           *(6) by adding at the end the following:*

10          “(f) PLAN FOR APPROVED NATIONAL SERVICE POSI-  
11          TIONS.—*The Corporation shall—*

12           “(1) develop a plan to—

13           “(A) establish the number of the approved  
14           national service positions as 88,000 for fiscal  
15           year 2010;

16           “(B) increase the number of the approved  
17           positions to—

18           “(i) 115,000 for fiscal year 2011;

19           “(ii) 140,000 for fiscal year 2012;

20           “(iii) 170,000 for fiscal year 2013;

21           “(iv) 200,000 for fiscal year 2014;

22           “(v) 210,000 for fiscal year 2015;

23           “(vi) 235,000 for fiscal year 2016; and

24           “(vii) 250,000 for fiscal year 2017;

1           “(C) ensure that the increases described in  
2           subparagraph (B) are achieved through an ap-  
3           propriate balance of full- and part-time service  
4           positions;

5           “(2) not later than 1 year after the date of enact-  
6           ment of the Serve America Act, submit a report to the  
7           authorizing committees on the status of the plan de-  
8           scribed in paragraph (1); and

9           “(3) subject to the availability of appropriations  
10          and quality service opportunities, implement the plan  
11          described in paragraph (1).”.

12 **SEC. 1302. ELIGIBLE NATIONAL SERVICE PROGRAMS.**

13          Section 122 is amended to read as follows:

14 **“SEC. 122. NATIONAL SERVICE PROGRAMS ELIGIBLE FOR**  
15 **PROGRAM ASSISTANCE.**

16          “(a) NATIONAL SERVICE CORPS.—The recipient of a  
17 grant under section 121(a) and a Federal agency operating  
18 or supporting a national service program under section  
19 121(b) shall use a portion of the financial assistance or po-  
20 sitions involved, directly or through subgrants to other enti-  
21 ties, to support or carry out the following national service  
22 corps or programs, as full- or part-time corps or programs,  
23 to address unmet needs:

24           “(1) EDUCATION CORPS.—



1           “(A) *IN GENERAL.*—*The recipient may*  
2           *carry out national service programs through an*  
3           *Education Corps that identifies and meets unmet*  
4           *educational needs within communities through*  
5           *activities such as those described in subpara-*  
6           *graph (B) and improves performance on the in-*  
7           *dicators described in subparagraph (C).*

8           “(B) *ACTIVITIES.*—*An Education Corps de-*  
9           *scribed in this paragraph may carry out activi-*  
10          *ties such as—*

11                 “(i) *tutoring, or providing other aca-*  
12                 *demie support to elementary school and sec-*  
13                 *ondary school students;*

14                 “(ii) *improving school climate;*

15                 “(iii) *mentoring students, including*  
16                 *adult or peer mentoring;*

17                 “(iv) *linking needed integrated services*  
18                 *and comprehensive supports with students,*  
19                 *their families, and their public schools;*

20                 “(v) *providing assistance to a school in*  
21                 *expanding the school day by strengthening*  
22                 *the quality of staff and expanding the aca-*  
23                 *demie programming offered in an expanded*  
24                 *learning time initiative, a program of a*  
25                 *21st century community learning center (as*

1           *defined in section 4201 of the Elementary*  
2           *and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20*  
3           *U.S.C. 7171)), or a high-quality after-school*  
4           *program;*

5                     *“(vi) assisting schools and local edu-*  
6                     *cational agencies in improving and expand-*  
7                     *ing high-quality service-learning programs*  
8                     *that keep students engaged in schools by*  
9                     *carrying out programs that provide special-*  
10                    *ized training to individuals in service-*  
11                    *learning, and place the individuals (after*  
12                    *such training) in positions as service-learn-*  
13                    *ing coordinators, to facilitate service-learn-*  
14                    *ing in programs eligible for funding under*  
15                    *part I of subtitle B;*

16                    *“(vii) assisting students in being pre-*  
17                    *pared for college-level work;*

18                    *“(viii) involving family members of*  
19                    *students in supporting teachers and stu-*  
20                    *dents;*

21                    *“(ix) conducting a preprofessional*  
22                    *training program in which students en-*  
23                    *rolled in an institution of higher edu-*  
24                    *cation—*

1           “(I) receive training (which may  
2           include classes containing service-  
3           learning) in specified fields including  
4           early childhood education and care, el-  
5           ementary and secondary education,  
6           and other fields such as those relating  
7           to health services, criminal justice, en-  
8           vironmental stewardship and conserva-  
9           tion, or public safety;

10           “(II) perform service related to  
11           such training outside the classroom  
12           during the school term and during  
13           summer or other vacation periods; and

14           “(III) agree to provide service  
15           upon graduation to meet unmet  
16           human, educational, environmental, or  
17           public safety needs related to such  
18           training;

19           “(x) assisting economically disadvan-  
20           taged students in navigating the college ad-  
21           missions process;

22           “(xi) providing other activities, ad-  
23           dressing unmet educational needs, that the  
24           Corporation may designate; or

1           “(xii) *providing skilled musicians and*  
2           *artists to promote greater community unity*  
3           *through the use of music and arts education*  
4           *and engagement through work in low-in-*  
5           *come communities, and education, health*  
6           *care, and therapeutic settings, and other*  
7           *work in the public domain with citizens of*  
8           *all ages.*

9           “(C) *EDUCATION CORPS INDICATORS.—The*  
10          *indicators for a corps program described in this*  
11          *paragraph are—*

12                 “(i) *student engagement, including stu-*  
13                 *dent attendance and student behavior;*

14                 “(ii) *student academic achievement;*

15                 “(iii) *secondary school graduation*  
16                 *rates as defined in section 1111(b)(2)(C)(vi)*  
17                 *of the Elementary and Secondary Edu-*  
18                 *cation Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C.*  
19                 *6311(b)(2)(C)(vi)) and as clarified in ap-*  
20                 *plicable regulations promulgated by the De-*  
21                 *partment of Education;*

22                 “(iv) *rate of college enrollment and*  
23                 *continued college enrollment for recipients*  
24                 *of a high school diploma;*

1           “(v) any additional indicator relating  
2           to improving education for students that the  
3           Corporation, in consultation (as appro-  
4           priate) with the Secretary of Education, es-  
5           tablishes; or

6           “(vi) any additional local indicator  
7           (applicable to a particular recipient and on  
8           which an improvement in performance is  
9           needed) relating to improving education for  
10          students, that is approved by the Corpora-  
11          tion or a State Commission.

12          “(2) *HEALTHY FUTURES CORPS.*—

13           “(A) *IN GENERAL.*—The recipient may  
14           carry out national service programs through a  
15           Healthy Futures Corps that identifies and meets  
16           unmet health needs within communities through  
17           activities such as those described in subpara-  
18           graph (B) and improves performance on the in-  
19           dicators described in subparagraph (C).

20           “(B) *ACTIVITIES.*—A Healthy Futures  
21           Corps described in this paragraph may carry  
22           out activities such as—

23           “(i) assisting economically disadvan-  
24           taged individuals in navigating the health  
25           services system;

1           “(ii) assisting individuals in obtaining  
2           access to health services, including oral  
3           health services, for themselves or their chil-  
4           dren;

5           “(iii) educating economically dis-  
6           advantaged individuals and individuals  
7           who are members of medically underserved  
8           populations about, and engaging individ-  
9           uals described in this clause in, initiatives  
10          regarding navigating the health services sys-  
11          tem and regarding disease prevention and  
12          health promotion, with a particular focus  
13          on common health conditions, chronic dis-  
14          eases, and conditions, for which disease pre-  
15          vention and health promotion measures  
16          exist and for which socioeconomic, geo-  
17          graphic, and racial and ethnic health dis-  
18          parities exist;

19          “(iv) improving the literacy of patients  
20          regarding health, including oral health;

21          “(v) providing translation services at  
22          clinics and in emergency rooms to improve  
23          health services;

24          “(vi) providing services designed to  
25          meet the health needs of rural communities,

1           including the recruitment of youth to work  
2           in health professions in such communities;

3           “(vii) assisting in health promotion  
4           interventions that improve health status,  
5           and helping people adopt and maintain  
6           healthy lifestyles and habits to improve  
7           health status;

8           “(viii) addressing childhood obesity  
9           through in-school and after-school physical  
10          activities, and providing nutrition edu-  
11          cation to students, in elementary schools  
12          and secondary schools; or

13          “(ix) providing activities, addressing  
14          unmet health needs, that the Corporation  
15          may designate.

16          “(C) *HEALTHY FUTURES CORPS INDICA-*  
17          *TORS.—The indicators for a corps program de-*  
18          *scribed in this paragraph are—*

19                 “(i) access to health services among  
20                 economically disadvantaged individuals and  
21                 individuals who are members of medically  
22                 underserved populations;

23                 “(ii) access to health services for unin-  
24                 sured individuals, including such individ-

1            *uals who are economically disadvantaged*  
2            *children;*

3            *“(iii) participation, among economi-*  
4            *cally disadvantaged individuals and indi-*  
5            *viduals who are members of medically un-*  
6            *derserved populations, in disease prevention*  
7            *and health promotion initiatives, particu-*  
8            *larly those with a focus on addressing com-*  
9            *mon health conditions, addressing chronic*  
10           *diseases, and decreasing health disparities;*

11           *“(iv) literacy of patients regarding*  
12           *health;*

13           *“(v) any additional indicator, relating*  
14           *to improving or protecting the health of eco-*  
15           *nomically disadvantaged individuals and*  
16           *individuals who are members of medically*  
17           *underserved populations, that the Corpora-*  
18           *tion, in consultation (as appropriate) with*  
19           *the Secretary of Health and Human Serv-*  
20           *ices and the Director of the Centers for Dis-*  
21           *ease Control and Prevention, establishes; or*

22           *“(vi) any additional local indicator*  
23           *(applicable to a particular recipient and on*  
24           *which an improvement in performance is*  
25           *needed) relating to improving or protecting*



1           *the health of economically disadvantaged in-*  
2           *dividuals and individuals who are members*  
3           *of medically underserved populations, that*  
4           *is approved by the Corporation or a State*  
5           *Commission.*

6           “(3) *CLEAN ENERGY SERVICE CORPS.—*

7           “(A) *IN GENERAL.—The recipient may*  
8           *carry out national service projects through a*  
9           *Clean Energy Service Corps that identifies and*  
10           *meets unmet environmental needs within com-*  
11           *munities through activities such as those de-*  
12           *scribed in subparagraph (B) and improves per-*  
13           *formance on the indicators described in subpara-*  
14           *graph (C).*

15           “(B) *ACTIVITIES.—A Clean Energy Service*  
16           *Corps described in this paragraph may carry*  
17           *out activities such as—*

18           “(i) *weatherizing and retrofitting hous-*  
19           *ing units for low-income households to sig-*  
20           *nificantly improve the energy efficiency and*  
21           *reduce carbon emissions of such housing*  
22           *units;*

23           “(ii) *building energy-efficient housing*  
24           *units in low-income communities;*

1           “(iii) conducting energy audits for  
2           low-income households and recommending  
3           ways for the households to improve energy  
4           efficiency;

5           “(iv) providing clean energy-related  
6           services designed to meet the needs of rural  
7           communities;

8           “(v) working with schools and youth  
9           programs to educate students and youth  
10          about ways to reduce home energy use and  
11          improve the environment, including con-  
12          ducting service-learning projects to provide  
13          such education;

14          “(vi) assisting in the development of  
15          local recycling programs;

16          “(vii) renewing and rehabilitating na-  
17          tional and State parks and forests, city  
18          parks, county parks and other public lands,  
19          and trails owned or maintained by the Fed-  
20          eral Government or a State, including  
21          planting trees, carrying out reforestation,  
22          carrying out forest health restoration meas-  
23          ures, carrying out erosion control measures,  
24          fire hazard reduction measures, and reha-  
25          bilitation and maintenance of historic sites

1           *and structures throughout the national park*  
2           *system, and providing trail enhancements,*  
3           *rehabilitation, and repairs;*

4                   “(viii) *cleaning and improving rivers*  
5                   *maintained by the Federal Government or a*  
6                   *State;*

7                   “(ix) *carrying out projects in partner-*  
8                   *ship with the National Park Service, de-*  
9                   *signed to renew and rehabilitate national*  
10                  *park resources and enhance services and*  
11                  *learning opportunities for national park*  
12                  *visitors, and nearby communities and*  
13                  *schools;*

14                  “(x) *providing service through a full-*  
15                  *time, year-round youth corps program or*  
16                  *full-time summer youth corps program,*  
17                  *such as a conservation corps or youth serv-*  
18                  *ice corps program that—*

19                           “(I) *undertakes meaningful serv-*  
20                           *ice projects with visible public benefits,*  
21                           *including projects involving urban re-*  
22                           *newal, sustaining natural resources, or*  
23                           *improving human services;*

24                           “(II) *includes as participants*  
25                           *youths and young adults who are age*

1           16 through 25, including out-of-school  
2           youth and other disadvantaged youth  
3           (such as youth who are aging out of  
4           foster care, youth who have limited  
5           English proficiency, homeless youth,  
6           and youth who are individuals with  
7           disabilities), who are age 16 through  
8           25; and

9           “(III) provides those participants  
10          who are youth and young adults  
11          with—

12                 “(aa) team-based, highly  
13                 structured, and adult-supervised  
14                 work experience, life skills, edu-  
15                 cation, career guidance and coun-  
16                 seling, employment training, and  
17                 support services including men-  
18                 toring; and

19                 “(bb) the opportunity to de-  
20                 velop citizenship values and skills  
21                 through service to their commu-  
22                 nity and the United States;

23                 “(xi) carrying out other activities, ad-  
24                 dressing unmet environmental and work-

1           *force needs, that the Corporation may des-*  
2           *ignate.*

3           “(C) *CLEAN ENERGY SERVICE CORPS INDI-*  
4           *CATORS.—The indicators for a corps program*  
5           *described in this paragraph are—*

6                     “(i) *the number of housing units of*  
7                     *low-income households weatherized or retro-*  
8                     *fitted to significantly improve energy effi-*  
9                     *ciency and reduce carbon emissions;*

10                    “(ii) *annual energy costs (to determine*  
11                    *savings in those costs) at facilities where*  
12                    *participants have provided service;*

13                    “(iii) *the number of students and*  
14                    *youth receiving education or training in en-*  
15                    *ergy-efficient and environmentally conscious*  
16                    *practices;*

17                    “(iv)(I) *the number of acres of na-*  
18                    *tional parks, State parks, city parks, coun-*  
19                    *ty parks, or other public lands, that are*  
20                    *cleaned or improved; and*

21                    “(II) *the number of acres of forest pre-*  
22                    *serves, or miles of trails or rivers, owned or*  
23                    *maintained by the Federal Government or a*  
24                    *State, that are cleaned or improved;*

1           “(v) any additional indicator relating  
2           to clean energy, the reduction of greenhouse  
3           gas emissions, or education and skill attain-  
4           ment for clean energy jobs, that the Cor-  
5           poration, in consultation (as appropriate)  
6           with the Administrator of the Environ-  
7           mental Protection Agency, the Secretary of  
8           Energy, the Secretary of the Interior, or the  
9           Secretary of Labor, as appropriate, estab-  
10          lishes; or

11           “(vi) any additional local indicator  
12           (applicable to a particular recipient and on  
13           which an improvement in performance is  
14           needed) relating to clean energy, the reduc-  
15           tion of greenhouse gas emissions, or edu-  
16           cation or skill attainment for clean energy  
17           jobs, that is approved by the Corporation or  
18           a State Commission.

19          “(4) VETERANS CORPS.—

20           “(A) IN GENERAL.—The recipient may  
21           carry out national service programs through a  
22           Veterans Corps that identifies and meets unmet  
23           needs of veterans and members of the Armed  
24           Forces who are on active duty through activities  
25           such as those described in subparagraph (B) and

1           *improves performance on the indicators described*  
2           *in subparagraph (C).*

3           “(B) *ACTIVITIES.*—*A Veterans Corps de-*  
4           *scribed in this paragraph may carry out activi-*  
5           *ties such as—*

6                   “(i) *promoting community-based ef-*  
7                   *forts to meet the unique needs of military*  
8                   *families while a family member is deployed*  
9                   *and upon that family member’s return*  
10                  *home;*

11                  “(ii) *recruiting veterans, particularly*  
12                  *returning veterans, into service opportuni-*  
13                  *ties, including opportunities that utilize*  
14                  *their military experience;*

15                  “(iii) *assisting veterans in developing*  
16                  *their educational opportunities (including*  
17                  *opportunities for professional certification,*  
18                  *licensure, or credentials), coordinating ac-*  
19                  *tivities with and assisting State and local*  
20                  *agencies administering veterans education*  
21                  *benefits, and coordinating activities with*  
22                  *and assisting entities administering vet-*  
23                  *erans programs with internships and fel-*  
24                  *lowships that could lead to employment in*  
25                  *the private and public sectors;*

1           “(iv) promoting efforts within a com-  
2           munity to serve the needs of veterans and  
3           members of the Armed Forces who are on  
4           active duty, including helping veterans file  
5           benefits claims and assisting Federal agen-  
6           cies in providing services to veterans, and  
7           sending care packages to Members of the  
8           Armed Forces who are deployed;

9           “(v) assisting veterans in developing  
10          mentoring relationships with economically  
11          disadvantaged students;

12          “(vi) developing projects to assist vet-  
13          erans with disabilities, veterans who are  
14          unemployed, older veterans, and veterans in  
15          rural communities, including assisting vet-  
16          erans described in this clause with trans-  
17          portation; or

18          “(vii) other activities, addressing  
19          unmet needs of veterans, that the Corpora-  
20          tion may designate.

21          “(C) VETERANS’ CORPS INDICATORS.—The  
22          indicators for a corps program described in this  
23          paragraph are—

24                 “(i) the number of housing units cre-  
25                 ated for veterans;



1           “(ii) the number of veterans who pur-  
2           sue educational opportunities;

3           “(iii) the number of veterans receiving  
4           professional certification, licensure, or cre-  
5           dentials;

6           “(iv) the number of veterans engaged  
7           in service opportunities;

8           “(v) the number of military families  
9           assisted by organizations while a family  
10          member is deployed and upon that family  
11          member’s return home;

12          “(vi) the number of economically dis-  
13          advantaged students engaged in mentoring  
14          relationships with veterans;

15          “(vii) the number of projects designed  
16          to meet identifiable public needs of veterans,  
17          especially veterans with disabilities, vet-  
18          erans who are unemployed, older veterans,  
19          and veterans in rural communities;

20          “(viii) any additional indicator that  
21          relates to education or skill attainment that  
22          assists in providing veterans with the skills  
23          to address identifiable public needs, or that  
24          relates to improving the lives of veterans, of  
25          members of the Armed Forces on active

1           *duty, and of families of the veterans and the*  
2           *members on active duty, and that the Cor-*  
3           *poration, in consultation (as appropriate)*  
4           *with the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, es-*  
5           *tablishes; or*

6           “(ix) *any additional local indicator*  
7           *(applicable to a particular recipient and on*  
8           *which an improvement in performance is*  
9           *needed) relating to the education or skill at-*  
10          *tainment, or the improvement, described in*  
11          *clause (viii), that is approved by the Cor-*  
12          *poration or a State Commission.*

13          “(5) *OPPORTUNITY CORPS.—*

14           “(A) *IN GENERAL.—The recipient may*  
15           *carry out national service programs through an*  
16           *Opportunity Corps that identifies and meets*  
17           *unmet needs relating to economic opportunity*  
18           *for economically disadvantaged individuals with-*  
19           *in communities, through activities such as those*  
20           *described in subparagraph (B) and improves*  
21           *performance on the indicators described in sub-*  
22           *paragraph (C).*

23           “(B) *ACTIVITIES.—An Opportunity Corps*  
24           *described in this paragraph may carry out ac-*  
25           *tivities such as—*

1           “(i) providing financial literacy edu-  
2 cation to economically disadvantaged indi-  
3 viduals, including financial literacy edu-  
4 cation with regard to credit management,  
5 financial institutions including banks and  
6 credit unions, and utilization of savings  
7 plans;

8           “(ii) assisting in the construction, re-  
9 habilitation, or preservation of housing  
10 units, including energy efficient homes, for  
11 economically disadvantaged individuals;

12           “(iii) assisting economically disadvan-  
13 taged individuals, including homeless indi-  
14 viduals, in finding placement in and main-  
15 taining housing;

16           “(iv) assisting economically disadvan-  
17 taged individuals in obtaining access to  
18 health services for themselves or their chil-  
19 dren;

20           “(v) assisting individuals in obtaining  
21 information about Federal, State, local, or  
22 private programs or benefits focused on as-  
23 sisting economically disadvantaged individ-  
24 uals, economically disadvantaged children,  
25 or low-income families;

1           “(vi) *facilitating enrollment in and*  
2           *completion of job training for economically*  
3           *disadvantaged individuals;*

4           “(vii) *assisting economically disadvan-*  
5           *tagged individuals in obtaining access to job*  
6           *placement assistance;*

7           “(viii) *carrying out a program that*  
8           *seeks to eliminate hunger in low-income*  
9           *communities and rural areas through serv-*  
10          *ice in projects—*

11           “(I) *involving food banks, food*  
12           *pantries, and nonprofit organizations*  
13           *that provide food during emergencies;*

14           “(II) *seeking to address the long-*  
15           *term causes of hunger through edu-*  
16           *cation and the delivery of appropriate*  
17           *services;*

18           “(III) *providing training in basic*  
19           *health, nutrition, and life skills nec-*  
20           *essary to alleviate hunger in commu-*  
21           *nities and rural areas; or*

22           “(IV) *assisting individuals in ob-*  
23           *taining information about federally*  
24           *supported nutrition programs;*

1           “(ix) addressing issues faced by home-  
2 bound citizens, such as needs for food deliv-  
3 eries, legal and medical services, nutrition  
4 information, and transportation;

5           “(x) implementing an E-Corps pro-  
6 gram that involves participants who pro-  
7 vide services in a community by developing  
8 and assisting in carrying out technology  
9 programs that seek to increase access to  
10 technology and the benefits of technology in  
11 such community; and

12           “(xi) carrying out other activities, ad-  
13 dressing unmet needs relating to economic  
14 opportunity for economically disadvantaged  
15 individuals, that the Corporation may des-  
16 ignate.

17           “(C) OPPORTUNITY CORPS INDICATORS.—  
18 The indicators for a corps program described in  
19 this paragraph are—

20           “(i) the degree of financial literacy  
21 among economically disadvantaged individ-  
22 uals;

23           “(ii) the number of housing units built  
24 or improved for economically disadvantaged  
25 individuals or low-income families;

1           “(iii) *the number of economically dis-*  
2           *advantaged individuals with access to job*  
3           *training and other skill enhancement;*

4           “(iv) *the number of economically dis-*  
5           *advantaged individuals with access to infor-*  
6           *mation about job placement services;*

7           “(v) *any additional indicator relating*  
8           *to improving economic opportunity for eco-*  
9           *nomically disadvantaged individuals that*  
10          *the Corporation, in consultation (as appro-*  
11          *priate) with the Secretary of Health and*  
12          *Human Services, the Secretary of Labor,*  
13          *the Secretary of Housing and Urban Devel-*  
14          *opment, and the Secretary of the Treasury,*  
15          *establishes; or*

16          “(vi) *any additional local indicator*  
17          *(applicable to a particular recipient and on*  
18          *which an improvement in performance is*  
19          *needed) that is approved by the Corporation*  
20          *or a State Commission.*

21          “(b) *NATIONAL SERVICE PROGRAMS.—*

22                 “(1) *IN GENERAL.—The recipient of a grant*  
23                 *under section 121(a) and a Federal agency operating*  
24                 *or supporting a national service program under sec-*  
25                 *tion 121(b) may use the financial assistance or posi-*

1     *tions involved, directly or through subgrants to other*  
2     *entities, to carry out national service programs and*  
3     *model programs under this subsection that are focused*  
4     *on meeting community needs and improve perform-*  
5     *ance on the indicators described in paragraph (3).*

6             “(2) *PROGRAMS.—The programs may include*  
7     *the following types of national service programs:*

8             “(A) *A community service program de-*  
9     *signed to meet the needs of rural communities,*  
10     *using teams or individual placements to address*  
11     *the development needs of rural communities, in-*  
12     *cluding addressing rural poverty, or the need for*  
13     *health services, education, or job training.*

14             “(B) *A program—*

15             “(i) *that engages participants in pub-*  
16     *lic health, emergency and disaster prepared-*  
17     *ness, and other public safety activities;*

18             “(ii) *that may include the recruitment*  
19     *of qualified participants for, and placement*  
20     *of the participants in, positions to be train-*  
21     *ees as law enforcement officers, firefighters,*  
22     *search and rescue personnel, and emergency*  
23     *medical service workers; and*

24             “(iii) *that may engage Federal, State,*  
25     *and local stakeholders, in collaboration, to*

1           *organize more effective responses to issues of*  
2           *public health, emergencies and disasters,*  
3           *and other public safety issues.*

4           “(C) *A program that seeks to expand the*  
5           *number of mentors for disadvantaged youths and*  
6           *other youths (including by recruiting high*  
7           *school-, and college-age individuals to enter into*  
8           *mentoring relationships), either through—*

9                     “(i) *provision of direct mentoring serv-*  
10                    *ices;*

11                   “(ii) *provision of supportive services to*  
12                    *direct mentoring service organizations (in*  
13                    *the case of a partnership);*

14                   “(iii) *the creative utilization of current*  
15                    *and emerging technologies to connect youth*  
16                    *with mentors; or*

17                   “(iv) *supporting mentoring partner-*  
18                    *ships (including statewide and local men-*  
19                    *toring partnerships that strengthen direct*  
20                    *service mentoring programs) by—*

21                             “(I) *increasing State resources*  
22                             *dedicated to mentoring;*

23                             “(II) *supporting the creation of*  
24                             *statewide and local mentoring partner-*  
25                             *ships and programs of national scope*



1           *through collaborative efforts between*  
2           *entities such as local or direct service*  
3           *mentoring partnerships, or units of*  
4           *State or local government; and*

5                   “(III) *assisting direct service*  
6                   *mentoring programs.*

7           “(D) *A program—*

8                   “(i) *in which not less than 75 percent*  
9                   *of the participants are disadvantaged*  
10                   *youth;*

11                   “(ii) *that may provide life skills train-*  
12                   *ing, employment training, educational*  
13                   *counseling, assistance to complete a sec-*  
14                   *ondary school diploma or its recognized*  
15                   *equivalent, counseling, or a mentoring rela-*  
16                   *tionship with an adult volunteer; and*

17                   “(iii) *for which, in awarding financial*  
18                   *assistance and approved national service*  
19                   *positions, the Corporation shall give pri-*  
20                   *ority to programs that engage retirees to*  
21                   *serve as mentors.*

22           “(E) *A program—*

23                   “(i) *that reengages court-involved*  
24                   *youth and adults with the goal of reducing*  
25                   *recidivism;*

1           “(ii) that may create support systems  
2           beginning in correctional facilities; and

3           “(iii) that may have life skills train-  
4           ing, employment training, an education  
5           program (including a program to complete  
6           a secondary school diploma or its recognized  
7           equivalent), educational and career coun-  
8           seling, and postprogram placement services.

9           “(F) A demonstration program—

10           “(i) that has as 1 of its primary pur-  
11           poses the recruitment and acceptance of  
12           court-involved youth and adults as partici-  
13           pants, volunteers, or members; and

14           “(ii) that may serve any purpose oth-  
15           erwise permitted under this Act.

16           “(G) A program that provides education or  
17           job training services that are designed to meet  
18           the needs of rural communities.

19           “(H) A program that seeks to expand the  
20           number of mentors for youth in foster care  
21           through—

22           “(i) the provision of direct academic  
23           mentoring services for youth in foster care;

24           “(ii) the provision of supportive serv-  
25           ices to mentoring service organizations that

1           *directly provide mentoring to youth in fos-*  
2           *ter care, including providing training of*  
3           *mentors in child development, domestic vio-*  
4           *lence, foster care, confidentiality require-*  
5           *ments, and other matters related to working*  
6           *with youth in foster care; or*

7                   *“(iii) supporting foster care mentoring*  
8                   *partnerships, including statewide and local*  
9                   *mentoring partnerships that strengthen di-*  
10                   *rect service mentoring programs.*

11                   *“(I) Such other national service programs*  
12                   *addressing unmet human, educational, environ-*  
13                   *mental, or public safety needs as the Corporation*  
14                   *may designate.*

15                   *“(3) INDICATORS.—The indicators for a program*  
16                   *described in this subsection are the indicators de-*  
17                   *scribed in subparagraph (C) of paragraphs (1), (2),*  
18                   *(3), (4), or (5) of subsection (a) or any additional*  
19                   *local indicator (applicable to a participant or recipi-*  
20                   *ent and on which an improvement in performance is*  
21                   *needed) relating to meeting unmet community needs,*  
22                   *that is approved by the Corporation or a State Com-*  
23                   *mission.*

24                   *“(c) PROGRAM MODELS FOR SERVICE CORPS.—*

1           “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—*In addition to any activities*  
2           *described in subparagraph (B) of paragraphs (1)*  
3           *through (5) of subsection (a), and subsection (b)(2), a*  
4           *recipient of a grant under section 121(a) and a Fed-*  
5           *eral agency operating or supporting a national serv-*  
6           *ice program under section 121(b) may directly or*  
7           *through grants or subgrants to other entities carry out*  
8           *a national service corps program through the fol-*  
9           *lowing program models:*

10                 “(A) *A community corps program that*  
11                 *meets unmet health, veteran, and other human,*  
12                 *educational, environmental, or public safety*  
13                 *needs and promotes greater community unity*  
14                 *through the use of organized teams of partici-*  
15                 *pants of varied social and economic backgrounds,*  
16                 *skill levels, physical and developmental capabili-*  
17                 *ties, ages, ethnic backgrounds, or genders.*

18                 “(B) *A service program that—*

19                         “(i) *recruits individuals with special*  
20                         *skills or provides specialized preservice*  
21                         *training to enable participants to be placed*  
22                         *individually or in teams in positions in*  
23                         *which the participants can meet such unmet*  
24                         *needs; and*

1           “(ii) if consistent with the purposes of  
2           the program, brings participants together  
3           for additional training and other activities  
4           designed to foster civic responsibility, in-  
5           crease the skills of participants, and im-  
6           prove the quality of the service provided.

7           “(C) A campus-based program that is de-  
8           signed to provide substantial service in a com-  
9           munity during the school term and during sum-  
10          mer or other vacation periods through the use  
11          of—

12           “(i) students who are attending an in-  
13          stitution of higher education, including stu-  
14          dents participating in a work-study pro-  
15          gram assisted under part C of title IV of the  
16          Higher Education Act of 1965 (42 U.S.C.  
17          2751 et seq.);

18           “(ii) teams composed of students de-  
19          scribed in clause (i); or

20           “(iii) teams composed of a combination  
21          of such students and community residents.

22          “(D) A professional corps program that re-  
23          cruits and places qualified participants in posi-  
24          tions—

1           “(i) as teachers, nurses and other  
2           health care providers, police officers, early  
3           childhood development staff, engineers, or  
4           other professionals providing service to meet  
5           human, educational, environmental, or pub-  
6           lic safety needs in communities with an in-  
7           adequate number of such professionals;

8           “(ii) for which the salary may exceed  
9           the maximum living allowance authorized  
10          in subsection (a)(2) of section 140, as pro-  
11          vided in subsection (c) of such section; and

12          “(iii) that are sponsored by public or  
13          private employers who agree to pay 100  
14          percent of the salaries and benefits (other  
15          than any national service educational  
16          award under subtitle D) of the participants.

17          “(E) A program that provides opportunities  
18          for veterans to participate in service projects.

19          “(F) A program carried out by an inter-  
20          mediary that builds the capacity of local non-  
21          profit and faith-based organizations to expand  
22          and enhance services to meet local or national  
23          needs.

1           “(G) *Such other program models as may be*  
2           *approved by the Corporation or a State Commis-*  
3           *sion, as appropriate.*

4           “(2) *PROGRAM MODELS WITHIN CORPS.—A re-*  
5           *recipient of financial assistance or approved national*  
6           *service positions for a corps program described in*  
7           *subsection (a) may use the assistance or positions to*  
8           *carry out the corps program, in whole or in part,*  
9           *using a program model described in this subsection.*  
10          *The corps program shall meet the applicable require-*  
11          *ments of subsection (a) and this subsection.*

12          “(d) *QUALIFICATION CRITERIA TO DETERMINE ELIGI-*  
13          *BILITY.—*

14                 “(1) *ESTABLISHMENT BY CORPORATION.—The*  
15                 *Corporation shall establish qualification criteria for*  
16                 *different types of national service programs for the*  
17                 *purpose of determining whether a particular national*  
18                 *service program should be considered to be a national*  
19                 *service program eligible to receive assistance or ap-*  
20                 *proved national service positions under this subtitle.*

21                 “(2) *CONSULTATION.—In establishing qualifica-*  
22                 *tion criteria under paragraph (1), the Corporation*  
23                 *shall consult with organizations and individuals with*  
24                 *extensive experience in developing and administering*  
25                 *effective national service programs or regarding the*

1 *delivery of veteran services, and other human, edu-*  
2 *cational, environmental, or public safety services, to*  
3 *communities or persons.*

4 “(3) *APPLICATION TO SUBGRANTS.*—*The quali-*  
5 *fication criteria established by the Corporation under*  
6 *paragraph (1) shall also be used by each recipient of*  
7 *assistance under section 121(a) that uses any portion*  
8 *of the assistance to conduct a grant program to sup-*  
9 *port other national service programs.*

10 “(4) *ENCOURAGEMENT OF INTERGENERATIONAL*  
11 *COMPONENTS OF PROGRAMS.*—*The Corporation shall*  
12 *encourage national service programs eligible to receive*  
13 *assistance or approved national service positions*  
14 *under this subtitle to establish, if consistent with the*  
15 *purposes of the program, an intergenerational compo-*  
16 *nent of the program that combines students, out-of-*  
17 *school youths, disadvantaged youth, and older adults*  
18 *as participants to provide services to address unmet*  
19 *human, educational, environmental, or public safety*  
20 *needs.*

21 “(e) *PRIORITIES FOR CERTAIN CORPS.*—*In awarding*  
22 *financial assistance and approved national service posi-*  
23 *tions to eligible entities proposed to carry out the corps de-*  
24 *scribed in subsection (a)—*



1           “(1) in the case of a corps described in sub-  
2           section (a)(2)—

3           “(A) the Corporation may give priority to  
4           eligible entities that propose to provide support  
5           for participants who, after completing service  
6           under this section, will undertake careers to im-  
7           prove performance on health indicators described  
8           in subsection (a)(2)(C); and

9           “(B) the Corporation shall give priority to  
10          eligible entities that propose to carry out na-  
11          tional service programs in medically underserved  
12          areas (as designated individually, by the Sec-  
13          retary of Health and Human Services as an  
14          area with a shortage of personal health services);  
15          and

16          “(2) in the case of a corps described in sub-  
17          section (a)(3), the Corporation shall give priority to  
18          eligible entities that propose to recruit individuals for  
19          the Clean Energy Service Corps so that significant  
20          percentages of participants in the Corps are economi-  
21          cally disadvantaged individuals, and provide to such  
22          individuals support services and education and train-  
23          ing to develop skills needed for clean energy jobs for  
24          which there is current demand or projected future de-  
25          mand.

1 “(f) *NATIONAL SERVICE PRIORITIES.*—

2 “(1) *ESTABLISHMENT.*—

3 “(A) *BY CORPORATION.*—*In order to con-*  
4 *centrate national efforts on meeting human, edu-*  
5 *cational, environmental, or public safety needs*  
6 *and to achieve the other purposes of this Act, the*  
7 *Corporation, after reviewing the strategic plan*  
8 *approved under section 192A(g)(1,) shall estab-*  
9 *lish, and may periodically alter, priorities re-*  
10 *garding the types of national service programs*  
11 *and corps to be assisted under section 129 and*  
12 *the purposes for which such assistance may be*  
13 *used.*

14 “(B) *BY STATES.*—*Consistent with para-*  
15 *graph (4), States shall establish, and through the*  
16 *national service plan process described in section*  
17 *178(e)(1), periodically alter priorities as appro-*  
18 *priate regarding the national service programs*  
19 *to be assisted under section 129(e). The State*  
20 *priorities shall be subject to Corporation review*  
21 *as part of the application process under section*  
22 *130.*

23 “(2) *NOTICE TO APPLICANTS.*—*The Corporation*  
24 *shall provide advance notice to potential applicants of*  
25 *any national service priorities to be in effect under*

1 *this subsection for a fiscal year. The notice shall spe-*  
2 *cifically include—*

3 *“(A) a description of any alteration made*  
4 *in the priorities since the previous notice; and*

5 *“(B) a description of the national service*  
6 *programs that are designated by the Corporation*  
7 *under section 133(d)(2) as eligible for priority*  
8 *consideration in the next competitive distribu-*  
9 *tion of assistance under section 121(a).*

10 *“(3) REGULATIONS.—The Corporation shall by*  
11 *regulation establish procedures to ensure the equitable*  
12 *treatment of national service programs that—*

13 *“(A) receive funding under this subtitle for*  
14 *multiple years; and*

15 *“(B) would be adversely affected by annual*  
16 *revisions in such national service priorities.*

17 *“(4) APPLICATION TO SUBGRANTS.—Any na-*  
18 *tional service priorities established by the Corporation*  
19 *under this subsection shall also be used by each re-*  
20 *cipient of funds under section 121(a) that uses any*  
21 *portion of the assistance to conduct a grant program*  
22 *to support other national service programs.*

23 *“(g) CONSULTATION ON INDICATORS.—The Corpora-*  
24 *tion shall consult with the Secretary of Education, the Sec-*  
25 *retary of Health and Human Services, the Director of the*

1 *Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the Secretary*  
2 *of Energy, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, the Secretary*  
3 *of the Interior, the Administrator of the Environmental*  
4 *Protection Agency, the Secretary of Labor, the Secretary of*  
5 *Housing and Urban Development, and the Secretary of the*  
6 *Treasury, as appropriate, in developing additional indica-*  
7 *tors for the corps and programs described in subsections (a)*  
8 *and (b).*

9 “(h) *REQUIREMENTS FOR TUTORS.—*

10 “(1) *IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-*  
11 *graph (2), the Corporation shall require that each re-*  
12 *cipient of assistance under the national service laws*  
13 *that operates a tutoring program involving elemen-*  
14 *tary school or secondary school students certifies that*  
15 *individuals serving in approved national service posi-*  
16 *tions as tutors in such program have—*

17 “(A) *obtained their high school diplomas;*  
18 *and*

19 “(B) *successfully completed pre- and in-*  
20 *service training for tutors.*

21 “(2) *EXCEPTION.—The requirements in para-*  
22 *graph (1) do not apply to an individual serving in*  
23 *an approved national service position who is enrolled*  
24 *in an elementary school or secondary school and is*

1       *providing tutoring services through a structured,*  
2       *school-managed cross-grade tutoring program.*

3       “(i) *REQUIREMENTS FOR TUTORING PROGRAMS.—*  
4       *Each tutoring program that receives assistance under the*  
5       *national service laws shall—*

6               “(1) *offer a curriculum that is high quality, re-*  
7               *search-based, and consistent with the State academic*  
8               *content standards required by section 1111 of the Ele-*  
9               *mentary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20*  
10              *U.S.C. 6311) and the instructional program of the*  
11              *local educational agency; and*

12              “(2) *offer high quality, research-based pre- and*  
13              *in-service training for tutors.*

14       “(j) *CITIZENSHIP TRAINING.—The Corporation shall*  
15       *establish guidelines for recipients of assistance under the*  
16       *national service laws, that are consistent with the principles*  
17       *on which citizenship programs administered by U.S. Citi-*  
18       *zenship and Immigration Services are based, relating to the*  
19       *promotion of citizenship and civic engagement among par-*  
20       *ticipants in approved national service positions and ap-*  
21       *proved summer of service positions, and appropriate to the*  
22       *age, education, and experience of the participants.*

23       “(k) *REPORT.—Not later than 60 days after the end*  
24       *of each fiscal year for which the Corporation makes grants*

1 *under section 121(a), the Corporation shall prepare and*  
2 *submit to the authorizing committees a report containing—*

3       “(1) *information describing how the Corporation*  
4 *allocated financial assistance and approved national*  
5 *service positions among eligible entities proposed to*  
6 *carry out corps and national service programs de-*  
7 *scribed in this section for that fiscal year;*

8       “(2) *information describing the amount of finan-*  
9 *cial assistance and the number of approved national*  
10 *service positions the Corporation provided to each*  
11 *corps and national service program described in this*  
12 *section for that fiscal year;*

13       “(3) *a measure of the extent to which the corps*  
14 *and national service programs improved performance*  
15 *on the corresponding indicators; and*

16       “(4) *information describing how the Corporation*  
17 *is coordinating—*

18               “(A) *the national service programs funded*  
19 *under this section; with*

20               “(B) *applicable programs, as determined by*  
21 *the Corporation, carried out under subtitle B of*  
22 *this title, and part A of title I and parts A and*  
23 *B of title II of the Domestic Volunteer Service*  
24 *Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C. 4951 et seq., 5001, 5011)*

1           *that improve performance on those indicators or*  
2           *otherwise address identified community needs.”.*

3 **SEC. 1303. TYPES OF POSITIONS.**

4           *Section 123 (42 U.S.C. 12573) is amended—*

5           (1) *in paragraph (1)—*

6                   (A) *by striking “section 122(a)” and insert-*  
7                   *ing “subsection (a), (b), or (c) of section 122”;*  
8                   *and*

9                   (B) *by striking “or (b)”;*

10          (2) *in paragraph (2)(A)—*

11                   (A) *by inserting after “subdivision of a*  
12                   *State,” the following: “a territory,”; and*

13                   (B) *by striking “Federal agency” and in-*  
14                   *serting “Federal agency (under an interagency*  
15                   *agreement described in section 121(b))”;*

16          (3) *in paragraph (4), by striking “section*  
17                   *122(a)(3)” and inserting “section 122(a)(1)(B)(vi)”;*

18          (4) *in paragraph (5), by inserting “National”*  
19                   *before “Civilian Community Corps”;*

20          (5) *by redesignating paragraph (7) as para-*  
21                   *graph (8); and*

22          (6) *by inserting after paragraph (6) the fol-*  
23                   *lowing:*

1           “(7) A position involving service in the  
2           *ServeAmerica Fellowship* program carried out under  
3           *section 198B.*”.

4   **SEC. 1304. CONFORMING REPEAL RELATING TO TRAINING**  
5                           **AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.**

6           *Section 125 (42 U.S.C. 12575) is repealed.*

7   **SEC. 1305. ASSISTANCE TO STATE COMMISSIONS; CHAL-**  
8                           **LENGE GRANTS.**

9           *Section 126 (42 U.S.C. 12576) is amended—*

10           (1) *in subsection (a)—*

11                   (A) *in paragraph (1)—*

12                           (i) *by striking “\$125,000 and*  
13                           *\$750,000” and inserting “\$250,000 and*  
14                           *\$1,000,000”; and*

15                           (ii) *by striking “501(a)(4)” and insert-*  
16                           *ing “501(a)(5)”;* and

17                   (B) *by striking paragraph (2) and inserting*  
18           *the following:*

19           “(2) **MATCHING REQUIREMENT.**—*In making a*  
20           *grant to a State under this subsection, the Corpora-*  
21           *tion shall require the State to agree to provide match-*  
22           *ing funds from non-Federal sources of not less than*  
23           *\$1 for every \$1 provided by the Corporation through*  
24           *the grant.*”



1           “(3) *ALTERNATIVE.*—Notwithstanding para-  
2           *graph (2), the Chief Executive Officer may permit a*  
3           *State that demonstrates hardship or a new State*  
4           *Commission to meet alternative matching require-*  
5           *ments for such a grant as follows:*

6                   “(A) *FIRST \$100,000.*—For the first \$100,000  
7                   of grant funds provided by the Corporation, the  
8                   State involved shall not be required to provide  
9                   matching funds.

10                   “(B) *AMOUNTS GREATER THAN \$100,000.*—  
11                   For grant amounts of more than \$100,000 and  
12                   not more than \$250,000 provided by the Cor-  
13                   poration, the State shall agree to provide match-  
14                   ing funds from non-Federal sources of not less  
15                   than \$1 for every \$2 provided by the Corpora-  
16                   tion, in excess of \$100,000.

17                   “(C) *AMOUNTS GREATER THAN \$250,000.*—  
18                   For grant amounts of more than \$250,000 pro-  
19                   vided by the Corporation, the State shall agree to  
20                   provide matching funds from non-Federal  
21                   sources of not less than \$1 for every \$1 provided  
22                   by the Corporation, in excess of \$250,000.”;

23           (2) *by striking subsection (b) and inserting the*  
24           *following:*

1       “(b) *DISASTER SERVICE*.—*The Corporation may un-*  
2 *dertake activities, including activities carried out through*  
3 *part A of title I of the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of*  
4 *1973 (42 U.S.C. 4951 et seq.), to involve programs that re-*  
5 *ceive assistance under the national service laws in disaster*  
6 *relief efforts, and to support, including through mission as-*  
7 *signments under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and*  
8 *Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq.), non-*  
9 *profit organizations and public agencies responding to the*  
10 *needs of communities experiencing disasters.”; and*

11               (3) *in subsection (c)*—

12                       (A) *in paragraph (1), by striking “to na-*  
13 *tional service programs that receive assistance*  
14 *under section 121” and inserting “to programs*  
15 *supported under the national service laws”; and*

16                       (B) *by striking paragraph (3) and inserting*  
17 *the following:*

18               “(3) *AMOUNT OF ASSISTANCE*.—*A challenge*  
19 *grant under this subsection may provide, for an ini-*  
20 *tial 3-year grant period, not more than \$1 of assist-*  
21 *ance under this subsection for each \$1 in cash raised*  
22 *from private sources by the program supported under*  
23 *the national service laws in excess of amounts re-*  
24 *quired to be provided by the program to satisfy*  
25 *matching funds requirements. After an initial 3-year*

1 *grant period, a grant under this subsection may pro-*  
2 *vide not more than \$1 of assistance under this sub-*  
3 *section for each \$2 in cash raised from private sources*  
4 *by the program in excess of amounts required to be*  
5 *provided by the program to satisfy matching funds*  
6 *requirements. The Corporation may permit the use of*  
7 *local or State funds under this paragraph in lieu of*  
8 *cash raised from private sources if the Corporation*  
9 *determines that such use would be equitable due to a*  
10 *lack of available private funds at the local level. The*  
11 *Corporation shall establish a ceiling on the amount of*  
12 *assistance that may be provided to a national service*  
13 *program under this subsection.”.*

14 **SEC. 1306. ALLOCATION OF ASSISTANCE TO STATES AND**  
15 **OTHER ELIGIBLE ENTITIES.**

16 *Section 129 (42 U.S.C. 12581) is amended to read as*  
17 *follows:*

18 **“SEC. 129. PROVISION OF ASSISTANCE AND APPROVED NA-**  
19 **TIONAL SERVICE POSITIONS.**

20 *“(a) ONE PERCENT ALLOTMENT FOR CERTAIN TERRI-*  
21 *TORIES.—Of the funds allocated by the Corporation for pro-*  
22 *vision of assistance under section 121(a) for a fiscal year,*  
23 *the Corporation shall reserve 1 percent for grants to the*  
24 *United States Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa,*  
25 *and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands*

1 upon approval by the Corporation of an application sub-  
2 mitted under section 130. The Corporation shall allot for  
3 a grant to each such territory under this subsection for a  
4 fiscal year an amount that bears the same ratio to 1 percent  
5 of the allocated funds for that fiscal year as the population  
6 of the territory bears to the total population of all such ter-  
7 ritories.

8       “(b) ALLOTMENT FOR INDIAN TRIBES.—Of the funds  
9 allocated by the Corporation for provision of assistance  
10 under section 121(a) for a fiscal year, the Corporation shall  
11 reserve at least 1 percent for grants to Indian tribes to be  
12 allotted by the Corporation on a competitive basis.

13       “(c) RESERVATION OF APPROVED POSITIONS.—The  
14 Corporation shall ensure that each individual selected dur-  
15 ing a fiscal year for assignment as a VISTA volunteer  
16 under title I of the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973  
17 (42 U.S.C. 4951 et seq.) or as a participant in the National  
18 Civilian Community Corps Program under subtitle E shall  
19 receive the national service educational award described in  
20 subtitle D if the individual satisfies the eligibility require-  
21 ments for the award. Funds for approved national service  
22 positions required by this paragraph for a fiscal year shall  
23 be deducted from the total funding for approved national  
24 service positions to be available for distribution under sub-  
25 sections (d) and (e) for that fiscal year.

1 “(d) ALLOTMENT FOR COMPETITIVE GRANTS.—

2 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Of the funds allocated by the  
3 Corporation for provision of assistance under section  
4 121(a) for a fiscal year and subject to section  
5 133(d)(3), the Corporation shall reserve not more  
6 than 62.7 percent for grants awarded on a competi-  
7 tive basis to States specified in subsection (e)(1) for  
8 national service programs, to nonprofit organizations  
9 seeking to operate a national service program in 2 or  
10 more of those States, and to Indian tribes.

11 “(2) EQUITABLE TREATMENT.—In the consider-  
12 ation of applications for such grants, the Corporation  
13 shall ensure the equitable treatment of applicants  
14 from urban areas, applicants from rural areas, appli-  
15 cants of diverse sizes (as measured by the number of  
16 participants served), applicants from States, and ap-  
17 plicants from national nonprofit organizations.

18 “(3) ENCORE SERVICE PROGRAMS.—In making  
19 grants under this subsection for a fiscal year, the Cor-  
20 poration shall make an effort to allocate not less than  
21 10 percent of the financial assistance and approved  
22 national service positions provided through the grants  
23 for that fiscal year to eligible entities proposing to  
24 carry out encore service programs, unless the Cor-  
25 poration does not receive a sufficient number of ap-

1     *plications of adequate quality to justify making that*  
2     *percentage available to those eligible entities.*

3             “(4) *CORPS PROGRAMS.*—*In making grants*  
4     *under this subsection for a fiscal year, the Corpora-*  
5     *tion—*

6                     “(A) *shall select 2 or more of the national*  
7             *service corps described in section 122(a) to re-*  
8             *ceive grants under this subsection; and*

9                     “(B) *may select national service programs*  
10             *described in section 122(b) to receive such grants.*

11             “(e) *ALLOTMENT TO CERTAIN STATES ON FORMULA*  
12     *BASIS.*—

13                     “(1) *GRANTS.*—*Of the funds allocated by the*  
14     *Corporation for provision of assistance under section*  
15     *121(a) for a fiscal year, the Corporation shall make*  
16     *a grant to each of the several States, the District of*  
17     *Columbia, and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico*  
18     *that submits an application under section 130 that is*  
19     *approved by the Corporation.*

20                     “(2) *ALLOTMENTS.*—*The Corporation shall allot*  
21     *for a grant to each such State under this subsection*  
22     *for a fiscal year an amount that bears the same ratio*  
23     *to 35.3 percent of the allocated funds for that fiscal*  
24     *year as the population of the State bears to the total*  
25     *population of the several States, the District of Co-*

1        *lumbia, and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, in*  
2        *compliance with paragraph (3).*

3                “(3) *MINIMUM AMOUNT.*—*Notwithstanding para-*  
4        *graph (2), the minimum grant made available to each*  
5        *State approved by the Corporation under paragraph*  
6        *(1) for each fiscal year shall be at least \$600,000, or*  
7        *0.5 percent of the amount allocated for the State for-*  
8        *mula under this subsection for the fiscal year, which-*  
9        *ever is greater.*

10              “(f) *EFFECT OF FAILURE TO APPLY.*—*If a State or*  
11        *territory fails to apply for, or fails to give notice to the*  
12        *Corporation of its intent to apply for, an allotment under*  
13        *this section, or the Corporation does not approve the appli-*  
14        *cation consistent with section 133, the Corporation may use*  
15        *the amount that would have been allotted under this section*  
16        *to the State or territory to—*

17              “(1) *make grants (and provide approved na-*  
18        *tional service positions in connection with such*  
19        *grants) to other community-based entities under sec-*  
20        *tion 121 that propose to carry out national service*  
21        *programs in such State or territory; and*

22              “(2) *make reallocations to other States or terri-*  
23        *tories with approved applications submitted under*  
24        *section 130, from the allotment funds not used to*  
25        *make grants as described in paragraph (1).*

1       “(g) *APPLICATION REQUIRED.*—*The Corporation shall*  
2 *make an allotment of assistance (including the provision*  
3 *of approved national service positions) to a recipient under*  
4 *this section only pursuant to an application submitted by*  
5 *a State or other applicant under section 130.*

6       “(h) *APPROVAL OF POSITIONS SUBJECT TO AVAILABLE*  
7 *FUNDS.*—*The Corporation may not approve positions as*  
8 *approved national service positions under this subtitle for*  
9 *a fiscal year in excess of the number of such positions for*  
10 *which the Corporation has sufficient available funds in the*  
11 *National Service Trust for that fiscal year, taking into con-*  
12 *sideration funding needs for national service educational*  
13 *awards under subtitle D based on completed service. If ap-*  
14 *propriations are insufficient to provide the maximum al-*  
15 *lowable national service educational awards under subtitle*  
16 *D for all eligible participants, the Corporation is authorized*  
17 *to make necessary and reasonable adjustments to program*  
18 *rules.*

19       “(i) *SPONSORSHIP OF APPROVED NATIONAL SERVICE*  
20 *POSITIONS.*—

21               “(1) *SPONSORSHIP AUTHORIZED.*—*The Corpora-*  
22 *tion may enter into agreements with persons or enti-*  
23 *ties who offer to sponsor national service positions for*  
24 *which the person or entity will be responsible for sup-*  
25 *plying the funds necessary to provide a national serv-*



1     *ice educational award. The distribution of those ap-*  
2     *proved national service positions shall be made pur-*  
3     *suant to the agreement, and the creation of those posi-*  
4     *tions shall not be taken into consideration in deter-*  
5     *mining the number of approved national service posi-*  
6     *tions to be available for distribution under this sec-*  
7     *tion.*

8             “(2) *DEPOSIT OF CONTRIBUTION.*—*Funds pro-*  
9     *vided pursuant to an agreement under paragraph (1)*  
10    *shall be deposited in the National Service Trust estab-*  
11    *lished in section 145 until such time as the funds are*  
12    *needed.*

13           “(j) *RESERVATION OF FUNDS FOR SPECIAL ASSIST-*  
14    *ANCE.*—

15           “(1) *RESERVATION.*—*From amounts appro-*  
16    *priated for a fiscal year pursuant to the authoriza-*  
17    *tion of appropriations in section 501(a)(2) and allo-*  
18    *cated to carry out subtitle C and subject to the limita-*  
19    *tion in such section, the Corporation may reserve*  
20    *such amount as the Corporation considers to be ap-*  
21    *propriate for the purpose of making assistance avail-*  
22    *able under subsections (b) and (c) of section 126.*

23           “(2) *LIMITATION.*—*The amount reserved under*  
24    *paragraph (1) for a fiscal year may not exceed*  
25    *\$10,000,000.*

1           “(3) *TIMING.*—*The Corporation shall reserve*  
2           *such amount, and any amount reserved under sub-*  
3           *section (k) from funds appropriated and allocated to*  
4           *carry out subtitle C, before allocating funds for the*  
5           *provision of assistance under any other provision of*  
6           *this subtitle.*

7           “(k) *RESERVATION OF FUNDS TO INCREASE THE PAR-*  
8           *TICIPATION OF INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES.*—

9           “(1) *RESERVATION.*—*To make grants to public*  
10           *or private nonprofit organizations to increase the*  
11           *participation of individuals with disabilities in na-*  
12           *tional service and for demonstration activities in fur-*  
13           *therance of this purpose, and subject to the limitation*  
14           *in paragraph (2), the Chief Executive Officer shall re-*  
15           *serve not less than 2 percent from the amounts, ap-*  
16           *propriated to carry out subtitles C, D, E, and H for*  
17           *each fiscal year.*

18           “(2) *LIMITATION.*—*The amount reserved under*  
19           *paragraph (1) for a fiscal year may not exceed*  
20           *\$20,000,000.*

21           “(3) *REMAINDER.*—*The Chief Executive Officer*  
22           *may use the funds reserved under paragraph (1), and*  
23           *not distributed to make grants under this subsection*  
24           *for other activities described in section 501(a)(2).*

25           “(l) *AUTHORITY FOR FIXED-AMOUNT GRANTS.*—

1           “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—

2                   “(A) *AUTHORITY.*—*From amounts appro-*  
3                   *propriated for a fiscal year to provide financial as-*  
4                   *istance under the national service laws, the Cor-*  
5                   *poration may provide assistance in the form of*  
6                   *fixed-amount grants in an amount determined*  
7                   *by the Corporation under paragraph (2) rather*  
8                   *than on the basis of actual costs incurred by a*  
9                   *program.*

10                  “(B) *LIMITATION.*—*Other than fixed-*  
11                  *amount grants to support programs described in*  
12                  *section 129A, for the 1-year period beginning on*  
13                  *the effective date of the Serve America Act, the*  
14                  *Corporation may provide assistance in the form*  
15                  *of fixed-amount grants to programs that only*  
16                  *offer full-time positions.*

17                  “(2) *DETERMINATION OF AMOUNT OF FIXED-*  
18                  *AMOUNT GRANTS.*—*A fixed-amount grant authorized*  
19                  *by this subsection shall be in an amount determined*  
20                  *by the Corporation that is—*

21                          “(A) *significantly less than the reasonable*  
22                          *and necessary costs of administering the pro-*  
23                          *gram supported by the grant; and*

1           “(B) based on an amount per individual  
2           enrolled in the program receiving the grant, tak-  
3           ing into account—

4                   “(i) the capacity of the entity carrying  
5                   out the program to manage funds and  
6                   achieve programmatic results;

7                   “(ii) the number of approved national  
8                   service positions, approved silver scholar po-  
9                   sitions, or approved summer of service posi-  
10                  tions for the program, if applicable;

11                  “(iii) the proposed design of the pro-  
12                  gram;

13                  “(iv) whether the program provides  
14                  service to, or involves the participation of,  
15                  disadvantaged youth or otherwise would  
16                  reasonably incur a relatively higher level of  
17                  costs; and

18                  “(v) such other factors as the Corpora-  
19                  tion may consider under section 133 in con-  
20                  sidering applications for assistance.

21           “(3) REQUIREMENTS FOR GRANT RECIPIENTS.—  
22           In awarding a fixed-amount grant under this sub-  
23           section, the Corporation—

24                   “(A) shall require the grant recipient—

1           “(i) to return a pro rata amount of the  
2           grant funds based upon the difference be-  
3           tween the number of hours served by a par-  
4           ticipant and the minimum number of hours  
5           for completion of a term of service (as estab-  
6           lished by the Corporation);

7           “(ii) to report on the program’s per-  
8           formance on standardized measures and  
9           performance levels established by the Cor-  
10          poration;

11          “(iii) to cooperate with any evaluation  
12          activities undertaken by the Corporation;  
13          and

14          “(iv) to provide assurances that addi-  
15          tional funds will be raised in support of the  
16          program, in addition to those received  
17          under the national service laws; and

18          “(B) may adopt other terms and conditions  
19          that the Corporation considers necessary or ap-  
20          propriate based on the relative risks (as deter-  
21          mined by the Corporation) associated with any  
22          application for a fixed-amount grant.

23          “(4) OTHER REQUIREMENTS NOT APPLICABLE.—  
24          Limitations on administrative costs and matching  
25          fund documentation requirements shall not apply to

1 *fixed-amount grants provided in accordance with this*  
2 *subsection.*

3 “(5) *RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.*—*Nothing in this*  
4 *subsection shall relieve a grant recipient of the re-*  
5 *responsibility to comply with the requirements of chap-*  
6 *ter 75 of title 31, United States Code, or other re-*  
7 *quirements of Office of Management and Budget Cir-*  
8 *cular A-133.”.*

9 **SEC. 1307. ADDITIONAL AUTHORITY.**

10 *Part II of subtitle C of title I is amended by inserting*  
11 *after section 129 (42 U.S.C. 12581) the following:*

12 **“SEC. 129A. EDUCATIONAL AWARDS ONLY PROGRAM.**

13 “(a) *IN GENERAL.*—*From amounts appropriated for*  
14 *a fiscal year to provide financial assistance under this sub-*  
15 *title and consistent with the restriction in subsection (b),*  
16 *the Corporation may, through fixed-amount grants (in ac-*  
17 *cordance with section 129(l)), provide operational support*  
18 *to programs that receive approved national service posi-*  
19 *tions but do not receive funds under section 121(a).*

20 “(b) *LIMIT ON CORPORATION GRANT FUNDS.*—*The*  
21 *Corporation may provide the operational support under*  
22 *this section for a program in an amount that is not more*  
23 *than \$800 per individual enrolled in an approved national*  
24 *service position, or not more than \$1,000 per such indi-*

1 *vidual if at least 50 percent of the persons enrolled in the*  
2 *program are disadvantaged youth.*

3 “(c) *INAPPLICABLE PROVISIONS.*—*The following pro-*  
4 *visions shall not apply to programs funded under this sec-*  
5 *tion:*

6 “(1) *The limitation on administrative costs*  
7 *under section 121(d).*

8 “(2) *The matching funds requirements under sec-*  
9 *tion 121(e).*

10 “(3) *The living allowance and other benefits*  
11 *under sections 131(e) and 140 (other than individual-*  
12 *ized support services for participants with disabilities*  
13 *under section 140(f)).”.*

14 **SEC. 1308. STATE SELECTION OF PROGRAMS.**

15 *Section 130 (42 U.S.C. 12582) is amended—*

16 *(1) in subsection (a)—*

17 *(A) by striking “section 121” and inserting*  
18 *“section 121(a)”;*

19 *(B) by inserting after “assistance, a State,”*  
20 *the following: “territory,”; and*

21 *(C) by striking “institution of higher edu-*  
22 *cation, or Federal agency” and inserting “or in-*  
23 *stitution of higher education”;*

24 *(2) in subsection (b)—*

1           (A) in paragraph (9), by striking “section  
2           122(c)” and inserting “section 122(f)”; and

3           (B) in paragraph (12), by inserting “mu-  
4           nicipalities and governments of counties in  
5           which such a community is located,” after “pro-  
6           viding services,”;

7           (3) in subsection (c)—

8           (A) in paragraph (1)—

9           (i) by striking “jobs or positions” and  
10           inserting “proposed positions”; and

11           (ii) by striking “, including” and all  
12           that follows through the period at the end  
13           and inserting a period;

14           (B) in paragraph (2), by inserting “pro-  
15           posed” before “minimum”; and

16           (C) by adding at the end the following:

17           “(3) In the case of a nonprofit organization in-  
18           tending to operate programs in 2 or more States, a  
19           description of the manner in which and extent to  
20           which the organization consulted with the State Com-  
21           missions of each State in which the organization in-  
22           tends to operate and the nature of the consultation.”;

23           (4) in subsection (d)(1)—



1           (A) in subparagraphs (A) and (B), by strik-  
2           ing “subsection (a) or (b) of section 121” and in-  
3           serting “section 121(a)”;

4           (B) in subparagraph (B), by striking “sec-  
5           tion 122(a)” and inserting “subsection (a), (b),  
6           or (c) of section 122”;

7           (5) by redesignating subsections (d) through (g)  
8           as subsections (e) through (h), respectively and insert-  
9           ing after subsection (c) the following:

10          “(d) *ADDITIONAL REQUIRED APPLICATION INFORMA-*  
11 *TION.—An application submitted under subsection (a) for*  
12 *programs described in 122(a) shall also contain—*

13           “(1) *measurable goals, to be used for annual*  
14 *measurements of the program’s performance on 1 or*  
15 *more of the corresponding indicators described in sec-*  
16 *tion 122;*

17           “(2) *information describing how the applicant*  
18 *proposes to utilize funds to improve performance on*  
19 *the corresponding indicators utilizing participants,*  
20 *including describing the activities in which such par-*  
21 *ticipants will engage to improve performance on those*  
22 *indicators;*

23           “(3) *information identifying the geographical*  
24 *area in which the eligible entity proposing to carry*  
25 *out the program proposes to use funds to improve per-*

1 *formance on the corresponding indicators, and demo-*  
2 *graphic information on the students or individuals,*  
3 *as appropriate, in such area, and statistics dem-*  
4 *onstrating the need to improve such indicators in*  
5 *such area; and*

6 *“(4) if applicable, information on how the eligi-*  
7 *ble entity will work with other community-based enti-*  
8 *ties to carry out activities to improve performance on*  
9 *the corresponding indicators using such funds.”;*

10 *(6) in paragraph (2)(A) of subsection (f) (as so*  
11 *redesignated), by striking “were selected” and insert-*  
12 *ing “were or will be selected”;*

13 *(7) in subsection (g) (as so redesignated)—*

14 *(A) in paragraph (1), by striking “a pro-*  
15 *gram applicant” and inserting “an applicant”;*  
16 *and*

17 *(B) in paragraph (2)—*

18 *(i) in the heading, by striking “PRO-*  
19 *GRAM APPLICANT” and inserting “APPLI-*  
20 *CANT”;*

21 *(ii) in the matter preceding subpara-*  
22 *graph (A), by striking “program applicant”*  
23 *and inserting “applicant”;*

24 *(iii) in subparagraph (A)—*

1                   (I) by inserting after “subdivision  
2                   of a State,” the following: “territory,”;  
3                   and

4                   (II) by striking “institution of  
5                   higher education, or Federal agency”  
6                   and inserting “or institution of higher  
7                   education”; and

8                   (iv) in subparagraph (B)—

9                   (I) by inserting after “subdivision  
10                  of a State,” the following: “territory,”;  
11                  and

12                  (II) by striking “institution of  
13                  higher education, or Federal agency”  
14                  and inserting “or institution of higher  
15                  education”; and

16                  (8) by amending subsection (h) (as so redesign-  
17                  ated) to read as follows:

18                  “(h) *LIMITATION ON SAME PROJECT RECEIVING MUL-*  
19                  *TIPLE GRANTS.*—Unless specifically authorized by law, the  
20                  Corporation may not provide more than 1 grant under the  
21                  national service laws for a fiscal year to support the same  
22                  project under the national service laws.”.

23                  **SEC. 1309. NATIONAL SERVICE PROGRAM ASSISTANCE RE-**  
24                  **QUIREMENTS.**

25                  Section 131(c) (42 U.S.C. 12583(c)) is amended—

1           (1) *in paragraph (1), by striking subparagraph*  
2           *(A) and inserting the following:*

3                     “(A) *the community served, the municipi-*  
4                     *pality and government of the county (if appro-*  
5                     *priate) in which the community is located, and*  
6                     *potential participants in the program; and”;*  
7                     *and*

8           (2) *by striking paragraph (3) and inserting the*  
9           *following:*

10                    “(3) *in the case of a program that is not funded*  
11                    *through a State (including a national service pro-*  
12                    *gram that a nonprofit organization seeks to operate*  
13                    *in 2 or more States), consult with and coordinate ac-*  
14                    *tivities with the State Commission for each State in*  
15                    *which the program will operate, and the Corporation*  
16                    *shall obtain confirmation from the State Commission*  
17                    *that the applicant seeking assistance under this Act*  
18                    *has consulted with and coordinated with the State*  
19                    *Commission when seeking to operate the program in*  
20                    *that State.”.*

21 **SEC. 1310. PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES AND INELIGIBLE ORGA-**  
22                    **NIZATIONS.**

23           *Subtitle C of title I (42 U.S.C. 12571 et seq.) is amend-*  
24           *ed by inserting after section 132 the following:*

1 **“SEC. 132A. PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES AND INELIGIBLE OR-**  
2 **GANIZATIONS.**

3 *“(a) PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES.—An approved national*  
4 *service position under this subtitle may not be used for the*  
5 *following activities:*

6 *“(1) Attempting to influence legislation.*

7 *“(2) Organizing or engaging in protests, peti-*  
8 *tions, boycotts, or strikes.*

9 *“(3) Assisting, promoting, or deterring union or-*  
10 *ganizing.*

11 *“(4) Impairing existing contracts for services or*  
12 *collective bargaining agreements.*

13 *“(5) Engaging in partisan political activities, or*  
14 *other activities designed to influence the outcome of*  
15 *an election to Federal office or the outcome of an elec-*  
16 *tion to a State or local public office.*

17 *“(6) Participating in, or endorsing, events or ac-*  
18 *tivities that are likely to include advocacy for or*  
19 *against political parties, political platforms, political*  
20 *candidates, proposed legislation, or elected officials.*

21 *“(7) Engaging in religious instruction, con-*  
22 *ducting worship services, providing instruction as*  
23 *part of a program that includes mandatory religious*  
24 *instruction or worship, constructing or operating fa-*  
25 *ilities devoted to religious instruction or worship,*  
26 *maintaining facilities primarily or inherently de-*

1 *voted to religious instruction or worship, or engaging*  
2 *in any form of proselytization, consistent with section*  
3 *132.*

4 “(8) *Consistent with section 132, providing a di-*  
5 *rect benefit to any—*

6 “(A) *business organized for profit;*

7 “(B) *labor union;*

8 “(C) *partisan political organization;*

9 “(D) *nonprofit organization that fails to*  
10 *comply with the restrictions contained in section*  
11 *501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, ex-*  
12 *cept that nothing in this paragraph shall be con-*  
13 *strued to prevent participants from engaging in*  
14 *advocacy activities undertaken at their own ini-*  
15 *tiative; and*

16 “(E) *organization engaged in the religious*  
17 *activities described in paragraph (7), unless the*  
18 *position is not used to support those religious ac-*  
19 *tivities.*

20 “(9) *Providing abortion services or referrals for*  
21 *receipt of such services.*

22 “(10) *Conducting a voter registration drive or*  
23 *using Corporation funds to conduct a voter registra-*  
24 *tion drive.*

1           “(11) *Carrying out such other activities as the*  
2           *Corporation may prohibit.*”

3           “(b) *INELIGIBILITY.—No assistance provided under*  
4           *this subtitle may be provided to any organization that has*  
5           *violated a Federal criminal statute.*”

6           “(c) *NONDISPLACEMENT OF EMPLOYED WORKERS OR*  
7           *OTHER VOLUNTEERS.—A participant in an approved na-*  
8           *tional service position under this subtitle may not be di-*  
9           *rected to perform any services or duties, or to engage in*  
10           *any activities, prohibited under the nonduplication, non-*  
11           *displacement, or nonsupplantation requirements relating to*  
12           *employees and volunteers in section 177.*”

13   **SEC. 1311. CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATIONS.**

14           *Section 133 (42 U.S.C. 12585) is amended—*

15                   (1) *in subsection (b)(2)(B), by striking “jobs or”;*

16                   (2) *in subsection (d)—*

17                           (A) *in paragraph (2)—*

18                                   (i) *in the matter preceding subpara-*

19                                   *graph (A)—*

20   (I) *by striking “section 122(a)”*

21   *and inserting “subsection (a), (b), or*

22   *(c) of section 122”; and*

23   (II) *by striking “section*

24   *129(d)(2)” and inserting “section*

25   *129(d)”;*

1                   (ii) by striking subparagraphs (A)  
2                   through (G) and inserting the following:  
3                   “(A) national service programs that—  
4                    “(i) conform to the national service  
5                    priorities in effect under section 122(f);  
6                    “(ii) are innovative; and  
7                    “(iii) are well established in 1 or more  
8                    States at the time of the application and  
9                    are proposed to be expanded to additional  
10                   States using assistance provided under sec-  
11                   tion 121;  
12                   “(B) grant programs in support of other  
13                   national service programs if the grant programs  
14                   are to be conducted by nonprofit organizations  
15                   with demonstrated and extensive expertise in the  
16                   provision of services to meet human, educational,  
17                   environmental, or public safety needs; and  
18                   “(C) professional corps programs described  
19                   in section 122(c)(1)(D).”; and  
20                   (B) in paragraph (3), by striking “section  
21                   129(d)(2)” and inserting “section 129(d)”;  
22                   (3) in subsection (e), by striking “subsections (a)  
23                   and (d)(1) of section 129” and inserting “subsections  
24                   (d) and (e) of section 129”;  
25                   (4) in subsection (f)—



1           (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “section  
2           129(a)(1)” and inserting “section 129(e)”; and

3           (B) in paragraph (3)—

4                 (i) by striking “section 129(a)” and  
5                 inserting “section 129(e)”; and

6                 (ii) by striking “paragraph (3) of such  
7                 subsection” and inserting “section 129(f)”; and

8           (5) by redesignating subsection (f) as subsection  
9           (g); and

10          (6) by inserting after subsection (e) the following:

11          “(f) *VIEWS OF STATE COMMISSION.*—In making com-  
12          petitive awards under section 129(d), the Corporation shall  
13          solicit and consider the views of a State Commission re-  
14          garding any application for assistance to carry out a na-  
15          tional service program within the State.”.

16          **SEC. 1312. DESCRIPTION OF PARTICIPANTS.**

17          Section 137 (42 U.S.C. 12591) is amended—

18                 (1) in subsection (a)—

19                         (A) by striking paragraph (3); and

20                         (B) by redesignating paragraphs (4), (5),  
21                         and (6) as paragraphs (3), (4), and (5), respec-  
22                         tively;

23                 (2) in subsection (b)—

24                         (A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),  
25                         by striking “section 122(a)(2) or a program de-

1           *scribed in section 122(a)(9)” and inserting “sec-*  
2           *tion 122(a)(3)(B)(x)”;* and

3                   *(B) in paragraph (1), by striking “para-*  
4           *graph (4)” and inserting “paragraph (3)”;* and  
5           *(3) in subsection (c), by striking “(a)(5)” and*  
6           *inserting “(a)(4)”.*

7 **SEC. 1313. SELECTION OF NATIONAL SERVICE PARTICI-**  
8                   **PANTS.**

9           *Section 138 (42 U.S.C. 12592) is amended—*

10                   *(1) in subsection (a), by striking “conducted by*  
11           *the State” and all that follows through “or other enti-*  
12           *ty” and inserting “conducted by the entity”;* and

13                   *(2) in subsection (e)(2)(C), by inserting before*  
14           *the semicolon at the end the following: “, particularly*  
15           *those who were considered, at the time of their service,*  
16           *disadvantaged youth”.*

17 **SEC. 1314. TERMS OF SERVICE.**

18           *Section 139 (42 U.S.C. 12593) is amended—*

19                   *(1) in subsection (b)—*

20                           *(A) in paragraph (1), by striking “not less*  
21           *than 9 months and”;*

22                           *(B) in paragraph (2), by striking “during*  
23           *a period of—” and all that follows through the*  
24           *period at the end and inserting “during a period*  
25           *of not more than 2 years.”;* and

1           (C) *by adding at the end the following:*

2           “(4) *EXTENSION OF TERM FOR DISASTER PUR-*  
3 *POSES.—*

4           “(A) *EXTENSION.—An individual in an ap-*  
5 *proved national service position performing serv-*  
6 *ice directly related to disaster relief efforts may*  
7 *continue in a term of service for a period of 90*  
8 *days beyond the period otherwise specified in, as*  
9 *appropriate, this subsection or section 153(d) or*  
10 *in section 104 of the Domestic Volunteer Service*  
11 *Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C. 4954).*

12           “(B) *SINGLE TERM OF SERVICE.—A period*  
13 *of service performed by an individual in an*  
14 *originally-agreed to term of service and service*  
15 *performed under this paragraph shall constitute*  
16 *a single term of service for purposes of sub-*  
17 *sections (b)(1) and (c) of section 146.*

18           “(C) *BENEFITS.—An individual performing*  
19 *service under this paragraph may continue to re-*  
20 *ceive a living allowance and other benefits under*  
21 *section 140 but may not receive an additional*  
22 *national service educational award under section*  
23 *141.”; and*  
24 *(2) in subsection (c)—*

1           (A) in paragraph (1)(A), by striking “as  
2           demonstrated by the participant” and inserting  
3           “as determined by the organization responsible  
4           for granting the release, if the participant has  
5           otherwise performed satisfactorily and has com-  
6           pleted at least 15 percent of the term of service”;  
7           and

8           (B) in paragraph (2)—

9           (i) in subparagraph (A), by striking  
10           “provide to the participant that portion of  
11           the national service educational award”  
12           and inserting “certify the participant’s eli-  
13           gibility for that portion of the national  
14           service educational award”; and

15           (ii) in subparagraph (B), by striking  
16           “to allow return to the program with which  
17           the individual was serving in order”.

18 **SEC. 1315. ADJUSTMENTS TO LIVING ALLOWANCE.**

19       Section 140 (42 U.S.C. 12594) is amended—

20           (1) in subsection (a)—

21           (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “para-  
22           graph (3)” and inserting “paragraphs (2) and  
23           (3)”;

24           (B) by striking paragraph (2);

1           (C) by redesignating paragraph (3) as  
2           paragraph (2);

3           (D) by inserting after paragraph (2) (as so  
4           redesignated) the following:

5           “(3) *FEDERAL WORK-STUDY STUDENTS*.—*The*  
6           *living allowance that may be provided under para-*  
7           *graph (1) to an individual whose term of service in-*  
8           *cludes hours for which the individual receives a Fed-*  
9           *eral work-study award under part C of title IV of the*  
10           *Higher Education Act of 1965 (42 U.S.C. 2751 et*  
11           *seq.) shall be reduced by the amount of the individ-*  
12           *ual’s Federal work study award.”; and*

13           (E) in paragraph (4), by striking “a re-  
14           duced term of service under section 139(b)(3)”  
15           and inserting “a term of service that is less than  
16           12 months”;

17           (2) in subsection (b), by striking “shall include  
18           an amount sufficient to cover 85 percent of such  
19           taxes” and all that follows through the period at the  
20           end and inserting “may be used to pay the taxes de-  
21           scribed in this subsection.”;

22           (3) in subsection (c)—

23           (A) in the matter preceding paragraph

24           (1)—

1                   (i) by striking “section 122(a)(8)” and  
2                   inserting “section 122(c)(1)(D)”; and

3                   (ii) by striking “subsection (a)(3)” and  
4                   inserting “subsection (a)(2)”;

5                   (B) in paragraph (1), by adding “and” at  
6                   the end;

7                   (C) by striking paragraph (2); and

8                   (D) by redesignating paragraph (3) as  
9                   paragraph (2);

10                  (4) in subsection (d)—

11                   (A) in paragraph (1)—

12                   (i) by striking “shall provide” and in-  
13                   serting “shall provide or make available”;

14                   and

15                   (ii) by striking the second sentence;

16                   and

17                   (B) in paragraph (2), by striking “provide  
18                   from its own funds” and inserting “provide from

19                   its own funds or make available”; and

20                   (5) by striking subsections (g) and (h).

1 ***Subtitle D—Amendments to Subtitle***  
 2 ***D (National Service Trust and***  
 3 ***Provision of National Service***  
 4 ***Educational Awards)***

5 ***SEC. 1401. AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS IN THE NATIONAL***  
 6 ***SERVICE TRUST.***

7 (a) *SUBTITLE HEADING.*—*The subtitle heading for*  
 8 *subtitle D of title I is amended to read as follows:*

9 ***“Subtitle D—National Service Trust***  
 10 ***and Provision of Educational***  
 11 ***Awards”.***

12 (b) *ESTABLISHMENT OF TRUST.*—*Section 145 (42*  
 13 *U.S.C. 12601) is amended—*

14 (1) *in subsection (a)—*

15 (A) *in paragraph (1)—*

16 (i) *in the matter preceding subpara-*  
 17 *graph (A), by striking “pursuant to section*  
 18 *501(a)(2)”;* and

19 (ii) *in subparagraph (A), by inserting*  
 20 *after “national service educational awards”*  
 21 *the following: “, summer of service edu-*  
 22 *cational awards, and silver scholar edu-*  
 23 *cational awards”;*

24 (B) *in paragraph (2)—*

1           (i) by striking “pursuant to section  
2           196(a)(2)” and inserting “pursuant to sec-  
3           tion 196(a)(2), if the terms of such dona-  
4           tions direct that the donated amounts be de-  
5           posited in the National Service Trust”; and

6           (ii) by striking “and” at the end;

7           (C) by redesignating paragraph (3) as  
8           paragraph (4); and

9           (D) by inserting after paragraph (2) the fol-  
10          lowing:

11          “(3) any amounts recovered by the Corporation  
12          pursuant to section 146A; and”;

13          (2) in subsection (c), by striking “for payments  
14          of national service educational awards in accordance  
15          with section 148.” and inserting “for—

16          “(1) payments of national service educational  
17          awards, summer of service educational awards, and  
18          silver scholar educational awards in accordance with  
19          section 148; and

20          “(2) payments of interest in accordance with sec-  
21          tion 148(e).”; and

22          (3) in subsection (d)—

23               (A) in the subsection heading, by striking

24               “CONGRESS” and inserting “THE AUTHORIZING  
25               COMMITTEES”;



1           (B) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),  
 2           by striking “the Congress” and inserting “the  
 3           authorizing committees”;

4           (C) in paragraphs (2), (3), and (4), by in-  
 5           serting “, summer of service educational awards,  
 6           or silver scholar awards” after “national service  
 7           educational awards” each place the term ap-  
 8           pears; and

9           (D) in paragraph (4)—

10           (i) by inserting “, additional approved  
 11           summer of service positions, and additional  
 12           approved silver scholar positions” after “ad-  
 13           ditional approved national service posi-  
 14           tions”; and

15           (ii) by striking “under subtitle C”.

16 **SEC. 1402. INDIVIDUALS ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE AN EDU-**  
 17 **CATIONAL AWARD FROM THE TRUST.**

18       Section 146 (42 U.S.C. 12602) is amended—

19           (1) by striking the section heading and inserting  
 20       the following:

21 **“SEC. 146. INDIVIDUALS ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE AN EDU-**  
 22 **CATIONAL AWARD FROM THE TRUST.”; and**

23           (2) in subsection (a)—

24           (A) in the matter preceding paragraph

25           (1)—

1           (i) by inserting “, summer of service  
2           educational award, or silver scholar edu-  
3           cational award” after “national service edu-  
4           cational award”; and

5           (ii) by striking “if the individual” and  
6           inserting “if the organization responsible  
7           for the individual’s supervision in a na-  
8           tional service program certifies that the in-  
9           dividual”;

10          (B) by striking paragraphs (1), (2), and (3)  
11          and inserting the following:

12          “(1) met the applicable eligibility requirements  
13          for the approved national service position, approved  
14          silver scholar position, or approved summer of service  
15          position, as appropriate, in which the individual  
16          served;

17          “(2)(A) for a full-time or part-time national  
18          service educational award, successfully completed the  
19          required term of service described in subsection (b)(1)  
20          in the approved national service position;

21          “(B) for a partial educational award in accord-  
22          ance with section 139(c)—

23          “(i) satisfactorily performed prior to being  
24          granted a release for compelling personal cir-  
25          cumstances under such section; and

1           “(i) completed at least 15 percent of the re-  
2           quired term of service described in subsection (b)  
3           for the approved national service position;

4           “(C) for a summer of service educational award,  
5           successfully completed the required term of service de-  
6           scribed in subsection (b)(2) in an approved summer  
7           of service position, as certified through a process de-  
8           termined by the Corporation through regulations con-  
9           sistent with section 138(f); or

10          “(D) for a silver scholar educational award, suc-  
11          cessfully completed the required term of service de-  
12          scribed in subsection (b)(3) in an approved silver  
13          scholar position, as certified through a process deter-  
14          mined by the Corporation through regulations con-  
15          sistent with section 138(f); and”.

16                 (C) by redesignating paragraph (4) as  
17                 paragraph (3);

18                 (3) in subsection (b)—

19                         (A) by striking “The term” and inserting  
20                         the following:

21                                 “(1) APPROVED NATIONAL SERVICE POSITION.—  
22                                 The term”; and

23                         (B) by adding at the end the following:

24                                 “(2) APPROVED SUMMER OF SERVICE POSI-  
25                                 TION.—The term of service for an approved summer

1       *of service position shall not be less than 100 hours of*  
2       *service during the summer months.*

3               “(3) *APPROVED SILVER SCHOLAR POSITION.—*  
4       *The term of service for an approved silver scholar po-*  
5       *sition shall be not less than 350 hours during a 1-*  
6       *year period.”;*

7               (4) *by striking subsection (c) and inserting the*  
8       *following:*

9               “(c) *LIMITATION ON RECEIPT OF NATIONAL SERVICE*  
10       *EDUCATIONAL AWARDS.—An individual may not receive,*  
11       *through national service educational awards and silver*  
12       *scholar educational awards, more than an amount equal*  
13       *to the aggregate value of 2 such awards for full-time service.*  
14       *The value of summer of service educational awards that an*  
15       *individual receives shall have no effect on the aggregate*  
16       *value of the national service educational awards the indi-*  
17       *vidual may receive.”;*

18               (5) *in subsection (d)—*

19                       (A) *in paragraph (1)—*

20                               (i) *by striking “SEVEN-YEAR REQUIRE-*  
21                               *MENT” and inserting “IN GENERAL”;*

22                               (ii) *by striking “An” and inserting*  
23                               *“Subject to paragraph (2), an”;*

1           (iii) by inserting “or a silver scholar  
2           educational award” after “national service  
3           educational award”;

4           (iv) by inserting “or an approved sil-  
5           ver scholar position, as applicable,” after  
6           “approved national service position”; and

7           (v) by adding at the end the following:  
8           “Subject to paragraph (2), an individual el-  
9           igible to receive a summer of service edu-  
10          cational award under this section may not  
11          use such award after the end of the 10-year  
12          period beginning on the date the individual  
13          completes the term of service in an ap-  
14          proved summer of service position that is  
15          the basis of the award.”;

16          (B) in paragraph (2)—

17               (i) in the matter preceding subpara-  
18               graph (A) and in subparagraph (A), by in-  
19               serting “, summer of service educational  
20               award, or silver scholar educational award”  
21               after “national service educational award”;

22               (ii) in subparagraph (A), by inserting  
23               “, or 10-year period, as appropriate” after  
24               “7-year period”; and

1                   (iii) in subparagraph (B), by inserting  
2                   “, approved summer of service position, or  
3                   approved silver scholar position” after “ap-  
4                   proved national service position”; and  
5                   (C) by adding at the end the following:

6                   “(3) *TERM FOR TRANSFERRED EDUCATIONAL*  
7                   *AWARDS.—For purposes of applying paragraphs (1)*  
8                   *and (2)(A) to an individual who is eligible to receive*  
9                   *an educational award as a designated individual (as*  
10                   *defined in section 148(f)(8)), references to a seven-*  
11                   *year period shall be considered to be references to a*  
12                   *10-year period that begins on the date the individual*  
13                   *who transferred the educational award to the des-*  
14                   *ignated individual completed the term of service in*  
15                   *the approved national service position or approved*  
16                   *silver scholar position that is the basis of the award.”;*  
17                   *and*

18                   (6) in subsection (e)(1)—  
19                   (A) by inserting after “qualifying under  
20                   this section” the following: “or under section  
21                   119(c)(8)”; and

22                   (B) by inserting after “to receive a national  
23                   service educational award” the following: “, a  
24                   summer of service educational award, or a silver  
25                   scholar educational award”.

1 **SEC. 1403. CERTIFICATIONS.**

2 *The Act is amended by adding after section 146 (42*  
3 *U.S.C. 12602) the following:*

4 **“SEC. 146A. CERTIFICATIONS OF SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION**  
5 **OF TERMS OF SERVICE.**

6 *“(a) CERTIFICATIONS.—In making any authorized*  
7 *disbursement from the National Service Trust in regard to*  
8 *an eligible individual (including disbursement for a des-*  
9 *ignated individual, as defined in section 148(f)(8), due to*  
10 *the service of an eligible individual) under section 146 who*  
11 *served in an approved national service position, an ap-*  
12 *proved summer of service position, or an approved silver*  
13 *scholar position, the Corporation shall rely on a certifi-*  
14 *cation. The certification shall be made by the entity that*  
15 *selected the individual for and supervised the individual in*  
16 *the approved national service position in which such indi-*  
17 *vidual successfully completed a required term of service, in*  
18 *a national service program.*

19 *“(b) EFFECT OF ERRONEOUS CERTIFICATIONS.—If the*  
20 *Corporation determines that the certification under sub-*  
21 *section (a) is erroneous or incorrect, the Corporation shall*  
22 *assess against the national service program a charge for the*  
23 *amount of any associated payment or potential payment*  
24 *from the National Service Trust. In assessing the amount*  
25 *of the charge, the Corporation shall consider the full facts*

1 *and circumstances surrounding the erroneous or incorrect*  
2 *certification.”.*

3 **SEC. 1404. DETERMINATION OF THE AMOUNT OF THE EDU-**  
4 **CATIONAL AWARD.**

5 *Section 147 (42 U.S.C. 12603) is amended—*

6 *(1) by striking the section heading and inserting*  
7 *the following:*

8 **“SEC. 147. DETERMINATION OF THE AMOUNT OF THE EDU-**  
9 **CATIONAL AWARD.”; and**

10 *(2) by amending subsection (a) to read as fol-*  
11 *lows:*

12 **“(a) AMOUNT FOR FULL-TIME NATIONAL SERVICE.—**  
13 *Except as provided in subsection (c), an individual de-*  
14 *scribed in section 146(a) who successfully completes a re-*  
15 *quired term of full-time national service in an approved*  
16 *national service position shall receive a national service*  
17 *educational award having a value equal to the maximum*  
18 *amount of a Federal Pell Grant under section 401 of the*  
19 *Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1070a) that a*  
20 *student eligible for such Grant may receive in the aggregate*  
21 *(without regard to whether the funds are provided through*  
22 *discretionary or mandatory appropriations), for the award*  
23 *year for which the national service position is approved by*  
24 *the Corporation.”;*



1           (3) in subsection (b), by striking “, for each of  
2           not more than 2 of such terms of service,”; and

3           (4) by adding at the end the following:

4           “(d) *AMOUNT FOR SUMMER OF SERVICE.*—An indi-  
5           vidual described in section 146(a) who successfully com-  
6           pletes a required summer of service term shall receive a  
7           summer of service educational award having a value, for  
8           each of not more than 2 of such terms of service, equal to  
9           \$500 (or, at the discretion of the Chief Executive Officer,  
10          equal to \$750 in the case of a participant who is economi-  
11          cally disadvantaged).

12          “(e) *AMOUNT FOR SILVER SCHOLARS.*—An individual  
13          described in section 146(a) who successfully completes a re-  
14          quired silver scholar term shall receive a silver scholar edu-  
15          cational award having a value of \$1,000.”.

16          **SEC. 1405. DISBURSEMENT OF EDUCATIONAL AWARDS.**

17          Section 148 (42 U.S.C. 12604) is amended—

18                 (1) by striking the section heading and inserting  
19                 the following:

20          **“SEC. 148. DISBURSEMENT OF EDUCATIONAL AWARDS.”;**

21                 (2) in subsection (a)—

22                         (A) in paragraph (2), by striking “cost of  
23                         attendance” and inserting “cost of attendance or  
24                         other educational expenses”;

25                         (B) in paragraph (3), by striking “and”;

1           (C) by redesignating paragraph (4) as  
2           paragraph (5); and

3           (D) by inserting after paragraph (3) the fol-  
4           lowing:

5           “(4) to pay expenses incurred in enrolling in an  
6           educational institution or training establishment that  
7           is approved under chapter 36 of title 38, United  
8           States Code, or other applicable provisions of law, for  
9           offering programs of education, apprenticeship, or on-  
10          job training for which educational assistance may be  
11          provided by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs; and”;

12          (3) in subsection (b)—

13           (A) in paragraph (1), by inserting after  
14           “the national service educational award of the  
15           individual” the following: “, an eligible indi-  
16           vidual under section 146(a) who served in a  
17           summer of service program and desires to apply  
18           that individual’s summer of service educational  
19           award, or an eligible individual under section  
20           146(a) who served in a silver scholar program  
21           and desires to apply that individual’s silver  
22           scholar educational award,”;

23           (B) in paragraph (2), by inserting after  
24           “the national service educational award” the fol-  
25           lowing: “, the summer of service educational

1           *award, or the silver scholar educational award,*  
2           *as applicable,”;*

3           *(C) in paragraph (5), by inserting after*  
4           *“the national service educational award” the fol-*  
5           *lowing: “, the summer of service educational*  
6           *award, or the silver scholar educational award,*  
7           *as applicable”; and*

8           *(D) in paragraph (7)—*

9                   *(i) in subparagraph (A), by striking*  
10            *“and” at the end;*

11                   *(ii) in subparagraph (B), by striking*  
12            *the period and inserting “; and”; and*

13                   *(iii) by adding at the end the fol-*  
14            *lowing:*

15                    *“(C) any loan (other than a loan described*  
16            *in subparagraph (A) or (B)) determined by an*  
17            *institution of higher education to be necessary to*  
18            *cover a student’s educational expenses and made,*  
19            *insured, or guaranteed by—*

20                            *“(i) an eligible lender, as defined in*  
21                            *section 435 of the Higher Education Act of*  
22                            *1965 (20 U.S.C. 1085);*

23                            *“(ii) the direct student loan program*  
24                            *under part D of title IV of such Act (20*  
25                            *U.S.C. 1087a et seq.);*

1                   “(iii) a State agency; or

2                   “(iv) a lender otherwise determined by  
3                   the Corporation to be eligible to receive dis-  
4                   bursements from the National Service  
5                   Trust.”;

6                   (4) in subsection (c)—

7                   (A) in paragraph (1), by inserting after  
8                   “national service educational award” the fol-  
9                   lowing: “, an eligible individual under section  
10                  146(a) who desires to apply the individual’s  
11                  summer of service educational award, or an eli-  
12                  gible individual under section 146(a) who served  
13                  in a silver scholar program and desires to apply  
14                  that individual’s silver scholar educational  
15                  award,”;

16                  (B) in paragraph (2)—

17                  (i) in subparagraph (A), by inserting  
18                  after “national service educational award”  
19                  the following: “, summer of service edu-  
20                  cational award, or silver scholar edu-  
21                  cational award, as applicable,”; and

22                  (ii) in subparagraph (C)(iii), by in-  
23                  serting after “national service educational  
24                  awards” the following: “, summer of service

1           *educational awards, or silver scholar edu-*  
2           *catinal awards, as applicable,”;*

3           *(C) in paragraph (3), by inserting after*  
4           *“national service educational awards” the fol-*  
5           *lowing: “summer of service educational awards,*  
6           *or silver scholar educational awards”;*

7           *(D) in paragraph (5)—*

8                 *(i) in the first sentence, by inserting*  
9                 *after “national service educational award”*  
10                *the following: “, summer of service edu-*  
11                *catinal award, or silver scholar edu-*  
12                *catinal award, as applicable,”; and*

13                *(ii) in the third sentence, by inserting*  
14                *before the period the following: “, additional*  
15                *approved summer of service positions, and*  
16                *additional approved silver scholar posi-*  
17                *tions”;* and

18           *(E) in paragraph (6)—*

19                *(i) in the matter preceding subpara-*  
20                *graph (A), by inserting after “national*  
21                *service educational award” the following: “,*  
22                *summer of service educational award, or sil-*  
23                *ver scholar educational award”;*

1                   (ii) in subparagraph (A), by inserting  
2                   “and other educational expenses” after “cost  
3                   of attendance”; and

4                   (iii) by striking subparagraph (B) and  
5                   inserting the following:

6                   “(B) the student’s estimated financial as-  
7                   sistance for such period under part A of title IV  
8                   of such Act (20 U.S.C. 1070 et seq.).”;

9                   (5) in subsection (d), by inserting after “na-  
10                  tional service educational awards” the following: “,  
11                  summer of service educational awards, and silver  
12                  scholar educational awards”;

13                  (6) in subsection (e), by striking “subsection  
14                  (b)(6)” and inserting “subsection (b)(7)”;

15                  (7) in subsection (f)—

16                         (A) by striking “Director” and inserting  
17                         “Chief Executive Officer”; and

18                         (B) by inserting “, summer of service edu-  
19                         cational award, or silver scholar educational  
20                         award, as appropriate,” after “national service  
21                         educational award”;

22                  (8) by redesignating subsections (f) and (g) as  
23                  subsections (g) and (h) respectively; and

24                  (9) by inserting after subsection (e) the following:

25                         “(f) *TRANSFER OF EDUCATIONAL AWARDS.*—

1           “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—*An individual who is eligible*  
2           *to receive a national service educational award or sil-*  
3           *ver scholar educational award due to service in a pro-*  
4           *gram described in paragraph (2) may elect to receive*  
5           *the award (in the amount described in the cor-*  
6           *responding provision of section 147) and transfer the*  
7           *award to a designated individual. Subsections (b),*  
8           *(c), and (d) shall apply to the designated individual*  
9           *in lieu of the individual who is eligible to receive the*  
10           *national service educational award or silver scholar*  
11           *educational award, except that amounts refunded to*  
12           *the account under subsection (c)(5) on behalf of a des-*  
13           *ignated individual may be used by the Corporation to*  
14           *fund additional placements in the national service*  
15           *program in which the eligible individual who trans-*  
16           *ferred the national service educational award or silver*  
17           *scholar educational award participated for such*  
18           *award.*

19           “(2) *CONDITIONS FOR TRANSFER.*—*An edu-*  
20           *ational award may be transferred under this sub-*  
21           *section if—*

22                   “(A)(i) *the award is a national service edu-*  
23                   *ational award for service in a national service*  
24                   *program that receives a grant under subtitle C;*  
25                   *and*

1           “(i) before beginning the term of service in-  
2           involved, the eligible individual is age 55 or older;  
3           or

4           “(B) the award is a silver scholarship edu-  
5           cational award under section 198C(a).

6           “(3) *MODIFICATION OR REVOCATION.*—

7           “(A) *IN GENERAL.*—An individual transfer-  
8           ring an educational award under this subsection  
9           may, on any date on which a portion of the edu-  
10          cational award remains unused, modify or re-  
11          voke the transfer of the educational award with  
12          respect to that portion.

13          “(B) *NOTICE.*—A modification or revoca-  
14          tion of the transfer of an educational award  
15          under this paragraph shall be made by the sub-  
16          mission of written notice to the Corporation.

17          “(4) *PROHIBITION ON TREATMENT OF TRANS-*  
18          *FERRED AWARD AS MARITAL PROPERTY.*—An edu-  
19          cational award transferred under this subsection may  
20          not be treated as marital property, or the asset of a  
21          marital estate, subject to division in a divorce or  
22          other civil proceeding.

23          “(5) *DEATH OF TRANSFEROR.*—The death of an  
24          individual transferring an educational award under  
25          this subsection shall not affect the use of the edu-



1     *ational award by the child, foster child, or grand-*  
2     *child to whom the educational award is transferred if*  
3     *such educational award is transferred prior to the*  
4     *death of the individual.*

5             “(6) *PROCEDURES TO PREVENT WASTE, FRAUD,*  
6     *OR ABUSE.—The Corporation shall establish require-*  
7     *ments to prevent waste, fraud, or abuse in connection*  
8     *with the transfer of an educational award and to pro-*  
9     *tect the integrity of the educational award under this*  
10     *subsection.*

11             “(7) *TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—The Corporation*  
12     *may, as appropriate, provide technical assistance, to*  
13     *individuals and eligible entities carrying out national*  
14     *service programs, concerning carrying out this sub-*  
15     *section.*

16             “(8) *DEFINITION OF A DESIGNATED INDI-*  
17     *VIDUAL.—In this subsection, the term ‘designated in-*  
18     *dividual’ is an individual—*

19                     “(A) *whom an individual who is eligible to*  
20     *receive a national service educational award or*  
21     *silver scholar educational award due to service*  
22     *in a program described in paragraph (2) des-*  
23     *ignates to receive the educational award;*

24                     “(B) *who meets the eligibility requirements*  
25     *of paragraphs (3) and (4) of section 146(a); and*

1           “(C) who is a child, foster child, or grand-  
2           child of the individual described in subpara-  
3           graph (A).”.

4 **SEC. 1406. APPROVAL PROCESS FOR APPROVED POSITIONS.**

5       (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Subtitle D of title I (42 U.S.C.  
6 12601 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following  
7 new section:

8 **“SEC. 149. APPROVAL PROCESS FOR APPROVED POSITIONS.**

9       “(a) *TIMING AND RECORDING REQUIREMENTS.*—

10           “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—Notwithstanding subtitles C,  
11 D, and H, and any other provision of law, in approv-  
12 ing a position as an approved national service posi-  
13 tion, an approved summer of service position, or an  
14 approved silver scholar position, the Corporation—

15           “(A) shall approve the position at the time  
16 the Corporation—

17           “(i) enters into an enforceable agree-  
18 ment with an individual participant to  
19 serve in a program carried out under sub-  
20 title E of title I of this Act, section 198B or  
21 198C(a), or under title I of the Domestic  
22 Volunteer Service Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C.  
23 4951 et seq.), a summer of service program  
24 described in section 119(c)(8), or a silver

1           *scholarship program described in section*  
2           *198C(a); or*

3           “(i) *except as provided in clause (i),*  
4           *awards a grant to (or enters into a contract*  
5           *or cooperative agreement with) an entity to*  
6           *carry out a program for which such a posi-*  
7           *tion is approved under section 123; and*

8           “(B) *shall record as an obligation an esti-*  
9           *mate of the net present value of the national*  
10          *service educational award, summer of service*  
11          *educational award, or silver scholar educational*  
12          *award associated with the position, based on a*  
13          *formula that takes into consideration historical*  
14          *rates of enrollment in such a program, and of*  
15          *earning and using national service educational*  
16          *awards, summer of service educational awards,*  
17          *or silver scholar educational awards, as appro-*  
18          *priate, for such a program and remain avail-*  
19          *able.*

20          “(2) *FORMULA.—In determining the formula de-*  
21          *scribed in paragraph (1)(B), the Corporation shall*  
22          *consult with the Director of the Congressional Budget*  
23          *Office.*

24          “(3) *CERTIFICATION REPORT.—The Chief Execu-*  
25          *tive Officer of the Corporation shall annually prepare*

1 *and submit to the authorizing committees a report*  
2 *that contains a certification that the Corporation is*  
3 *in compliance with the requirements of paragraph*  
4 *(1).*

5 “(4) *APPROVAL.—The requirements of this sub-*  
6 *section shall apply to each approved national service*  
7 *position, approved summer of service position, or ap-*  
8 *proved silver scholarship position that the Corpora-*  
9 *tion approves—*

10 “(A) *during fiscal year 2010; and*

11 “(B) *during any subsequent fiscal year.*

12 “(b) *RESERVE ACCOUNT.—*

13 “(1) *ESTABLISHMENT AND CONTENTS.—*

14 “(A) *ESTABLISHMENT.—Notwithstanding*  
15 *subtitles C, D, and H, and any other provision*  
16 *of law, within the National Service Trust estab-*  
17 *lished under section 145, the Corporation shall*  
18 *establish a reserve account.*

19 “(B) *CONTENTS.—To ensure the avail-*  
20 *ability of adequate funds to support the awards*  
21 *of approved national service positions, approved*  
22 *summer of service positions, and approved silver*  
23 *scholar positions, for each fiscal year, the Cor-*  
24 *poration shall place in the account—*

1           “(i) during fiscal year 2010, a portion  
2           of the funds that were appropriated for fis-  
3           cal year 2010 or a previous fiscal year  
4           under section 501 of this Act or section 501  
5           of the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of  
6           1973 (42 U.S.C. 5081), were made available  
7           to carry out subtitle C, D, or E of this title,  
8           section 198B or 198C(a), subtitle A of title  
9           I of the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of  
10          1973, or summer of service programs de-  
11          scribed in section 119(c)(8), and remain  
12          available; and

13          “(ii) during fiscal year 2011 or a sub-  
14          sequent fiscal year, a portion of the funds  
15          that were appropriated for that fiscal year  
16          under section 501 of this Act or section 501  
17          of the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of  
18          1973 (42 U.S.C. 5081), were made available  
19          to carry out subtitle C, D, or E of this title,  
20          section 198B or 198C(a), subtitle A of title  
21          I of the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of  
22          1973, or summer of service programs de-  
23          scribed in section 119(c)(8), and remain  
24          available.

1           “(2) *OBLIGATION.*—*The Corporation shall not*  
2           *obligate the funds in the reserve account until the*  
3           *Corporation—*

4                   “(A) *determines that the funds will not be*  
5                   *needed for the payment of national service edu-*  
6                   *ational awards associated with previously ap-*  
7                   *proved national service positions, summer of*  
8                   *service educational awards associated with pre-*  
9                   *viously approved summer of service positions,*  
10                   *and silver scholar educational awards associated*  
11                   *with previously approved silver scholar posi-*  
12                   *tions; or*

13                   “(B) *obligates the funds for the payment of*  
14                   *national service educational awards for such pre-*  
15                   *viously approved national service positions, sum-*  
16                   *mer of service educational awards for such pre-*  
17                   *viously approved summer of service positions, or*  
18                   *silver scholar educational awards for such pre-*  
19                   *viously approved silver scholar positions, as ap-*  
20                   *plicable.*

21           “(c) *AUDITS.*—*The accounts of the Corporation relat-*  
22           *ing to the appropriated funds for approved national service*  
23           *positions, approved summer of service positions, and ap-*  
24           *proved silver scholar positions, and the records dem-*  
25           *onstrating the manner in which the Corporation has re-*

1 *corded estimates described in subsection (a)(1)(B) as obliga-*  
2 *tions, shall be audited annually by independent certified*  
3 *public accountants or independent licensed public account-*  
4 *ants certified or licensed by a regulatory authority of a*  
5 *State or other political subdivision of the United States in*  
6 *accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. A*  
7 *report containing the results of each such independent audit*  
8 *shall be included in the annual report required by sub-*  
9 *section (a)(3).*

10       “(d) *AVAILABILITY OF AMOUNTS.—Except as provided*  
11 *in subsection (b), all amounts included in the National*  
12 *Service Trust under paragraphs (1), (2), and (3) of section*  
13 *145(a) shall be available for payments of national service*  
14 *educational awards, summer of service educational awards,*  
15 *or silver scholar educational awards under section 148.”.*

16       (b) *CONFORMING REPEAL.—The Strengthen*  
17 *AmeriCorps Program Act (42 U.S.C. 12605) is repealed.*

18 ***Subtitle E—Amendments to Subtitle***  
19 ***E (National Civilian Community***  
20 ***Corps)***

21 ***SEC. 1501. PURPOSE.***

22       *Section 151 (42 U.S.C. 12611) is amended to read as*  
23 *follows:*

1 **“SEC. 151. PURPOSE.**

2       *“It is the purpose of this subtitle to authorize the oper-*  
3 *ation of, and support for, residential and other service pro-*  
4 *grams that combine the best practices of civilian service*  
5 *with the best aspects of military service, including leader-*  
6 *ship and team building, to meet national and community*  
7 *needs. The needs to be met under such programs include*  
8 *those needs related to—*

9           *“(1) natural and other disasters;*

10          *“(2) infrastructure improvement;*

11          *“(3) environmental stewardship and conserva-*  
12 *tion;*

13          *“(4) energy conservation; and*

14          *“(5) urban and rural development.”.*

15 **SEC. 1502. PROGRAM COMPONENTS.**

16       *Section 152 (42 U.S.C. 12612) is amended—*

17           *(1) by amending the section heading to read as*  
18 *follows:*

19 **“SEC. 152. ESTABLISHMENT OF NATIONAL CIVILIAN COM-**  
20 **MUNITY CORPS PROGRAM.”;**

21           *(2) in subsection (a), by striking “Civilian Com-*  
22 *munity Corps Demonstration Program” and insert-*  
23 *ing “National Civilian Community Corps Program”;*

24           *(3) in the matter preceding paragraph (1) of*  
25 *subsection (b)—*



1           (A) by striking “Civilian Community Corps  
2           Demonstration Program” and inserting “Na-  
3           tional Civilian Community Corps Program”;  
4           and

5           (B) by striking “a Civilian Community  
6           Corps” and inserting “a National Civilian Com-  
7           munity Corps”; and

8           (4) by striking subsection (c) and inserting the  
9           following:

10          “(c) *RESIDENTIAL COMPONENTS.*—Both programs re-  
11          ferred to in subsection (b) may include a residential compo-  
12          nent.”.

13          **SEC. 1503. ELIGIBLE PARTICIPANTS.**

14          Section 153 (42 U.S.C. 12613) is amended—

15                 (1) in subsection (a)—

16                         (A) by striking “Civilian Community Corps  
17                         Demonstration Program” and inserting “Na-  
18                         tional Civilian Community Corps Program”;  
19                         and

20                         (B) by striking “on Civilian Community  
21                         Corps” and inserting “on National Civilian  
22                         Community Corps”;

23                 (2) in subsection (b), by striking paragraph (1)  
24                 and inserting the following:

1           “(1) is, or will be, at least 18 years of age on  
2           or before December 31 of the calendar year in which  
3           the individual enrolls in the program, but is not more  
4           than 24 years of age as of the date the individual be-  
5           gins participating in the program; and”;

6           (3) in subsection (c)—

7           (A) in the subsection heading, by striking  
8           “BACKGROUNDS” and inserting “BACKGROUNDS”;  
9           and

10          (B) by adding at the end the following:  
11          “The Director shall take appropriate steps, in-  
12          cluding through outreach and recruitment activi-  
13          ties, to increase the percentage of participants in  
14          the program who are disadvantaged youth to 50  
15          percent of all participants by year 2012. The Di-  
16          rector shall report to the authorizing committees  
17          biennially on such steps, any challenges faced,  
18          and the annual participation rates of disadvan-  
19          taged youth in the program.”;

20          (4) by striking subsection (d); and

21          (5) by redesignating subsection (e) as subsection  
22          (d).

23 **SEC. 1504. SUMMER NATIONAL SERVICE PROGRAM.**

24          Section 154 (42 U.S.C. 12614) is amended—

25          (1) in subsection (a)—

1           (A) by striking “Civilian Community Corps  
2           Demonstration Program” and inserting “Na-  
3           tional Civilian Community Corps Program”;  
4           and

5           (B) by striking “on Civilian Community  
6           Corps” and inserting “on National Civilian  
7           Community Corps”; and

8           (2) in subsection (b), by striking “shall be” and  
9           all that follows through the period at the end and in-  
10          serting “shall be from economically and ethnically di-  
11          verse backgrounds, including youth who are in foster  
12          care.”.

13 **SEC. 1505. NATIONAL CIVILIAN COMMUNITY CORPS.**

14          Section 155 (42 U.S.C. 12615) is amended—

15           (1) by amending the section heading to read as  
16          follows:

17 **“SEC. 155. NATIONAL CIVILIAN COMMUNITY CORPS.”;**

18           (2) in subsection (a)—

19           (A) by striking “Civilian Community Corps  
20           Demonstration Program” and inserting “Na-  
21           tional Civilian Community Corps Program”;  
22           and

23           (B) by striking “the Civilian Community  
24           Corps shall” and inserting “the National Civil-  
25           ian Community Corps shall”;

1           (3) *in subsection (b)—*

2                   (A) *by amending the subsection heading to*  
3           *read as follows:*

4           “(b) *MEMBERSHIP IN NATIONAL CIVILIAN COMMUNITY*  
5 *CORPS.—*”;

6                   (B) *in paragraph (1), by inserting “Na-*  
7 *tional” before “Civilian Community Corps”;*

8                   (C) *in paragraph (3)—*

9                           (i) *by striking “superintendent” and*  
10           *inserting “campus director”; and*

11                           (ii) *by striking “camp” and inserting*  
12           *“campus”; and*

13                   (D) *by adding at the end the following:*

14           “(4) *TEAM LEADERS.—*

15                   (A) *IN GENERAL.—The Director may select*  
16 *individuals with prior supervisory or service ex-*  
17 *perience to be team leaders within units in the*  
18 *National Civilian Community Corps, to perform*  
19 *service that includes leading and supervising*  
20 *teams of Corps members. Each team leader shall*  
21 *be selected without regard to the age limitation*  
22 *under section 153(b).*

23                   (B) *RIGHTS AND BENEFITS.—A team lead-*  
24 *er shall be provided the same rights and benefits*  
25 *applicable to other Corps members, except that*

1           *the Director may increase the limitation on the*  
2           *amount of the living allowance under section*  
3           *158(b) by not more than 10 percent for a team*  
4           *leader.”;*

5           *(4) in subsection (d)—*

6                   *(A) by amending the subsection heading to*  
7           *read as follows:*

8           “*(d) CAMPUSES.—*”;

9                   *(B) in paragraph (1)—*

10                   *(i) by amending the paragraph head-*  
11           *ing to read as follows:*

12           “*(1) UNITS TO BE ASSIGNED TO CAMPUSES.—*”;

13                   *(ii) by striking “in camps” and insert-*  
14           *ing “in campuses”;*

15                   *(iii) by striking “Corps camp” and in-*  
16           *serting “Corps campus”; and*

17                   *(iv) by striking “in the camps” and*  
18           *inserting “in the campuses”;*

19                   *(C) by amending paragraphs (2) and (3) to*  
20           *read as follows:*

21           “*(2) CAMPUS DIRECTOR.—There shall be a cam-*  
22           *pus director for each campus. The campus director is*  
23           *the head of the campus.*”

24           “*(3) ELIGIBLE SITE FOR CAMPUS.—A campus*  
25           *shall be cost effective and may, upon the completion*”

1 *of a feasibility study, be located in a facility referred*  
2 *to in section 162(c).”;*

3 *(5) in subsection (e)—*

4 *(A) by amending the subsection heading to*  
5 *read as follows:*

6 *“(e) DISTRIBUTION OF UNITS AND CAMPUSES.—”;*

7 *(B) by striking “camps are distributed”*  
8 *and inserting “campuses are cost effective and*  
9 *are distributed”; and*

10 *(C) by striking “rural areas” and all that*  
11 *follows through the period at the end and insert-*  
12 *ing “rural areas such that each Corps unit in a*  
13 *region can be easily deployed for disaster and*  
14 *emergency response to such region.”; and*

15 *(6) in subsection (f)—*

16 *(A) in paragraph (1)—*

17 *(i) by striking “superintendent” and*  
18 *inserting “campus director”; and*

19 *(ii) by striking “camp” both places*  
20 *such term appears and inserting “campus”;*

21 *(B) in paragraph (2)—*

22 *(i) in the matter preceding subpara-*  
23 *graph (A), by striking “superintendent of a*  
24 *camp” and inserting “campus director of a*  
25 *campus”;*

- 1                   (ii) in subparagraph (A)—  
2                         (I) by striking “superintendent”  
3                         and inserting “campus director”;  
4                         (II) by striking “superintend-  
5                         ent’s” and inserting “campus direc-  
6                         tor’s”; and  
7                         (III) by striking “camp” each  
8                         place such term appears and inserting  
9                         “campus”; and  
10                   (iii) in subparagraph (B), by striking  
11                   “superintendent” and inserting “campus  
12                   director”; and  
13                   (C) in paragraph (3), by striking “camp  
14                   superintendent” and inserting “campus direc-  
15                   tor”.

16 **SEC. 1506. TRAINING.**

17       Section 156 (42 U.S.C. 12616) is amended—

18           (1) in subsection (a)—

19                   (A) by inserting “National” before “Civil-  
20                   ian Community Corps”; and

21                   (B) by adding at the end the following:

22                   “The Director shall ensure that, to the extent  
23                   practicable, each member of the Corps is trained  
24                   in CPR, first aid, and other skills related to dis-  
25                   aster preparedness and response.”;

1           (2) *in subsection (b)(1), by inserting before the*  
2 *period at the end the following: “, including a focus*  
3 *on energy conservation, environmental stewardship or*  
4 *conservation, infrastructure improvement, urban and*  
5 *rural development, or disaster preparedness needs, as*  
6 *appropriate”;*

7           (3) *by amending subsection (c)(2) to read as fol-*  
8 *lows:*

9           “(2) *COORDINATION WITH OTHER ENTITIES.—*  
10 *Members of the cadre may provide, either directly or*  
11 *through grants, contracts, or cooperative agreements,*  
12 *the advanced service training referred to in subsection*  
13 *(b)(1) in coordination with vocational or technical*  
14 *schools, other employment and training providers, ex-*  
15 *isting youth service programs, other qualified individ-*  
16 *uals, or organizations with expertise in training*  
17 *youth, including disadvantaged youth, in the skills*  
18 *described in such subsection.”; and*

19           (4) *in subsection (d), by striking “section*  
20 *162(a)(3)” and inserting “section 162(c)”.*

21 **SEC. 1507. CONSULTATION WITH STATE COMMISSIONS.**

22 *Section 157 (42 U.S.C. 12617) is amended—*

23           (1) *in subsection (a)—*



1           (A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),  
2           by inserting “National” before “Civilian Com-  
3           munity Corps”;

4           (B) in paragraph (1), by inserting before  
5           the semicolon the following: “, with specific em-  
6           phasis on projects in support of infrastructure  
7           improvement, energy conservation, and urban  
8           and rural development”; and

9           (C) in paragraph (2), by striking “service  
10          learning” and inserting “service-learning”;

11         (2) in subsection (b)—

12           (A) in paragraph (1)—

13           (i) in subparagraph (A), by striking  
14           “and the Secretary of Housing and Urban  
15           Development” and inserting “the Secretary  
16           of Housing and Urban Development, the  
17           Administrator of the Environmental Protec-  
18           tion Agency, the Administrator of the Fed-  
19           eral Emergency Management Agency, the  
20           Secretary of Energy, the Secretary of  
21           Transportation, and the Chief of the Forest  
22           Service”; and

23           (ii) in subparagraph (B)—

1 (I) by inserting “community-  
2 based entities and” before “representa-  
3 tives of local communities”; and

4 (II) by striking “camp” both  
5 places such term appears and inserting  
6 “campus”; and

7 (B) in paragraph (2), by inserting “State  
8 Commissions,” before “and persons involved in  
9 other youth service programs.”; and

10 (3) in subsection (c)—

11 (A) in paragraph (1)—

12 (i) by striking “superintendent” both  
13 places such term appears and inserting  
14 “campus director”; and

15 (ii) by striking “camp” both places  
16 such term appears and inserting “campus”;  
17 and

18 (B) in paragraph (2), by striking “camp  
19 superintendents” and inserting “campus direc-  
20 tors”.

21 **SEC. 1508. AUTHORIZED BENEFITS FOR CORPS MEMBERS.**

22 Section 158 (42 U.S.C. 12618) is amended—

23 (1) in subsection (a), by inserting “National” be-  
24 fore “Civilian Community Corps”; and

25 (2) in subsection (c)—

1           (A) *in the matter preceding paragraph*

2           (1)—

3                 (i) *by inserting “National” before “Ci-*  
4                 *vilian Community Corps”;* and

5                 (ii) *by inserting before the colon the*  
6                 *following: “, as the Director determines ap-*  
7                 *propriate”;*

8           (B) *in paragraph (6), by striking “Cloth-*  
9           *ing” and inserting “Uniforms”;* and

10           (C) *in paragraph (7), by striking “Rec-*  
11           *reational services and supplies” and inserting*  
12           *“Supplies”.*

13 **SEC. 1509. PERMANENT CADRE.**

14           *Section 159 (42 U.S.C. 12619) is amended—*

15           (1) *in subsection (a)—*

16                 (A) *in the matter preceding paragraph (1),*  
17                 *by striking “Civilian Community Corps Dem-*  
18                 *onstration Program” and inserting “National*  
19                 *Civilian Community Corps Program”;* and

20                 (B) *in paragraph (1)—*

21                 (i) *by inserting “including those” be-*  
22                 *fore “recommended”;* and

23                 (ii) *by inserting “National” before*  
24                 *“Civilian Community Corps”;*

1           (2) *in subsection (b)(1), by inserting “National”*  
2 *before “Civilian Community Corps”;*

3           (3) *in subsection (c)—*

4                 (A) *in paragraph (1)(B)(i), by inserting*  
5 *“National” before “Civilian Community Corps”;*  
6 *and*

7                 (B) *in paragraph (2)—*

8                     (i) *in subparagraph (A)—*

9                             (I) *by striking “The Director shall*  
10 *establish a permanent cadre of” and*  
11 *inserting “The Chief Executive Officer*  
12 *shall establish a permanent cadre that*  
13 *includes the Director and other ap-*  
14 *pointed”;* *and*

15                             (II) *by inserting “National” be-*  
16 *fore “Civilian Community Corps”;*

17                     (ii) *in subparagraph (B), by striking*  
18 *“The Director shall appoint the members”*  
19 *and inserting “The Chief Executive Officer*  
20 *shall consider the recommendations of the*  
21 *Director in appointing the other members”;*

22                     (iii) *in subparagraph (C)—*

23                             (I) *in the matter preceding clause*  
24 *(i), by striking “the Director” and in-*  
25 *serting “the Chief Executive Officer”;*

1           (II) in clause (i), by striking “sec-  
2           tion 162(a)(2)” and inserting “section  
3           162(b)”;

4           (III) in clause (iii), by striking  
5           “and” at the end;

6           (IV) by redesignating clause (iv)  
7           as clause (v); and

8           (V) by inserting after clause (iii)  
9           the following:

10          “(iv) give consideration to retired and  
11          other former law enforcement, fire, rescue,  
12          and emergency personnel, and other indi-  
13          viduals with backgrounds in disaster pre-  
14          paredness, relief, and recovery; and”;

15          (iv) in subparagraph (E)—

16               (I) by striking “to members” and  
17               inserting “to other members”;

18               (II) by inserting after “tech-  
19               niques” the following: “, including  
20               techniques for working with and en-  
21               hancing the development of disadvan-  
22               taged youth,”; and

23               (III) by striking “service learn-  
24               ing” and inserting “service-learning”;  
25               and

1           (C) in paragraph (3)—

2                   (i) in the first sentence, by striking  
3           “the members” and inserting “other mem-  
4           bers”; and

5                   (ii) in the third sentence, by striking  
6           “section 162(a)(2)(A)” and inserting  
7           “162(b)(1)”.

8 **SEC. 1510. STATUS OF CORPS MEMBERS AND CORPS PER-**  
9                   **SONNEL UNDER FEDERAL LAW.**

10           Section 160(a) (42 U.S.C. 12620(a)) is amended by  
11           inserting “National” before “Civilian Community Corps”.

12 **SEC. 1511. CONTRACT AND GRANT AUTHORITY.**

13           Section 161 (42 U.S.C. 12621) is amended—

14                   (1) in subsection (a), by striking “perform any  
15           program function under this subtitle” and inserting  
16           “carry out the National Civilian Community Corps  
17           program”; and

18                   (2) in subsection (b)—

19                           (A) in paragraph (1)(B), by striking “sec-  
20           tion 162(a)(3)” and inserting “section 162(c)”;  
21           and

22                           (B) in paragraph (2), by inserting “Na-  
23           tional” before “Civilian Community Corps”.

1 **SEC. 1512. OTHER DEPARTMENTS.**

2 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Section 162 (42 U.S.C. 12622) is  
3 amended—

4 (1) *in subsection (a)*—

5 (A) *in paragraph (1)*—

6 (i) *in subparagraph (A), by inserting*  
7 “National” before “Civilian Community  
8 Corps”; and

9 (ii) *in subparagraph (B)(i), by strik-*  
10 *ing “the registry established by” and all*  
11 *that follows through the semicolon and in-*  
12 *serting “the registry established by section*  
13 *1143a of title 10, United States Code;”;*

14 (B) *in paragraph (2)(A), by striking “to be*  
15 *recommended for appointment” and inserting*  
16 *“from which individuals may be selected for ap-*  
17 *pointment by the Director”;* and

18 (C) *in paragraph (3), by inserting “Na-*  
19 *tional” before “Civilian Community Corps”; and*  
20 (2) *by striking subsection (b).*

21 (b) *TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS.*—Section 162 (42  
22 U.S.C. 12622), as amended by subsection (a), is further  
23 amended—

24 (1) *in the section heading, by striking “OTHER*  
25 *DEPARTMENTS” and inserting “DEPARTMENT OF*  
26 *DEFENSE”;*

1           (2) by redesignating paragraphs (2), (3), and (4)  
2 of subsection (a) as subsections (b), (c), and (d), re-  
3 spectively, and aligning the margins of such sub-  
4 sections with the margins of section 161(a) of the Act;

5           (3) by striking “(a) SECRETARY” and all that  
6 follows through “OFFICE.—” and inserting the fol-  
7 lowing:

8           “(a) LIAISON OFFICE.—”;

9           (4) in subsection (a) (as amended by paragraph  
10 (3))—

11           (A) by redesignating subparagraphs (A)  
12 and (B) as paragraphs (1) and (2), respectively,  
13 and aligning the margins of such paragraphs  
14 with the margins of section 161(b)(1) of the Act;  
15 and

16           (B) by redesignating clauses (i) and (ii) of  
17 paragraph (2) (as redesignated by subparagraph  
18 (A)) as subparagraphs (A) and (B), respectively,  
19 and aligning the margins of such subparagraphs  
20 with the margins of section 161(b)(1)(A) of the  
21 Act;

22           (5) in subsection (b) (as redesignated by para-  
23 graph (2))—

24           (A) by redesignating subparagraphs (A),  
25 (B), and (C) as paragraphs (1), (2), and (3), re-



1           *spectively, and aligning the margins of such*  
2           *paragraphs with the margins of section 161(b)(1)*  
3           *of the Act;*

4                     *(B) in paragraph (1) (as redesignated by*  
5                     *subparagraph (A)), by striking “paragraph (1)”*  
6                     *and inserting “subsection (a)”;* and

7                     *(C) in paragraph (2) (as redesignated by*  
8                     *subparagraph (A)), by striking “paragraph” and*  
9                     *inserting “subsection”;* and

10           *(6) in subsection (c) (as redesignated by para-*  
11           *graph (2))—*

12                     *(A) by striking “this paragraph” and in-*  
13                     *serting “this subsection”;* and

14                     *(B) by striking “paragraph (1)” and insert-*  
15                     *ing “subsection (a)”.*

16   **SEC. 1513. ADVISORY BOARD.**

17           *Section 163 (42 U.S.C. 12623) is amended—*

18                     *(1) in subsection (a)—*

19                     *(A) by striking “Upon the establishment of*  
20                     *the Program, there shall also be” and inserting*  
21                     *“There shall be”;*

22                     *(B) by inserting “National” before “Civil-*  
23                     *ian Community Corps Advisory Board”;* and

24                     *(C) by striking “to assist” and all that fol-*  
25                     *lows through the period at the end and inserting*

1           *“to assist the Corps in responding rapidly and*  
2           *efficiently in times of natural and other disas-*  
3           *ters. The Advisory Board members shall help co-*  
4           *ordinate activities with the Corps as appro-*  
5           *priate, including the mobilization of volunteers*  
6           *and coordination of volunteer centers to help*  
7           *local communities recover from the effects of nat-*  
8           *ural and other disasters.”;*

9           *(2) in subsection (b)—*

10                 *(A) by redesignating paragraphs (8) and*  
11                 *(9) as paragraphs (13) and (14), respectively;*

12                 *(B) by inserting after paragraph (7) the fol-*  
13                 *lowing:*

14                 *“(8) The Administrator of the Federal Emer-*  
15                 *gency Management Agency.*

16                 *“(9) The Secretary of Transportation.*

17                 *“(10) The Chief of the Forest Service.*

18                 *“(11) The Administrator of the Environmental*  
19                 *Protection Agency.*

20                 *“(12) The Secretary of Energy.”; and*

21                 *(C) in paragraph (13), as so redesignated,*  
22                 *by striking “industry,” and inserting “public*  
23                 *and private organizations,”.*

24 **SEC. 1514. EVALUATIONS.**

25           *Section 164 (42 U.S.C. 12624) is amended—*

1           (1) *in the section heading, by striking “**ANNUAL***  
2 ***EVALUATION” and inserting “**EVALUATIONS**”;***

3           (2) *by striking “an annual evaluation” and in-*  
4 *serting “periodic evaluations”;*

5           (3) *by striking “Civilian Community Corps pro-*  
6 *grams” and inserting “National Civilian Community*  
7 *Corps Program”; and*

8           (4) *by adding at the end the following: “Upon*  
9 *completing each such evaluation, the Corporation*  
10 *shall transmit to the authorizing committees a report*  
11 *on the evaluation.”.*

12 **SEC. 1515. REPEAL OF FUNDING LIMITATION.**

13       *Section 165 (42 U.S.C. 12625) is repealed.*

14 **SEC. 1516. DEFINITIONS.**

15       *Subtitle E of title I (42 U.S.C. 12611 et seq.), as*  
16 *amended by this subtitle, is further amended—*

17           (1) *by redesignating section 166 as 165; and*

18           (2) *in section 165 (as redesignated by paragraph*  
19 *(1))—*

20               (A) *by striking paragraphs (2), (3), and*  
21 *(9);*

22               (B) *by redesignating paragraphs (4)*  
23 *through (8) as paragraphs (5) through (9), re-*  
24 *spectively;*

1           (C) by inserting after paragraph (1) the fol-  
2           lowing:

3           “(2) *CAMPUS DIRECTOR*.—The term ‘campus di-  
4           rector’, with respect to a Corps campus, means the  
5           head of the campus under section 155(d).

6           “(3) *CORPS*.—The term ‘Corps’ means the Na-  
7           tional Civilian Community Corps required under sec-  
8           tion 155 as part of the National Civilian Community  
9           Corps Program.

10          “(4) *CORPS CAMPUS*.—The term ‘Corps campus’  
11          means the facility or central location established as  
12          the operational headquarters and boarding place for  
13          particular Corps units.”;

14          (D) in paragraph (5) (as so redesignated),  
15          by striking “Civilian Community Corps Dem-  
16          onstration Program” and inserting “National  
17          Civilian Community Corps Program”;

18          (E) in paragraph (6) (as so redesignated),  
19          by inserting “National” before “Civilian Com-  
20          munity Corps”;

21          (F) in paragraph (8) (as so redesignated),  
22          by striking “The terms” and all that follows  
23          through “Demonstration Program” and inserting  
24          “The term ‘Program’ means the National Civil-  
25          ian Community Corps Program”; and

1           (G) in paragraph (9) (as so redesignated)—  
2                 (i) in the paragraph heading, by strik-  
3           ing “SERVICE LEARNING” and inserting  
4           “SERVICE-LEARNING”; and  
5                 (ii) in the matter preceding subpara-  
6           graph (A), by striking “service learning”  
7           and inserting “service-learning”.

8 **SEC. 1517. TERMINOLOGY.**

9           Subtitle E of title I (as so amended) (42 U.S.C. 12611  
10 *et seq.*) is further amended by striking the subtitle heading  
11 and inserting the following:

12           **“Subtitle E—National Civilian**  
13           **Community Corps”.**

14           **Subtitle F—Amendments to Subtitle**  
15           **F (Administrative Provisions)**

16 **SEC. 1601. FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE.**

17           Section 171(a)(1) (42 U.S.C. 12631(a)(1)) is amended  
18 by striking “with respect to a project” and inserting “with  
19 respect to a project authorized under the national service  
20 laws”.

21 **SEC. 1602. REPORTS.**

22           Section 172 (42 U.S.C. 12632) is amended—

23                 (1) in subsection (b)(1), by striking “appropriate  
24           authorizing and appropriations Committees of Con-  
25           gress” and inserting “authorizing committees, the

1 *Committee on Appropriations of the House of Rep-*  
2 *resentatives, and the Committee on Appropriations of*  
3 *the Senate”; and*

4 *(2) in subsection (c)(2), by striking “the appro-*  
5 *priate committees of Congress” and inserting “the au-*  
6 *thorizing committees, the Committee on Armed Serv-*  
7 *ices of the House of Representatives, and the Com-*  
8 *mittee on Armed Services of the Senate”.*

9 **SEC. 1603. USE OF FUNDS.**

10 *Section 174 (42 U.S.C. 12634) is amended by adding*  
11 *at the end the following:*

12 *“(d) REFERRALS FOR FEDERAL ASSISTANCE.—A pro-*  
13 *gram may not receive assistance under the national service*  
14 *laws for the sole purpose of referring individuals to Federal*  
15 *assistance programs or State assistance programs funded*  
16 *in part by the Federal Government.”.*

17 **SEC. 1604. NOTICE, HEARING, AND GRIEVANCE PROCE-**  
18 **DURES.**

19 *Section 176 (42 U.S.C. 12636) is amended—*

20 *(1) in subsection (a)(2)(A), by striking “30*  
21 *days” and inserting “1 or more periods of 30 days*  
22 *not to exceed a total of 90 days”; and*

23 *(2) in subsection (f)—*

1           (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “A State  
2           or local applicant” and inserting “An entity”;  
3           and

4           (B) in paragraph (6)—

5                 (i) in subparagraph (C), by striking  
6                 “and”;

7                 (ii) by redesignating subparagraph (D)  
8                 as subparagraph (E); and

9                 (iii) by inserting after subparagraph  
10                 (C) the following:

11                 “(D) in a case in which the grievance is  
12                 filed by an individual applicant or partici-  
13                 pant—

14                         “(i) the applicant’s selection or the  
15                         participant’s reinstatement, as the case may  
16                         be; and

17                         “(ii) other changes in the terms and  
18                         conditions of service applicable to the indi-  
19                         vidual; and”.

20 **SEC. 1605. RESOLUTION OF DISPLACEMENT COMPLAINTS.**

21           Section 177 (42 U.S.C. 12637) is amended—

22                 (1) in subsections (a) and (b), by striking  
23                 “under this title” each place it appears and inserting  
24                 “under the national service laws”;

1           (2) *in subsection (b)(1), by striking “employee or*  
 2 *position” and inserting “employee, position, or volun-*  
 3 *teer (other than a participant under the national*  
 4 *service laws)”*; and

5           (3) *by adding at the end the following:*

6           “(f) *PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT.—*

7           “(1) *IN GENERAL.—Programs that receive assist-*  
 8 *ance under the national service laws shall consult*  
 9 *with the parents or legal guardians of children in de-*  
 10 *veloping and operating programs that include and*  
 11 *serve children.*

12           “(2) *PARENTAL PERMISSION.—Programs that re-*  
 13 *ceive assistance under the national service laws shall,*  
 14 *before transporting minor children, provide the chil-*  
 15 *dren’s parents with the reason for the transportation*  
 16 *and obtain the parents’ written permission for such*  
 17 *transportation, consistent with State law.”.*

18 **SEC. 1606. STATE COMMISSIONS ON NATIONAL AND COM-**  
 19 **MUNITY SERVICE.**

20 *Section 178 (42 U.S.C. 12638) is amended—*

21           (1) *in subsection (a)(2), by striking “sections*  
 22 *117B and 130” and inserting “section 130”*;

23           (2) *in subsection (c)(1)—*

24           (A) *in subparagraph (I), by striking “sec-*  
 25 *tion 122(a)” and all that follows through the pe-*



1           riod at the end and inserting “subsection (a),  
2           (b), or (c) of section 122.”; and

3           (B) by adding at the end the following:

4           “(J) A representative of the volunteer sec-  
5           tor.”;

6           (3) in subsection (c)(3), by striking “, unless the  
7           State permits the representative to serve as a voting  
8           member of the State Commission or alternative ad-  
9           ministrative entity”;

10          (4) in subsection (d)(6)(B), by striking “section  
11          193A(b)(11)” and inserting “section 193A(b)(12)”;

12          (5) in subsection (e)—

13                 (A) by striking paragraph (1) and inserting  
14                 the following:

15                 “(1) Preparation of a national service plan for  
16                 the State that—

17                         “(A) is developed, through an open and  
18                         public process (such as through regional forums,  
19                         hearings, and other means) that provides for  
20                         maximum participation and input from the pri-  
21                         vate sector, organizations, and public agencies,  
22                         using service and volunteerism as strategies to  
23                         meet critical community needs, including service  
24                         through programs funded under the national  
25                         service laws;

1           “(B) covers a 3-year period, the beginning  
2           of which may be set by the State;

3           “(C) is subject to approval by the chief execu-  
4           tive officer of the State;

5           “(D) includes measurable goals and out-  
6           comes for the State national service programs in  
7           the State consistent with the performance levels  
8           for national service programs as described in sec-  
9           tion 179(k);

10          “(E) ensures outreach to diverse commu-  
11          nity-based agencies that serve underrepresented  
12          populations, through established networks and  
13          registries at the State level, or through the devel-  
14          opment of such networks and registries;

15          “(F) provides for effective coordination of  
16          funding applications submitted by the State and  
17          other organizations within the State under the  
18          national service laws;

19          “(G) is updated annually, reflecting changes  
20          in practices and policies that will improve the  
21          coordination and effectiveness of Federal, State,  
22          and local resources for service and volunteerism  
23          within the State;

24          “(H) ensures outreach to, and coordination  
25          with, municipalities (including large cities) and

1           *county governments regarding the national serv-*  
2           *ice laws; and*

3           *“(I) contains such information as the State*  
4           *Commission considers to be appropriate or as the*  
5           *Corporation may require.”; and*

6           *(B) in paragraph (2), by striking “sections*  
7           *117B and 130” and inserting “section 130”;*

8           *(6) by redesignating subsections (f) through (j)*  
9           *as subsections (h) through (l), respectively; and*

10          *(7) by inserting after subsection (e) the following:*

11          *“(f) RELIEF FROM ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIRE-*  
12          *MENTS.—Upon approval of a State plan submitted under*  
13          *subsection (e)(1), the Chief Executive Officer may waive for*  
14          *the State, or specify alternatives for the State to, adminis-*  
15          *trative requirements (other than statutory provisions) oth-*  
16          *erwise applicable to grants made to States under the na-*  
17          *tional service laws, including those requirements identified*  
18          *by the State as impeding the coordination and effectiveness*  
19          *of Federal, State, and local resources for service and vol-*  
20          *unteerism within the State.*

21          *“(g) STATE SERVICE PLAN FOR ADULTS AGE 55 OR*  
22          *OLDER.—*

23                 *“(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other*  
24                 *provision of this section, to be eligible to receive a*  
25                 *grant or allotment under subtitle B or C or to receive*

1 *a distribution of approved national service positions*  
2 *under subtitle C, a State shall work with appropriate*  
3 *State agencies and private entities to develop a com-*  
4 *prehensive State service plan for service by adults age*  
5 *55 or older.*

6 “(2) *MATTERS INCLUDED.—The State service*  
7 *plan shall include—*

8 “(A) *recommendations for policies to in-*  
9 *crease service for adults age 55 or older, includ-*  
10 *ing how to best use such adults as sources of so-*  
11 *cial capital, and how to utilize their skills and*  
12 *experience to address community needs;*

13 “(B) *recommendations to the State agency*  
14 *(as defined in section 102 of the Older Ameri-*  
15 *cans Act of 1965 (42 U.S.C. 3002)) on—*

16 “(i) *a marketing outreach plan to busi-*  
17 *nesses; and*

18 “(ii) *outreach to—*

19 “(I) *nonprofit organizations;*

20 “(II) *the State educational agen-*  
21 *cy;*

22 “(III) *institutions of higher edu-*  
23 *cation; and*

24 “(IV) *other State agencies;*

1           “(C) *recommendations for civic engagement*  
2           *and multigenerational activities, such as—*

3                   “(i) *early childhood education and*  
4                   *care, family literacy, and after school pro-*  
5                   *grams;*

6                   “(ii) *respite services for adults age 55*  
7                   *or older and caregivers; and*

8                   “(iii) *transitions for older adults age*  
9                   *55 or older to purposeful work in their post-*  
10                   *career lives; and*

11           “(D) *recommendations for encouraging the*  
12           *development of Encore service programs in the*  
13           *State.*

14           “(3) *KNOWLEDGE BASE.—The State service plan*  
15           *shall incorporate the current knowledge base (as of the*  
16           *time of the plan) regarding—*

17                   “(A) *the economic impact of the roles of*  
18                   *workers age 55 or older in the economy;*

19                   “(B) *the social impact of the roles of such*  
20                   *workers in the community; and*

21                   “(C) *the health and social benefits of active*  
22                   *engagement for adults age 55 or older.*

23           “(4) *PUBLICATION.—The State service plan shall*  
24           *be made available to the public and be transmitted to*  
25           *the Chief Executive Officer.”.*

1 **SEC. 1607. EVALUATION AND ACCOUNTABILITY.**

2 *Section 179 (42 U.S.C. 12639) is amended—*

3 *(1) by amending subsection (a) to read as fol-*  
4 *lows:*

5 *“(a) IN GENERAL.—The Corporation shall provide, di-*  
6 *rectly or through grants or contracts, for the continuing*  
7 *evaluation of programs that receive assistance under the na-*  
8 *tional service laws, including evaluations that measure the*  
9 *impact of such programs, to determine—*

10 *“(1) the effectiveness of programs receiving as-*  
11 *sistance under the national service laws in achieving*  
12 *stated goals and the costs associated with such pro-*  
13 *grams, including an evaluation of each such pro-*  
14 *gram’s performance based on the performance levels*  
15 *established under subsection (k); and*

16 *“(2) the effectiveness of the structure and mecha-*  
17 *nisms for delivery of services, such as the effective uti-*  
18 *lization of the participants’ time, the management of*  
19 *the participants, and the ease with which recipients*  
20 *were able to receive services, to maximize the cost ef-*  
21 *fectiveness and the impact of such programs.”;*

22 *(2) in subsection (g)—*

23 *(A) in paragraph (3), by striking “National*  
24 *Senior Volunteer Corps” and inserting “National*  
25 *Senior Service Corps”; and*

1           (B) in paragraph (9), by striking “to public  
2           service” and all that follows through the period  
3           at the end and inserting “to engage in service  
4           that benefits the community.”;

5           (3) in the matter preceding subparagraph (A) of  
6           subsection (i)(2), by striking “Congress” and insert-  
7           ing “the authorizing committees”; and

8           (4) by adding at the end the following:

9           “(j) *RESERVED PROGRAM FUNDS FOR ACCOUNT-*  
10 *ABILITY.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, in*  
11 *addition to amounts appropriated to carry out this section,*  
12 *the Corporation may reserve not more than 1 percent of*  
13 *the total funds appropriated for a fiscal year under section*  
14 *501 of this Act and sections 501 and 502 of the Domestic*  
15 *Volunteer Service Act of 1973 to support program account-*  
16 *ability activities under this section.*

17           “(k) *PERFORMANCE LEVELS.—The Corporation shall,*  
18 *in consultation with each recipient of assistance under the*  
19 *national service laws, establish performance levels for such*  
20 *recipient to meet during the term of the assistance. The per-*  
21 *formance levels may include, for each national service pro-*  
22 *gram carried out by the recipient, performance levels based*  
23 *on the following performance measures:*

24           “(1) *Number of participants enrolled in the pro-*  
25 *gram and completing terms of service, as compared to*

1 *the stated participation and retention goals of the*  
2 *program.*

3 “(2) *Number of volunteers recruited from the*  
4 *community in which the program was implemented.*

5 “(3) *If applicable based on the program design,*  
6 *the number of individuals receiving or benefitting*  
7 *from the service conducted.*

8 “(4) *Number of disadvantaged and underrep-*  
9 *resented youth participants.*

10 “(5) *Measures of the sustainability of the pro-*  
11 *gram and the projects supported by the program, in-*  
12 *cluding measures to ascertain the level of community*  
13 *support for the program or projects.*

14 “(6) *Measures to ascertain the change in attitude*  
15 *toward civic engagement among the participants and*  
16 *the beneficiaries of the service.*

17 “(7) *Other quantitative and qualitative measures*  
18 *as determined to be appropriate by the recipient of*  
19 *assistance and the Corporation.*

20 “(l) *CORRECTIVE ACTION PLANS.—*

21 “(1) *IN GENERAL.—A recipient of assistance*  
22 *under the national service laws that fails, as deter-*  
23 *mined by the Corporation, to meet or exceed the per-*  
24 *formance levels agreed upon under subsection (k) for*  
25 *a national service program, shall reach an agreement*



1 *with the Corporation on a corrective action plan to*  
2 *meet such performance levels.*

3 “(2) ASSISTANCE.—

4 “(A) NEW PROGRAM.—For a program that  
5 *has received assistance under the national service*  
6 *laws for less than 3 years and for which the re-*  
7 *recipient is failing to meet or exceed the perform-*  
8 *ance levels agreed upon under subsection (k), the*  
9 *Corporation shall—*

10 “(i) *provide technical assistance to the*  
11 *recipient to address targeted performance*  
12 *problems relating to the performance levels*  
13 *for the program; and*

14 “(ii) *require the recipient to submit*  
15 *quarterly reports on the program’s progress*  
16 *toward meeting the performance levels for*  
17 *the program to the—*

18 “(I) *appropriate State, territory,*  
19 *or Indian tribe; and*

20 “(II) *the Corporation.*

21 “(B) ESTABLISHED PROGRAMS.—For a pro-  
22 *gram that has received assistance under the na-*  
23 *tional service laws for 3 years or more and for*  
24 *which the recipient is failing to meet or exceed*  
25 *the performance levels agreed upon under sub-*

1           *section (k), the Corporation shall require the re-*  
2           *ipient to submit quarterly reports on the pro-*  
3           *gram’s progress toward the performance levels for*  
4           *the program to—*

5                     *“(i) the appropriate State, territory, or*  
6                     *Indian tribe; and*

7                     *“(ii) the Corporation.*

8           *“(m) FAILURE TO MEET PERFORMANCE LEVELS.—If,*  
9           *after a period for correction as approved by the Corporation*  
10          *in accordance with subsection (l), a recipient of assistance*  
11          *under the national service laws fails to meet or exceed the*  
12          *performance levels for a national service program, the Cor-*  
13          *poration shall—*

14                    *“(1) reduce the annual amount of the assistance*  
15                    *received by the underperforming recipient by at least*  
16                    *25 percent, for each remaining year of the grant pe-*  
17                    *riod for that program; or*

18                    *“(2) terminate assistance to the underperforming*  
19                    *recipient for that program, in accordance with section*  
20                    *176(a).*

21           *“(n) REPORTS.—The Corporation shall submit to the*  
22           *authorizing committees not later than 2 years after the date*  
23           *of enactment of the Serve America Act, and annually there-*  
24           *after, a report containing information on the number of—*

1           “(1) recipients of assistance under the national  
2           service laws implementing corrective action plans  
3           under subsection (l)(1);

4           “(2) recipients for which the Corporation pro-  
5           vides technical assistance for a program under sub-  
6           section (l)(2)(A)(i);

7           “(3) recipients for which the Corporation termi-  
8           nates assistance for a program under subsection (m);

9           “(4) entities whose application for assistance  
10          under a national service law was rejected; and

11          “(5) recipients meeting or exceeding their per-  
12          formance levels under subsection (k).”.

13 **SEC. 1608. CIVIC HEALTH ASSESSMENT.**

14          (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Subtitle F of title I (42 U.S.C.  
15 12631 et seq.), as amended by this subtitle, is further  
16 amended by inserting after section 179 the following:

17 **“SEC. 179A. CIVIC HEALTH ASSESSMENT AND VOLUN-**  
18 **TEERING RESEARCH AND EVALUATION.**

19          “(a) *DEFINITION OF PARTNERSHIP.*—In this section,  
20 the term ‘partnership’ means the Corporation, acting in  
21 conjunction with (consistent with the terms of an agreement  
22 entered into between the Corporation and the National Con-  
23 ference) the National Conference on Citizenship referred to  
24 in section 150701 of title 36, United States Code, to carry  
25 out this section.

1       “(b) *IN GENERAL.*—*The partnership shall facilitate*  
2 *the establishment of a Civic Health Assessment by—*

3               “(1) *after identifying public and private sources*  
4 *of civic health data, selecting a set of civic health in-*  
5 *dicators, in accordance with subsection (c), that shall*  
6 *comprise the Civic Health Assessment;*

7               “(2) *obtaining civic health data relating to the*  
8 *Civic Health Assessment, in accordance with sub-*  
9 *section (d); and*

10              “(3) *conducting related analyses, and reporting*  
11 *the data and analyses, as described in paragraphs (4)*  
12 *and (5) of subsection (d) and subsections (e) and (f).*

13       “(c) *SELECTION OF INDICATORS FOR CIVIC HEALTH*  
14 *ASSESSMENT.*—

15              “(1) *IDENTIFYING SOURCES.*—*The partnership*  
16 *shall select a set of civic health indicators that shall*  
17 *comprise the Civic Health Assessment. In making*  
18 *such selection, the partnership—*

19                      “(A) *shall identify public and private*  
20 *sources of civic health data;*

21                      “(B) *shall explore collaborating with other*  
22 *similar efforts to develop national indicators in*  
23 *the civic health domain; and*

24                      “(C) *may sponsor a panel of experts, such*  
25 *as one convened by the National Academy of*

1           *Sciences, to recommend civic health indicators*  
2           *and data sources for the Civic Health Assess-*  
3           *ment.*

4           “(2) *TECHNICAL ADVICE.*—*At the request of the*  
5           *partnership, the Director of the Bureau of the Census*  
6           *and the Commissioner of Labor Statistics shall pro-*  
7           *vide technical advice to the partnership on the selec-*  
8           *tion of the indicators for the Civic Health Assessment.*

9           “(3) *UPDATES.*—*The partnership shall periodi-*  
10          *cally evaluate and update the Civic Health Assess-*  
11          *ment, and may expand or modify the indicators de-*  
12          *scribed in subsection (d)(1) as necessary to carry out*  
13          *the purposes of this section.*

14          “(d) *DATA ON THE INDICATORS.*—

15                 “(1) *SPONSORED DATA COLLECTION.*—*In identi-*  
16                 *fying the civic health indicators for the Civic Health*  
17                 *Assessment, and obtaining data for the Assessment,*  
18                 *the partnership may sponsor the collection of data for*  
19                 *the Assessment or for the various civic health indica-*  
20                 *tors being considered for inclusion in the Assessment,*  
21                 *including indicators related to—*

22                         “(A) *volunteering and community service;*

23                         “(B) *voting and other forms of political and*  
24                         *civic engagement;*

25                         “(C) *charitable giving;*

1           “(D) connecting to civic groups and faith-  
2           based organizations;

3           “(E) interest in employment, and careers,  
4           in public service in the nonprofit sector or gov-  
5           ernment;

6           “(F) understanding and obtaining knowl-  
7           edge of United States history and government;  
8           and

9           “(G) social enterprise and innovation.

10           “(2) DATA FROM STATISTICAL AGENCIES.—The  
11           Director of the Bureau of the Census and the Commis-  
12           sioner of Labor Statistics shall collect annually, to the  
13           extent practicable, data to inform the Civic Health  
14           Assessment, and shall report data from such collection  
15           to the partnership. In determining the data to be col-  
16           lected, the Director and the Commissioner shall exam-  
17           ine privacy issues, response rates, and other relevant  
18           issues.

19           “(3) SOURCES OF DATA.—To obtain data for the  
20           Civic Health Assessment, the partnership shall con-  
21           sider—

22           “(A) data collected through public and pri-  
23           vate sources; and

24           “(B) data collected by the Bureau of the  
25           Census, through the Current Population Survey,

1           *or by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, in accord-*  
2           *ance with paragraph (2).*

3           “(4) *DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS.—The*  
4           *partnership shall seek to obtain data for the Civic*  
5           *Health Assessment that will permit the partnership to*  
6           *analyze the data by age group, race and ethnicity,*  
7           *education level, and other demographic characteristics*  
8           *of the individuals involved.*

9           “(5) *OTHER ISSUES.—In obtaining data for the*  
10          *Civic Health Assessment, the partnership may also*  
11          *obtain such information as may be necessary to ana-*  
12          *lyze—*

13                 “(A) *the role of Internet technology in*  
14                 *strengthening and inhibiting civic activities;*

15                 “(B) *the role of specific programs in*  
16                 *strengthening civic activities;*

17                 “(C) *the civic attitudes and activities of*  
18                 *new citizens and immigrants; and*

19                 “(D) *other areas related to civic activities.*

20          “(e) *REPORTING OF DATA.—*

21                 “(1) *IN GENERAL.—The partnership shall, not*  
22                 *less often than once each year, prepare a report con-*  
23                 *taining—*

1           “(A) *detailed data obtained under sub-*  
2           *section (d), including data on the indicators*  
3           *comprising the Civic Health Assessment; and*

4           “(B) *the analyses described in paragraphs*  
5           *(4) and (5) of subsection (d), to the extent prac-*  
6           *ticable based on the data the partnership is able*  
7           *to obtain.*

8           “(2) *AGGREGATION AND PRESENTATION.—The*  
9           *partnership shall, to the extent practicable, aggregate*  
10           *the data on the civic health indicators comprising the*  
11           *Civic Health Assessment by community, by State,*  
12           *and nationally. The report described in paragraph*  
13           *(1) shall present the aggregated data in a form that*  
14           *enables communities and States to assess their civic*  
15           *health, as measured on each of the indicators com-*  
16           *prising the Civic Health Assessment, and compare*  
17           *those measures with comparable measures of other*  
18           *communities and States.*

19           “(3) *SUBMISSION.—The partnership shall submit*  
20           *the report to the authorizing committees, and make*  
21           *the report available to the general public on the Cor-*  
22           *poration’s website.*

23           “(f) *PUBLIC INPUT.—The partnership shall—*

24           “(1) *identify opportunities for public dialogue*  
25           *and input on the Civic Health Assessment; and*



1           “(2) hold conferences and forums to discuss the  
2           implications of the data and analyses reported under  
3           subsection (e).

4           “(g) VOLUNTEERING RESEARCH AND EVALUATION.—

5           “(1) RESEARCH.—The partnership shall provide  
6           for baseline research and tracking of domestic and  
7           international volunteering, and baseline research and  
8           tracking related to relevant data on the indicators de-  
9           scribed in subsection (d). In providing for the re-  
10          search and tracking under this subsection, the part-  
11          nership shall consider data from the Supplements to  
12          the Current Populations Surveys conducted by the  
13          Bureau of the Census for the Bureau of Labor Statis-  
14          tics, and data from other public and private sources,  
15          including other data collected by the Bureau of the  
16          Census and the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

17          “(2) IMPACT RESEARCH AND EVALUATION.—The  
18          partnership shall sponsor an independent evaluation  
19          of the impact of domestic and international volun-  
20          teering, including an assessment of best practices for  
21          such volunteering, and methods of improving such  
22          volunteering through enhanced collaboration among—

23                  “(A) entities that recruit, manage, support,  
24                  and utilize volunteers;

25                  “(B) institutions of higher education; and

1                   “(C) *research institutions.*

2           “(h) *DATABASE PROHIBITION.—Nothing in this Act*  
3 *shall be construed to authorize the development, implemen-*  
4 *tation, or maintenance of a Federal database of personally*  
5 *identifiable information on individuals participating in*  
6 *data collection for sources of information under this sec-*  
7 *tion.”.*

8 **SEC. 1609. CONTINGENT EXTENSION.**

9           *Section 181 (42 U.S.C. 12641) is amended by striking*  
10 *“Section 414” and inserting “Section 422”.*

11 **SEC. 1610. PARTNERSHIPS WITH SCHOOLS.**

12           *Section 182(b) (42 U.S.C. 12642(b)) is amended to*  
13 *read as follows:*

14           “(b) *REPORT.—*

15                   “(1) *FEDERAL AGENCY SUBMISSION.—The head*  
16 *of each Federal agency and department shall prepare*  
17 *and submit to the Corporation a report concerning*  
18 *the implementation of this section, including an eval-*  
19 *uation of the agency or department’s performance on*  
20 *performance goals and benchmarks for each partner-*  
21 *ship program of the agency or department.*

22                   “(2) *REPORT TO CONGRESS.—The Corporation*  
23 *shall prepare and submit to the authorizing commit-*  
24 *tees a compilation of the information received under*  
25 *paragraph (1).”.*

1 **SEC. 1611. RIGHTS OF ACCESS, EXAMINATION, AND COPY-**  
2 **ING.**

3 *Section 183 (42 U.S.C. 12643) is amended—*

4 *(1) in subsection (a)—*

5 *(A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),*  
6 *by striking “The” and inserting “Consistent*  
7 *with otherwise applicable law, the”; and*

8 *(B) in paragraph (1), by inserting “terri-*  
9 *tory,” after “local government,”;*

10 *(2) in subsection (b)—*

11 *(A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),*  
12 *by striking “The” and inserting “Consistent*  
13 *with otherwise applicable law, the”; and*

14 *(B) in paragraph (1), by inserting “terri-*  
15 *tory” after “local government,”; and*

16 *(3) by adding at the end the following:*

17 *“(c) INSPECTOR GENERAL.—Consistent with otherwise*  
18 *applicable law, the Inspector General of the Corporation*  
19 *shall have access to, and the right to examine and copy,*  
20 *any books, documents, papers, records, and other recorded*  
21 *information in any form—*

22 *“(1) within the possession or control of the Cor-*  
23 *poration or any State or local government, territory,*  
24 *Indian tribe, or public or private nonprofit organiza-*  
25 *tion receiving assistance directly or indirectly under*  
26 *the national service laws; and*

1           “(2) that relates to—  
2                   “(A) such assistance; and  
3                   “(B) the duties of the Inspector General  
4           under the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5  
5           U.S.C. App.).”.

6 **SEC. 1612. ADDITIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS.**

7           *Subtitle F of title I (42 U.S.C. 12631 et seq.) is amend-*  
8 *ed by adding at the end the following:*

9 **“SEC. 185. CONSOLIDATED APPLICATION AND REPORTING**  
10 **REQUIREMENTS.**

11           “(a) *IN GENERAL.—To promote efficiency and elimi-*  
12 *nate duplicative requirements, the Corporation shall con-*  
13 *solidate or modify application procedures and reporting re-*  
14 *quirements for programs, projects, and activities funded*  
15 *under the national service laws.*

16           “(b) *REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 18*  
17 *months after the effective date of the Serve America Act,*  
18 *the Corporation shall submit to the authorizing committees*  
19 *a report containing information on the actions taken to*  
20 *consolidate or modify the application procedures and re-*  
21 *porting requirements for programs, projects, and activities*  
22 *funded under the national service laws, including a descrip-*  
23 *tion of the procedures for consultation with recipients of*  
24 *the funding.*

1 **“SEC. 186. SUSTAINABILITY.**

2       *“The Corporation, after consultation with State Com-*  
3 *missions and recipients of assistance, may set sustain-*  
4 *ability goals for projects or programs under the national*  
5 *service laws, so that recipients of assistance under the na-*  
6 *tional service laws are carrying out sustainable projects or*  
7 *programs. Such sustainability goals shall be in writing and*  
8 *shall be used—*

9           *“(1) to build the capacity of the projects or pro-*  
10 *grams that receive assistance under the national serv-*  
11 *ice laws to meet community needs;*

12           *“(2) in providing technical assistance to recipi-*  
13 *ents of assistance under the national service laws re-*  
14 *garding acquiring and leveraging non-Federal funds*  
15 *for support of the projects or programs that receive*  
16 *such assistance; and*

17           *“(3) to determine whether the projects or pro-*  
18 *grams, receiving such assistance, are generating suffi-*  
19 *cient community support.*

20 **“SEC. 187. GRANT PERIODS.**

21       *“Unless otherwise specifically provided, the Corpora-*  
22 *tion has authority to award a grant or contract, or enter*  
23 *into a cooperative agreement, under the national service*  
24 *laws for a period of 3 years.*

1 **“SEC. 188. GENERATION OF VOLUNTEERS.**

2       *“In making decisions on applications for assistance or*  
3 *approved national service positions under the national serv-*  
4 *ice laws, the Corporation shall take into consideration the*  
5 *extent to which the applicant’s proposal will increase the*  
6 *involvement of volunteers in meeting community needs. In*  
7 *reviewing the application for this purpose, the Corporation*  
8 *may take into account the mission of the applicant.*

9 **“SEC. 189. LIMITATION ON PROGRAM GRANT COSTS.**

10       *“(a) LIMITATION ON GRANT AMOUNTS.—Except as*  
11 *otherwise provided by this section, the amount of funds ap-*  
12 *proved by the Corporation for a grant to operate a program*  
13 *authorized under the national service laws, for supporting*  
14 *individuals serving in approved national service positions,*  
15 *may not exceed \$18,000 per full-time equivalent position.*

16       *“(b) COSTS SUBJECT TO LIMITATION.—The limitation*  
17 *under subsection (a), and the increased limitation under*  
18 *subsection (e)(1), shall apply to the Corporation’s share of*  
19 *the member support costs, staff costs, and other costs to op-*  
20 *erate a program authorized under the national service laws*  
21 *incurred, by the recipient of the grant.*

22       *“(c) COSTS NOT SUBJECT TO LIMITATION.—The limi-*  
23 *tation under subsection (a), and the increased limitation*  
24 *under subsection (e)(1), shall not apply to expenses under*  
25 *a grant authorized under the national service laws to oper-*

1 *ate a program that are not included in the grant award*  
2 *for operating the program.*

3       “(d) *ADJUSTMENTS FOR INFLATION.—The amounts*  
4 *specified in subsections (a) and (e)(1) shall be adjusted each*  
5 *year after 2008 for inflation as measured by the Consumer*  
6 *Price Index for All Urban Consumers published by the Sec-*  
7 *retary of Labor.*

8       “(e) *WAIVER AUTHORITY AND REPORTING REQUIRE-*  
9 *MENT.—*

10               “(1) *WAIVER.—The Chief Executive Officer may*  
11 *increase the limitation under subsection (a) to not*  
12 *more than \$19,500 per full-time equivalent position if*  
13 *necessary to meet the compelling needs of a particular*  
14 *program, such as—*

15                       “(A) *exceptional training needs for a pro-*  
16 *gram serving disadvantaged youth;*

17                       “(B) *the need to pay for increased costs re-*  
18 *lating to the participation of individuals with*  
19 *disabilities;*

20                       “(C) *the needs of tribal programs or pro-*  
21 *grams located in the territories; and*

22                       “(D) *the need to pay for start-up costs asso-*  
23 *ciated with a first-time recipient of assistance*  
24 *under a program of the national service laws.*

1           “(2) *REPORTS.*—*The Chief Executive Officer*  
2           *shall report to the authorizing committees annually*  
3           *on all limitations increased under this subsection,*  
4           *with an explanation of the compelling needs justi-*  
5           *fying such increases.*

6   **“SEC. 189A. MATCHING FUNDS FOR SEVERELY ECONOMICALLY**  
7           ***DISTRESSED COMMUNITIES.***

8           “(a) *IN GENERAL.*—*Notwithstanding any other provi-*  
9           *sion of law, a severely economically distressed community*  
10           *that receives assistance from the Corporation for any pro-*  
11           *gram under the national service laws shall not be subject*  
12           *to any requirements to provide matching funds for any such*  
13           *program, and the Federal share of such assistance for such*  
14           *a community may be 100 percent.*

15           “(b) *SEVERELY ECONOMICALLY DISTRESSED COMMU-*  
16           *NITY.*—*For the purposes of this section, the term ‘severely*  
17           *economically distressed community’ means—*

18           “(1) *an area that has a mortgage foreclosure*  
19           *rate, home price decline, and unemployment rate all*  
20           *of which are above the national average for such rates*  
21           *or level, for the most recent 12 months for which satis-*  
22           *factory data are available; or*

23           “(2) *a residential area that lacks basic living ne-*  
24           *cessities, such as water and sewer systems, electricity,*  
25           *paved roads, and safe, sanitary housing.*



1 **“SEC. 189B. AUDITS AND REPORTS.**

2       *“The Corporation shall comply with applicable audit*  
3 *and reporting requirements as provided in the Chief Finan-*  
4 *cial Officers Act of 1990 (31 U.S.C. 901 note; Public Law*  
5 *101–576) and chapter 91 of title 31, United States Code*  
6 *(commonly known as the ‘Government Corporation Control*  
7 *Act’). The Corporation shall report to the authorizing com-*  
8 *mittees any failure to comply with such requirements.*

9 **“SEC. 189C. RESTRICTIONS ON FEDERAL GOVERNMENT**  
10 **AND USE OF FEDERAL FUNDS.**

11       *“(a) GENERAL PROHIBITION.—Nothing in the na-*  
12 *tional service laws shall be construed to authorize an officer*  
13 *or employee of the Federal Government to mandate, direct,*  
14 *or control a State, local educational agency, or school’s cur-*  
15 *riculum, program of instruction, or allocation of State or*  
16 *local resources, or mandate a State or any subdivision*  
17 *thereof to spend any funds or incur any costs not paid for*  
18 *under this Act.*

19       *“(b) PROHIBITION ON ENDORSEMENT OF CUR-*  
20 *RICULUM.—Notwithstanding any other prohibition of Fed-*  
21 *eral law, no funds provided to the Corporation under this*  
22 *Act may be used by the Corporation to endorse, approve,*  
23 *or sanction any curriculum designed to be used in an ele-*  
24 *mentary school or secondary school.*

25       *“(c) PROHIBITION ON REQUIRING FEDERAL APPROVAL*  
26 *OR CERTIFICATION STANDARDS.—Notwithstanding any*

1 *other provision of Federal law, not State shall be required*  
2 *to have academic content or student academic achievement*  
3 *standards approved or certified by the Federal Government,*  
4 *in order to receive assistance under this Act.*

5 **“SEC. 189D. CRIMINAL HISTORY CHECKS.**

6       “(a) *IN GENERAL.*—*Each entity selecting individuals*  
7 *to serve in a position in which the individuals receive a*  
8 *living allowance, stipend, national service educational*  
9 *award, or salary through a program receiving assistance*  
10 *under the national service laws, shall, subject to regulations*  
11 *and requirements established by the Corporation, conduct*  
12 *criminal history checks for such individuals.*

13       “(b) *REQUIREMENTS.*—*A criminal history check under*  
14 *subsection (a) shall, except in cases approved for good cause*  
15 *by the Corporation, include—*

16               “(1) *a name-based search of the National Sex Of-*  
17 *fender Registry established under the Adam Walsh*  
18 *Child Protection and Safety Act of 2006 (42 U.S.C.*  
19 *16901 et seq.); and*

20               “(2)(A) *a search of the State criminal registry or*  
21 *repository in the State in which the program is oper-*  
22 *ating and the State in which the individual resides*  
23 *at the time of application; or*

1           “(B) submitting fingerprints to the Federal Bu-  
2           reau of Investigation for a national criminal history  
3           background check.

4           “(c) *ELIGIBILITY PROHIBITION.*—An individual shall  
5           be ineligible to serve in a position described under sub-  
6           section (a) if such individual—

7           “(1) refuses to consent to the criminal history  
8           check described in subsection (b);

9           “(2) makes a false statement in connection with  
10          such criminal history check;

11          “(3) is registered, or is required to be registered,  
12          on a State sex offender registry or the National Sex  
13          Offender Registry established under the Adam Walsh  
14          Child Protection and Safety Act of 2006 (42 U.S.C.  
15          16901 *et seq.*); or

16          “(4) has been convicted of murder, as described  
17          in section 1111 of title 18, United States Code.”.

18 **SEC. 1613. AVAILABILITY OF ASSISTANCE.**

19          (a) *AMENDMENT.*—Subtitle *F* of title *I* is further  
20          amended by inserting after section 184 the following:

21 **“SEC. 184A. AVAILABILITY OF ASSISTANCE.**

22          “A reference in subtitle *C*, *D*, *E*, or *H* of title *I* regard-  
23          ing an entity eligible to receive direct or indirect assistance  
24          to carry out a national service program shall include a non-  
25          profit organization promoting competitive and non-com-

1 *petitive sporting events involving individuals with disabil-*  
2 *ities (including the Special Olympics), which enhance the*  
3 *quality of life for individuals with disabilities.”.*

4 **SEC. 1614. CRIMINAL HISTORY CHECKS FOR INDIVIDUALS**  
5 **WORKING WITH VULNERABLE POPULATIONS.**

6 *(a) AMENDMENT.—Section 189D, as added by section*  
7 *1612, is further amended by adding at the end the fol-*  
8 *lowing:*

9 *“(d) SPECIAL RULE FOR INDIVIDUALS WORKING WITH*  
10 *VULNERABLE POPULATIONS.—*

11 *“(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding subsection*  
12 *(b), on and after the date that is 2 years after the*  
13 *date of enactment of the Serve America Act, a crimi-*  
14 *nal history check under subsection (a) for each indi-*  
15 *vidual described in paragraph (2) shall, except for an*  
16 *entity described in paragraph (3), include—*

17 *“(A) a name-based search of the National*  
18 *Sex Offender Registry established under the*  
19 *Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act of*  
20 *2006 (42 U.S.C. 16901 et seq.);*

21 *“(B) a search of the State criminal registry*  
22 *or repository in the State in which the program*  
23 *is operating and the State in which the indi-*  
24 *vidual resides at the time of application; and*

1           “(C) *submitting fingerprints to the Federal*  
2           *Bureau of Investigation for a national criminal*  
3           *history background check.*

4           “(2) *INDIVIDUALS WITH ACCESS TO VULNERABLE*  
5           *POPULATIONS.—An individual described in this para-*  
6           *graph is an individual age 18 or older who—*

7                   “(A) *serves in a position in which the indi-*  
8                   *vidual receives a living allowance, stipend, na-*  
9                   *tional service educational award, or salary*  
10                   *through a program receiving assistance under*  
11                   *the national service laws; and*

12                   “(B) *as a result of such individual’s service*  
13                   *in such position, has or will have access, on a*  
14                   *recurring basis, to—*

15                           “(i) *children age 17 years or younger;*

16                           “(ii) *individuals age 60 years or older;*

17                           *or*

18                           “(iii) *individuals with disabilities.*

19           “(3) *EXCEPTIONS.—The provisions of this sub-*  
20           *section shall not apply to an entity—*

21                   “(A) *where the service provided by individ-*  
22                   *uals serving with the entity to a vulnerable pop-*  
23                   *ulation described in paragraph (2)(B) is episodic*  
24                   *in nature or for a 1-day period;*

1           “(B) where the cost to the entity of com-  
2           plying with this subsection is prohibitive;

3           “(C) where the entity is not authorized, or  
4           is otherwise unable, under State law, to access  
5           the national criminal history background check  
6           system of the Federal Bureau of Investigation;

7           “(D) where the entity is not authorized, or  
8           is otherwise unable, under Federal law, to access  
9           the national criminal history background check  
10          system of the Federal Bureau of Investigation; or

11          “(E) to which the Corporation otherwise  
12          provides an exemption from this subsection for  
13          good cause.”.

14          (b) *FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR A SYSTEM OF CRIMINAL*  
15 *HISTORY CHECKS FOR EMPLOYEES AND VOLUNTEERS.—*

16           (1) *FEASIBILITY STUDY ON EFFICIENCY AND EF-*  
17 *FECTIVENESS REGARDING CRIMINAL HISTORY*  
18 *CHECK.—The Attorney General of the United States*  
19 *shall conduct a study that shall examine, to the extent*  
20 *discernible and as of the date of the study, the fol-*  
21 *lowing:*

22           (A) *The state of criminal history checks (in-*  
23 *cluding the use of fingerprint collection) at the*  
24 *State and local level, including—*

1                   (i) the available infrastructure for con-  
2                   ducting criminal history checks;

3                   (ii) the State system capacities to con-  
4                   duct such criminal history checks; and

5                   (iii) the time required for each State to  
6                   process an individual's fingerprints for a  
7                   national criminal history background check  
8                   through the Federal Bureau of Investiga-  
9                   tion, from the time of fingerprint collection  
10                  to the submission to the Federal Bureau of  
11                  Investigation.

12                 (B) The likelihood that each State would  
13                 participate in a nationwide system of criminal  
14                 history checks to provide information regarding  
15                 participants to entities receiving assistance  
16                 under the national service laws.

17                 (C) The number of participants that would  
18                 require a fingerprint-based national criminal  
19                 history background check under the national  
20                 service laws.

21                 (D) The impact of the national service laws  
22                 on the Integrated Automated Fingerprint Identifi-  
23                 cation System of the Federal Bureau of Inves-  
24                 tigation in terms of capacity and impact on  
25                 other users of the system, including the effect on

1           *the work practices and staffing levels of the Fed-*  
2           *eral Bureau of Investigation.*

3           *(E) The fees charged by the Federal Bureau*  
4           *of Investigation, States, local agencies, and pri-*  
5           *vate companies to collect and process finger-*  
6           *prints and conduct criminal history checks.*

7           *(F) The existence of model or best practice*  
8           *programs regarding conducting criminal history*  
9           *checks that could easily be expanded and dupli-*  
10          *cated in other States.*

11          *(G) The extent to which private companies*  
12          *are currently performing criminal history*  
13          *checks, and the possibility of using private com-*  
14          *panies in the future to perform any of the crimi-*  
15          *nal history check process, including the collection*  
16          *and transmission of fingerprints and fitness de-*  
17          *terminations.*

18          *(H) The cost of development and operation*  
19          *of the technology and the infrastructure nec-*  
20          *essary to establish a nationwide fingerprint-*  
21          *based and other criminal background check sys-*  
22          *tem.*

23          *(I) The extent of State participation in the*  
24          *procedures for background checks under the Na-*



1           *tional Child Protection Act of 1993 (42 U.S.C.*  
2           *5119 et seq.).*

3           *(J) The extent to which States provide ac-*  
4           *cess to nationwide criminal history checks to or-*  
5           *ganizations that serve children.*

6           *(K) The extent to which States permit vol-*  
7           *unteers and other individuals to appeal adverse*  
8           *fitness determinations, and whether similar pro-*  
9           *cedures are required at the Federal level.*

10           *(L) Any privacy concerns that may arise*  
11           *from nationwide criminal background checks for*  
12           *participants.*

13           *(M) Any other information determined rel-*  
14           *evant by the Attorney General.*

15           *(2) INTERIM REPORT.—Based on the findings of*  
16           *the study under paragraph (1), the Attorney General*  
17           *shall, not later than 6 months after the date of the en-*  
18           *actment of this Act, submit to the appropriate com-*  
19           *mittees of Congress an interim report, which may in-*  
20           *clude recommendations regarding criminal history*  
21           *checks for individuals that seek to volunteer with or-*  
22           *ganizations that work with children, the elderly, or*  
23           *individuals with disabilities.*

24           *(3) FINAL REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after*  
25           *the date of enactment of this Act, the Attorney Gen-*

1 *eral shall submit to the Committee on the Judiciary*  
2 *and the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and*  
3 *Pensions of the Senate and to the Committee on the*  
4 *Judiciary and the Committee on Education and*  
5 *Labor of the House of Representatives, a final report*  
6 *including recommendations regarding criminal his-*  
7 *tory checks for participants under the national service*  
8 *laws, which may include—*

9 *(A) a proposal for grants to States to de-*  
10 *velop or improve programs to collect fingerprints*  
11 *and perform criminal history checks for individ-*  
12 *uals that seek to volunteer with organizations*  
13 *that work with children, the elderly, or individ-*  
14 *uals with disabilities; and*

15 *(B) recommendations for amendments to the*  
16 *National Child Protection Act of 1993 and the*  
17 *Volunteers for Children Act so that entities re-*  
18 *ceiving assistance under the national service*  
19 *laws can promptly and affordably conduct na-*  
20 *tionwide criminal history background checks on*  
21 *their employees and volunteers.*

22 *(4) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection, the terms*  
23 *“authorizing committees”, “participants”, and “na-*  
24 *tional service laws” have the meanings given such*

1        *terms in section 101 of the National and Community*  
2        *Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12511).*

3        *(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—Notwithstanding section 6101,*  
4        *subsection (b) shall take effect on the date of enactment of*  
5        *this Act.*

6        ***Subtitle G—Amendments to Subtitle***  
7        ***G (Corporation for National and***  
8        ***Community Service)***

9        ***SEC. 1701. TERMS OF OFFICE.***

10        *Section 192 (42 U.S.C. 12651a) is amended—*

11                *(1) by striking subsection (c) and inserting the*  
12        *following:*

13                *“(c) TERMS.—Subject to subsection (e), each appointed*  
14        *member shall serve for a term of 5 years.”; and*

15                *(2) by adding at the end the following:*

16                *“(e) SERVICE UNTIL APPOINTMENT OF SUCCESSOR.—*  
17        *A voting member of the Board whose term has expired may*  
18        *continue to serve on the Board until the date on which the*  
19        *member’s successor takes office, which period shall not ex-*  
20        *ceed 1 year.”.*

21        ***SEC. 1702. BOARD OF DIRECTORS AUTHORITIES AND DU-***  
22        ***TIES.***

23        *Section 192A(g) (42 U.S.C. 12651b(g)) is amended—*

24                *(1) in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by*  
25        *striking “shall—” and inserting “shall have responsi-*

1 *bility for setting overall policy for the Corporation*  
2 *and shall—”;*

3 *(2) in paragraph (1), by inserting before the*  
4 *semicolon at the end the following: “, and review the*  
5 *budget proposal in advance of submission to the Of-*  
6 *fice of Management and Budget”;*

7 *(3) in paragraph (5)—*

8 *(A) in subparagraph (A), by striking “and”*  
9 *at the end;*

10 *(B) in subparagraph (B), by inserting*  
11 *“and” after the semicolon; and*

12 *(C) by adding at the end the following:*

13 *“(C) review the performance of the Chief Execu-*  
14 *tive Officer annually and forward a report on that re-*  
15 *view to the President;”;*

16 *(4) in paragraph (8), by striking “the Congress”*  
17 *each place it appears and inserting “the authorizing*  
18 *committees”;*

19 *(5) by striking paragraph (10) and inserting the*  
20 *following:*

21 *“(10) notwithstanding any other provision of*  
22 *law—*

23 *“(A) make grants to or contracts with Fed-*  
24 *eral and other public departments or agencies,*  
25 *and private nonprofit organizations, for the as-*

1           *signment or referral of volunteers under the pro-*  
2           *visions of title I of the Domestic Volunteer Serv-*  
3           *ice Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C. 4950 et seq.) (except*  
4           *as provided in section 108 of such Act), which*  
5           *may provide that the agency or organization*  
6           *shall pay all or a part of the costs of the pro-*  
7           *gram; and*

8           *“(B) enter into agreements with other Fed-*  
9           *eral agencies or private nonprofit organizations*  
10          *for the support of programs under the national*  
11          *service laws, which—*

12                 *“(i) may provide that the agency or*  
13                 *organization shall pay all or a part of the*  
14                 *costs of the program, except as is provided*  
15                 *in section 121(b); and*

16                 *“(ii) shall provide that the program*  
17                 *(including any program operated by an-*  
18                 *other Federal agency) will comply with all*  
19                 *requirements related to evaluation, perform-*  
20                 *ance, and other goals applicable to similar*  
21                 *programs under the national service laws,*  
22                 *as determined by the Corporation,”; and*

23          *(6) in paragraph (11)—*

24                 *(A) by striking “Congress” each place it ap-*  
25                 *pears and inserting “authorizing committees”;*

1           (B) by striking “section 193A(b)(10)” and  
2           inserting “section 193A(b)(11)”; and

3           (C) by striking “September 30, 1995” and  
4           inserting “January 1, 2012”.

5 **SEC. 1703. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER COMPENSATION.**

6           Section 193(b) (42 U.S.C. 12651c(b)) is amended by  
7           striking the period and inserting “, plus 3 percent.”.

8 **SEC. 1704. AUTHORITIES AND DUTIES OF THE CHIEF EXEC-**  
9           **UTIVE OFFICER.**

10          Section 193A (42 U.S.C. 12651d) is amended—

11           (1) in subsection (b)—

12                   (A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),  
13                   by striking “shall—” and inserting “, in collabo-  
14                   ration with the State Commissions, shall—”;

15                   (B) in paragraph (1), by inserting after “a  
16                   strategic plan” the following: “, including a plan  
17                   for having 50 percent of all approved national  
18                   service positions be full-time positions by 2012,”;

19                   (C) in paragraph (2)(B), by inserting “,  
20                   approved summer of service positions, and ap-  
21                   proved silver scholar positions” after “approved  
22                   national service positions”;

23                   (D) by redesignating paragraphs (7)  
24                   through (11) as paragraphs (8) through (12), re-  
25                   spectively;

1           (E) by inserting after paragraph (6) the fol-  
2           lowing:

3           “(7) prepare and submit to the authorizing com-  
4           mittees and the Board an annual report on actions  
5           taken to achieve the goal of having 50 percent of all  
6           approved national service positions be full-time posi-  
7           tions by 2012 as described in paragraph (1), includ-  
8           ing an assessment of the progress made toward  
9           achieving that goal and the actions to be taken in the  
10          coming year toward achieving that goal;”;

11          (F) in the matter preceding subparagraph  
12          (A) of paragraph (10) (as so redesignated), by  
13          striking “appropriate committees of Congress”  
14          and inserting “authorizing committees”;

15          (G) in paragraph (11) (as so redesign-  
16          ated)—

17               (i) in the matter preceding subpara-  
18               graph (A), by striking “by June 30, 1995,”  
19               and inserting “periodically,”;

20               (ii) in subparagraph (A)(i)—

21                       (I) by striking “described in sec-  
22                       tion 122(c)(1)”;

23                       (II) by striking “national prior-  
24                       ities designed to meet the” and insert-  
25                       ing “national priorities, as described

1                   *in section 122(f)(1), designed to meet”;*  
2                   *and*  
3                   *(iii) in subparagraph (B), by striking*  
4                   *“and” after a semicolon;*  
5                   *(H) in paragraph (12) (as so redesignated),*  
6                   *by striking the period at the end and inserting*  
7                   *a semicolon; and*  
8                   *(I) by adding at the end the following:*  
9                   *“(13) bolster the public awareness of and recruit-*  
10                   *ment efforts for the wide range of service opportuni-*  
11                   *ties for citizens of all ages, regardless of socioeconomic*  
12                   *status or geographic location, through a variety of*  
13                   *methods, including—*  
14                    *“(A) print media;*  
15                    *“(B) the Internet and related emerging tech-*  
16                    *nologies;*  
17                    *“(C) television;*  
18                    *“(D) radio;*  
19                    *“(E) presentations at public or private fo-*  
20                    *rums;*  
21                    *“(F) other innovative methods of commu-*  
22                    *nication; and*  
23                    *“(G) outreach to offices of economic develop-*  
24                    *ment, State employment security agencies, labor*  
25                    *organizations and trade associations, local edu-*



1           *ational agencies, institutions of higher edu-*  
2           *ation, agencies and organizations serving vet-*  
3           *erans and individuals with disabilities, and*  
4           *other institutions or organizations from which*  
5           *participants for programs receiving assistance*  
6           *from the national service laws can be recruited;*

7           “(14) *identify and implement methods of recruit-*  
8           *ment to—*

9                   “(A) *increase the diversity of participants*  
10           *in the programs receiving assistance under the*  
11           *national service laws; and*

12                   “(B) *increase the diversity of service spon-*  
13           *sors of programs desiring to receive assistance*  
14           *under the national service laws;*

15           “(15) *coordinate with organizations of former*  
16           *participants of national service programs for service*  
17           *opportunities that may include capacity building,*  
18           *outreach, and recruitment for programs receiving as-*  
19           *istance under the national service laws;*

20           “(16) *collaborate with organizations with dem-*  
21           *onstrated expertise in supporting and accommodating*  
22           *individuals with disabilities, including institutions of*  
23           *higher education, to identify and implement methods*  
24           *of recruitment to increase the number of participants*

1 *who are individuals with disabilities in the programs*  
2 *receiving assistance under the national service laws;*

3 *“(17) identify and implement recruitment strate-*  
4 *gies and training programs for bilingual volunteers*  
5 *in the National Senior Service Corps under title II*  
6 *of the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973;*

7 *“(18) collaborate with organizations that have*  
8 *established volunteer recruitment programs to in-*  
9 *crease the recruitment capacity of the Corporation;*

10 *“(19) where practicable, provide application ma-*  
11 *terials in languages other than English for individ-*  
12 *uals with limited English proficiency who wish to*  
13 *participate in a national service program;*

14 *“(20) collaborate with the training and technical*  
15 *assistance programs described in subtitle J with re-*  
16 *spect to the activities described in section 199N(b));*

17 *“(21) coordinate the clearinghouses described in*  
18 *section 198O;*

19 *“(22) coordinate with entities receiving funds*  
20 *under subtitle C in establishing the National Service*  
21 *Reserve Corps under section 198H, through which*  
22 *alumni of the national service programs and veterans*  
23 *can serve in disasters and emergencies (as such terms*  
24 *are defined in section 198H(a));*

1           “(23) identify and implement strategies to in-  
2           crease awareness among Indian tribes of the types  
3           and availability of assistance under the national serv-  
4           ice laws, increase Native American participation in  
5           programs under the national service laws, collect in-  
6           formation on challenges facing Native American com-  
7           munities, and designate a Strategic Advisor for Na-  
8           tive American Affairs to be responsible for the execu-  
9           tion of those activities under the national service  
10          laws;

11           “(24) conduct outreach to ensure the inclusion of  
12          economically disadvantaged individuals in national  
13          service programs and activities authorized under the  
14          national service laws; and

15           “(25) ensure that outreach, awareness, and re-  
16          cruitment efforts are consistent with the Americans  
17          with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101 et  
18          seq.) and section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of  
19          1973 (29 U.S.C. 794).”;

20           (2) in subsection (c)—

21           (A) in paragraph (9)—

22           (i) by striking “Congress” each place  
23           the term occurs and inserting “the author-  
24           izing committees”; and

25           (ii) by striking “and” at the end;

1           (B) by redesignating paragraph (10) as  
2           paragraph (11); and

3           (C) by inserting after paragraph (9) the fol-  
4           lowing:

5           “(10) obtain the opinions of peer reviewers in  
6           evaluating applications to the Corporation for assist-  
7           ance under this title; and”;

8           (3) in subsection (f)(2)(B), by striking “date  
9           specified in subsection (b)(10)” and inserting “the  
10          first date that a report is submitted under subsection  
11          (b)(11) after the effective date of the Serve America  
12          Act”; and

13          (4) by adding at the end the following:

14          “(h) *AUTHORITY TO CONTRACT WITH BUSINESSES.*—  
15          The Chief Executive Officer may, through contracts or coop-  
16          erative agreements, carry out the marketing duties described  
17          in subsection (b)(13), with priority given to those entities  
18          that have established expertise in the recruitment of dis-  
19          advantaged youth, members of Indian tribes, and older  
20          adults.

21          “(i) *CAMPAIGN TO SOLICIT FUNDS.*—The Chief Execu-  
22          tive Officer may conduct a campaign to solicit funds to con-  
23          duct outreach and recruitment campaigns to recruit a di-  
24          verse population of service sponsors of, and participants in,

1 *programs and projects receiving assistance under the na-*  
2 *tional service laws.”.*

3 **SEC. 1705. CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER STATUS.**

4 *Section 194(c) (42 U.S.C. 12651e(c)) is amended—*

5 *(1) by striking paragraphs (1) and (2) and in-*  
6 *serting the following:*

7 *“(1) IN GENERAL.—There shall be in the Cor-*  
8 *poration a Chief Financial Officer, who shall be ap-*  
9 *pointed by the Chief Executive Officer pursuant to*  
10 *subsections (a) and (b) of section 195.”; and*

11 *(2) by redesignating paragraph (3) as para-*  
12 *graph (2).*

13 **SEC. 1706. NONVOTING MEMBERS; PERSONAL SERVICES**  
14 **CONTRACTS.**

15 *Section 195 (42 U.S.C. 12651f) is amended—*

16 *(1) in subsection (c)—*

17 *(A) in paragraph (2)(B), by inserting after*  
18 *“subdivision of a State,” the following: “terri-*  
19 *tory,”; and*

20 *(B) in paragraph (3)—*

21 *(i) in the heading, by striking “MEM-*  
22 *BER” and inserting “NONVOTING MEMBER”;*  
23 *and*

24 *(ii) by inserting “nonvoting” before*  
25 *“member”; and*

1           (2) by adding at the end the following new sub-  
2           section:

3           “(g) *PERSONAL SERVICES CONTRACTS.*—The Corpora-  
4           tion may enter into personal services contracts to carry out  
5           research, evaluation, and public awareness related to the  
6           national service laws.”.

7           **SEC. 1707. DONATED SERVICES.**

8           Section 196(a) (42 U.S.C. 12651g(a)) is amended—  
9           (1) in paragraph (1)—

10           (A) by striking subparagraph (A) and in-  
11           serting the following:

12           “(A) *ORGANIZATIONS AND INDIVIDUALS.*—  
13           Notwithstanding section 1342 of title 31, United  
14           States Code, the Corporation may solicit and ac-  
15           cept the services of organizations and individuals  
16           (other than participants) to assist the Corpora-  
17           tion in carrying out the duties of the Corpora-  
18           tion under the national service laws, and may  
19           provide to such individuals the travel expenses  
20           described in section 192A(d).”;

21           (B) in subparagraph (B)—

22           (i) in the matter preceding clause (i),  
23           by striking “Such a volunteer” and insert-  
24           ing “A person who provides assistance, ei-  
25           ther individually or as a member of an or-

1            *ganization, in accordance with subpara-*  
 2            *graph (A)”;*

3                    *(ii) in clause (i), by striking “a volun-*  
 4                    *teer under this subtitle” and inserting “such*  
 5                    *a person”;*

6                    *(iii) in clause (ii), by striking “volun-*  
 7                    *teers under this subtitle” and inserting*  
 8                    *“such persons”; and*

9                    *(iv) in clause (iii), by striking “such a*  
 10                    *volunteer” and inserting “such a person”;*  
 11                    *and*

12                    *(C) in subparagraph (C)(i), by striking*  
 13                    *“Such a volunteer” and inserting “Such a per-*  
 14                    *son”; and*

15                    *(2) by striking paragraph (3).*

16 **SEC. 1708. ASSIGNMENT TO STATE COMMISSIONS.**

17            *Subtitle G of title I (42 U.S.C. 12651 et seq.) is further*  
 18 *amended by adding at the end the following:*

19 **“SEC. 196B. ASSIGNMENT TO STATE COMMISSIONS.**

20            *“(a) ASSIGNMENT.—In accordance with section*  
 21 *193A(c)(1), the Chief Executive Officer may assign to State*  
 22 *Commissions specific programmatic functions upon a deter-*  
 23 *mination that such an assignment will increase efficiency*  
 24 *in the operation or oversight of a program under the na-*  
 25 *tional service laws. In carrying out this section, and before*

1 *executing any assignment of authority, the Corporation*  
2 *shall seek input from and consult Corporation employees,*  
3 *State Commissions, State educational agencies, and other*  
4 *interested stakeholders.*

5       “(b) *REPORT.—Not later than 2 years after the effec-*  
6 *tive date of the Serve America Act, the Corporation shall*  
7 *submit a report to the authorizing committees describing*  
8 *the consultation process described in subsection (a), includ-*  
9 *ing the stakeholders consulted, the recommendation of stake-*  
10 *holders, and any actions taken by the Corporation under*  
11 *this section.”.*

12 **SEC. 1709. STUDY OF INVOLVEMENT OF VETERANS.**

13       *Subtitle G of title I (42 U.S.C. 12651 et seq.) is further*  
14 *amended by adding at the end the following:*

15 **“SEC. 196C. STUDY OF INVOLVEMENT OF VETERANS.**

16       “(a) *STUDY AND REPORT.—The Corporation shall*  
17 *conduct a study and submit a report to the authorizing*  
18 *committees, not later than 3 years after the effective date*  
19 *of the Serve America Act, on—*

20               “(1) *the number of veterans serving in national*  
21 *service programs historically by year;*

22               “(2) *strategies being undertaken to identify the*  
23 *specific areas of need of veterans, including any goals*  
24 *set by the Corporation for veterans participating in*  
25 *the service programs;*



1           “(3) the impact of the strategies described in  
2           paragraph (2) and the Veterans Corps on enabling  
3           greater participation by veterans in the national serv-  
4           ice programs carried out under the national service  
5           laws;

6           “(4) how existing programs and activities car-  
7           ried out under the national service laws could be im-  
8           proved to serve veterans, veterans service organiza-  
9           tions, families of active-duty military, including gaps  
10          in services to veterans;

11          “(5) the extent to which existing programs and  
12          activities carried out under the national service laws  
13          are coordinated and recommendations to improve  
14          such coordination including the methods for ensuring  
15          the efficient financial organization of services directed  
16          towards veterans; and

17          “(6) how to improve utilization of veterans as re-  
18          sources and volunteers.

19          “(b) CONSULTATION.—In conducting the studies and  
20          preparing the reports required under this subsection, the  
21          Corporation shall consult with veterans’ service organiza-  
22          tions, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, State veterans agen-  
23          cies, the Secretary of Defense, as appropriate, and other in-  
24          dividuals and entities the Corporation considers appro-  
25          priate.”.

1 **SEC. 1710. STUDY TO EXAMINE AND INCREASE SERVICE**  
2 **PROGRAMS FOR DISPLACED WORKERS IN**  
3 **SERVICES CORPS AND COMMUNITY SERVICE**  
4 **AND TO DEVELOP PILOT PROGRAM PLAN-**  
5 **NING STUDY.**

6 (a) *PLANNING STUDY.*—*The Corporation shall conduct*  
7 *a study to identify—*

8 (1) *specific areas of need for displaced workers;*

9 (2) *how existing programs and activities (as of*  
10 *the time of the study) carried out under the national*  
11 *service laws could better serve displaced workers and*  
12 *communities that have been adversely affected by*  
13 *plant closings and job losses;*

14 (3) *prospects for better utilization of displaced*  
15 *workers as resources and volunteers; and*

16 (4) *methods for ensuring the efficient financial*  
17 *organization of services directed towards displaced*  
18 *workers.*

19 (b) *CONSULTATION.*—*The study shall be carried out in*  
20 *consultation with the Secretary of Labor, State labor agen-*  
21 *cies, and other individuals and entities the Corporation*  
22 *considers appropriate.*

23 (c) *REPORT.*—*Not later than 1 year after the effective*  
24 *date of this Act, the Corporation shall submit to the author-*  
25 *izing committees a report on the results of the planning*  
26 *study required by subsection (a), together with a plan for*

1 *implementation of a pilot program using promising strate-*  
2 *gies and approaches for better targeting and serving dis-*  
3 *placed workers.*

4 (d) *PILOT PROGRAM.—From amounts made available*  
5 *to carry out this section, the Corporation shall develop and*  
6 *carry out a pilot program based on the findings and plan*  
7 *in the report submitted under subsection (c).*

8 (e) *DEFINITIONS.—In this section, the terms “Corpora-*  
9 *tion”, “authorizing committees”, and “national service*  
10 *laws” have the meanings given the terms in section 101 of*  
11 *the National and Community Service Act of 1990 (42*  
12 *U.S.C. 12511).*

13 (f) *AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There are*  
14 *authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section such*  
15 *sums as may be necessary for each of fiscal years 2010*  
16 *through 2014.*

17 **SEC. 1711. STUDY TO EVALUATE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF**  
18 **AGENCY COORDINATION.**

19 (a) *STUDY.—In order to reduce administrative bur-*  
20 *dens and lower costs for national service programs carried*  
21 *out under the national service laws, the Corporation shall*  
22 *conduct a study to determine the feasibility and effective-*  
23 *ness of implementing a data matching system under which*  
24 *the statements of an individual declaring that such indi-*  
25 *vidual is in compliance with the requirements of section*

1 *146(a)(3) of the National and Community Service Act of*  
2 *1990 (42 U.S.C. 12602(a)(3)) shall be verified by the Cor-*  
3 *poration by comparing information provided by the indi-*  
4 *vidual with information relevant to such a declaration in*  
5 *the possession of other Federal agencies. Such study shall—*

6 *(1) review the feasibility of—*

7 *(A) expanding, and participating in, the*  
8 *data matching conducted by the Department of*  
9 *Education with the Social Security Administra-*  
10 *tion and the Department of Homeland Security,*  
11 *pursuant to section 484(g) of the Higher Edu-*  
12 *cation Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1091(g)); or*

13 *(B) establishing a comparable system of*  
14 *data matching with the Social Security Admin-*  
15 *istration and the Department of Homeland Secu-*  
16 *rity; and*

17 *(2) identify—*

18 *(A) the costs, for both the Corporation and*  
19 *the other Federal agencies identified in para-*  
20 *graph (1), associated with expanding or estab-*  
21 *lishing such a system of data matching;*

22 *(B) the benefits or detriments of such an ex-*  
23 *panded or comparable system both for the Cor-*  
24 *poration and for the other Federal agencies so*  
25 *identified;*

1           (C) strategies for ensuring the privacy and  
2           security of participant information that is  
3           shared between Federal agencies and organiza-  
4           tions receiving assistance under the national  
5           service laws;

6           (D) the information that needs to be shared  
7           in order to fulfill the eligibility requirements of  
8           section 146(a)(3) of the National and Commu-  
9           nity Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C.  
10          12602(a)(3));

11          (E) an alternative system through which an  
12          individual's compliance with section 146(a)(3) of  
13          such Act may be verified, should such an ex-  
14          panded or comparable system fail to verify the  
15          individual's declaration of compliance; and

16          (F) recommendations for implementation of  
17          such an expanded or comparable system.

18          (b) *CONSULTATION.*—The Corporation shall carry out  
19          the study in consultation with the Secretary of Education,  
20          the Commissioner of the Social Security Administration,  
21          the Secretary of Homeland Security, and other Federal  
22          agencies, entities, and individuals that the Corporation con-  
23          siders appropriate.

24          (c) *REPORT.*—Not later than 9 months after the effec-  
25          tive date of this Act, the Corporation shall submit to the

1 *authorizing committees a report on the results of the study*  
2 *required by subsection (a) and a plan for implementation*  
3 *of a pilot data matching program using promising strate-*  
4 *gies and approaches identified in such study, if the Cor-*  
5 *poration determines such program to be feasible.*

6 *(d) PILOT PROGRAM.—From amounts made available*  
7 *to carry out this section, the Corporation may develop and*  
8 *carry out a pilot data matching program based on the re-*  
9 *port submitted under subsection (c).*

10 *(e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section, the terms “Corpora-*  
11 *tion”, “authorizing committees”, and “national service*  
12 *laws” have the meanings given the terms in section 101 of*  
13 *the National and Community Service Act of 1990 (42*  
14 *U.S.C. 12511).*

15 **SEC. 1712. STUDY OF PROGRAM EFFECTIVENESS.**

16 *(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 12 months after the*  
17 *date of enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General of*  
18 *the United States shall develop performance measures for*  
19 *each program receiving Federal assistance under the na-*  
20 *tional service laws.*

21 *(b) CONTENTS.—The performance measures developed*  
22 *under subsection (a) shall—*

23 *(1) to the maximum extent practicable draw on*  
24 *research-based, quantitative data;*

1           (2) *take into account program purpose and pro-*  
2           *gram design;*

3           (3) *include criteria to evaluate the cost effective-*  
4           *ness of programs receiving assistance under the na-*  
5           *tional service laws;*

6           (4) *include criteria to evaluate the administra-*  
7           *tion and management of programs receiving Federal*  
8           *assistance under the national service laws; and*

9           (5) *include criteria to evaluate oversight and ac-*  
10          *countability of recipients of assistance through such*  
11          *programs under the national service laws.*

12          (c) *REPORT.*—*Not later than 2 years after the develop-*  
13          *ment of the performance measures under subsection (a), and*  
14          *every 5 years thereafter, the Comptroller General of the*  
15          *United States shall prepare and submit to the authorizing*  
16          *committees and the Corporation’s Board of Directors a re-*  
17          *port containing an assessment of each such program with*  
18          *respect to the performance measures developed under sub-*  
19          *section (a).*

20          (d) *DEFINITIONS.*—*In this section:*

21               (1) *IN GENERAL.*—*The terms “authorizing com-*  
22               *mittees”, “Corporation”, and “national service laws”*  
23               *have the meanings given the terms in section 101 of*  
24               *the National and Community Service Act of 1990 (42*  
25               *U.S.C. 12511).*

1           (2) *PROGRAM.*—*The term “program” means an*  
2           *entire program carried out by the Corporation under*  
3           *the national service laws, such as the entire*  
4           *AmeriCorps program carried out under subtitle C.*

5 **SEC. 1713. VOLUNTEER MANAGEMENT CORPS STUDY.**

6           (a) *FINDINGS.*—*Congress finds the following:*

7           (1) *Many managers seek opportunities to give*  
8           *back to their communities and address the Nation’s*  
9           *challenges.*

10          (2) *Managers possess business and technical*  
11          *skills that make them especially suited to help non-*  
12          *profit organizations and State and local governments*  
13          *create efficiencies and cost savings and develop pro-*  
14          *grams to serve communities in need.*

15          (3) *There are currently a large number of busi-*  
16          *nesses and firms who are seeking to identify savings*  
17          *through sabbatical opportunities for senior employees.*

18          (b) *STUDY AND PLAN.*—*Not later than 6 months after*  
19 *the date of enactment of this Act, the Corporation shall—*

20               (1) *conduct a study on how best to establish and*  
21               *implement a Volunteer Management Corps program;*  
22               *and*

23               (2) *submit a plan regarding the establishment of*  
24               *such program to Congress and to the President.*



1       (c) *CONSULTATION.*—*In carrying out the study de-*  
 2 *scribed in subsection (b)(1), the Corporation may consult*  
 3 *with experts in the private and nonprofit sectors.*

4       (d) *EFFECTIVE DATE.*—*Notwithstanding section 6101,*  
 5 *this section shall take effect on the date of enactment of this*  
 6 *Act.*

7       ***Subtitle H—Amendments to Subtitle***  
 8       ***H (Investment for Quality and***  
 9       ***Innovation)***

10       ***SEC. 1801. TECHNICAL AMENDMENT TO SUBTITLE H.***

11       *Subtitle H of title I (42 U.S.C. 12653 et seq.) is*  
 12 *amended by inserting after the subtitle heading and before*  
 13 *section 198 the following:*

14       ***“PART I—ADDITIONAL CORPORATION ACTIVITIES***  
 15       ***TO SUPPORT NATIONAL SERVICE”.***

16       ***SEC. 1802. ADDITIONAL CORPORATION ACTIVITIES TO SUP-***  
 17       ***PORT NATIONAL SERVICE.***

18       (a) *TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS.*—*Section 198 (42*  
 19 *U.S.C. 12653) is amended—*

20               (1) *in subsection (a), by striking “subsection (r)”*  
 21 *and inserting “subsection (g)”;*

22               (2) *in the matter preceding paragraph (1) of*  
 23 *subsection (b), by striking “to improve the quality”*  
 24 *and all that follows through “including—” and in-*  
 25 *serting “to address emergent needs through summer*

1 *programs and other activities, and to support service-*  
2 *learning programs and national service programs, in-*  
3 *cluding—”;*

4 *(3) by striking subsections (c), (d), (e), (f), (h),*  
5 *(i), (j), (l), (m), and (p) and redesignating sub-*  
6 *sections (g), (k), (n), (o), (q), (r), and (s) as sub-*  
7 *sections (c), (d), (e), (f), (g), (h), and (i), respectively.*

8 *(b) GLOBAL YOUTH SERVICE DAYS.—Section 198 (42*  
9 *U.S.C. 12653), as amended in subsection (a), is further*  
10 *amended—*

11 *(1) in subsection (g) (as redesignated by sub-*  
12 *section (a)(3))—*

13 *(A) in the subsection heading, by striking*  
14 *“NATIONAL” and inserting “GLOBAL”;*

15 *(B) by striking “National Youth” each*  
16 *place it appears and inserting “Global Youth”;*

17 *(C) in paragraph (1)—*

18 *(i) by striking the first sentence and*  
19 *inserting “April 24, 2009, and April 23,*  
20 *2010, are each designated as ‘Global Youth*  
21 *Service Days’.”; and*

22 *(ii) in the second sentence, by striking*  
23 *“appropriate ceremonies and activities”*  
24 *and inserting “appropriate youth-led com-*

1            *munity improvement and service-learning*  
2            *activities”;*

3            *(D) in paragraph (2)—*

4                    *(i) by inserting “and other Federal de-*  
5                    *partments and agencies” after “Corpora-*  
6                    *tion”;* and

7                    *(ii) by striking “ceremonies and activi-*  
8                    *ties” and inserting “youth-led community*  
9                    *improvement and service-learning activi-*  
10                   *ties”;* and

11                   *(E) in paragraph (3), by inserting “and*  
12                   *other Federal departments and agencies” after*  
13                   *“Corporation”.*

14            *(c) CALL TO SERVICE CAMPAIGN AND SEPTEMBER*  
15            *11TH DAY OF SERVICE.—Section 198 (42 U.S.C. 12653),*  
16            *as amended by subsection (a), is further amended by adding*  
17            *at the end the following:*

18                   *“(j) CALL TO SERVICE CAMPAIGN.—Not later than 180*  
19                   *days after the date of enactment of the Serve America Act,*  
20                   *the Corporation shall conduct a nationwide ‘Call To Serv-*  
21                   *ice’ campaign, to encourage all people of the United States,*  
22                   *regardless of age, race, ethnicity, religion, or economic sta-*  
23                   *tus, to engage in full- or part-time national service, long-*  
24                   *or short-term public service in the nonprofit sector or gov-*  
25                   *ernment, or volunteering. In conducting the campaign, the*

1 *Corporation may collaborate with other Federal agencies*  
2 *and entities, State Commissions, Governors, nonprofit and*  
3 *faith-based organizations, businesses, institutions of higher*  
4 *education, elementary schools, and secondary schools.*

5 “(k) *SEPTEMBER 11TH DAY OF SERVICE.*—

6 “(1) *FEDERAL ACTIVITIES.*—*The Corporation*  
7 *may organize and carry out appropriate ceremonies*  
8 *and activities, which may include activities that are*  
9 *part of the broader Call to Service Campaign under*  
10 *subsection (j), in order to observe the September 11th*  
11 *National Day of Service and Remembrance at the*  
12 *Federal level.*

13 “(2) *ACTIVITIES.*—*The Corporation may make*  
14 *grants and provide other support to community-based*  
15 *organizations to assist in planning and carrying out*  
16 *appropriate service, charity, and remembrance oppor-*  
17 *tunities in conjunction with the September 11th Na-*  
18 *tional Day of Service and Remembrance.*

19 “(3) *CONSULTATION.*—*The Corporation may*  
20 *consult with and make grants or provide other forms*  
21 *of support to nonprofit organizations with expertise*  
22 *in representing families of victims of the September*  
23 *11, 2001 terrorist attacks and other impacted con-*  
24 *stituencies, and in promoting the establishment of*

1       *September 11 as an annually recognized National*  
2       *Day of Service and Remembrance.”.*

3   **SEC. 1803. REPEALS.**

4       *(a) REPEALS.—The following provisions are repealed:*

5           *(1) CLEARINGHOUSES.—Section 198A (42*  
6       *U.S.C. 12653a).*

7           *(2) MILITARY INSTALLATION CONVERSION DEM-*  
8       *ONSTRATION PROGRAMS.—Section 198C (42 U.S.C.*  
9       *12653c).*

10          *(3) SPECIAL DEMONSTRATION PROJECT.—Sec-*  
11       *tion 198D (42 U.S.C. 12653d).*

12       *(b) REDESIGNATION.—Section 198B (42 U.S.C.*  
13       *12653b) is redesignated as section 198A.*

14   **SEC. 1804. PRESIDENTIAL AWARDS.**

15       *Section 198A(a)(2) (as redesignated by section*  
16       *1803(b)) (42 U.S.C. 12653b(a)(2)) is further amended by*  
17       *striking “section 101(19)” and inserting “section 101”.*

18   **SEC. 1805. NEW FELLOWSHIPS.**

19       *Part I of subtitle H of title I (42 U.S.C. 12653 et seq.)*  
20       *is further amended by adding at the end the following new*  
21       *sections:*

22   **“SEC. 198B. SERVEAMERICA FELLOWSHIPS.**

23       *“(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

1           “(1) *AREA OF NATIONAL NEED.*—The term ‘area  
2 of national need’ means an area involved in efforts  
3 to—

4           “(A) improve education in schools for eco-  
5 nomically disadvantaged students;

6           “(B) expand and improve access to health  
7 care;

8           “(C) improve energy efficiency and conserve  
9 natural resources;

10          “(D) improve economic opportunities for  
11 economically disadvantaged individuals; or

12          “(E) improve disaster preparedness and re-  
13 sponse.

14          “(2) *ELIGIBLE FELLOWSHIP RECIPIENT.*—The  
15 term ‘eligible fellowship recipient’ means an indi-  
16 vidual who is selected by a State Commission under  
17 subsection (c) and, as a result of such selection, is eli-  
18 gible for a ServeAmerica Fellowship.

19          “(3) *FELLOW.*—The term ‘fellow’ means an eligi-  
20 ble fellowship recipient who is awarded a  
21 ServeAmerica Fellowship and is designated a fellow  
22 under subsection (e)(2).

23          “(4) *SMALL SERVICE SPONSOR ORGANIZATION.*—  
24 The term ‘small service sponsor organization’ means  
25 a service sponsor organization described in subsection

1     *(d)(1) that has not more than 10 full-time employees*  
2     *and 10 part-time employees.*

3     “(b) GRANTS.—

4             “(1) IN GENERAL.—From the amounts appro-  
5     *propriated under section 501(a)(4)(B) and allotted under*  
6     *paragraph (2)(A), the Corporation shall make grants*  
7     *(including financial assistance and a corresponding*  
8     *allotment of approved national service positions), to*  
9     *the State Commission of each of the several States, the*  
10    *District of Columbia, and the Commonwealth of Puer-*  
11    *to Rico with an application approved under this sec-*  
12    *tion, to enable such State Commissions to award*  
13    *ServeAmerica Fellowships under subsection (e).*

14            “(2) ALLOTMENT; ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS.—

15               “(A) ALLOTMENT.—The amount allotted to  
16     *a State Commission for a fiscal year shall be*  
17     *equal to an amount that bears the same ratio to*  
18     *the amount appropriated under section*  
19     *501(a)(4)(B), as the population of the State*  
20     *bears to the total population of the several*  
21     *States, the District of Columbia, and the Com-*  
22     *monwealth of Puerto Rico.*

23               “(B) REALLOTMENT.—If a State Commis-  
24     *sion does not apply for an allotment under this*  
25     *subsection for any fiscal year, or if the State*

1           *Commission's application is not approved, the*  
2           *Corporation shall reallocate the amount of the State*  
3           *Commission's allotment to the remaining State*  
4           *Commissions in accordance with subparagraph*  
5           *(A).*

6           “(C) *ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS.—Of the*  
7           *amount allotted to a State Commission under*  
8           *subparagraph (A), not more than 1.5 percent of*  
9           *such amount may be used for administrative*  
10          *costs.*

11          “(3) *NUMBER OF POSITIONS.—The Corporation*  
12          *shall—*

13               “(A) *establish or increase the number of ap-*  
14               *proved national service positions under this sub-*  
15               *section during each of fiscal years 2010 through*  
16               *2014;*

17               “(B) *establish the number of approved posi-*  
18               *tions at 500 for fiscal year 2010; and*

19               “(C) *increase the number of the approved*  
20               *positions to—*

21                       “(i) *750 for fiscal year 2011;*

22                       “(ii) *1,000 for fiscal year 2012;*

23                       “(iii) *1,250 for fiscal year 2013; and*

24                       “(iv) *1,500 for fiscal year 2014.*

25          “(4) *USES OF GRANT FUNDS.—*



1           “(A) *REQUIRED USES.*—A grant awarded  
2           under this subsection shall be used to enable fel-  
3           lows to carry out service projects in areas of na-  
4           tional need.

5           “(B) *PERMITTED USES.*—A grant awarded  
6           under this subsection may be used for—

7                   “(i) *oversight activities and mecha-*  
8                   *nisms for the service sites of the fellows, as*  
9                   *determined necessary by the State Commis-*  
10                  *sion or the Corporation, which may include*  
11                  *site visits;*

12                  “(ii) *activities to augment the experi-*  
13                  *ence of fellows, including activities to en-*  
14                  *gage the fellows in networking opportunities*  
15                  *with other national service participants;*  
16                  *and*

17                  “(iii) *recruitment or training activi-*  
18                  *ties for fellows.*

19           “(5) *APPLICATIONS.*—To be eligible to receive a  
20           grant under this subsection, a State Commission shall  
21           submit an application to the Corporation at such  
22           time, in such manner, and containing such informa-  
23           tion as the Corporation may require, including infor-  
24           mation on the criteria and procedures that the State  
25           Commission will use for overseeing ServeAmerica Fel-

1 *lowship placements for service projects, under sub-*  
2 *section (e).*

3 “(c) *ELIGIBLE FELLOWSHIP RECIPIENTS.—*

4 “(1) *APPLICATION.—*

5 “(A) *IN GENERAL.—An applicant desiring*  
6 *to become an eligible fellowship recipient shall*  
7 *submit an application to a State Commission*  
8 *that has elected to participate in the program*  
9 *authorized under this section, at such time and*  
10 *in such manner as the Commission may require,*  
11 *and containing the information described in sub-*  
12 *paragraph (B) and such additional information*  
13 *as the Commission may require. An applicant*  
14 *may submit such application to only 1 State*  
15 *Commission for a fiscal year.*

16 “(B) *CONTENTS.—The Corporation shall*  
17 *specify information to be provided in an appli-*  
18 *cation submitted under this subsection, which—*

19 “(i) *shall include—*

20 “(I) *a description of the area of*  
21 *national need that the applicant in-*  
22 *tends to address in the service project;*

23 “(II) *a description of the skills*  
24 *and experience the applicant has to*  
25 *address the area of national need;*

1                   “(III) a description of the type of  
2                   service the applicant plans to provide  
3                   as a fellow; and

4                   “(IV) information identifying the  
5                   local area within the State served by  
6                   the Commission in which the applicant  
7                   plans to serve for the service project;  
8                   and

9                   “(ii) may include, if the applicant  
10                  chooses, the size of the registered service  
11                  sponsor organization with which the appli-  
12                  cant hopes to serve.

13                  “(2) *SELECTION.*—Each State Commission  
14                  shall—

15                  “(A) select, from the applications received  
16                  by the State Commission for a fiscal year, the  
17                  number of eligible fellowship recipients that may  
18                  be supported for that fiscal year based on the  
19                  amount of the grant received by the State Com-  
20                  mission under subsection (b); and

21                  “(B) make an effort to award one-third of  
22                  the fellowships available to the State Commission  
23                  for a fiscal year, based on the amount of the  
24                  grant received under subsection (b), to applicants  
25                  who propose to serve the fellowship with small

1           *service sponsor organizations registered under*  
2           *subsection (d).*

3           “(d) *SERVICE SPONSOR ORGANIZATIONS.—*

4                 “(1) *IN GENERAL.—Each service sponsor organi-*  
5                 *zation shall—*

6                         “(A) *be a nonprofit organization;*

7                         “(B) *satisfy qualification criteria estab-*  
8                         *lished by the Corporation or the State Commis-*  
9                         *sion, including standards relating to organiza-*  
10                         *tional capacity, financial management, and pro-*  
11                         *grammatic oversight;*

12                         “(C) *not be a recipient of other assistance,*  
13                         *approved national service positions, or approved*  
14                         *summer of service positions under the national*  
15                         *service laws; and*

16                         “(D) *at the time of registration with a*  
17                         *State Commission, enter into an agreement pro-*  
18                         *viding that the service sponsor organization*  
19                         *shall—*

20                                 “(i) *abide by all program require-*  
21                                 *ments;*

22                                 “(ii) *provide an amount described in*  
23                                 *subsection (e)(3)(b) for each fellow serving*  
24                                 *with the organization through the*  
25                                 *ServeAmerica Fellowship;*

1           “(iii) be responsible for certifying  
2           whether each fellow serving with the organi-  
3           zation successfully completed the  
4           ServeAmerica Fellowship, and record and  
5           certify in a manner specified by the Cor-  
6           poration the number of hours served by a  
7           fellow for purposes of determining the fel-  
8           low’s eligibility for benefits; and

9           “(iv) provide timely access to records  
10          relating to the ServeAmerica Fellowship to  
11          the State Commission, the Corporation, and  
12          the Inspector General of the Corporation.

13          “(2) REGISTRATION.—

14           “(A) REQUIREMENT.—No service sponsor  
15           organization may receive a fellow under this sec-  
16           tion until the organization registers with the  
17           State Commission.

18           “(B) CLEARINGHOUSE.—The State Com-  
19           mission shall maintain a list of registered service  
20           sponsor organizations on a public website.

21           “(C) REVOCATION.—If a State Commission  
22           determines that a service sponsor organization is  
23           in violation of any of the applicable provisions  
24           of this section—

1           “(i) the State Commission shall revoke  
2           the registration of the organization;

3           “(ii) the organization shall not be eli-  
4           gible to receive assistance, approved na-  
5           tional service positions, or approved sum-  
6           mer of service positions under this title for  
7           not less than 5 years; and

8           “(iii) the State Commission shall have  
9           the right to remove a fellow from the orga-  
10          nization and relocate the fellow to another  
11          site.

12          “(e) FELLOWS.—

13           “(1) IN GENERAL.—To be eligible to participate  
14          in a service project as a fellow and receive a  
15          ServeAmerica Fellowship, an eligible fellowship re-  
16          cipient shall—

17           “(A) within 3 months after being selected as  
18          an eligible fellowship recipient by a State Com-  
19          mission, select a registered service sponsor orga-  
20          nization described in subsection (d)—

21           “(i) with which the recipient is inter-  
22          ested in serving under this section; and

23           “(ii) that is located in the State served  
24          by the State Commission;

1           “(B) enter into an agreement with the orga-  
2           nization—

3                   “(i) that specifies the service the recipi-  
4                   ent will provide if the placement is ap-  
5                   proved; and

6                   “(ii) in which the recipient agrees to  
7                   serve for 1 year on a full-time or part-time  
8                   basis (as determined by the Corporation);  
9                   and

10           “(C) submit such agreement to the State  
11           Commission.

12           “(2) AWARD.—Upon receiving the eligible fellow-  
13           ship recipient’s agreement under paragraph (1), the  
14           State Commission shall award a ServeAmerica Fel-  
15           lowship to the recipient and designate the recipient as  
16           a fellow.

17           “(3) FELLOWSHIP AMOUNT.—

18                   “(A) IN GENERAL.—From amounts received  
19                   under subsection (b), each State Commission  
20                   shall award each of the State’s fellows a  
21                   ServeAmerica Fellowship amount that is equal  
22                   to 50 percent of the amount of the average an-  
23                   nual VISTA subsistence allowance.

24                   “(B) AMOUNT FROM SERVICE SPONSOR OR-  
25                   GANIZATION.—

1           “(i) *IN GENERAL.*—*Except as provided*  
2           *in clause (ii) and subparagraph (E), the*  
3           *service sponsor organization shall award to*  
4           *the fellow serving such organization an*  
5           *amount that will ensure that the total*  
6           *award received by the fellow for service in*  
7           *the service project (consisting of such*  
8           *amount and the ServeAmerica Fellowship*  
9           *amount the fellow receives under subpara-*  
10           *graph (A)) is equal to or greater than 70*  
11           *percent of the average annual VISTA sub-*  
12           *sistence allowance.*

13           “(ii) *SMALL SERVICE SPONSOR ORGA-*  
14           *NIZATIONS.*—*In the case of a small service*  
15           *sponsor organization, the small service*  
16           *sponsor organization may decrease the*  
17           *amount of the service sponsor organization*  
18           *award required under clause (i) to not less*  
19           *than an amount that will ensure that the*  
20           *total award received by the fellow for service*  
21           *in the service project (as calculated in*  
22           *clause (i)) is equal to or greater than 60*  
23           *percent of the average annual VISTA sub-*  
24           *sistence allowance.*



1           “(C) *MAXIMUM LIVING ALLOWANCE.*—*The*  
2           *total amount that may be provided to a fellow*  
3           *under this subparagraph shall not exceed 100*  
4           *percent of the average annual VISTA subsistence*  
5           *allowance.*

6           “(D) *PRORATION OF AMOUNT.*—*In the case*  
7           *of a fellow who is authorized to serve a part-time*  
8           *term of service under the agreement described in*  
9           *paragraph (1)(B)(ii), the amount provided to a*  
10           *fellow under this paragraph shall be prorated ac-*  
11           *cordingly.*

12           “(E) *WAIVER.*—*The Corporation may allow*  
13           *a State Commission to waive the amount re-*  
14           *quired under subparagraph (B) from the service*  
15           *sponsor organization for a fellow serving the or-*  
16           *ganization if—*

17                   “(i) *such requirement is inconsistent*  
18                   *with the objectives of the ServeAmerica Fel-*  
19                   *lowship program; and*

20                   “(ii) *the amount provided to the fellow*  
21                   *under subparagraph (A) is sufficient to*  
22                   *meet the necessary costs of living (including*  
23                   *food, housing, and transportation) in the*  
24                   *area in which the ServeAmerica Fellowship*  
25                   *program is located.*

1           “(F) *DEFINITION.*—*In this paragraph, the*  
2           *term ‘average annual VISTA subsistence allow-*  
3           *ance’ means the total average annual subsistence*  
4           *allowance provided to VISTA volunteers under*  
5           *section 105 of the Domestic Volunteer Service Act*  
6           *of 1973 (42 U.S.C. 4955).*

7           “(f) *COMPLIANCE WITH INELIGIBLE SERVICE CAT-*  
8           *EGORIES.*—*Service under a ServeAmerica Fellowship shall*  
9           *comply with section 132(a). For purposes of applying that*  
10          *section to this subsection, a reference to assistance shall be*  
11          *considered to be a reference to assistance provided under*  
12          *this section.*

13          “(g) *REPORTS.*—*Each service sponsor organization*  
14          *that receives a fellow under this section shall, on a biweekly*  
15          *basis, report to the Corporation on the number of hours*  
16          *served and the services provided by that fellow. The Cor-*  
17          *poration shall establish a web portal for the organizations*  
18          *to use in reporting the information.*

19          “(h) *EDUCATIONAL AWARDS.*—*A fellow who serves in*  
20          *a service project under this section shall be considered to*  
21          *have served in an approved national service position and,*  
22          *upon meeting the requirements of section 147 for full-time*  
23          *or part-time national service, shall be eligible for a national*  
24          *service educational award described in such section. The*  
25          *Corporation shall transfer an appropriate amount of funds*

1 *to the National Service Trust to provide for the national*  
2 *service educational award for such fellow.*

3 **“SEC. 198C. SILVER SCHOLARSHIPS AND ENCORE FELLOW-**  
4 **SHIPS.**

5 “(a) *SILVER SCHOLARSHIP GRANT PROGRAM.*—

6 “(1) *ESTABLISHMENT.*—*The Corporation may*  
7 *award fixed-amount grants (in accordance with sec-*  
8 *tion 129(l)) to community-based entities to carry out*  
9 *a Silver Scholarship Grant Program for individuals*  
10 *age 55 or older, in which such individuals complete*  
11 *not less than 350 hours of service in a year carrying*  
12 *out projects of national need and receive a Silver*  
13 *Scholarship in the form of a \$1,000 national service*  
14 *educational award. Under such a program, the Cor-*  
15 *poration shall establish criteria for the types of the*  
16 *service required to be performed to receive such*  
17 *award.*

18 “(2) *TERM.*—*Each program funded under this*  
19 *subsection shall be carried out over a period of 3*  
20 *years (which may include 1 planning year), with a*  
21 *1-year extension possible, if the program meets per-*  
22 *formance levels developed in accordance with section*  
23 *179(k) and any other criteria determined by the Cor-*  
24 *poration.*

1           “(3) *APPLICATIONS.*—*To be eligible for a grant*  
2           *under this subsection, a community-based entity*  
3           *shall—*

4                   “(A) *submit to the Corporation an applica-*  
5                   *tion at such time and in such manner as the*  
6                   *Chief Executive Officer may reasonably require;*  
7                   *and*

8                   “(B) *be a listed organization as described in*  
9                   *subsection (b)(4).*

10           “(4) *COLLABORATION ENCOURAGED.*—*A commu-*  
11           *nity-based entity awarded a grant under this sub-*  
12           *section is encouraged to collaborate with programs*  
13           *funded under title II of the Domestic Volunteer Serv-*  
14           *ice Act of 1973 in carrying out this program.*

15           “(5) *ELIGIBILITY FOR FELLOWSHIP.*—*An indi-*  
16           *vidual is eligible to receive a Silver Scholarship if the*  
17           *community-based entity certifies to the Corporation*  
18           *that the individual has completed not less than 350*  
19           *hours of service under this section in a 1-year period.*

20           “(6) *TRANSFER TO TRUST.*—*The Corporation*  
21           *shall transfer an appropriate amount of funds to the*  
22           *National Service Trust to provide for the national*  
23           *service educational award for each silver scholar*  
24           *under this subsection.*

1           “(7) *SUPPORT SERVICES.*—*A community-based*  
2           *entity receiving a fixed-amount grant under this sub-*  
3           *section may use a portion of the grant to provide*  
4           *transportation services to an eligible individual to*  
5           *allow such individual to participate in a service*  
6           *project.*

7           “(b) *ENCORE FELLOWSHIPS.*—

8           “(1) *ESTABLISHMENT.*—*The Corporation may*  
9           *award 1-year Encore Fellowships to enable individ-*  
10           *uals age 55 or older to—*

11                   “(A) *carry out service projects in areas of*  
12                   *national need; and*

13                   “(B) *receive training and development in*  
14                   *order to transition to full- or part-time public*  
15                   *service in the nonprofit sector or government.*

16           “(2) *PROGRAM.*—*In carrying out the program,*  
17           *the Corporation shall—*

18                   “(A) *maintain a list of eligible organiza-*  
19                   *tions for which Encore Fellows may be placed to*  
20                   *carry out service projects through the program*  
21                   *and shall provide the list to all Fellowship re-*  
22                   *ipients; and*

23                   “(B) *at the request of a Fellowship recipi-*  
24                   *ent—*

1           “(i) determine whether the requesting  
2 recipient is able to meet the service needs of  
3 a listed organization, or another organiza-  
4 tion that the recipient requests in accord-  
5 ance with paragraph (5)(B), for a service  
6 project; and

7           “(ii) upon making a favorable deter-  
8 mination under clause (i), award the re-  
9 cipient with an Encore Fellowship, and  
10 place the recipient with the organization as  
11 an Encore Fellow under paragraph (5)(C).

12       “(3) ELIGIBLE RECIPIENTS.—

13           “(A) IN GENERAL.—An individual desiring  
14 to be selected as a Fellowship recipient shall—

15           “(i) be an individual who—

16           “(I) is age 55 or older as of the  
17 time the individual applies for the pro-  
18 gram; and

19           “(II) is not engaged in, but who  
20 wishes to engage in, full- or part-time  
21 public service in the nonprofit sector or  
22 government; and

23           “(ii) submit an application to the Cor-  
24 poration, at such time, in such manner,

1                   *and containing such information as the*  
2                   *Corporation may require, including—*

3                   *“(I) a description of the area of*  
4                   *national need that the applicant hopes*  
5                   *to address through the service project;*

6                   *“(II) a description of the skills*  
7                   *and experience the applicant has to*  
8                   *address an area of national need; and*

9                   *“(III) information identifying the*  
10                  *region of the United States in which*  
11                  *the applicant wishes to serve.*

12                  *“(B) SELECTION BASIS.—In determining*  
13                  *which individuals to select as Fellowship recipi-*  
14                  *ents, the Corporation shall—*

15                  *“(i) select not more than 10 individ-*  
16                  *uals from each State; and*

17                  *“(ii) give priority to individuals with*  
18                  *skills and experience for which there is an*  
19                  *ongoing high demand in the nonprofit sec-*  
20                  *tor and government.*

21                  *“(4) LISTED ORGANIZATIONS.—To be listed*  
22                  *under paragraph (2)(A), an organization shall—*

23                  *“(A) be a nonprofit organization; and*

24                  *“(B) submit an application to the Corpora-*  
25                  *tion at such time, in such manner, and con-*

1           *taining such information as the Corporation*  
2           *may require, including—*

3                   “(i) a description of—

4                           “(I) the services and activities the  
5                           organization carries out generally;

6                           “(II) the area of national need  
7                           that the organization seeks to address  
8                           through a service project; and

9                           “(III) the services and activities  
10                          the organization seeks to carry out  
11                          through the proposed service project;

12                   “(ii) a description of the skills and ex-  
13                   perience that an eligible *Encore Fellowship*  
14                   recipient needs to be placed with the organi-  
15                   zation as an *Encore Fellow* for the service  
16                   project;

17                   “(iii) a description of the training and  
18                   leadership development the organization  
19                   shall provide an *Encore Fellow* placed with  
20                   the organization to assist the *Encore Fellow*  
21                   in obtaining a public service job in the non-  
22                   profit sector or government after the period  
23                   of the *Encore Fellowship*; and

24                   “(iv) evidence of the organization’s fi-  
25                   nancial stability.



1           “(5) *PLACEMENT*.—

2                   “(A) *REQUEST FOR PLACEMENT WITH LIST-*  
3                   *ED ORGANIZATIONS*.—*To be placed with a listed*  
4                   *organization in accordance with paragraph*  
5                   *(2)(B) for a service project, an eligible Encore*  
6                   *Fellowship recipient shall submit an application*  
7                   *for such placement to the Corporation at such*  
8                   *time, in such manner, and containing such in-*  
9                   *formation as the Corporation may require.*

10                  “(B) *REQUEST FOR PLACEMENT WITH*  
11                  *OTHER ORGANIZATION*.—*An eligible Encore Fel-*  
12                  *lowship recipient may apply to the Corporation*  
13                  *to serve the recipient’s Encore Fellowship year*  
14                  *with a nonprofit organization that is not a listed*  
15                  *organization. Such application shall be sub-*  
16                  *mitted to the Corporation at such time, in such*  
17                  *manner, and containing such information as the*  
18                  *Corporation shall require, and shall include—*

19                          “(i) *an identification and description*  
20                          *of—*

21    “(I) *the organization;*

22    “(II) *the area of national need the*  
23    *organization seeks to address; and*

1                   “(III) the services or activities the  
2                   organization carries out to address  
3                   such area of national need;

4                   “(ii) a description of the services the  
5                   eligible Encore Fellowship recipient shall  
6                   provide for the organization as an Encore  
7                   Fellow; and

8                   “(iii) a letter of support from the lead-  
9                   er of the organization, including—

10                   “(I) a description of the organiza-  
11                   tion’s need for the eligible Encore Fel-  
12                   lowship recipient’s services;

13                   “(II) evidence that the organiza-  
14                   tion is financially sound;

15                   “(III) an assurance that the orga-  
16                   nization will provide training and  
17                   leadership development to the eligible  
18                   Encore Fellowship recipient if placed  
19                   with the organization as an Encore  
20                   Fellow, to assist the Encore Fellow in  
21                   obtaining a public service job in the  
22                   nonprofit sector or government after  
23                   the period of the Encore Fellowship;  
24                   and

1                   “(IV) a description of the training  
2                   and leadership development to be pro-  
3                   vided to the Encore Fellowship recipi-  
4                   ent if so placed.

5                   “(C) *PLACEMENT AND AWARD OF FELLOW-*  
6                   *SHIP.—If the Corporation determines that the el-*  
7                   *igible Encore Fellowship recipient is able to meet*  
8                   *the service needs (including skills and experience*  
9                   *to address an area of national need) of the orga-*  
10                   *nization that the eligible fellowship recipient re-*  
11                   *quests under subparagraph (A) or (B), the Cor-*  
12                   *poration shall—*

13                   “(i) approve the placement of the eligi-  
14                   ble Encore Fellowship recipient with the or-  
15                   ganization;

16                   “(ii) award the eligible Encore Fellow-  
17                   ship recipient an Encore Fellowship for a  
18                   period of 1 year and designate the eligible  
19                   Encore Fellowship recipient as an Encore  
20                   Fellow; and

21                   “(iii) in awarding the Encore Fellow-  
22                   ship, make a payment, in the amount of  
23                   \$11,000, to the organization to enable the  
24                   organization to provide living expenses to

1           *the Encore Fellow for the year in which the*  
2           *Encore Fellow agrees to serve.*

3           “(6) *MATCHING FUNDS.*—*An organization that*  
4           *receives an Encore Fellow under this subsection shall*  
5           *agree to provide, for the living expenses of the Encore*  
6           *Fellow during the year of service, non-Federal con-*  
7           *tributions in an amount equal to not less than \$1 for*  
8           *every \$1 of Federal funds provided to the organiza-*  
9           *tion for the Encore Fellow through the Encore Fellow-*  
10          *ship.*

11          “(7) *TRAINING AND ASSISTANCE.*—*Each organi-*  
12          *zation that receives an Encore Fellow under this sub-*  
13          *section shall provide training, leadership develop-*  
14          *ment, and assistance to the Encore Fellow, and con-*  
15          *duct oversight of the service provided by the Encore*  
16          *Fellow.*

17          “(8) *LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT.*—*Each year,*  
18          *the Corporation shall convene current and former En-*  
19          *core Fellows to discuss the Encore Fellows’ experiences*  
20          *related to service under this subsection and discuss*  
21          *strategies for increasing leadership and careers in*  
22          *public service in the nonprofit sector or government.*

23          “(c) *EVALUATIONS.*—*The Corporation shall conduct*  
24          *an independent evaluation of the programs authorized*  
25          *under subsections (a) and (b) and widely disseminate the*

1 *results, including recommendations for improvement, to the*  
2 *service community through multiple channels, including the*  
3 *Corporation’s Resource Center or a clearinghouse of effective*  
4 *strategies.”.*

5 **SEC. 1806. NATIONAL SERVICE RESERVE CORPS.**

6 *Subtitle H of title I (42 U.S.C. 12653 et seq.) is further*  
7 *amended by adding at the end the following:*

8 **“PART II—NATIONAL SERVICE RESERVE CORPS**

9 **“SEC. 198H. NATIONAL SERVICE RESERVE CORPS.**

10 *“(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section—*

11 *“(1) the term ‘National Service Reserve Corps*  
12 *member’ means an individual who—*

13 *“(A) has completed a term of national serv-*  
14 *ice or is a veteran;*

15 *“(B) has successfully completed training de-*  
16 *scribed in subsection (c) within the previous 2*  
17 *years;*

18 *“(C) completes not less than 10 hours of vol-*  
19 *unteering each year (which may include the*  
20 *training session described in subparagraph (B));*  
21 *and*

22 *“(D) has indicated interest to the Corpora-*  
23 *tion in responding to disasters and emergencies*  
24 *in a timely manner through the National Service*  
25 *Reserve Corps; and*

1           “(2) *the term ‘term of national service’ means a*  
2           *term or period of service under section 123.*

3           “(b) *ESTABLISHMENT OF NATIONAL SERVICE RE-*  
4           *SERVE CORPS.—*

5           “(1) *IN GENERAL.—In consultation with the*  
6           *Federal Emergency Management Agency, the Cor-*  
7           *poration shall establish a National Service Reserve*  
8           *Corps to prepare and deploy National Service Reserve*  
9           *Corps members to respond to disasters and emer-*  
10           *gencies in support of national service programs and*  
11           *other requesting programs and agencies.*

12           “(2) *GRANTS OR CONTRACTS.—In carrying out*  
13           *this section, the Corporation may enter into a grant*  
14           *or contract with an organization experienced in re-*  
15           *sponding to disasters or in coordinating individuals*  
16           *who have completed a term of national service or are*  
17           *veterans, or may directly deploy National Service Re-*  
18           *serve Corps members, as the Corporation determines*  
19           *necessary.*

20           “(c) *ANNUAL TRAINING.—The Corporation shall con-*  
21           *duct or coordinate annual training sessions, consistent with*  
22           *the training requirements of the Federal Emergency Man-*  
23           *agement Agency, for individuals who have completed a term*  
24           *of national service or are veterans, and who wish to join*  
25           *the National Service Reserve Corps.*

1 “(d) *DESIGNATION OF ORGANIZATIONS.*—

2 “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Corporation shall des-*  
3 *ignate organizations with demonstrated experience in*  
4 *responding to disasters or emergencies, including*  
5 *through using volunteers, for participation in the pro-*  
6 *gram under this section.*

7 “(2) *REQUIREMENTS.*—*The Corporation shall*  
8 *ensure that every designated organization is—*

9 “(A) *prepared to respond to disasters or*  
10 *emergencies;*

11 “(B) *prepared and able to utilize National*  
12 *Service Reserve Corps members in responding to*  
13 *disasters or emergencies; and*

14 “(C) *willing to respond in a timely manner*  
15 *when notified by the Corporation of a disaster or*  
16 *emergency.*

17 “(e) *DATABASES.*—*The Corporation shall develop or*  
18 *contract with an outside organization to develop—*

19 “(1) *a database of all National Service Reserve*  
20 *Corps members; and*

21 “(2) *a database of all nonprofit organizations*  
22 *that have been designated by the Corporation under*  
23 *subsection (d).*

24 “(f) *DEPLOYMENT OF NATIONAL SERVICE RESERVE*  
25 *CORPS.*—

1           “(1) *MAJOR DISASTERS OR EMERGENCIES.*—If a  
2           *major disaster or emergency is declared by the Presi-*  
3           *dent pursuant to section 102 of the Robert T. Stafford*  
4           *Disaster Relief and Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5122),*  
5           *the Administrator of the Federal Emergency Manage-*  
6           *ment Agency, in consultation with the Corporation,*  
7           *may task the National Service Reserve Corps to assist*  
8           *in response.*

9           “(2) *OTHER DISASTERS OR EMERGENCIES.*—For  
10           *a disaster or emergency that is not declared a major*  
11           *disaster or emergency under section 102 of the Robert*  
12           *T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Assistance Act (42*  
13           *U.S.C. 5122), the Corporation may directly, or*  
14           *through a grant or contract, deploy the National*  
15           *Service Reserve Corps.*

16           “(3) *DEPLOYMENT.*—Under paragraph (1) or  
17           (2), the Corporation may—

18                   “(A) *deploy interested National Service Re-*  
19                   *serve Corps members on assignments of not more*  
20                   *than 30 days to assist with local needs related to*  
21                   *preparing or recovering from the incident in the*  
22                   *affected area, either directly or through organiza-*  
23                   *tions designated under subsection (d);*



1           “(B) make travel arrangements for the de-  
2           ployed National Service Reserve Corps members  
3           to the site of the incident; and

4           “(C) provide funds to those organizations  
5           that are responding to the incident with de-  
6           ployed National Service Reserve Corps members,  
7           to enable the organizations to coordinate and  
8           provide housing, living stipends, and insurance  
9           for those deployed members.

10          “(4) ALLOWANCE.—Any amounts that are uti-  
11          lized by the Corporation from funds appropriated  
12          under section 501(a)(4)(D) to carry out paragraph  
13          (1) for a fiscal year shall be kept in a separate fund.  
14          Any amounts in such fund that are not used during  
15          a fiscal year shall remain available to use to pay Na-  
16          tional Service Reserve Corps members an allowance,  
17          determined by the Corporation, for out-of-pocket ex-  
18          penses.

19          “(5) INFORMATION.—

20          “(A) NATIONAL SERVICE PARTICIPANTS.—  
21          The Corporation, the State Commissions, and  
22          entities receiving financial assistance for pro-  
23          grams under subtitle C of this Act, or under part  
24          A of title I of the Domestic Volunteer Service Act  
25          of 1973 (42 U.S.C. 4951 et seq.), shall inform

1           *participants about the National Service Reserve*  
2           *Corps upon the participants' completion of their*  
3           *term of national service.*

4           “(B) *VETERANS.—The Secretary of Vet-*  
5           *erans Affairs, in consultation with the Secretary*  
6           *of Defense, shall inform veterans who are re-*  
7           *cently discharged, released, or separated from the*  
8           *Armed Forces about the National Service Reserve*  
9           *Corps.*

10          “(6) *COORDINATION.—In deploying National*  
11          *Service Reserve Corps members under this subsection,*  
12          *the Corporation shall—*

13                 “(A) *avoid duplication of activities directed*  
14                 *by the Federal Emergency Management Agency;*  
15                 *and*

16                 “(B) *consult and, as appropriate, partner*  
17                 *with Citizen Corps programs and other local dis-*  
18                 *aster agencies, including State and local emer-*  
19                 *gency management agencies, voluntary organiza-*  
20                 *tions active in disaster, State Commissions, and*  
21                 *similar organizations, in the affected area.”.*

22   **SEC. 1807. SOCIAL INNOVATION FUNDS PILOT PROGRAM.**

23           *Subtitle H of title I (42 U.S.C. 12653 et seq.) is further*  
24   *amended by adding at the end the following:*

1    **“PART III—SOCIAL INNOVATION FUNDS PILOT**  
2                                    **PROGRAM**

3    **“SEC. 198K. FUNDS.**

4            “(a) *FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:*

5                    “(1) *Social entrepreneurs and other nonprofit*  
6                    *community organizations are developing innovative*  
7                    *and effective solutions to national and local chal-*  
8                    *lenges.*

9                    “(2) *Increased public and private investment in*  
10                    *replicating and expanding proven effective solutions,*  
11                    *and supporting new solutions, developed by social en-*  
12                    *trepreneurs and other nonprofit community organiza-*  
13                    *tions could allow those entrepreneurs and organiza-*  
14                    *tions to replicate and expand proven initiatives, and*  
15                    *support new initiatives, in communities.*

16                    “(3) *A network of Social Innovation Funds could*  
17                    *leverage Federal investments to increase State, local,*  
18                    *business, and philanthropic resources to replicate and*  
19                    *expand proven solutions and invest in supporting*  
20                    *new innovations to tackle specific identified commu-*  
21                    *nity challenges.*

22            “(b) *PURPOSES.—The purposes of this section are—*

23                    “(1) *to recognize and increase the impact of so-*  
24                    *cial entrepreneurs and other nonprofit community or-*  
25                    *ganizations in tackling national and local challenges;*

1           “(2) to stimulate the development of a network  
2 of Social Innovation Funds that will increase private  
3 and public investment in nonprofit community orga-  
4 nizations that are effectively addressing national and  
5 local challenges to allow such organizations to rep-  
6 licate and expand proven initiatives or support new  
7 initiatives;

8           “(3) to assess the effectiveness of such Funds  
9 in—

10           “(A) leveraging Federal investments to in-  
11 crease State, local, business, and philanthropic  
12 resources to address national and local chal-  
13 lenges;

14           “(B) providing resources to replicate and  
15 expand effective initiatives; and

16           “(C) seeding experimental initiatives fo-  
17 cused on improving outcomes in the areas de-  
18 scribed in subsection (f)(3); and

19           “(4) to strengthen the infrastructure to identify,  
20 invest in, replicate, and expand initiatives with effec-  
21 tive solutions to national and local challenges.

22           “(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

23           “(1) COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION.—The term  
24 ‘community organization’ means a nonprofit organi-

1        *zation that carries out innovative, effective initiatives*  
2        *to address community challenges.*

3            “(2) *COVERED ENTITY.*—*The term ‘covered enti-*  
4        *ty’ means—*

5            “(A) *an existing grantmaking institution*  
6            *(existing as of the date on which the institution*  
7            *applies for a grant under this section); or*

8            “(B) *a partnership between—*

9            “(i) *such an existing grantmaking in-*  
10        *stitution; and*

11            “(ii) *an additional grantmaking insti-*  
12            *tution, a State Commission, or a chief exec-*  
13            *utive officer of a unit of general local gov-*  
14            *ernment.*

15            “(3) *ISSUE AREA.*—*The term ‘issue area’ means*  
16        *an area described in subsection (f)(3).*

17            “(d) *PROGRAM.*—*From the amounts appropriated to*  
18        *carry out this section that are not reserved under sub-*  
19        *sections (l) and (m), the Corporation shall establish a Social*  
20        *Innovation Funds grant program to make grants on a com-*  
21        *petitive basis to eligible entities for Social Innovation*  
22        *Funds.*

23            “(e) *PERIODS; AMOUNTS.*—*The Corporation shall*  
24        *make such grants for periods of 5 years, and may renew*  
25        *the grants for additional periods of 5 years, in amounts*

1 *of not less than \$1,000,000 and not more than \$10,000,000*  
2 *per year.*

3 “(f) *ELIGIBILITY.—To be eligible to receive a grant*  
4 *under subsection (d), an entity shall—*

5 “(1) *be a covered entity;*

6 “(2) *propose to focus on—*

7 “(A) *serving a specific local geographical*  
8 *area; or*

9 “(B) *addressing a specific issue area;*

10 “(3) *propose to focus on improving measurable*  
11 *outcomes relating to—*

12 “(A) *education for economically disadvan-*  
13 *taged elementary or secondary school students;*

14 “(B) *child and youth development;*

15 “(C) *reductions in poverty or increases in*  
16 *economic opportunity for economically disadvan-*  
17 *taged individuals;*

18 “(D) *health, including access to health serv-*  
19 *ices and health education;*

20 “(E) *resource conservation and local envi-*  
21 *ronmental quality;*

22 “(F) *individual or community energy effi-*  
23 *ciency;*

24 “(G) *civic engagement; or*

25 “(H) *reductions in crime;*

1           “(4) have an evidence-based decisionmaking  
2 strategy, including—

3           “(A) use of evidence produced by prior rig-  
4 orous evaluations of program effectiveness in-  
5 cluding, where available, well-implemented ran-  
6 domized controlled trials; and

7           “(B) a well-articulated plan to—

8           “(i)(I) replicate and expand research-  
9 proven initiatives that have been shown to  
10 produce sizeable, sustained benefits to par-  
11 ticipants or society; or

12           “(II) support new initiatives with a  
13 substantial likelihood of significant impact;  
14 or

15           “(ii) partner with a research organiza-  
16 tion to carry out rigorous evaluations to as-  
17 sess the effectiveness of such initiatives; and

18           “(5) have appropriate policies, as determined by  
19 the Corporation, that protect against conflict of inter-  
20 est, self-dealing, and other improper practices.

21           “(g) APPLICATION.—To be eligible to receive a grant  
22 under subsection (d) for national leveraging capital, an eli-  
23 gible entity shall submit an application to the Corporation  
24 at such time, in such manner, and containing such infor-

1 *mation as the Corporation may specify, including, at a*  
2 *minimum—*

3       “(1) *an assurance that the eligible entity will—*

4               “(A) *use the funds received through that*  
5 *capital in order to make subgrants to commu-*  
6 *nity organizations that will use the funds to rep-*  
7 *licate or expand proven initiatives, or support*  
8 *new initiatives, in low-income communities;*

9               “(B) *in making decisions about subgrants*  
10 *for communities, consult with a diverse cross sec-*  
11 *tion of community representatives in the deci-*  
12 *sions, including individuals from the public,*  
13 *nonprofit private, and for-profit private sectors;*  
14 *and*

15               “(C) *make subgrants of a sufficient size and*  
16 *scope to enable the community organizations to*  
17 *build their capacity to manage initiatives, and*  
18 *sustain replication or expansion of the initia-*  
19 *tives;*

20       “(2) *an assurance that the eligible entity will not*  
21 *make any subgrants to the parent organizations of the*  
22 *eligible entity, a subsidiary organization of the par-*  
23 *ent organization, or, if the eligible entity applied for*  
24 *funds under this section as a partnership, any mem-*  
25 *ber of the partnership;*



1           “(3) an identification of, as appropriate—

2                   “(A) the specific local geographical area re-  
3                   ferred to in subsection (f)(2)(A) that the eligible  
4                   entity is proposing to serve; or

5                   “(B) the issue area referred to in subsection  
6                   (f)(2)(B) that the eligible entity will address,  
7                   and the geographical areas that the eligible enti-  
8                   ty is likely to serve in addressing such issue  
9                   area;

10           “(4)(A) information identifying the issue areas  
11           in which the eligible entity will work to improve  
12           measurable outcomes;

13                   “(B) statistics on the needs related to those issue  
14           areas in, as appropriate—

15                   “(i) the specific local geographical area de-  
16                   scribed in paragraph (3)(A); or

17                   “(ii) the geographical areas described in  
18                   paragraph (3)(B), including statistics dem-  
19                   onstrating that those geographical areas have  
20                   high need in the specific issue area that the eligi-  
21                   ble entity is proposing to address; and

22                   “(C) information on the specific measurable out-  
23           comes related to the issue areas involved that the eli-  
24           gible entity will seek to improve;

1           “(5) information describing the process by which  
2           the eligible entity selected, or will select, community  
3           organizations to receive the subgrants, to ensure that  
4           the community organizations—

5                 “(A) are institutions—

6                         “(i) with proven initiatives and a  
7                         demonstrated track record of achieving spe-  
8                         cific outcomes related to the measurable out-  
9                         comes for the eligible entity; or

10                         “(ii) that articulate a new solution  
11                         with a significant likelihood for substantial  
12                         impact;

13                 “(B) articulate measurable outcomes for the  
14                 use of the subgrant funds that are connected to  
15                 the measurable outcomes for the eligible entity;

16                 “(C) will use the funds to replicate, expand,  
17                 or support their initiatives;

18                 “(D) provide a well-defined plan for repli-  
19                 cating, expanding, or supporting the initiatives  
20                 funded;

21                 “(E) can sustain the initiatives after the  
22                 subgrant period concludes through reliable public  
23                 revenues, earned income, or private sector fund-  
24                 ing;

1           “(F) have strong leadership and financial  
2           and management systems;

3           “(G) are committed to the use of data collec-  
4           tion and evaluation for improvement of the ini-  
5           tiatives;

6           “(H) will implement and evaluate innova-  
7           tive initiatives, to be important contributors to  
8           knowledge in their fields; and

9           “(I) will meet the requirements for pro-  
10          viding matching funds specified in subsection  
11          (k);

12          “(6) information about the eligible entity, in-  
13          cluding its experience managing collaborative initia-  
14          tives, or assessing applicants for grants and evalu-  
15          ating the performance of grant recipients for outcome-  
16          focused initiatives, and any other relevant informa-  
17          tion;

18          “(7) a commitment to meet the requirements of  
19          subsection (i) and a plan for meeting the require-  
20          ments, including information on any funding that the  
21          eligible entity has secured to provide the matching  
22          funds required under that subsection;

23          “(8) a description of the eligible entity’s plan for  
24          providing technical assistance and support, other  
25          than financial support, to the community organiza-

1        *tions that will increase the ability of the community*  
2        *organizations to achieve their measurable outcomes;*

3                *“(9) information on the commitment, institu-*  
4        *tional capacity, and expertise of the eligible entity*  
5        *concerning—*

6                *“(A) collecting and analyzing data required*  
7        *for evaluations, compliance efforts, and other*  
8        *purposes;*

9                *“(B) supporting relevant research; and*

10               *“(C) submitting regular reports to the Cor-*  
11        *poration, including information on the initia-*  
12        *tives of the community organizations, and the*  
13        *replication or expansion of such initiatives;*

14               *“(10) a commitment to use data and evaluations*  
15        *to improve the eligible entity’s own model and to im-*  
16        *prove the initiatives funded by the eligible entity; and*

17               *“(11) a commitment to cooperate with any eval-*  
18        *uation activities undertaken by the Corporation.*

19        *“(h) SELECTION CRITERIA.—In selecting eligible enti-*  
20        *ties to receive grants under subsection (d), the Corporation*  
21        *shall—*

22               *“(1) select eligible entities on a competitive basis;*

23               *“(2) select eligible entities on the basis of the*  
24        *quality of their selection process, as described in sub-*  
25        *section (g)(5), the capacity of the eligible entities to*

1     *manage Social Innovation Funds, and the potential*  
2     *of the eligible entities to sustain the Funds after the*  
3     *conclusion of the grant period;*

4             “(3) *include among the grant recipients eligible*  
5     *entities that propose to provide subgrants to serve*  
6     *communities (such as rural low-income communities)*  
7     *that the eligible entities can demonstrate are signifi-*  
8     *cantly philanthropically underserved;*

9             “(4) *select a geographically diverse set of eligible*  
10    *entities; and*

11            “(5) *take into account broad community perspec-*  
12    *tives and support.*

13    “(i) *MATCHING FUNDS FOR GRANTS.—*

14            “(1) *IN GENERAL.—The Corporation may not*  
15    *make a grant to an eligible entity under subsection*  
16    *(d) for a Social Innovation Fund unless the entity*  
17    *agrees that, with respect to the cost described in sub-*  
18    *section (d) for that Fund, the entity will make avail-*  
19    *able matching funds in an amount equal to not less*  
20    *than \$1 for every \$1 of funds provided under the*  
21    *grant.*

22            “(2) *ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS.—*

23            “(A) *TYPE AND SOURCES.—The eligible en-*  
24    *tity shall provide the matching funds in cash.*

25            *The eligible entity shall provide the matching*

1        *funds from State, local, or private sources, which*  
2        *may include State or local agencies, businesses,*  
3        *private philanthropic organizations, or individ-*  
4        *uals.*

5                *“(B) ELIGIBLE ENTITIES INCLUDING STATE*  
6        *COMMISSIONS OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT OF-*  
7        *FICES.—*

8                *“(i) IN GENERAL.—In a case in which*  
9        *a State Commission, a local government of-*  
10        *fice, or both entities are a part of the eligi-*  
11        *ble entity, the State involved, the local gov-*  
12        *ernment involved, or both entities, respec-*  
13        *tively, shall contribute not less than 30 per-*  
14        *cent and not more than 50 percent of the*  
15        *matching funds.*

16                *“(ii) LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICE.—In*  
17        *this subparagraph, the term ‘local govern-*  
18        *ment office’ means the office of the chief ex-*  
19        *ecutive officer of a unit of general local gov-*  
20        *ernment.*

21                *“(3) REDUCTION.—The Corporation may reduce*  
22        *by 50 percent the matching funds required by para-*  
23        *graph (1) for an eligible entity serving a community*  
24        *(such as a rural low-income community) that the eli-*

1 *gible entity can demonstrate is significantly philan-*  
2 *thropically underserved.*

3 “(j) *SUBGRANTS.*—

4 “(1) *SUBGRANTS AUTHORIZED.*—*An eligible en-*  
5 *tity receiving a grant under subsection (d) is author-*  
6 *ized to use the funds made available through the*  
7 *grant to award, on a competitive basis, subgrants to*  
8 *expand or replicate proven initiatives, or support new*  
9 *initiatives with a substantial likelihood of success,*  
10 *to—*

11 “(A) *community organizations serving low-*  
12 *income communities within the specific local*  
13 *geographical area described in the eligible enti-*  
14 *ty’s application in accordance with subsection*  
15 *(g)(3)(A); or*

16 “(B) *community organizations addressing a*  
17 *specific issue area described in the eligible enti-*  
18 *ty’s application in accordance with subsection*  
19 *(g)(3)(B), in low-income communities in the geo-*  
20 *graphical areas described in the application.*

21 “(2) *PERIODS; AMOUNTS.*—*The eligible entity*  
22 *shall make such subgrants for periods of not less than*  
23 *3 and not more than 5 years, and may renew the sub-*  
24 *grants for such periods, in amounts of not less than*  
25 *\$100,000 per year.*

1           “(3) *APPLICATIONS.*—*To be eligible to receive a*  
2           *subgrant from an eligible entity under this section,*  
3           *including receiving a payment for that subgrant each*  
4           *year, a community organization shall submit an ap-*  
5           *plication to an eligible entity that serves the specific*  
6           *local geographical area, or geographical areas, that*  
7           *the community organization proposes to serve, at such*  
8           *time, in such manner, and containing such informa-*  
9           *tion as the eligible entity may require, including—*

10                   “(A) *a description of the initiative the com-*  
11                   *munity organization carries out and plans to*  
12                   *replicate or expand, or of the new initiative the*  
13                   *community organization intends to support,*  
14                   *using funds received from the eligible entity, and*  
15                   *how the initiative relates to the issue areas in*  
16                   *which the eligible entity has committed to work*  
17                   *in the eligible entity’s application, in accordance*  
18                   *with subsection (g)(4)(A);*

19                   “(B) *data on the measurable outcomes the*  
20                   *community organization has improved, and in-*  
21                   *formation on the measurable outcomes the com-*  
22                   *munity organization seeks to improve by repli-*  
23                   *cating or expanding a proven initiative or sup-*  
24                   *porting a new initiative, which shall be among*  
25                   *the measurable outcomes that the eligible entity*



1           *identified in the eligible entity’s application, in*  
2           *accordance with subsection (g)(4)(C);*

3           “(C) *an identification of the community in*  
4           *which the community organization proposes to*  
5           *carry out an initiative, which shall be within a*  
6           *local geographical area described in the eligible*  
7           *entity’s application in accordance with subpara-*  
8           *graph (A) or (B) of subsection (g)(3), as applica-*  
9           *ble;*

10           “(D) *a description of the evidence-based de-*  
11           *cisionmaking strategies the community organiza-*  
12           *tion uses to improve the measurable outcomes,*  
13           *including—*

14                   “(i) *use of evidence produced by prior*  
15                   *rigorous evaluations of program effective-*  
16                   *ness including, where available, well-imple-*  
17                   *mented randomized controlled trials; or*

18                   “(ii) *a well-articulated plan to con-*  
19                   *duct, or partner with a research organiza-*  
20                   *tion to conduct, rigorous evaluations to as-*  
21                   *sess the effectiveness of initiatives address-*  
22                   *ing national or local challenges;*

23           “(E) *a description of how the community*  
24           *organization uses data to analyze and improve*  
25           *its initiatives;*

1           “(F) *specific evidence of how the community*  
2           *organization will meet the requirements for pro-*  
3           *viding matching funds specified in subsection*  
4           *(k);*

5           “(G) *a description of how the community*  
6           *organization will sustain the replicated or ex-*  
7           *panded initiative after the conclusion of the*  
8           *subgrant period; and*

9           “(H) *any other information the eligible en-*  
10          *tity may require, including information nec-*  
11          *essary for the eligible entity to fulfill the require-*  
12          *ments of subsection (g)(5).*

13          “(k) *MATCHING FUNDS FOR SUBGRANTS.—*

14           “(1) *IN GENERAL.—An eligible entity may not*  
15           *make a subgrant to a community organization under*  
16           *this section for an initiative described in subsection*  
17           *(j)(3)(A) unless the organization agrees that, with re-*  
18           *spect to the cost of carrying out that initiative, the*  
19           *organization will make available, on an annual basis,*  
20           *matching funds in an amount equal to not less than*  
21           *\$1 for every \$1 of funds provided under the subgrant.*  
22           *If the community organization fails to make such*  
23           *matching funds available for a fiscal year, the eligible*  
24           *entity shall not make payments for the remaining fis-*

1     *cal years of the subgrant period, notwithstanding any*  
2     *other provision of this part.*

3             “(2) *TYPES AND SOURCES.*—*The community or-*  
4     *ganization shall provide the matching funds in cash.*  
5     *The community organization shall provide the match-*  
6     *ing funds from State, local, or private sources, which*  
7     *may include funds from State or local agencies or*  
8     *private sector funding.*

9             “(l) *DIRECT SUPPORT.*—

10            “(1) *PROGRAM AUTHORIZED.*—*The Corporation*  
11     *may use not more than 10 percent of the funds appro-*  
12     *priated for this section to award grants to community*  
13     *organizations serving low-income communities or ad-*  
14     *ressing a specific issue area in geographical areas*  
15     *that have the highest need in that issue area, to en-*  
16     *able such community organizations to replicate or ex-*  
17     *pand proven initiatives or support new initiatives.*

18            “(2) *TERMS AND CONDITIONS.*—*A grant awarded*  
19     *under this subsection shall be subject to the same*  
20     *terms and conditions as a subgrant awarded under*  
21     *subsection (j).*

22            “(3) *APPLICATION; MATCHING FUNDS.*—*Para-*  
23     *graphs (2) and (3) of subsection (j) and subsection (k)*  
24     *shall apply to a community organization receiving or*  
25     *applying for a grant under this subsection in the*

1 *same manner as such subsections apply to a commu-*  
2 *nity organization receiving or applying for a*  
3 *subgrant under subsection (j), except that references to*  
4 *a subgrant shall mean a grant and references to an*  
5 *eligible entity shall mean the Corporation.*

6 “(m) *RESEARCH AND EVALUATION.*—

7 “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Corporation may reserve*  
8 *not more than 5 percent of the funds appropriated for*  
9 *this section for a fiscal year to support, directly or*  
10 *through contract with an independent entity, research*  
11 *and evaluation activities to evaluate the eligible enti-*  
12 *ties and community organizations receiving grants*  
13 *under subsections (d) and (l) and the initiatives sup-*  
14 *ported by the grants.*

15 “(2) *RESEARCH AND EVALUATION ACTIVITIES.*—

16 “(A) *RESEARCH AND REPORTS.*—

17 “(i) *IN GENERAL.*—*The entity carrying*  
18 *out this subsection shall collect data and*  
19 *conduct or support research with respect to*  
20 *the eligible entities and community organi-*  
21 *zations receiving grants under subsections*  
22 *(d) and (l), and the initiatives supported by*  
23 *such eligible entities and community orga-*  
24 *nizations, to determine the success of the*  
25 *program carried out under this section in*

1           *replicating, expanding, and supporting ini-*  
2           *tiatives, including—*

3                     *“(I) the success of the initiatives*  
4                     *in improving measurable outcomes;*  
5                     *and*

6                     *“(II) the success of the program in*  
7                     *increasing philanthropic investments*  
8                     *in philanthropically underserved com-*  
9                     *munities.*

10                    *“(ii) REPORTS.—The Corporation*  
11                    *shall submit periodic reports to the author-*  
12                    *izing committees including—*

13                            *“(I) the data collected and the re-*  
14                            *sults of the research under this sub-*  
15                            *section;*

16                            *“(II) information on lessons*  
17                            *learned about best practices from the*  
18                            *activities carried out under this sec-*  
19                            *tion, to improve those activities; and*

20                            *“(III) a list of all eligible entities*  
21                            *and community organizations receiv-*  
22                            *ing funds under this section.*

23                            *“(iii) PUBLIC INFORMATION.—The*  
24                            *Corporation shall annually post the list de-*

1           scribed in clause (ii)(III) on the Corpora-  
2           tion’s website.

3           “(B) *TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.*—The Cor-  
4           poration shall, directly or through contract, pro-  
5           vide technical assistance to the eligible entities  
6           and community organizations that receive grants  
7           under subsections (d) and (l).

8           “(C) *KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT.*—The Cor-  
9           poration shall, directly or through contract,  
10          maintain a clearinghouse for information on best  
11          practices resulting from initiatives supported by  
12          the eligible entities and community organiza-  
13          tions.

14          “(D) *RESERVATION.*—Of the funds appro-  
15          priated under section 501(a)(4)(E) for a fiscal  
16          year, not more than 5 percent may be used to  
17          carry out this subsection.”.

18 **SEC. 1808. CLEARINGHOUSES.**

19          *Subtitle H of title I (42 U.S.C. 12653 et seq.) is further*  
20          *amended by adding at the end the following:*

1 **“PART IV—NATIONAL SERVICE PROGRAMS**  
2 **CLEARINGHOUSES; VOLUNTEER GENERA-**  
3 **TION FUND**

4 **“SEC. 1980. NATIONAL SERVICE PROGRAMS CLEARING-**  
5 **HOUSES.**

6 “(a) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Corporation shall provide as-*  
7 *sistance, by grant, contract, or cooperative agreement, to*  
8 *entities with expertise in the dissemination of information*  
9 *through clearinghouses to establish 1 or more clearinghouses*  
10 *for information regarding the national service laws, which*  
11 *shall include information on service-learning and on service*  
12 *through other programs receiving assistance under the na-*  
13 *tional service laws.*

14 “(b) *FUNCTION OF CLEARINGHOUSE.*—*Such a clear-*  
15 *inghouse may—*

16 “(1) *assist entities carrying out State or local*  
17 *service-learning and national service programs with*  
18 *needs assessments and planning;*

19 “(2) *conduct research and evaluations con-*  
20 *cerning service-learning or programs receiving assist-*  
21 *ance under the national service laws, except that such*  
22 *clearinghouse may not conduct such research and*  
23 *evaluations if the recipient of the grant, contract, or*  
24 *cooperative agreement establishing the clearinghouse*  
25 *under this section is receiving funds for such purpose*

1 *under part III of subtitle B or under this subtitle (not*  
2 *including this section);*

3 *“(3)(A) provide leadership development and*  
4 *training to State and local service-learning program*  
5 *administrators, supervisors, service sponsors, and*  
6 *participants; and*

7 *“(B) provide training to persons who can pro-*  
8 *vide the leadership development and training de-*  
9 *scribed in subparagraph (A);*

10 *“(4) facilitate communication among—*

11 *“(A) entities carrying out service-learning*  
12 *programs and programs offered under the na-*  
13 *tional service laws; and*

14 *“(B) participants in such programs;*

15 *“(5) provide and disseminate information and*  
16 *curriculum materials relating to planning and oper-*  
17 *ating service-learning programs and programs offered*  
18 *under the national service laws, to States, territories,*  
19 *Indian tribes, and local entities eligible to receive fi-*  
20 *nancial assistance under the national service laws;*

21 *“(6) provide and disseminate information re-*  
22 *garding methods to make service-learning programs*  
23 *and programs offered under the national service laws*  
24 *accessible to individuals with disabilities;*



1           “(7) disseminate applications in languages other  
2           than English;

3           “(8)(A) gather and disseminate information on  
4           successful service-learning programs and programs of-  
5           fered under the national service laws, components of  
6           such successful programs, innovative curricula related  
7           to service-learning, and service-learning projects; and

8           “(B) coordinate the activities of the clearing-  
9           house with appropriate entities to avoid duplication  
10          of effort;

11          “(9) make recommendations to State and local  
12          entities on quality controls to improve the quality of  
13          service-learning programs and programs offered  
14          under the national service laws;

15          “(10) assist organizations in recruiting, screen-  
16          ing, and placing a diverse population of service-learn-  
17          ing coordinators and program sponsors;

18          “(11) disseminate effective strategies for working  
19          with disadvantaged youth in national service pro-  
20          grams, as determined by organizations with an estab-  
21          lished expertise in working with such youth; and

22          “(12) carry out such other activities as the Chief  
23          Executive Officer determines to be appropriate.

1 **“SEC. 198P. VOLUNTEER GENERATION FUND.**

2       “(a) *GRANTS AUTHORIZED.*—Subject to the avail-  
3 ability of appropriations for this section, the Corporation  
4 may make grants to State Commissions and nonprofit orga-  
5 nizations for the purpose of assisting the State Commissions  
6 and nonprofit organizations to—

7           “(1) *develop and carry out volunteer programs*  
8 *described in subsection (c); and*

9           “(2) *make subgrants to support and create new*  
10 *local community-based entities that recruit, manage,*  
11 *or support volunteers as described in such subsection.*

12       “(b) *APPLICATION.*—

13           “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—Each State Commission or  
14 nonprofit organization desiring a grant under this  
15 section shall submit an application to the Corpora-  
16 tion at such time, in such manner, and accompanied  
17 by such information as the Corporation may reason-  
18 ably require.

19           “(2) *CONTENTS.*—Each application submitted  
20 pursuant to paragraph (1) shall contain—

21           “(A)(i) *a description of the program that*  
22 *the applicant will provide;*

23           “(B) *an assurance that the applicant will*  
24 *annually collect information on—*

25           “(i) *the number of volunteers recruited*  
26 *for activities carried out under this section,*

1           *using funds received under this section, and*  
2           *the type and amount of activities carried*  
3           *out by such volunteers; and*

4                     *“(ii) the number of volunteers managed*  
5                     *or supported using funds received under*  
6                     *this section, and the type and amount of ac-*  
7                     *tivities carried out by such volunteers;*

8                     *“(C) a description of the outcomes the ap-*  
9                     *plicant will use to annually measure and track*  
10                    *performance with regard to—*

11                    *“(i) activities carried out by volun-*  
12                    *teers; and*

13                    *“(ii) volunteers recruited, managed, or*  
14                    *supported; and*

15                    *“(D) such additional assurances as the Cor-*  
16                    *poration determines to be essential to ensure*  
17                    *compliance with the requirements of this section.*

18            *“(c) ELIGIBLE VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS.—A State*  
19            *Commission or nonprofit organization receiving a grant*  
20            *under this section shall use the assistance—*

21                    *“(1) directly to carry out volunteer programs or*  
22                    *to develop and support community-based entities that*  
23                    *recruit, manage, or support volunteers, by carrying*  
24                    *out activities consistent with the goals of the sub-*  
25                    *grants described in paragraph (2); or*

1           “(2) through subgrants to community-based enti-  
2           ties to carry out volunteer programs or develop and  
3           support such entities that recruit, manage, or support  
4           volunteers, through 1 or more of the following types  
5           of subgrants:

6                   “(A) A subgrant to a community-based en-  
7                   tity for activities that are consistent with the  
8                   priorities set by the State’s national service plan  
9                   as described in section 178(e), or by the Corpora-  
10                  tion.

11                  “(B) A subgrant to recruit, manage, or sup-  
12                  port volunteers to a community-based entity such  
13                  as a volunteer coordinating agency, a nonprofit  
14                  resource center, a volunteer training clearing-  
15                  house, an institution of higher education, or a  
16                  collaborative partnership of faith-based and com-  
17                  munity-based organizations.

18                  “(C) A subgrant to a community-based enti-  
19                  ty that provides technical assistance and support  
20                  to—

21                          “(i) strengthen the capacity of local  
22                          volunteer infrastructure organizations;

23                          “(ii) address areas of national need (as  
24                          defined in section 198B(a)); and

1                   “(iii) expand the number of volunteers  
2                   nationally.

3           “(d) *ALLOCATION OF FUNDS.*—

4                   “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—Of the funds allocated by the  
5           Corporation for provision of assistance under this sec-  
6           tion for a fiscal year—

7                           “(A) the Corporation shall use 50 percent of  
8                   such funds to award grants, on a competitive  
9                   basis, to State Commissions and nonprofit orga-  
10                  nizations for such fiscal year; and

11                           “(B) the Corporation shall use 50 percent of  
12                  such funds make an allotment to the State Com-  
13                  missions of each of the several States, the Dis-  
14                  trict of Columbia, and the Commonwealth of  
15                  Puerto Rico based on the formula described in  
16                  subsections (e) and (f) of section 129, subject to  
17                  paragraph (2).

18                   “(2) *MINIMUM GRANT AMOUNT.*—In order to en-  
19           sure that each State Commission is able to improve  
20           efforts to recruit, manage, or support volunteers, the  
21           Corporation may determine a minimum grant  
22           amount for allotments under paragraph (1)(B).

23           “(e) *LIMITATION ON ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS.*—Not  
24   more than 5 percent of the amount of any grant provided  
25   under this section for a fiscal year may be used to pay for



1           “(1) *INTERMEDIARY NONPROFIT GRANTEE.*—*The*  
2           *term ‘intermediary nonprofit grantee’ means an*  
3           *intermediary nonprofit organization that receives a*  
4           *grant under subsection (b).*

5           “(2) *INTERMEDIARY NONPROFIT ORGANIZA-*  
6           *TION.*—*The term ‘intermediary nonprofit organiza-*  
7           *tion’ means an experienced and capable nonprofit en-*  
8           *tity with meaningful prior experience in providing*  
9           *organizational development assistance, or capacity*  
10           *building assistance, focused on small and midsize*  
11           *nonprofit organizations.*

12           “(3) *NONPROFIT.*—*The term ‘nonprofit’, used*  
13           *with respect to an entity or organization, means—*

14                   “(A) *an entity or organization described in*  
15                   *section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of*  
16                   *1986 and exempt from taxation under section*  
17                   *501(a) of such Code; and*

18                   “(B) *an entity or organization described in*  
19                   *paragraph (1) or (2) of section 170(c) of such*  
20                   *Code.*

21           “(4) *STATE.*—*The term ‘State’ means each of the*  
22           *several States, and the District of Columbia.*

23           “(b) *GRANTS.*—*The Corporation shall establish a Non-*  
24           *profit Capacity Building Program to make grants to inter-*  
25           *mediary nonprofit organizations to serve as intermediary*

1 *nonprofit grantees. The Corporation shall make the grants*  
2 *to enable the intermediary nonprofit grantees to pay for*  
3 *the Federal share of the cost of delivering organizational*  
4 *development assistance, including training on best prac-*  
5 *tices, financial planning, grantwriting, and compliance*  
6 *with the applicable tax laws, for small and midsize non-*  
7 *profit organizations, especially those nonprofit organiza-*  
8 *tions facing resource hardship challenges. Each of the grant-*  
9 *ees shall match the grant funds by providing a non-Federal*  
10 *share as described in subsection (f).*

11       “(c) *AMOUNT.—To the extent practicable, the Corpora-*  
12 *tion shall make such a grant to an intermediary nonprofit*  
13 *organization in each State, and shall make such grant in*  
14 *an amount of not less than \$200,000.*

15       “(d) *APPLICATION.—To be eligible to receive a grant*  
16 *under this section, an intermediary nonprofit organization*  
17 *shall submit an application to the Corporation at such*  
18 *time, in such manner, and containing such information as*  
19 *the Corporation may require. The intermediary nonprofit*  
20 *organization shall submit in the application information*  
21 *demonstrating that the organization has secured sufficient*  
22 *resources to meet the requirements of subsection (f).*

23       “(e) *PREFERENCE AND CONSIDERATIONS.—*

24               “(1) *PREFERENCE.—In making such grants, the*  
25 *Corporation shall give preference to intermediary*



1 *nonprofit organizations seeking to become inter-*  
2 *mediary nonprofit grantees in areas where nonprofit*  
3 *organizations face significant resource hardship chal-*  
4 *lenges.*

5 “(2) *CONSIDERATIONS.*—*In determining whether*  
6 *to make a grant the Corporation shall consider—*

7 “(A) *the number of small and midsize non-*  
8 *profit organizations that will be served by the*  
9 *grant;*

10 “(B) *the degree to which the activities pro-*  
11 *posed to be provided through the grant will assist*  
12 *a wide number of nonprofit organizations within*  
13 *a State, relative to the proposed amount of the*  
14 *grant; and*

15 “(C) *the quality of the organizational devel-*  
16 *opment assistance to be delivered by the inter-*  
17 *mediary nonprofit grantee, including the quali-*  
18 *fications of its administrators and representa-*  
19 *tives, and its record in providing services to*  
20 *small and midsize nonprofit organizations.*

21 “(f) *FEDERAL SHARE.*—

22 “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Federal share of the cost*  
23 *as referenced in subsection (b) shall be 50 percent.*

24 “(2) *NON-FEDERAL SHARE.*—

1           “(A) *IN GENERAL.*—*The non-Federal share*  
2           *of the cost as referenced in subsection (b) shall be*  
3           *50 percent and shall be provided in cash.*

4           “(B) *THIRD PARTY CONTRIBUTIONS.*—

5           “(i) *IN GENERAL.*—*Except as provided*  
6           *in clause (ii), an intermediary nonprofit*  
7           *grantee shall provide the non-Federal share*  
8           *of the cost through contributions from third*  
9           *parties. The third parties may include char-*  
10           *itable grantmaking entities and*  
11           *grantmaking vehicles within existing orga-*  
12           *nizations, entities of corporate philan-*  
13           *thropy, corporations, individual donors,*  
14           *and regional, State, or local government*  
15           *agencies, or other non-Federal sources.*

16           “(ii) *EXCEPTION.*—*If the intermediary*  
17           *nonprofit grantee is a private foundation*  
18           *(as defined in section 509(a) of the Internal*  
19           *Revenue Code of 1986), a donor advised*  
20           *fund (as defined in section 4966(d)(2) of*  
21           *such Code), an organization which is de-*  
22           *scribed in section 4966(d)(4)(A)(i) of such*  
23           *Code, or an organization which is described*  
24           *in section 4966(d)(4)(B) of such Code, the*

1            *grantee shall provide the non-Federal share*  
2            *from within that grantee's own funds.*

3            *“(iii) MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT,*  
4            *PRIOR YEAR THIRD-PARTY FUNDING LEV-*  
5            *ELS.—For purposes of maintaining private*  
6            *sector support levels for the activities speci-*  
7            *fied by this program, a non-Federal share*  
8            *that includes donations by third parties*  
9            *shall be composed in a way that does not*  
10           *decrease prior levels of funding from the*  
11           *same third parties granted to the nonprofit*  
12           *intermediary grantee in the preceding year.*

13           *“(g) RESERVATION.—Of the amount authorized to pro-*  
14           *vide financial assistance under this subtitle, there shall be*  
15           *made available to carry out this section \$5,000,000 for each*  
16           *of fiscal years 2010 through 2014.”.*

17           ***Subtitle I—Training and Technical***  
18           ***Assistance***

19           ***SEC. 1821. TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.***

20           *Title I is further amended by adding at the end the*  
21           *following new subtitle:*

1           **“Subtitle J—Training and**  
2                           **Technical Assistance**

3   **“SEC. 199N. TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.**

4           “(a) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Corporation shall, directly or*  
5 *through grants, contracts, or cooperative agreements (in-*  
6 *cluding through State Commissions), conduct appropriate*  
7 *training for and provide technical assistance to—*

8                   “(1) *programs receiving assistance under the na-*  
9 *tional service laws; and*

10                   “(2) *entities (particularly entities in rural areas*  
11 *and underserved communities) that desire to—*

12                           “(A) *carry out or establish national service*  
13 *programs; or*

14                           “(B) *apply for assistance (including sub-*  
15 *grants) under the national service laws.*

16           “(b) *ACTIVITIES INCLUDED.*—*Such training and tech-*  
17 *nical assistance activities may include—*

18                   “(1) *providing technical assistance to entities*  
19 *applying to carry out national service programs or*  
20 *entities carrying out national service programs;*

21                   “(2) *promoting leadership development in na-*  
22 *tional service programs;*

23                   “(3) *improving the instructional and pro-*  
24 *grammatic quality of national service programs;*

1           “(4) *developing the management and budgetary*  
2           *skills of individuals operating or overseeing national*  
3           *service programs, including developing skills to in-*  
4           *crease the cost effectiveness of the programs under the*  
5           *national service laws;*

6           “(5) *providing for or improving the training*  
7           *provided to the participants in programs under the*  
8           *national service laws;*

9           “(6) *facilitating the education of individuals*  
10          *participating in national service programs in risk*  
11          *management procedures, including the training of*  
12          *participants in appropriate risk management prac-*  
13          *tices;*

14          “(7) *training individuals operating or overseeing*  
15          *national service programs—*

16                 “(A) *in volunteer recruitment, management,*  
17                 *and retention to improve the abilities of such in-*  
18                 *dividuals to use participants and other volun-*  
19                 *teers in an effective manner, which training re-*  
20                 *sults in high-quality service and the desire of*  
21                 *participants and volunteers to continue to serve*  
22                 *in other capacities after the program is com-*  
23                 *pleted;*

24                 “(B) *in program evaluation and perform-*  
25                 *ance measures to inform practices to augment*

1           *the capacity and sustainability of the national*  
2           *service programs; or*

3                   “(C) *to effectively accommodate individuals*  
4                   *with disabilities to increase the participation of*  
5                   *individuals with disabilities in national service*  
6                   *programs, which training may utilize funding*  
7                   *from the reservation of funds under section*  
8                   *129(k) to increase the participation of individ-*  
9                   *uals with disabilities;*

10                   “(8) *establishing networks and collaboration*  
11                   *among employers, educators, and other key stake-*  
12                   *holders in the community to further leverage resources*  
13                   *to increase local participation in national service*  
14                   *programs, and to coordinate community-wide plan-*  
15                   *ning and service with respect to national service pro-*  
16                   *grams;*

17                   “(9) *providing training and technical assistance*  
18                   *for the National Senior Service Corps, including pro-*  
19                   *viding such training and technical assistance to pro-*  
20                   *grams receiving assistance under section 201 of the*  
21                   *Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C.*  
22                   *5001); and*

23                   “(10) *carrying out such other activities as the*  
24                   *Chief Executive Officer determines to be appropriate.*

1       “(c) *PRIORITY.*—*In carrying out this section, the Cor-*  
2 *poration shall give priority to programs under the national*  
3 *service laws and entities eligible to establish such programs*  
4 *that seek training or technical assistance and that—*

5               “(1) *seek to carry out high-quality programs*  
6 *where the services are needed most;*

7               “(2) *seek to carry out high-quality programs*  
8 *where national service programs do not exist or where*  
9 *the programs are too limited to meet community*  
10 *needs;*

11               “(3) *seek to carry out high-quality programs*  
12 *that focus on and provide service opportunities for*  
13 *underserved rural and urban areas and populations;*  
14 *and*

15               “(4) *seek to assist programs in developing a serv-*  
16 *ice component that combines students, out-of-school*  
17 *youths, and older adults as participants to provide*  
18 *needed community services.”.*

19       ***Subtitle J—Repeal of Title III***  
20       ***(Points of Light Foundation)***

21       ***SEC. 1831. REPEAL.***

22       “(a) *IN GENERAL.*—*Title III (42 U.S.C. 12661 et seq.)*  
23 *is repealed.*

24       “(b) *CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.*—*Section 401 (42*  
25 *U.S.C. 12671) is amended—*

1           (1) *in subsection (a), by striking “term” and all*  
 2 *that follows through the period and inserting the fol-*  
 3 *lowing: “term ‘administrative organization’ means a*  
 4 *nonprofit private organization that enters into an*  
 5 *agreement with the Corporation to carry out this sec-*  
 6 *tion.”; and*

7           (2) *by striking “Foundation” each place it ap-*  
 8 *pears and inserting “administrative organization”.*

9       ***Subtitle K—Amendments to Title V***  
 10       ***(Authorization of Appropriations)***

11       ***SEC. 1841. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.***

12       *Section 501 (42 U.S.C. 12681) is amended—*

13           (1) *by striking subsection (a) and inserting the*  
 14 *following:*

15       “*(a) TITLE I.—*

16           “*(1) SUBTITLE B.—*

17               “*(A) IN GENERAL.—There are authorized to*  
 18 *be appropriated to provide financial assistance*  
 19 *under subtitle B of title I—*

20                   “*(i) \$97,000,000 for fiscal year 2010;*

21                   *and*

22                   “*(ii) such sums as may be necessary*  
 23 *for each of fiscal years 2011 through 2014.*

24               “*(B) PART IV RESERVATION.—Of the*  
 25 *amount appropriated under subparagraph (A)*



1       *for a fiscal year, the Corporation may reserve*  
2       *such sums as may be necessary to carry out part*  
3       *IV of subtitle B of title I.*

4           “(C) SECTION 118A.—*Of the amount appro-*  
5       *propriated under subparagraph (A) and not re-*  
6       *served under subparagraph (B) for a fiscal year,*  
7       *not more than \$7,000,000 shall be made avail-*  
8       *able for awards to Campuses of Service under*  
9       *section 118A.*

10          “(D) SECTION 119(C)(8).—*Of the amount ap-*  
11       *propriated under subparagraph (A) and not re-*  
12       *served under subparagraph (B) for a fiscal year,*  
13       *not more than \$10,000,000 shall be made avail-*  
14       *able for summer of service program grants under*  
15       *section 119(c)(8), and not more than*  
16       *\$10,000,000 shall be deposited in the National*  
17       *Service Trust to support summer of service edu-*  
18       *cational awards, consistent with section*  
19       *119(c)(8).*

20          “(E) SECTION 119(C)(9).—*Of the amount ap-*  
21       *propriated under subparagraph (A) and not re-*  
22       *served under subparagraph (B) for a fiscal year,*  
23       *not more than \$20,000,000 shall be made avail-*  
24       *able for youth engagement zone programs under*  
25       *section 119(c)(9).*

1           “(F) *GENERAL PROGRAMS.*—Of the amount  
2           remaining after the application of subpara-  
3           graphs (A) through (E) for a fiscal year—

4                   “(i) not more than 60 percent shall be  
5                   available to provide financial assistance  
6                   under part I of subtitle B of title I;

7                   “(ii) not more than 25 percent shall be  
8                   available to provide financial assistance  
9                   under part II of such subtitle; and

10                  “(iii) not less than 15 percent shall be  
11                  available to provide financial assistance  
12                  under part III of such subtitle.

13           “(2) *SUBTITLES C AND D.*—There are authorized  
14           to be appropriated, for each of fiscal years 2010  
15           through 2014, such sums as may be necessary to pro-  
16           vide financial assistance under subtitle C of title I  
17           and to provide national service educational awards  
18           under subtitle D of title I for the number of partici-  
19           pants described in section 121(f)(1) for each such fis-  
20           cal year.

21           “(3) *SUBTITLE E.*—

22                   “(A) *IN GENERAL.*—There are authorized to  
23                   be appropriated to operate the National Civilian  
24                   Community Corps and provide financial assist-  
25                   ance under subtitle E of title I, such sums as

1           *may be necessary for each of fiscal years 2010*  
2           *through 2014.*

3           “(B) *PRIORITY.*—*Notwithstanding any*  
4           *other provision of this Act, in obligating the*  
5           *amounts made available pursuant to the author-*  
6           *ization of appropriations in this paragraph, pri-*  
7           *ority shall be given to programs carrying out ac-*  
8           *tivities in areas for which the President has de-*  
9           *clared the existence of a major disaster, in ac-*  
10          *cordance with section 401 of the Robert T. Staf-*  
11          *ford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance*  
12          *Act (42 U.S.C. 5170), including a major disaster*  
13          *as a consequence of Hurricane Katrina or Rita.*

14          “(4) *SUBTITLE H.*—

15                 “(A) *AUTHORIZATION.*—*There are author-*  
16                 *ized to be appropriated such sums as may be*  
17                 *necessary for each of fiscal years 2010 through*  
18                 *2014 to provide financial assistance under sub-*  
19                 *title H of title I.*

20                 “(B) *SECTION 198B.*—*Of the amount au-*  
21                 *thorized under subparagraph (A) for a fiscal*  
22                 *year, such sums as may be necessary shall be*  
23                 *made available to provide financial assistance*  
24                 *under section 198B and to provide national serv-*  
25                 *ice educational awards under subtitle D of title*

1           *I to the number of participants in national serv-*  
2           *ice positions established or increased as provided*  
3           *in section 198B(b)(3) for such year.*

4           “(C) *SECTION 198C.—Of the amount author-*  
5           *ized under subparagraph (A) for a fiscal year,*  
6           *\$12,000,000 shall be made available to provide*  
7           *financial assistance under section 198C.*

8           “(D) *SECTION 198H.—Of the amount au-*  
9           *thorized under subparagraph (A) for a fiscal*  
10          *year, such sums as may be necessary shall be*  
11          *made available to provide financial assistance*  
12          *under section 198H.*

13          “(E) *SECTION 198K.—Of the amount au-*  
14          *thorized under subparagraph (A), there shall be*  
15          *made available to carry out section 198K—*

16                  “(i) *\$50,000,000 for fiscal year 2010;*

17                  “(ii) *\$60,000,000 for fiscal year 2011;*

18                  “(iii) *\$70,000,000 for fiscal year 2012;*

19                  “(iv) *\$80,000,000 for fiscal year 2013;*

20                  *and*

21                  “(v) *\$100,000,000 for fiscal year 2014.*

22          “(F) *SECTION 198P.—Of the amount author-*  
23          *ized under subparagraph (A), there shall be*  
24          *made available to carry out section 198P—*

25                  “(i) *\$50,000,000 for fiscal year 2010;*

1                   “(ii) \$60,000,000 for fiscal year 2011;

2                   “(iii) \$70,000,000 for fiscal year 2012;

3                   “(iv) \$80,000,000 for fiscal year 2013;

4                   and

5                   “(v) \$100,000,000 for fiscal year 2014.

6                   “(5) ADMINISTRATION.—

7                   “(A) IN GENERAL.—There are authorized to  
8                   be appropriated for the administration of this  
9                   Act, including financial assistance under section  
10                  126(a), such sums as may be necessary for each  
11                  of fiscal years 2010 through 2014.

12                  “(B) CORPORATION.—Of the amounts ap-  
13                  propriated under subparagraph (A) for a fiscal  
14                  year, a portion shall be made available to pro-  
15                  vide financial assistance under section 126(a).

16                  “(6) EVALUATION, TRAINING, AND TECHNICAL  
17                  ASSISTANCE.—Notwithstanding paragraphs (1), (2),  
18                  and (4) and any other provision of law, of the  
19                  amounts appropriated for a fiscal year under sub-  
20                  titles B, C, and H of title I of this Act and under  
21                  titles I and II of the Domestic Volunteer Service Act  
22                  of 1973, the Corporation shall reserve not more than  
23                  2.5 percent to carry out sections 112(e) and 179A and  
24                  subtitle J, of which \$1,000,000 shall be used by the  
25                  Corporation to carry out section 179A. Notwith-

1 *standing subsection (b), amounts so reserved shall be*  
 2 *available only for the fiscal year for which the*  
 3 *amounts are reserved.”;*

4 *(2) by striking subsections (b) and (d); and*

5 *(3) by redesignating subsection (c) as subsection*  
 6 *(b).*

7 **TITLE II—DOMESTIC VOLUN-**  
 8 **TEER SERVICE ACT OF 1973**

9 **SEC. 2001. REFERENCES.**

10 *Except as otherwise expressly provided, whenever in*  
 11 *this title an amendment or repeal is expressed in terms of*  
 12 *an amendment to, or repeal of, a section or other provision,*  
 13 *the reference shall be considered to be made to a section or*  
 14 *other provision of the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of*  
 15 *1973 (42 U.S.C. 4950 et seq.).*

16 **SEC. 2002. VOLUNTEERISM POLICY.**

17 *Section 2 (42 U.S.C. 4950) is amended—*

18 *(1) in subsection (a), by striking “both young”*  
 19 *and all that follows through the period and inserting*  
 20 *“individuals of all ages and backgrounds.”; and*

21 *(2) in subsection (b), by inserting after “State,*  
 22 *and local agencies” the following: “, expand relation-*  
 23 *ships with, and support for, the efforts of civic, com-*  
 24 *munity, and educational organizations.”.*

1       ***Subtitle A—National Volunteer***  
2               ***Antipoverty Programs***  
3       **CHAPTER 1—VOLUNTEERS IN SERVICE TO**  
4               **AMERICA**

5       **SEC. 2101. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE.**

6       *Section 101 (42 U.S.C. 4951) is amended—*

7               *(1) in the second sentence, by striking “exploit”*  
8       *and all that follows through the period and inserting*  
9       *“increase opportunities for self-advancement by per-*  
10       *sons affected by such problems.”; and*

11              *(2) in the third sentence, by striking “at the*  
12       *local level” and all that follows through the period*  
13       *and inserting “at the local level, to support efforts by*  
14       *local agencies and community organizations to*  
15       *achieve long-term sustainability of projects, and to*  
16       *strengthen local agencies and community organiza-*  
17       *tions to carry out the objectives of this part.”.*

18       **SEC. 2102. SELECTION AND ASSIGNMENT OF VOLUNTEERS.**

19       *Section 103 (42 U.S.C. 4953) is amended—*

20              *(1) in subsection (a)—*

21                      *(A) in paragraph (1), by inserting “the*  
22       *Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Is-*  
23       *lands,” after “American Samoa,”;*

24                      *(B) in paragraph (2), by striking “handi-*  
25       *capped individuals” and all that follows through*

1           *the semicolon and inserting “individuals with*  
2           *disabilities, especially individuals with severe*  
3           *disabilities;”;*

4           *(C) in paragraph (3), by striking “the job-*  
5           *less, the hungry,” and inserting “unemployed in-*  
6           *dividuals;”;*

7           *(D) in paragraph (4), by striking “preven-*  
8           *tion, education,” and inserting “through preven-*  
9           *tion, education, rehabilitation, treatment;”;*

10           *(E) in paragraph (5), by striking “chronic*  
11           *and life-threatening illnesses” and inserting*  
12           *“mental illness, chronic and life-threatening ill-*  
13           *nesses;”;*

14           *(F) in paragraph (6)—*

15                 *(i) by striking “Headstart act” and in-*  
16                 *serting “Head Start Act”; and*

17                 *(ii) by striking “and” after the semi-*  
18                 *colon at the end;*

19           *(G) in paragraph (7), by striking the period*  
20           *at the end and inserting a semicolon; and*

21           *(H) by adding at the end the following:*

22                 *“(8) in assisting with the reentry and reintegra-*  
23                 *tion of formerly incarcerated youth and adults into*  
24                 *society, including providing training and counseling*  
25                 *in education, employment, and life skills;*



1           “(9) in developing and carrying out financial  
2           literacy, financial planning, budgeting, saving, and  
3           reputable credit accessibility programs in low-income  
4           communities, including those programs that educate  
5           individuals about financing home ownership and  
6           higher education;

7           “(10) in initiating and supporting before-school  
8           and after-school programs, serving children in low-in-  
9           come communities, that may engage participants in  
10          mentoring, tutoring, life skills and study skills pro-  
11          grams, service-learning, physical, nutrition, and  
12          health education programs, and other activities ad-  
13          dressing the needs of the children;

14          “(11) in establishing and supporting community  
15          economic development initiatives, with a priority on  
16          work on such initiatives in rural areas and the other  
17          areas where such initiatives are needed most;

18          “(12) in assisting veterans and their family  
19          members through establishing or augmenting pro-  
20          grams that assist such persons with access to legal as-  
21          sistance, health care (including mental health care),  
22          employment counseling or training, education coun-  
23          seling or training, affordable housing, and other sup-  
24          port services; and

1           “(13) in addressing the health and wellness of  
2           individuals in low-income communities and individ-  
3           uals in underserved communities, including programs  
4           to increase access to preventive services, insurance,  
5           and health services.”;

6           (2) in subsection (b)—

7           (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “recruit-  
8           ment and placement procedures” and inserting  
9           “placement procedures that involve sponsoring  
10          organizations and”;

11          (B) in paragraph (2)—

12          (i) in subparagraph (A), by striking  
13          “Community Service Trust Act of 1993”  
14          and all that follows through the period at  
15          the end of the fourth sentence and inserting  
16          “Community Service Act of 1990.”;

17          (ii) in subparagraph (B), by striking  
18          “central information system that shall, on  
19          request, promptly provide” and inserting  
20          “database that provides”; and

21          (iii) in subparagraph (C), in the sec-  
22          ond sentence, by inserting “and manage-  
23          ment” after “the recruitment”; and

24          (C) in paragraph (5)(B), by striking “infor-  
25          mation system” and inserting “database”;

1           (3) *in subsection (c)—*

2                   (A) *in paragraph (1)—*

3                           (i) *in subparagraph (A), by inserting*  
4                           *“the Internet and related technologies,” be-*  
5                           *fore “radio,”;*

6                           (ii) *in subparagraph (B), by inserting*  
7                           *“Internet and related technologies,” before*  
8                           *“print media,”;*

9                           (iii) *in subparagraph (C), by inserting*  
10                           *“State or local offices of economic develop-*  
11                           *ment, State employment security agencies,*  
12                           *employment offices,” before “and other in-*  
13                           *stitutions”;* *and*

14                           (iv) *in subparagraph (F), by striking*  
15                           *“Community Service Trust Act of 1993”*  
16                           *and inserting “Community Service Act of*  
17                           *1990”;* *and*

18                           (B) *by striking paragraph (4);*

19                   (4) *in subsection (d), in the second sentence, by*  
20                   *striking “private industry council established under*  
21                   *the Job Training Partnership Act or”;*

22                   (5) *in subsection (g), in the first sentence, by*  
23                   *striking “, and such” and all that follows through the*  
24                   *period and inserting a period; and*

25                   (6) *by adding at the end the following:*

1       “(i) *The Director may enter into agreements under*  
2 *which public and private nonprofit organizations, with suf-*  
3 *ficient financial capacity and size, pay for all or a portion*  
4 *of the costs of supporting the service of volunteers under*  
5 *this part.*”.

6 **SEC. 2103. SUPPORT SERVICE.**

7       *Section 105(a)(1)(B) (42 U.S.C. 4955(a)(1)(B)) is*  
8 *amended—*

9           (1) *by striking the first sentence and inserting*  
10 *the following: “Such stipend shall be set at a rate that*  
11 *is not less than a minimum of \$125 per month and*  
12 *not more than a maximum of \$150 per month, subject*  
13 *to the availability of funds to provide such a max-*  
14 *imum rate.”; and*

15           (2) *in the second sentence, by striking “stipend*  
16 *of a maximum of \$200 per month” and inserting*  
17 *“stipend set at a rate that is not more than a max-*  
18 *imum of \$250 per month”.*

19 **SEC. 2104. REPEAL.**

20       *Section 109 (42 U.S.C. 4959) is repealed.*

21 **SEC. 2105. REDESIGNATION.**

22       *Section 110 (42 U.S.C. 4960) is redesignated as section*  
23 *109.*

1 **CHAPTER 2—UNIVERSITY YEAR FOR VISTA**

2 **SEC. 2121. UNIVERSITY YEAR FOR VISTA.**

3 *Part B of title I (42 U.S.C. 4971 et seq.) is repealed.*

4 **CHAPTER 3—SPECIAL VOLUNTEER**

5 **PROGRAMS**

6 **SEC. 2131. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE.**

7 *Section 121 (42 U.S.C. 4991) is amended in the second*  
8 *sentence by striking “situations” and inserting “organiza-*  
9 *tions”.*

10 **SEC. 2132. LITERACY CHALLENGE GRANTS.**

11 *Section 124 (42 U.S.C. 4995) is repealed.*

12 **Subtitle B—National Senior Service**  
13 **Corps**

14 **SEC. 2141. TITLE.**

15 *Title II (42 U.S.C. 5000 et seq.) is amended by strik-*  
16 *ing the title heading and inserting the following:*

17 **“TITLE II—NATIONAL SENIOR SERVICE CORPS”.**

18 **SEC. 2142. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE.**

19 *Section 200 (42 U.S.C. 5000) is amended to read as*  
20 *follows:*

21 **“SEC. 200. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE.**

22 *“It is the purpose of this title to provide—*

23 *“(1) opportunities for senior service to meet*  
24 *unmet local, State, and national needs in the areas*  
25 *of education, public safety, emergency and disaster*

1     *preparedness, relief, and recovery, health and human*  
2     *needs, and the environment;*

3             “(2) *for the National Senior Service Corps, com-*  
4     *prised of the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program,*  
5     *the Foster Grandparent Program, and the Senior*  
6     *Companion Program, and demonstration and other*  
7     *programs, to empower people 55 years of age or older*  
8     *to contribute to their communities through service, en-*  
9     *hance the lives of those who serve and those whom*  
10    *they serve, and provide communities with valuable*  
11    *services;*

12            “(3) *opportunities for people 55 years of age or*  
13    *older, through the Retired and Senior Volunteer Pro-*  
14    *gram, to share their knowledge, experiences, abilities,*  
15    *and skills for the betterment of their communities and*  
16    *themselves;*

17            “(4) *opportunities for low-income people 55*  
18    *years of age or older, through the Foster Grand-*  
19    *parents Program, to have a positive impact on the*  
20    *lives of children in need; and*

21            “(5) *opportunities for low-income people 55*  
22    *years of age or older, through the Senior Companion*  
23    *Program, to provide support services and companion-*  
24    *ship to other older individuals through volunteer serv-*  
25    *ice.”.*

1 **SEC. 2143. RETIRED AND SENIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM.**

2 *Section 201 (42 U.S.C. 5001(a)) is amended—*

3 *(1) in subsection (a)—*

4 *(A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),*  
5 *by striking “avail” and all that follows through*  
6 *“community,” and inserting “share their experi-*  
7 *ences, abilities, and skills to improve their com-*  
8 *munities and themselves through service in their*  
9 *communities,”;*

10 *(B) in paragraph (2), by striking “, and*  
11 *individuals 60 years of age or older will be given*  
12 *priority for enrollment,”; and*

13 *(C) in paragraph (4)—*

14 *(i) by striking “established and will be*  
15 *carried out” and inserting “designed and*  
16 *implemented”;* and

17 *(ii) by striking “field of service” and*  
18 *all that follows through the period at the*  
19 *end and inserting “field of service to be pro-*  
20 *vided, as well as persons who have expertise*  
21 *in the management of volunteers and the*  
22 *needs of older individuals.”;* and

23 *(2) by adding at the end the following:*

24 *“(e)(1) Beginning with fiscal year 2013 and for each*  
25 *fiscal year thereafter, each grant or contract awarded under*  
26 *this section, for such a year, shall be—*

1           “(A) awarded for a period of 3 years, with an  
2           option for a grant renewal of 3 years if the grantee  
3           meets the performances measures established under  
4           subsection (g); and

5           “(B) awarded through a competitive process de-  
6           scribed in paragraph (2).

7           “(2)(A) The Corporation shall promulgate regulations  
8           establishing the competitive process required under para-  
9           graph (1)(B), and make such regulations available to the  
10          public, not later than 18 months after the date of the enact-  
11          ment of the Serve America Act. The Corporation shall con-  
12          sult with the directors of programs receiving grants under  
13          this section during the development and implementation of  
14          the competitive process.

15          “(B) The competitive process required by subpara-  
16          graph (A) shall—

17                 “(i) include the use of a peer review panel, in-  
18                 cluding members with expertise in senior service and  
19                 aging, to review applications;

20                 “(ii) include site inspections of programs as-  
21                 sisted under this section, as appropriate;

22                 “(iii) in the case of an applicant who has pre-  
23                 viously received a grant or contract for a program  
24                 under this section, include an evaluation of the pro-



1 *gram conducted by a review team, as described in*  
2 *subsection (f);*

3 *“(iv) ensure that—*

4 *“(I) the grants or contracts awarded under*  
5 *this section through the competitive process for a*  
6 *grant or contract cycle support an aggregate*  
7 *number of volunteer service years for a given ge-*  
8 *ographic service area that is not less than the ag-*  
9 *gregate number of volunteer service years sup-*  
10 *ported under this section for such service area for*  
11 *the previous grant or contract cycle;*

12 *“(II) the grants or contracts awarded under*  
13 *this section through the competitive process for a*  
14 *grant or contract cycle maintain a similar pro-*  
15 *gram distribution, as compared to the program*  
16 *distribution for the previous grant or contract*  
17 *cycle; and*

18 *“(III) every effort is made to minimize the*  
19 *disruption to volunteers; and*

20 *“(v) include the use of performance measures,*  
21 *outcomes, and other criteria established under sub-*  
22 *section (g).*

23 *“(f)(1) Notwithstanding section 412, and effective be-*  
24 *ginning 180 days after the date of enactment of the Serve*  
25 *America Act, each grant or contract under this section that*

1 *expires in fiscal year 2011, 2012, or 2013 shall be subject*  
2 *to an evaluation process conducted by a review team de-*  
3 *scribed in paragraph (4). The evaluation process shall be*  
4 *carried out, to the maximum extent practicable, in fiscal*  
5 *year 2010, 2011, and 2012, respectively.*

6       “(2) *The Corporation shall promulgate regulations es-*  
7 *tablishing the evaluation process required under paragraph*  
8 *(1), and make such regulations available to the public, not*  
9 *later than 18 months after the date of enactment of the*  
10 *Serve America Act. The Corporation shall consult with the*  
11 *directors of programs receiving grants under this section*  
12 *during the development and implementation of the evalua-*  
13 *tion process.*

14       “(3) *The evaluation process required under paragraph*  
15 *(1) shall—*

16               “(A) *include performance measures, outcomes,*  
17 *and other criteria established under subsection (g);*  
18 *and*

19               “(B) *evaluate the extent to which the recipient of*  
20 *the grant or contract meets or exceeds such perform-*  
21 *ance measures, outcomes, and other criteria through a*  
22 *review of the recipient.*

23       “(4) *To the maximum extent practicable, the Corpora-*  
24 *tion shall provide that each evaluation required by this sub-*  
25 *section is conducted by a review team that—*

1           “(A) includes individuals who are knowledgeable  
2           about programs assisted under this section;

3           “(B) includes current or former employees of the  
4           Corporation who are knowledgeable about programs  
5           assisted under this section;

6           “(C) includes representatives of communities  
7           served by volunteers of programs assisted under this  
8           section; and

9           “(D) shall receive periodic training to ensure  
10          quality and consistency across evaluations.

11          “(5) The findings of an evaluation described in this  
12          subsection of a program described in paragraph (1) shall—

13               “(A) be presented to the recipient of the grant or  
14               contract for such program in a timely, transparent,  
15               and uniform manner that conveys information of pro-  
16               gram strengths and weaknesses and assists with pro-  
17               gram improvement; and

18               “(B) be used as the basis for program improve-  
19               ment, and for the provision of training and technical  
20               assistance.

21          “(g)(1) The Corporation shall, with particular atten-  
22          tion to the different needs of rural and urban programs as-  
23          sisted under this section, develop performance measures,  
24          outcomes, and other criteria for programs assisted under  
25          this section that—

1           “(A) include an assessment of the strengths and  
2 areas in need of improvement of a program assisted  
3 under this section;

4           “(B) include an assessment of whether such pro-  
5 gram has adequately addressed population and com-  
6 munity-wide needs;

7           “(C) include an assessment of the efforts of such  
8 program to collaborate with other community-based  
9 organizations, units of government, and entities pro-  
10 viding services to seniors, taking into account barriers  
11 to such collaboration that such program may encoun-  
12 ter;

13           “(D) include a protocol for fiscal management  
14 that shall be used to assess such program’s compliance  
15 with the program requirements for the appropriate  
16 use of Federal funds;

17           “(E) include an assessment of whether the pro-  
18 gram is in conformity with the eligibility, outreach,  
19 enrollment, and other requirements for programs as-  
20 sisted under this section; and

21           “(F) contain other measures of performance de-  
22 veloped by the Corporation, in consultation with the  
23 review teams described in subsection (f)(4).

24           “(2)(A) The performance measures, outcomes, and  
25 other criteria established under this subsection may be up-

1 *dated or modified as necessary, in consultation with direc-*  
2 *tors of programs under this section, but not earlier than*  
3 *fiscal year 2014.*

4       “(B) *For each fiscal year preceding fiscal year 2014,*  
5 *the Corporation may, after consulting with directors of the*  
6 *programs under this section, determine that a performance*  
7 *measure, outcome, or criterion established under this sub-*  
8 *section is operationally problematic, and may, in consulta-*  
9 *tion with such directors and after notifying the authorizing*  
10 *committees—*

11               “(i) *eliminate the use of that performance meas-*  
12 *ure, outcome or criterion; or*

13               “(ii) *modify that performance measure, outcome,*  
14 *or criterion as necessary to render it no longer oper-*  
15 *ationally problematic.*

16       “(3) *In the event that a program does not meet one*  
17 *or more of the performance measures, outcome, or criteria*  
18 *established under this subsection, the Corporation shall ini-*  
19 *tiate procedures to terminate the program in accordance*  
20 *with section 412.*

21       “(h) *The Chief Executive Officer shall develop proce-*  
22 *dures by which programs assisted under this section may*  
23 *receive training and technical assistance, which may in-*  
24 *clude regular monitoring visits to assist programs in meet-*  
25 *ing the performance measures, outcomes, and criteria.*

1       “(i)(1) Notwithstanding subsection (g)(3) or section  
2 412, the Corporation shall continue to fund a program as-  
3 sisted under this section that has failed to meet or exceed  
4 the performance measures, outcomes, and other criteria es-  
5 tablished under this subsection for not more than 12 months  
6 if the competitive process established under subsection (e)  
7 does not result in a successor grant or contract for such  
8 program, in order to minimize the disruption to volunteers  
9 and the disruption of services.

10       “(2) In the case where a program is continued under  
11 paragraph (1), the Corporation shall conduct outreach re-  
12 garding the availability of a grant under this section for  
13 the area served by such program and establish a new com-  
14 petition for awarding the successor program to the contin-  
15 ued program. The recipient operating the continued pro-  
16 gram shall remain eligible for the new competition.

17       “(3) The Corporation may monitor the recipient of a  
18 grant or contract supporting a program continued under  
19 paragraph (1) during this period and may provide training  
20 and technical assistance to assist such recipient in meeting  
21 the performance measures for such program.

22       “(j) The Corporation shall develop and disseminate an  
23 online resource guide for programs under this section not  
24 later than 180 days after the date of enactment of the Serve  
25 America Act, which shall include—

1           “(1) examples of high-performing programs as-  
2           sisted under this section;

3           “(2) corrective actions for underperforming pro-  
4           grams; and

5           “(3) examples of meaningful outcome-based per-  
6           formance measures, outcomes, and criteria that cap-  
7           ture a program’s mission and priorities.”.

8 **SEC. 2144. FOSTER GRANDPARENT PROGRAM.**

9           Section 211 (42 U.S.C. 5011) is amended—

10           (1) in subsection (a)—

11           (A) in the first sentence—

12           (i) by striking “aged sixty” and insert-  
13           ing “age 55”; and

14           (ii) by striking “children having excep-  
15           tional needs” and inserting “children hav-  
16           ing special or exceptional needs or cir-  
17           cumstances identified as limiting their aca-  
18           demic, social, or emotional development”;  
19           and

20           (B) in the second sentence—

21           (i) by striking “any of a variety of”;  
22           and

23           (ii) by striking “children with special  
24           or exceptional needs” and inserting “chil-  
25           dren having special or exceptional needs or

1           *circumstances identified as limiting their*  
2           *academic, social, or emotional develop-*  
3           *ment”;*

4           (2) *in subsection (b)—*

5           (A) *in paragraph (1)—*

6           (i) *in the matter preceding subpara-*  
7           *graph (A), by striking “shall have” and all*  
8           *that follows through “(2) of the subsection”*  
9           *and inserting “may determine”;*

10           (ii) *in subparagraph (A), by striking*  
11           *“and” after the semicolon at the end;*

12           (iii) *in subparagraph (B), by striking*  
13           *the period at the end and inserting “; and”;*  
14           *and*

15           (iv) *by adding at the end the following:*

16           “(C) *whether it is in the best interest of the child*  
17           *receiving, and the particular foster grandparent pro-*  
18           *viding, services in such a project, to continue the rela-*  
19           *tionship between the child and the grandparent under*  
20           *this part after the child reaches the age of 21, if such*  
21           *child is an individual with a disability who was re-*  
22           *ceiving such services prior to attaining the age of*  
23           *21.”; and*

24           (B) *by striking paragraph (2) and inserting*  
25           *the following:*



1       “(2) *If an assignment of a foster grandparent under*  
 2 *this part is suspended or discontinued, the replacement of*  
 3 *that foster grandparent shall be determined in a manner*  
 4 *consistent with paragraph (3).”;*

5           (3) *in subsection (d), by striking “\$2.45 per*  
 6 *hour” and all that follows through “five cents, except”*  
 7 *and inserting “\$3.00 per hour, except”;*

8           (4) *in subsection (e)—*

9               (A) *in paragraph (1), by striking “125 per*  
 10 *centum” and inserting “200 percent”; and*

11               (B) *in paragraph (2), by striking “per cen-*  
 12 *tum” and inserting “percent”; and*

13           (5) *in subsection (f)(1)—*

14               (A) *in subparagraph (A), by striking “sub-*  
 15 *paragraphs (B) and (C)” and inserting “sub-*  
 16 *paragraph (B)”;* and

17               (B) *by striking subparagraph (C).*

18 **SEC. 2145. SENIOR COMPANION PROGRAM.**

19       Section 213(a) (42 U.S.C. 5013(a)) *is amended by*  
 20 *striking “aged 60 or over” and inserting “age 55 or older”.*

21 **SEC. 2146. GENERAL PROVISIONS.**

22       (a) **PROMOTION OF NATIONAL SENIOR SERVICE**  
 23 **CORPS.**—Section 221 (42 U.S.C. 5021) *is amended—*

24           (1) *in the section heading, by striking “VOLUN-*  
 25 *TEER” and inserting “SERVICE”; and*

1           (2) *in subsection (b)(2), by striking “participa-*  
2           *tion of volunteers” and inserting “participation of*  
3           *volunteers of all ages and backgrounds, living in*  
4           *urban or rural communities”.*

5           **(b) MINORITY POPULATION PARTICIPATION.**—Section  
6   223 (42 U.S.C. 5023) is amended—

7           (1) *in the section heading, by striking “GROUP”*  
8           *and inserting “POPULATION”; and*

9           (2) *by striking “sixty years and older from mi-*  
10          *nority groups” and inserting “age 55 years or older*  
11          *from minority populations”.*

12          **(c) USE OF LOCALLY GENERATED CONTRIBUTIONS IN**  
13   **NATIONAL SENIOR SERVICE CORPS.**—Section 224 (42  
14   U.S.C. 5024) is amended—

15          (1) *in the section heading, by striking “VOLUN-*  
16          *TEER” and inserting “SERVICE”; and*

17          (2) *by striking “Volunteer Corps” and inserting*  
18          *“Service Corps”.*

19          **(d) NATIONAL PROBLEMS OF LOCAL CONCERN.**—Sec-  
20   tion 225 (42 U.S.C. 5025) is amended—

21          (1) *in subsection (a)—*

22                  (A) *in paragraph (1)—*

23                          (i) *in subparagraph (B), by striking*  
24                          *“(10), (12), (15), and (16)” and inserting*

25                          *“(9), (11), and (14)”;* and

1                   (ii) in subparagraph (C), by striking  
2                   “(10)” and inserting “(9)”;

3                   (B) by amending paragraph (2) to read as  
4                   follows:

5                   “(2) An applicant for a grant under paragraph (1)  
6 shall determine whether the program to be supported by the  
7 grant is a program under part A, B, or C, and shall submit  
8 an application as required for such program.”; and

9                   (C) by adding at the end the following:

10                  “(4) To the maximum extent practicable, the Director  
11 shall ensure that not less than 25 percent of the funds ap-  
12 propriated under this section are used to award grants—

13                   “(A) to applicants for grants under this section  
14 that are not receiving assistance from the Corporation  
15 at the time of such grant award; or

16                   “(B) to applicants from locations where no pro-  
17 grams supported under part A, B, or C are in effect  
18 at the time of such grant award.

19                  “(5) Notwithstanding paragraph (4), if, for a fiscal  
20 year, less than 25 percent of the applicants for grants under  
21 this section are applicants described in paragraph (4), the  
22 Director may use an amount that is greater than 75 percent  
23 of the funds appropriated under this subsection to award  
24 grants to applicants that are already receiving assistance  
25 from the Corporation at the time of such grant award.”;

1           (2) *in subsection (b)—*

2                   (A) *in paragraph (2), by inserting “through*  
3                   *education, prevention, treatment, and rehabilita-*  
4                   *tion” before the period at the end;*

5                   (B) *by striking paragraph (4) and inserting*  
6                   *the following:*

7                   “*(4) Programs that establish and support men-*  
8                   *toring programs for low-income youth, including*  
9                   *mentoring programs that match such youth with*  
10                   *mentors and match such youth with employment and*  
11                   *training programs, including apprenticeship pro-*  
12                   *grams.”;*

13                   (C) *in paragraph (5), by inserting “, in-*  
14                   *cluding literacy programs that serve youth, and*  
15                   *adults, with limited English proficiency” before*  
16                   *the period at the end;*

17                   (D) *by striking paragraphs (6) and (7) and*  
18                   *inserting the following:*

19                   “*(6) Programs that provide respite care, includ-*  
20                   *ing care for elderly individuals and for children and*  
21                   *individuals with disabilities or chronic illnesses who*  
22                   *are living at home.*

23                   “*(7) Programs that provide before-school and*  
24                   *after-school activities, serving children in low-income*  
25                   *communities, that may engage participants in men-*

1 *toring relationships, tutoring, life skills, and study*  
2 *skills programs, service-learning, physical, nutrition,*  
3 *and health education programs, and other activities*  
4 *addressing the needs of the children in the commu-*  
5 *nities, including children of working parents.”;*

6 *(E) by striking paragraph (8);*

7 *(F) by redesignating paragraphs (9)*  
8 *through (15) as paragraphs (8) through (14), re-*  
9 *spectively;*

10 *(G) in paragraph (10) (as redesignated by*  
11 *subparagraph (F))—*

12 *(i) by striking “educationally dis-*  
13 *advantaged children” and inserting “stu-*  
14 *dents”;* and

15 *(ii) by striking “the basic skills of such*  
16 *children” and inserting “the academic*  
17 *achievement of such students”;*

18 *(H) by striking paragraph (11) (as redesi-*  
19 *gnated by subparagraph (F)) and inserting the*  
20 *following:*

21 *“(11) Programs that engage older individuals*  
22 *with children and youth to complete service in energy*  
23 *conservation, environmental stewardship, or other en-*  
24 *vironmental needs of a community, including service*  
25 *relating to conducting energy audits, insulating*

1 *homes, or conducting other activities to promote en-*  
2 *ergy efficiency.”;*

3 *(I) by striking paragraph (14) (as redesign-*  
4 *ated by subparagraph (F)) and inserting the*  
5 *following:*

6 *“(14) Programs in which the grant recipients in-*  
7 *volved collaborate with criminal justice professionals*  
8 *and organizations in order to provide prevention pro-*  
9 *grams that serve low-income youth or youth reen-*  
10 *tering society after incarceration and their families,*  
11 *which prevention programs may include mentoring,*  
12 *counseling, or employment counseling.”;*

13 *(J) by striking paragraph (16); and*

14 *(K) by redesignating paragraphs (17) and*  
15 *(18) as paragraphs (15) and (16), respectively;*

16 *(3) in subsection (c)(1), by inserting “and that*  
17 *such applicant has expertise applicable to imple-*  
18 *menting the proposed program for which the appli-*  
19 *cant is requesting the grant” before the period at the*  
20 *end; and*

21 *(4) in subsection (e), by inserting “widely” after*  
22 *“shall”.*

23 *(e) ACCEPTANCE OF DONATIONS.—Part D of title II*  
24 *(42 U.S.C. 5021 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end*  
25 *the following:*

1 **“SEC. 228. ACCEPTANCE OF DONATIONS.**

2       “(a) *IN GENERAL.*—*Except as provided in subsection*  
 3 *(b), an entity receiving assistance under this title may ac-*  
 4 *cept donations, including donations in cash or in kind fair-*  
 5 *ly evaluated, including plant, equipment, or services.*

6       “(b) *EXCEPTION.*—*An entity receiving assistance*  
 7 *under this title to carry out an activity shall not accept*  
 8 *donations from the beneficiaries of the activity.”.*

9       ***Subtitle C—Administration and***  
 10                   ***Coordination***

11 **SEC. 2151. SPECIAL LIMITATIONS.**

12       *Section 404(a) (42 U.S.C. 5044(a)) is amended by in-*  
 13 *serting “or other volunteers (not including participants*  
 14 *under this Act and the National and Community Service*  
 15 *Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12501 et seq.),” after “employed*  
 16 *workers” both places such term appears.*

17 **SEC. 2152. APPLICATION OF FEDERAL LAW.**

18       *Section 415 (42 U.S.C. 5055) is amended—*

19               (1) *in subsection (c), by inserting “(as such part*  
 20 *was in effect on the day before the date of enactment*  
 21 *of the Serve America Act)” after “part B”; and*

22               (2) *in subsection (e), by inserting “(as such part*  
 23 *was in effect on the day before the date of enactment*  
 24 *of the Serve America Act)” after “A, B”.*

25 **SEC. 2153. EVALUATION.**

26       *Section 416 (42 U.S.C. 5056) is amended—*

1           (1) *in subsection (a), in the first sentence, by*  
2 *striking “(including” and all that follows through “3*  
3 *years)”*; and

4           (2) *in subsection (f)(3), by striking “Committee*  
5 *on Education and Labor of the House of Representa-*  
6 *tives and the Committee on Labor and Human Re-*  
7 *sources of the Senate” and inserting “authorizing*  
8 *committees”*.

9 **SEC. 2154. DEFINITIONS.**

10 *Section 421 (42 U.S.C. 5061) is amended—*

11           (1) *in paragraph (2), by inserting “, the Com-*  
12 *monwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands,” after*  
13 *“American Samoa”*;

14           (2) *by striking paragraph (7)*;

15           (3) *in paragraph (13), by striking “Volunteer*  
16 *Corps” and inserting “Service Corps”*;

17           (4) *in paragraph (14), by striking “Volunteer*  
18 *Corps” and inserting “Service Corps”*;

19           (5) *by redesignating paragraphs (8) through (20)*  
20 *as paragraphs (7) through (19), respectively*;

21           (6) *in paragraph (18) (as redesignated by para-*  
22 *graph (5)), by striking “and” after the semicolon at*  
23 *the end*;



1           (7) *in paragraph (19) (as redesignated by para-*  
2           *graph (5)), by striking the period at the end and in-*  
3           *serting “; and”; and*

4           (8) *by adding at the end the following:*

5           “(20) *the term ‘authorizing committees’ means*  
6           *the Committee on Education and Labor of the House*  
7           *of Representatives and the Committee on Health,*  
8           *Education, Labor, and Pensions of the Senate.”.*

9   **SEC. 2155. PROTECTION AGAINST IMPROPER USE.**

10          *Section 425 (42 U.S.C. 5065) is amended, in the mat-*  
11          *ter following paragraph (2), by striking “Volunteer Corps”*  
12          *and inserting “Service Corps”.*

13   **SEC. 2156. PROVISIONS UNDER THE NATIONAL AND COM-**  
14                                    **MUNITY SERVICE ACT OF 1990.**

15          *Title IV (42 U.S.C. 5043 et seq.) is amended by adding*  
16          *at the end the following:*

17   **“SEC. 426. PROVISIONS UNDER THE NATIONAL AND COM-**  
18                                    **MUNITY SERVICE ACT OF 1990.**

19          *“The Corporation shall carry out this Act in accord-*  
20          *ance with the provisions of this Act and the relevant provi-*  
21          *sions of the National and Community Service Act of 1990*  
22          *(42 U.S.C. 12501 et seq.), particularly the provisions of sec-*  
23          *tion 122 and subtitle F of title I of the National and Com-*  
24          *munity Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12572, 12631 et seq.)*  
25          *relating to the national service laws.”.*

1           ***Subtitle D—Authorization of***  
2                           ***Appropriations***

3   **SEC. 2161. AUTHORIZATIONS OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

4           (a) *NATIONAL VOLUNTEER ANTIPOVERTY PRO-*  
5 *GRAMS.—Section 501 (42 U.S.C. 5081) is amended—*

6                   (1) *in subsection (a)—*

7                           (A) *by striking paragraphs (1) through (4)*  
8 *and inserting the following:*

9                           “(1) *VOLUNTEERS IN SERVICE TO AMERICA.—*

10 *There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out*  
11 *part A of title I \$100,000,000 for fiscal year 2010*  
12 *and such sums as may be necessary for each of the*  
13 *fiscal years 2011 through 2014.*

14                           “(2) *SPECIAL VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS.—There*  
15 *are authorized to be appropriated to carry out part*  
16 *C of title I such sums as may be necessary for each*  
17 *of fiscal years 2010 through 2014.”; and*

18                           (B) *by redesignating paragraph (5) as*  
19 *paragraph (3);*

20                           (2) *in subsection (c), by striking “part B or C”*  
21 *and inserting “part C”; and*

22                           (3) *by striking subsection (e).*

23           (b) *NATIONAL SENIOR SERVICE CORPS.—Section 502*  
24 *(42 U.S.C. 5082) is amended to read as follows:*

1 **“SEC. 502. NATIONAL SENIOR SERVICE CORPS.**

2       “(a) *RETIRED AND SENIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM.*—  
3 *There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out part*  
4 *A of title II, \$70,000,000 for fiscal year 2010, and such*  
5 *sums as may be necessary for each of the fiscal years 2011*  
6 *through 2014.*

7       “(b) *FOSTER GRANDPARENT PROGRAM.*—*There are*  
8 *authorized to be appropriated to carry out part B of title*  
9 *II, \$115,000,000 for fiscal year 2010, and such sums as*  
10 *may be necessary for each of the fiscal years 2011 through*  
11 *2014.*

12       “(c) *SENIOR COMPANION PROGRAM.*—*There are au-*  
13 *thorized to be appropriated to carry out part C of title II,*  
14 *\$55,000,000 for fiscal year 2010, and such sums as may*  
15 *be necessary for each of the fiscal years 2011 through 2014.*

16       “(d) *DEMONSTRATION PROGRAMS.*—*There are author-*  
17 *ized to be appropriated to carry out part E of title II, such*  
18 *sums as may be necessary for each of the fiscal years 2010*  
19 *through 2014.”.*

20       “(c) *ADMINISTRATION AND COORDINATION.*—*Section*  
21 *504 (42 U.S.C. 5084) is amended—*

22               (1) *in subsection (a), by striking “fiscal years*  
23 *1994 through 1996” and inserting “fiscal years 2010*  
24 *through 2014”;* and

1           (2) *in subsection (b), by striking “fiscal years*  
 2           *1994 through 1996” and inserting “fiscal years 2010*  
 3           *through 2014”.*

4   **TITLE III—TECHNICAL AMEND-**  
 5   **MENTS TO TABLES OF CON-**  
 6   **TENTS**

7   **SEC. 3101. TABLE OF CONTENTS OF THE NATIONAL AND**  
 8           **COMMUNITY SERVICE ACT OF 1990.**

9           *Section 1(b) of the National and Community Service*  
 10 *Act of 1990 is amended to read as follows:*

11           “(b) *TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents of*  
 12 *this Act is as follows:*

“*Sec. 1. Short title and table of contents.*”

“*Sec. 2. Findings and purpose.*”

“*TITLE I—NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE STATE GRANT*  
*PROGRAM*”

“*Subtitle A—General Provisions*”

“*Sec. 101. Definitions.*”

“*Sec. 102. Authority to make State grants.*”

“*Subtitle B—School-Based and Community-Based Service-Learning Programs*”

“*PART I—PROGRAMS FOR ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS*”

“*Sec. 111. Purpose.*”

“*Sec. 111A. Definitions.*”

“*Sec. 112. Assistance to States, territories, and Indian tribes.*”

“*Sec. 112A. Allotments.*”

“*Sec. 113. Applications.*”

“*Sec. 114. Consideration of applications.*”

“*Sec. 115. Participation of students and teachers from private schools.*”

“*Sec. 116. Federal, State, and local contributions.*”

“*Sec. 117. Limitations on uses of funds.*”

“*PART II—HIGHER EDUCATION INNOVATIVE PROGRAMS FOR COMMUNITY*  
*SERVICE*”

“*Sec. 118. Higher education innovative programs for community service.*”

“*Sec. 118A. Campuses of Service.*”

“PART III—INNOVATIVE AND COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICE-LEARNING  
PROGRAMS AND RESEARCH

“Sec. 119. *Innovative and community-based service-learning programs and research.*

“PART IV—SERVICE-LEARNING IMPACT STUDY

“Sec. 120. *Study and report.*

“Subtitle C—National Service Trust Program

“PART I—INVESTMENT IN NATIONAL SERVICE

“Sec. 121. *Authority to provide assistance and approved national service positions.*

“Sec. 122. *National service programs eligible for program assistance.*

“Sec. 123. *Types of national service positions eligible for approval for national service educational awards.*

“Sec. 124. *Types of program assistance.*

“Sec. 126. *Other special assistance.*

“PART II—APPLICATION AND APPROVAL PROCESS

“Sec. 129. *Provision of assistance and approved national service positions.*

“Sec. 129A. *Educational awards only program.*

“Sec. 130. *Application for assistance and approved national service positions.*

“Sec. 131. *National service program assistance requirements.*

“Sec. 132. *Ineligible service categories.*

“Sec. 132A. *Prohibited activities and ineligible organizations.*

“Sec. 133. *Consideration of applications.*

“PART III—NATIONAL SERVICE PARTICIPANTS

“Sec. 137. *Description of participants.*

“Sec. 138. *Selection of national service participants.*

“Sec. 139. *Terms of service.*

“Sec. 140. *Living allowances for national service participants.*

“Sec. 141. *National service educational awards.*

“Subtitle D—National Service Trust and Provision of Educational Awards

“Sec. 145. *Establishment of the National Service Trust.*

“Sec. 146. *Individuals eligible to receive an educational award from the Trust.*

“Sec. 146A. *Certifications of successful completion of terms of service.*

“Sec. 147. *Determination of the amount of the educational award.*

“Sec. 148. *Disbursement of educational awards.*

“Sec. 149. *Approval process for approved positions.*

“Subtitle E—National Civilian Community Corps

“Sec. 151. *Purpose.*

“Sec. 152. *Establishment of National Civilian Community Corps Program.*

“Sec. 153. *National service program.*

“Sec. 154. *Summer national service program.*

“Sec. 155. *National Civilian Community Corps.*

“Sec. 156. *Training.*

“Sec. 157. *Service projects.*

- “Sec. 158. *Authorized benefits for Corps members.*
- “Sec. 159. *Administrative provisions.*
- “Sec. 160. *Status of Corps members and Corps personnel under Federal law.*
- “Sec. 161. *Contract and grant authority.*
- “Sec. 162. *Responsibilities of Department of Defense.*
- “Sec. 163. *Advisory board.*
- “Sec. 164. *Evaluations.*
- “Sec. 165. *Definitions.*

*“Subtitle F—Administrative Provisions*

- “Sec. 171. *Family and medical leave.*
- “Sec. 172. *Reports.*
- “Sec. 173. *Supplementation.*
- “Sec. 174. *Prohibition on use of funds.*
- “Sec. 175. *Nondiscrimination.*
- “Sec. 176. *Notice, hearing, and grievance procedures.*
- “Sec. 177. *Nonduplication and nondisplacement.*
- “Sec. 178. *State Commissions on National and Community Service.*
- “Sec. 179. *Evaluation.*
- “Sec. 179A. *Civic Health Assessment and volunteering research and evaluation.*
- “Sec. 180. *Engagement of participants.*
- “Sec. 181. *Contingent extension.*
- “Sec. 182. *Partnerships with schools.*
- “Sec. 183. *Rights of access, examination, and copying.*
- “Sec. 184. *Drug-free workplace requirements.*
- “Sec. 184A. *Availability of assistance.*
- “Sec. 185. *Consolidated application and reporting requirements.*
- “Sec. 186. *Sustainability.*
- “Sec. 187. *Grant periods.*
- “Sec. 188. *Generation of volunteers.*
- “Sec. 189. *Limitation on program grant costs.*
- “Sec. 189A. *Matching requirements for severely economically distressed communities.*
- “Sec. 189B. *Audits and reports.*
- “Sec. 189C. *Restrictions on Federal Government and uses of Federal funds.*
- “Sec. 189D. *Criminal history checks.*

*“Subtitle G—Corporation for National and Community Service*

- “Sec. 191. *Corporation for National and Community Service.*
- “Sec. 192. *Board of Directors.*
- “Sec. 192A. *Authorities and duties of the Board of Directors.*
- “Sec. 193. *Chief Executive Officer.*
- “Sec. 193A. *Authorities and duties of the Chief Executive Officer.*
- “Sec. 194. *Officers.*
- “Sec. 195. *Employees, consultants, and other personnel.*
- “Sec. 196. *Administration.*
- “Sec. 196A. *Corporation State offices.*
- “Sec. 196B. *Assignment to State Commissions.*
- “Sec. 196C. *Study of involvement of veterans.*

*“Subtitle H—Investment for Quality and Innovation**“PART I—ADDITIONAL CORPORATION ACTIVITIES TO SUPPORT NATIONAL SERVICE**“Sec. 198. Additional corporation activities to support national service.**“Sec. 198A. Presidential awards for service.**“Sec. 198B. ServeAmerica Fellowships.**“Sec. 198C. Silver Scholarships and Encore Fellowships.**“PART II—NATIONAL SERVICE RESERVE CORPS**“Sec. 198H. National Service Reserve Corps.**“PART III—SOCIAL INNOVATION FUNDS PILOT PROGRAM**“Sec. 198K. Funds.**“PART IV—NATIONAL SERVICE PROGRAMS CLEARINGHOUSES; VOLUNTEER GENERATION FUND**“Sec. 198O. National service programs clearinghouses.**“Sec. 198P. Volunteer generation fund.**““PART V—NONPROFIT CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAM**““Sec. 198S. Nonprofit capacity building.**“Subtitle I—American Conservation and Youth Corps**“Sec. 199. Short title.**“Sec. 199A. General authority.**“Sec. 199B. Limitation on purchase of capital equipment.**“Sec. 199C. State application.**“Sec. 199D. Focus of programs.**“Sec. 199E. Related programs.**“Sec. 199F. Public lands or Indian lands.**“Sec. 199G. Training and education services.**“Sec. 199H. Preference for certain projects.**“Sec. 199I. Age and citizenship criteria for enrollment.**“Sec. 199J. Use of volunteers.**“Sec. 199K. Living allowance.**“Sec. 199L. Joint programs.**“Sec. 199M. Federal and State employee status.**“Subtitle J—Training and Technical Assistance**“Sec. 199N. Training and technical assistance.**“TITLE II—MODIFICATIONS OF EXISTING PROGRAMS**“Subtitle A—Publication**“Sec. 201. Information for students.**“Sec. 202. Exit counseling for borrowers.**“Sec. 203. Department information on deferments and cancellations.**“Sec. 204. Data on deferments and cancellations.*

*“Subtitle B—Youthbuild Projects**“Sec. 211. Youthbuild projects.**“Subtitle C—Amendments to Student Literacy Corps**“Sec. 221. Amendments to Student Literacy Corps.**“TITLE IV—PROJECTS HONORING VICTIMS OF TERRORIST ATTACKS**“Sec. 401. Projects.**“TITLE V—AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS**“Sec. 501. Authorization of appropriations.**“TITLE VI—MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS**“Sec. 601. Amtrak waste disposal.**“Sec. 602. Exchange program with countries in transition from totalitarianism to democracy.”*

1 **SEC. 3102. TABLE OF CONTENTS OF THE DOMESTIC VOLUN-**  
 2 **TEER SERVICE ACT OF 1973.**

3 *Section 1(b) of the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of*  
 4 *1973 is amended to read as follows:*

5 *“(b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents of*  
 6 *this Act is as follows:*

*“Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.**“Sec. 2. Volunteerism policy.**“TITLE I—NATIONAL VOLUNTEER ANTIPOVERTY PROGRAMS**“PART A—VOLUNTEERS IN SERVICE TO AMERICA**“Sec. 101. Statement of purpose.**“Sec. 102. Authority to operate VISTA program.**“Sec. 103. Selection and assignment of volunteers.**“Sec. 104. Terms and periods of service.**“Sec. 105. Support service.**“Sec. 106. Participation of beneficiaries.**“Sec. 107. Participation of younger and older persons.**“Sec. 108. Limitation.**“Sec. 109. Applications for assistance.**“PART C—SPECIAL VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS**“Sec. 121. Statement of purpose.**“Sec. 122. Authority to establish and operate special volunteer and demonstration programs.**“Sec. 123. Technical and financial assistance.*



*“TITLE II—NATIONAL SENIOR SERVICE CORPS**“Sec. 200. Statement of purpose.**“PART A—RETIRED AND SENIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM**“Sec. 201. Grants and contracts for volunteer service projects.**“PART B—FOSTER GRANDPARENT PROGRAM**“Sec. 211. Grants and contracts for volunteer service projects.**“PART C—SENIOR COMPANION PROGRAM**“Sec. 213. Grants and contracts for volunteer service projects.**“PART D—GENERAL PROVISIONS**“Sec. 221. Promotion of National Senior Service Corps.**“Sec. 222. Payments.**“Sec. 223. Minority population participation.**“Sec. 224. Use of locally generated contributions in National Senior Service Corps.**“Sec. 225. Programs of national significance.**“Sec. 226. Adjustments to Federal financial assistance.**“Sec. 227. Multiyear grants or contracts.**“Sec. 228. Acceptance of donations.**“PART E—DEMONSTRATION PROGRAMS**“Sec. 231. Authority of Director.**“TITLE IV—ADMINISTRATION AND COORDINATION**“Sec. 403. Political activities.**“Sec. 404. Special limitations.**“Sec. 406. Labor standards.**“Sec. 408. Joint funding.**“Sec. 409. Prohibition of Federal control.**“Sec. 410. Coordination with other programs.**“Sec. 411. Prohibition.**“Sec. 412. Notice and hearing procedures for suspension and termination of financial assistance.**“Sec. 414. Distribution of benefits between rural and urban areas.**“Sec. 415. Application of Federal law.**“Sec. 416. Evaluation.**“Sec. 417. Nondiscrimination provisions.**“Sec. 418. Eligibility for other benefits.**“Sec. 419. Legal expenses.**“Sec. 421. Definitions.**“Sec. 422. Audit.**“Sec. 423. Reduction of paperwork.**“Sec. 424. Review of project renewals.**“Sec. 425. Protection against improper use.**“Sec. 426. Provisions under the National and Community Service Act of 1990.**“TITLE V—AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS**“Sec. 501. National volunteer antipoverty programs.*

“Sec. 502. *National Senior Service Corps.*

“Sec. 504. *Administration and coordination.*

“Sec. 505. *Availability of appropriations.*

“TITLE VI—AMENDMENTS TO OTHER LAWS AND REPEALERS

“Sec. 601. *Supersedece of Reorganization Plan No. 1 of July 1, 1971.*

“Sec. 602. *Creditable service for civil service retirement.*

“Sec. 603. *Repeal of title VIII of the Economic Opportunity Act.*

“Sec. 604. *Repeal of title VI of the Older Americans Act.*”.

1           **TITLE IV—AMENDMENTS TO**  
2   **OTHER LAWS**

3   **SEC. 4101. INSPECTOR GENERAL ACT OF 1978.**

4           *Section 8F(a)(1) of the Inspector General Act of 1978*  
5 *(5 U.S.C. App.) is amended by striking “National and*  
6 *Community Service Trust Act of 1993” and inserting “Na-*  
7 *tional and Community Service Act of 1990”.*

8           **TITLE V—VOLUNTEERS FOR**  
9   **PROSPERITY PROGRAM**

10 **SEC. 5101. FINDINGS.**

11           *Congress makes the following findings:*

12                           (1) *Americans engaged in international volun-*  
13 *teer service, and the organizations deploying them—*

14                                   (A) *play critical roles in responding to the*  
15 *needs of people living throughout the developing*  
16 *world; and*

17                                   (B) *advance the international public diplo-*  
18 *macy of the United States.*

19                           (2) *The Volunteers for Prosperity Program has*  
20 *successfully promoted international volunteer service*  
21 *by skilled American professionals.*

1           (3) *In its first 4 years, the VfP Program helped*  
2 *to mobilize 74,000 skilled Americans, including doc-*  
3 *tors, nurses, engineers, businesspeople, and teachers,*  
4 *through a network of 250 nonprofit organizations and*  
5 *companies in the United States, to carry out develop-*  
6 *ment and humanitarian efforts for those affected by*  
7 *great global challenges in health, the environment,*  
8 *poverty, illiteracy, financial literacy, disaster relief,*  
9 *and other challenges.*

10           (4) *The VfP Program has undertaken activities,*  
11 *including—*

12                   (A) *direct outreach to leading nonprofit or-*  
13 *ganizations and companies in the United States;*

14                   (B) *promotion of the work of skilled Ameri-*  
15 *cans and nonprofit organizations and companies*  
16 *in the United States as it relates to inter-*  
17 *national volunteer service;*

18                   (C) *public recognition of skilled American*  
19 *volunteers;*

20                   (D) *support for organizations that utilize*  
21 *skilled Americans as volunteers;*

22                   (E) *participation in the development of spe-*  
23 *cial initiatives to further opportunities for*  
24 *skilled Americans; and*

1                   (F) leadership of an innovative public-pri-  
2                   vate partnership to provide eligible skilled with  
3                   financial assistance for volunteer assignments.

4 **SEC. 5102. DEFINITIONS.**

5           In this title:

6           (1) *VFP OFFICE*.—The term “VfP Office” means  
7           the Office of Volunteers for Prosperity of the United  
8           States Agency for International Development.

9           (2) *VFP PROGRAM*.—The term “VfP Program”  
10           means the Volunteers for Prosperity Program estab-  
11           lished through Executive Order 13317.

12           (3) *VFP SERVE*.—The term “VfPServe” means a  
13           program established by the VfP Office, in cooperation  
14           with the USA Freedom Corps, to provide eligible  
15           skilled professionals with fixed amount stipends to off-  
16           set the travel and living costs of volunteering abroad.

17 **SEC. 5103. OFFICE OF VOLUNTEERS FOR PROSPERITY.**

18           (a) *FUNCTIONS*.—The VfP Office shall pursue the ob-  
19           jectives of the VfP Program described in subsection (b) by—

20           (1) implementing the VfPServe Program to pro-  
21           vide eligible skilled professionals with matching  
22           grants to offset the travel and living expenses of vol-  
23           unteering abroad with nonprofit organizations;

24           (2) otherwise promoting short- and long-term  
25           international volunteer service by skilled American

1     *professionals, including connecting such professionals*  
2     *with nonprofit organizations, to achieve such objec-*  
3     *tives;*

4             (3) *helping nonprofit organizations in the*  
5     *United States recruit and effectively manage addi-*  
6     *tional skilled American professionals for volunteer as-*  
7     *signments throughout the developing world;*

8             (4) *providing recognition for skilled American*  
9     *volunteers and the organizations deploying them;*

10            (5) *helping nonprofit organizations and corpora-*  
11     *tions in the United States to identify resources and*  
12     *opportunities in international volunteer service uti-*  
13     *lizing skilled Americans;*

14            (6) *encouraging the establishment of inter-*  
15     *national volunteer programs for employees of United*  
16     *States corporations; and*

17            (7) *encouraging international voluntary service*  
18     *by highly skilled Americans to promote health and*  
19     *prosperity throughout the world.*

20     (b) *VFP PROGRAM OBJECTIVES.*—*The objectives of the*  
21 *VfP Program should include—*

22            (1) *eliminating extreme poverty;*

23            (2) *reducing world hunger and malnutrition;*

24            (3) *increasing access to safe potable water;*

25            (4) *enacting universal education;*

1           (5) *reducing child mortality and childhood dis-*  
2           *eases;*

3           (6) *combating the spread of preventable diseases,*  
4           *including HIV, malaria, and tuberculosis;*

5           (7) *providing educational and work skill support*  
6           *for girls and empowering women to achieve independ-*  
7           *ence;*

8           (8) *creating sustainable business and entrepre-*  
9           *neurial opportunities; and*

10          (9) *increasing access to information technology.*

11          (c) *VOLUNTEERS FOR PROSPERITY SERVICE INCEN-*  
12          *TIVE PROGRAM.—*

13           (1) *IN GENERAL.—The VfP Office may provide*  
14           *matching grants to offset the travel and living costs*  
15           *of volunteering abroad to any eligible organization*  
16           *that—*

17                   (A) *has members who possess skills relevant*  
18                   *to addressing any objective described in sub-*  
19                   *section (b); and*

20                   (B) *provides a dollar-for-dollar match for*  
21                   *such grant—*

22                           (i) *through the organization with*  
23                           *which the individual is serving; or*

24                           (ii) *by raising private funds.*

1           (2) *NONDISCRIMINATION REQUIREMENT.*—*The*  
2 *VfP Office may not provide a stipend to an indi-*  
3 *vidual under paragraph (1) unless the nonprofit or-*  
4 *ganization to which the individual is assigned has*  
5 *certified to the VfP Office that it does not discrimi-*  
6 *nate with respect to any project or activity receiving*  
7 *Federal financial assistance, including a stipend*  
8 *under this title, because of race, religion, color, na-*  
9 *tional origin, sex, political affiliation, or beliefs.*

10           (3) *COMPLIANCE WITH INELIGIBLE SERVICE CAT-*  
11 *EGORIES.*—*Service carried out by a volunteer receiv-*  
12 *ing funds under this section may not provide a direct*  
13 *benefit to any—*

14                   (A) *business organized for profit;*

15                   (B) *labor union;*

16                   (C) *partisan political organization; or*

17                   (D) *religious or faith-based organization for*  
18 *the purpose of proselytization, worship or any*  
19 *other explicitly religious activity.*

20           (d) *FUNDING.*—

21           (1) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Administrator of the*  
22 *United States Agency for International Development*  
23 *shall make available the amounts appropriated pur-*  
24 *suant to section 5104 to the VfP Office to pursue the*

1     *objectives described in subsection (b) by carrying out*  
2     *the functions described in subsection (a).*

3             (2) *USE OF FUNDS.—Amounts made available*  
4     *under paragraph (1) may be used by the VfP Office*  
5     *to provide personnel and other resources to develop,*  
6     *manage, and expand the VfP Program, under the su-*  
7     *per vision of the United States Agency for Inter-*  
8     *national Development.*

9             (e) *COORDINATION.—The VfP Office shall coordinate*  
10    *its efforts with other public and private efforts that aim*  
11    *to send skilled professionals to serve in developing nations.*

12            (f) *REPORT.—The VfP Office shall submit an annual*  
13    *report to Congress on the activities of the VfP Office.*

14    **SEC. 5104. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

15            (a) *IN GENERAL.—There are authorized to be appro-*  
16    *priated to carry out this title \$10,000,000 for fiscal year*  
17    *2010, and such sums as may be necessary for each of the*  
18    *fiscal years 2011 through 2014.*

19            (b) *ALLOCATION OF FUNDS.—Not more than 10 per-*  
20    *cent of the amounts appropriated pursuant to subsection*  
21    *(a) may be expended for the administrative costs of the*  
22    *United States Agency for International Development to*  
23    *manage the VfP Program.*



1       **TITLE VI—EFFECTIVE DATE**

2       **SEC. 6101. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

3       (a) *IN GENERAL.*—*This Act, and the amendments*  
4 *made by this Act, take effect on October 1, 2009.*

5       (b) *REGULATIONS.*—*Effective on the date of enactment*  
6 *of this Act, the Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation*  
7 *for National and Community Service may issue such regu-*  
8 *lations as may be necessary to carry out this Act and the*  
9 *amendments made by this Act.*

10       **SEC. 6102. SENSE OF THE SENATE.**

11       (a) *FINDINGS.*—*The Senate finds the following:*

12               (1) *President John F. Kennedy said, “The rais-*  
13 *ing of extraordinarily large sums of money, given vol-*  
14 *untarily and freely by millions of our fellow Ameri-*  
15 *cans, is a unique American tradition . . . Philan-*  
16 *thropy, charity, giving voluntarily and freely . . . call*  
17 *it what you like, but it is truly a jewel of an Amer-*  
18 *ican tradition”.*

19               (2) *Americans gave more than \$300,000,000,000*  
20 *to charitable causes in 2007, an amount equal to*  
21 *roughly 2 percent of the gross domestic product.*

22               (3) *The vast majority of those donations, roughly*  
23 *75 percent or \$229,000,000,000, came from individ-*  
24 *uals.*

1           (4) *Studies have shown that Americans give far*  
2           *more to charity than the people of any other industri-*  
3           *alized nation—more than twice as much, measured as*  
4           *a share of gross domestic product, than the citizens of*  
5           *Great Britain, and 10 times more than the citizens*  
6           *of France.*

7           (5) *7 out of 10 American households donate to*  
8           *charities to support a wide range of religious, edu-*  
9           *cational, cultural, health care, and environmental*  
10          *goals.*

11          (6) *These charities provide innumerable valuable*  
12          *public services to society's most vulnerable citizens*  
13          *during difficult economic times.*

14          (7) *Congress has provided incentives through the*  
15          *Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to encourage chari-*  
16          *table giving by allowing individuals to deduct con-*  
17          *tributions made to tax-exempt charities.*

18          (8) *41,000,000 American households, constituting*  
19          *86 percent of taxpayers who itemize deductions, took*  
20          *advantage of this deduction to give to the charities of*  
21          *their choice.*

22          (b) *SENSE OF THE SENATE.—It is the sense of the Sen-*  
23          *ate that Congress should preserve the income tax deduction*  
24          *for charitable contributions through the Internal Revenue*

- 1 *Code of 1986 and look for additional ways to encourage*
- 2 *charitable giving.*

Amend the title so as to read: “Entitled The Edward M. Kennedy Serve America Act, an Act to reauthorize and reform the national service laws”.

Attest:

*Secretary.*

11<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
1<sup>ST</sup> SESSION

**H.R. 1388**

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**AMENDMENTS**