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To establish an AmeriCorps Administration to carry out the national and volunteer service programs, to expand participation in such programs, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. REED (for himself, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BROWN, Mr. COONS, Ms. DUCKWORTH, and Ms. KLOBUCHAR) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

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## A BILL

To establish an AmeriCorps Administration to carry out the national and volunteer service programs, to expand participation in such programs, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “America’s Call To Im-  
5 prove Opportunities Now for National Service Act” or the  
6 “ACTION for National Service Act”.

7 **SEC. 2. TABLE OF CONTENTS; REFERENCES.**

8 (a) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents for  
9 this Act is as follows:

- Sec. 1. Short title.  
 Sec. 2. Table of contents; references.

#### TITLE I—AMERICORPS

- Sec. 101. Establishment of AmeriCorps Administration.  
 Sec. 102. Advisory Board.  
 Sec. 103. Director.  
 Sec. 104. National service educational awards.  
 Sec. 105. Interagency working group.  
 Sec. 106. National Service Foundation.  
 Sec. 107. 21st Century American service outreach program.  
 Sec. 108. Living allowance amounts.  
 Sec. 109. Authorization of appropriations.  
 Sec. 110. Report on matching requirements.  
 Sec. 111. Exclusion from gross income of national service educational awards.  
 Sec. 112. Income tax exclusion for living allowance.  
 Sec. 113. Conforming amendments to the National and Community Service Act of 1990.  
 Sec. 114. Conforming amendments to the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973.  
 Sec. 115. Conforming amendments to other laws.

#### TITLE II—CIVILIAN CLIMATE CORPS

- Sec. 201. Definitions.  
 Sec. 202. Civilian Climate Corps.  
 Sec. 203. Requirements for corps service projects.  
 Sec. 204. Diverse backgrounds of participants.

1           (b) REFERENCES.—Except as otherwise expressly  
 2 provided in this Act, wherever in this Act an amendment  
 3 or repeal is expressed in terms of an amendment to, or  
 4 repeal of, a section or other provision, the reference shall  
 5 be considered to be made to that section or other provision  
 6 of the National and Community Service Act of 1990 (42  
 7 U.S.C. 12501 et seq.).

## **TITLE I—AMERICORPS**

### **9 SEC. 101. ESTABLISHMENT OF AMERICORPS ADMINISTRATION.**

11           (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 191 (42 U.S.C. 12651)  
 12 is amended—

1           (1) by striking “a Corporation for National and  
2           Community Service” and inserting “an AmeriCorps  
3           Administration”; and

4           (2) by striking “The Corporation shall be a  
5           Government corporation, as defined in section 103”  
6           and inserting “The Administration shall be an Exec-  
7           utive department, as defined in section 101.”.

8           (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 101 of title  
9           5, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end  
10          the following:

11                   “The AmeriCorps Administration.”.

12          **SEC. 102. ADVISORY BOARD.**

13          (a) APPOINTMENT AND TERMS.—Section 192 (42  
14          U.S.C. 12651a) is amended—

15                   (1) in subsection (a)—

16                           (A) by striking paragraph (1) and insert-  
17                           ing the following:

18                                   “(1) ADVISORY BOARD.—

19   “(A) INITIAL BOARD MEMBERS.—

20   “(i) BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEMBERS  
21   ELECTING TO SERVE.—There shall be in  
22   the Administration an Advisory Board ini-  
23   tially composed of the voting members of  
24   the Board of Directors of the Corporation  
25   for National and Community Service (as in

1 existence the day before the date of enact-  
2 ment of the ACTION for National Service  
3 Act) who elect to serve on the Advisory  
4 Board.

5 “(ii) APPOINTED INITIAL MEMBERS.—

6 If fewer than seven members of the Board  
7 of Directors elect to serve, the Adminis-  
8 trator shall appoint additional members to  
9 achieve a total of seven members of the  
10 Advisory Board, to serve for the term of  
11 their predecessors. For purposes of this  
12 section, members appointed under this  
13 clause shall be treated as if they had been  
14 voting members described in clause (i).

15 “(iii) BOARD OF SEVEN MEMBERS.—

16 After the expiration of the terms of the  
17 members described in clauses (i) and (ii),  
18 and the seven appointments set forth in  
19 subparagraph (B), the Advisory Board  
20 shall be composed of seven members.

21 “(B) APPOINTMENT OF REPLACEMENT

22 MEMBERS.—Upon the expiration of the term of  
23 any of the first seven members of the Advisory  
24 Board whose term shall expire, a new member

1 of the Advisory Board shall be appointed as fol-  
2 lows:

3 “(i) The first three members shall be  
4 appointed by the President, and shall in-  
5 clude—

6 “(I) an individual not younger  
7 than 18 or older than 25 who—

8 “(aa) has served in a school-  
9 based or community-based serv-  
10 ice-learning program; or

11 “(bb) is or was a participant  
12 or a supervisor in a program; and

13 “(II) an individual who—

14 “(aa) is age 55 or older; and

15 “(bb) has served in the Na-  
16 tional Senior Service Corps, in a  
17 program carried out under title  
18 II of the Domestic Volunteer  
19 Service Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C.  
20 5000 et seq.) or served in a serv-  
21 ice-based or community-based  
22 program under subtitle B of title  
23 I.

1           “(ii) The next member shall be ap-  
2           pointed by the Speaker of the House of  
3           Representatives.

4           “(iii) The next member shall be ap-  
5           pointed by the minority leader of the  
6           House of Representatives.

7           “(iv) The next member shall be ap-  
8           pointed by the majority leader of the Sen-  
9           ate.

10          “(v) The next member shall be ap-  
11          pointed by the minority leader of the Sen-  
12          ate.

13          “(C) EXPIRATION OF THE TERM OF RE-  
14          MAINING INITIAL MEMBERS.—Upon the expira-  
15          tion of the terms on the Advisory Board of the  
16          remaining members (after the first seven) who  
17          served on the Board of Directors of the Cor-  
18          poration for National and Community Service  
19          (as in effect the day before the date of enact-  
20          ment of the ACTION for National Service Act),  
21          no new members shall be appointed to replace  
22          those remaining members.”; and

23          (B) in paragraph (2)(D), by striking “the  
24          Board” and inserting “the Advisory Board (re-  
25          ferred to in this subtitle as the ‘Board’)”; and

1           (2) by striking subsections (c), (d), and (e) and  
2           inserting the following:

3           “(c) TERMS.—Members appointed in accordance with  
4           any of clauses (i) through (v) of subsection (a)(1)(B) or  
5           under subsection (d) shall serve for a term of 5 years.

6           “(d) APPOINTMENT OF NEW MEMBERS AND VACAN-  
7           CIES.—When the term of a member appointed in accord-  
8           ance with any of clauses (i) through (v) of subsection  
9           (a)(1)(B) expires, or if a vacancy occurs on the Advisory  
10          Board, a new member shall be appointed by the appointing  
11          individual and in the manner described in that clause, and,  
12          in the case of a vacancy, shall serve for the remainder  
13          of the term for which the predecessor of such member was  
14          appointed. The vacancy shall not affect the power of the  
15          remaining members to execute the duties of the Board.”.

16          (b) MEETINGS AND DUTIES.—Section 192A (42  
17          U.S.C. 12651b) is amended—

18                 (1) in subsection (a), by striking “3 times each  
19                 year” and inserting “four times each year, with one  
20                 of the four meetings being an annual meeting to re-  
21                 view the Administration’s long-term and strategic  
22                 goals,”; and

23                 (2) by striking subsections (e), (f), and (g) and  
24                 inserting the following:

1       “(e) ADVISORY DUTIES.—The Board shall have re-  
2 sponsibility for making recommendations to the Director  
3 concerning the programs and activities of the Administra-  
4 tion and the overall policy for the Administration and  
5 shall—

6           “(1) advise the Director with respect to policies,  
7 programs, and procedures for carrying out the Di-  
8 rector’s functions, duties, or responsibilities under  
9 this Act;

10          “(2) advise the Director on establishing require-  
11 ments and criteria for qualifying service programs,  
12 and on monitoring and evaluating the performance  
13 of personnel in carrying out programs and activities;

14          “(3) make recommendations regarding prior-  
15 ities for the applications for service programs sub-  
16 mitted for approval under this Act;

17          “(4) review and make recommendations to the  
18 Director—

19           “(A) with respect to any grants, allot-  
20 ments, contracts, financial assistance, or other  
21 payment of the Administration; and

22           “(B) regarding the regulations, standards,  
23 policies, procedures, programs, and initiatives of  
24 the Administration;



1           “(5) review, and advise the Director regarding,  
2           the actions of the Director with respect to the per-  
3           sonnel of the Administration, and with respect to  
4           such standards, policies, procedures, programs, and  
5           initiatives as are necessary or appropriate to carry  
6           out the programs and activities of the Administra-  
7           tion, including those carried out under the national  
8           service laws on the day before the date of enactment  
9           of the ACTION for National Service Act;

10           “(6) make recommendations relating to a pro-  
11           gram of research for the Administration with respect  
12           to national and community service programs;

13           “(7) ensure effective dissemination of informa-  
14           tion regarding the programs and activities of the Ad-  
15           ministration;

16           “(8) prepare and make recommendations to the  
17           Director and the appropriate committees of Con-  
18           gress for changes in the national service laws result-  
19           ing from the studies and demonstrations conducted  
20           by the Administration, which recommendations shall  
21           be submitted to the Director and the appropriate  
22           committees of Congress not later than January 1 of  
23           each year;

1           “(9) make recommendations to the Director on  
2 candidates to serve on the Board of the National  
3 Service Foundation described in section 199P; and

4           “(10) advise on such other matters as the Di-  
5 rector may request.”.

6 **SEC. 103. DIRECTOR.**

7           (a) APPOINTMENT.—Section 193(a) (42 U.S.C.  
8 12651c) is amended—

9           (1) by striking “an individual who shall serve as  
10 Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation, and”  
11 and inserting “a Director,”; and

12           (2) by adding at the end the following: “and  
13 who shall hold the same rank and status as the head  
14 of an executive department listed in section 101 of  
15 title 5, United States Code.”.

16           (b) DUTIES.—Section 193A(b) (42 U.S.C.  
17 12651d(b)) is amended—

18           (1) in paragraph (24), by striking “and” at the  
19 end;

20           (2) in paragraph (25) by striking the period  
21 and inserting “; and”; and

22           (3) by adding at the end the following:

23           “(26) notwithstanding any other provision of  
24 law—

1           “(A) make grants to or contracts with  
2 Federal and other public departments or agen-  
3 cies, and private nonprofit organizations, for  
4 the assignment or referral of volunteers under  
5 the provisions of title I of the Domestic Volun-  
6 teer Service Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C. 4951 et  
7 seq.) (except as provided in section 108 of such  
8 Act (42 U.S.C. 4958)), which may provide that  
9 the agency or organization shall pay all or a  
10 part of the costs of the program; and

11           “(B) enter into agreements with other  
12 Federal agencies or private nonprofit organiza-  
13 tions for the support of programs under the na-  
14 tional service laws, which—

15           “(i) may provide that the agency or  
16 organization shall pay all or a part of the  
17 costs of the program, except as is provided  
18 in section 121(b); and

19           “(ii) shall provide that the program  
20 (including any program operated by an-  
21 other Federal agency) will comply with all  
22 requirements related to evaluation, per-  
23 formance, and other goals applicable to  
24 similar programs under the national serv-

1                   ice laws, as determined by the Administra-  
2                   tion.”.

3           (c) INITIAL DIRECTOR.—The Chief Executive Officer  
4 of the Corporation for National and Community Service  
5 (as in existence the day before the date of enactment of  
6 this Act) may serve as the initial Director of the  
7 AmeriCorps Administration.

8 **SEC. 104. NATIONAL SERVICE EDUCATIONAL AWARDS.**

9           Section 147(a) (42 U.S.C. 12603(a)) is amended—

10           (1) by striking “Except as provided” and in-  
11           serting the following:

12                   “(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided”;

13           (2) by striking “shall receive a national service  
14           educational award” and all that follows through “ap-  
15           propriations)” and inserting “shall be entitled to a  
16           national service educational award equal to the  
17           award amount specified in paragraph (2)”;

18           (3) by adding at the end the following:

19                   “(2) AWARD AMOUNT.—The award referred to  
20           in paragraph (1), payable to an individual described  
21           in such paragraph, shall be in an amount that is  
22           equal to twice the amount of the national average of  
23           the yearly cost for in-State tuition and fees at pub-  
24           lic, 4-year institutions of higher education, for the

1 award year for which the national service position is  
2 approved by the Administration.

3 “(3) DEFINITION.—In this subsection, the term  
4 ‘institution of higher education’ has the meaning  
5 given the term in section 148(h).”.

6 **SEC. 105. INTERAGENCY WORKING GROUP.**

7 The Director of the AmeriCorps Administration,  
8 using funds made available under section 501(a)(5) of the  
9 National and Community Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C.  
10 12681(a)(5)), shall establish an interagency working  
11 group to—

12 (1) evaluate and make recommendations re-  
13 garding a process for evaluating the eligibility, for  
14 national service educational awards, of individuals  
15 who have participated in national service programs  
16 that are not administered under this Act but are de-  
17 scribed in section 123(2) of that Act (42 U.S.C.  
18 12573(2));

19 (2) evaluate the feasibility and advisability of  
20 granting Federal hiring preference under chapter 33  
21 of title 5, United States Code, to an individual who  
22 has completed a term of service in an approved na-  
23 tional service position equivalent in duration to the  
24 term described in section 139(b)(1) and is entitled  
25 to the award authorized under section 147(a)(2) of

1 that Act (as amended by section 6 of this Act) for  
2 that service; and

3 (3) not later than 12 months after the date of  
4 enactment of this Act, prepare and submit to Con-  
5 gress a report containing the results of the evalua-  
6 tions described in paragraphs (1) and (2).

7 **SEC. 106. NATIONAL SERVICE FOUNDATION.**

8 (a) **ELIMINATION OF CURRENT AUTHORITY FOR DO-**  
9 **NATIONS OF PROPERTY.**—Section 196(a) (42 U.S.C.  
10 12651g(a)) is amended—

11 (1) by striking paragraph (2);

12 (2) by redesignating clause (iii) of paragraph  
13 (1)(C) as paragraph (2); and

14 (3) in paragraph (2), as redesignated by para-  
15 graph (2) of this subsection, by striking all that pre-  
16 cedes “this term” and inserting the following:

17 “(2) **INHERENTLY GOVERNMENTAL FUNC-**  
18 **TION.**—As used in this subsection,”.

19 (b) **FOUNDATION.**—Title I (42 U.S.C. 12511 et seq.)  
20 is further amended by adding at the end the following new  
21 subtitle:

1           **“Subtitle K—National Service**  
2                                   **Foundation**

3   **“SEC. 199P. NATIONAL SERVICE FOUNDATION.**

4           “(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—In order to encourage pri-  
5 vate gifts of real and personal property or any income  
6 from that property or other interest in that property for  
7 the benefit of, or in connection with, the Administration,  
8 and its activities, services, or former participants, and  
9 through those gifts to further the mission and purpose of  
10 the Administration and to provide greater opportunities  
11 for volunteer service, there is established a charitable and  
12 nonprofit corporation to be known as the National Service  
13 Foundation (referred to in this subtitle as the ‘Founda-  
14 tion’) to accept and administer such gifts.

15           “(b) BOARD OF THE FOUNDATION.—

16                   “(1) IN GENERAL.—The National Service  
17 Foundation shall consist of a Board of the Founda-  
18 tion, having as members the Director of the Admin-  
19 istration, as an ex officio, nonvoting member, and  
20 not less than six individuals, who are not officers or  
21 employees of the Federal Government, appointed by  
22 the Director after considering the recommendations  
23 of the Advisory Board described in section 192.

24                   “(2) TERMS.—

1           “(A) INITIAL MEMBERS.—The terms of the  
2           initial members of the Board of the Foundation  
3           shall be staggered to assure continuity of ad-  
4           ministration.

5           “(B) SUBSEQUENT MEMBERS.—A subse-  
6           quent member shall serve for a term of 6 years.

7           “(C) VACANCIES.—If a vacancy occurs on  
8           the Board of the Foundation, a new member  
9           shall be appointed by the Director and serve for  
10          the remainder of the term for which the prede-  
11          cessor of such member was appointed. The va-  
12          cancy shall not affect the power of the remain-  
13          ing members to execute the duties of the Board  
14          of the Foundation.

15          “(3) CHAIRMAN.—The Director shall be the  
16          Chairman of the Board of the Foundation.

17          “(4) STATUS.—Members and staff of the Board  
18          of the Foundation shall not be considered to be offi-  
19          cers or employees of the Federal Government.

20          “(5) QUORUM.—A majority of the members of  
21          the Board of the Foundation serving at any one  
22          time shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of  
23          business, and the Foundation shall have an official  
24          seal, which shall be judicially noticed.



1           “(6) MEETINGS.—The Board of the Founda-  
2           tion shall meet at the call of the Chairman, and not  
3           less often than once each year.

4           “(7) COMPENSATION AND TRAVEL EX-  
5           PENSES.—

6           “(A) COMPENSATION.—A member of the  
7           Board of the Foundation shall serve without  
8           compensation. Notwithstanding section 1342 of  
9           title 31, United States Code, the Board may ac-  
10          cept and use voluntary and uncompensated  
11          services as the Commission determines nec-  
12          essary.

13          “(B) TRAVEL EXPENSES.—A member of  
14          the Board shall be allowed travel expenses (out  
15          of Foundation funds), including per diem in  
16          lieu of subsistence, at rates authorized for em-  
17          ployees of agencies under subchapter I of chap-  
18          ter 57 of title 5, United States Code, while  
19          away from the member’s home or regular places  
20          of business in the performance of services for  
21          the Board.

22          “(c) AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT AND USE GIFTS  
23          AND BEQUESTS.—The Foundation is authorized to ac-  
24          cept, receive, solicit, hold, administer, and use any gifts,  
25          devises, or bequests, either absolutely or in trust of real

1 or personal property or any income from the property or  
2 other interest in the property for the benefit of or in con-  
3 nection with, the Administration, its activities, or its serv-  
4 ices. The Foundation may not accept any such gift, devise,  
5 or bequest that entails any expenditure other than from  
6 the resources of the Foundation. An interest in such real  
7 property includes, among other things, easements or other  
8 rights for preservation, conservation, protection, or en-  
9 hancement by and for the public of natural, scenic, his-  
10 toric, scientific, educational, inspirational, or recreational  
11 resources. A gift, devise, or bequest relating to property  
12 may be accepted by the Foundation even though the prop-  
13 erty is encumbered, restricted, or subject to beneficial in-  
14 terests of private persons, if any current or future interest  
15 in the property is for the benefit of the Administration,  
16 its activities, or its services.

17 “(d) USE OF FUNDS, INVESTMENT.—

18 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as otherwise re-  
19 quired by the instrument of transfer to the Founda-  
20 tion, the Foundation may sell, lease, invest, reinvest,  
21 retain, or otherwise dispose of or deal with any prop-  
22 erty transferred to the Foundation or income from  
23 the property as the Board of the Foundation may  
24 from time to time determine to be appropriate. The  
25 Foundation shall not engage in any business, nor

1 shall the Foundation make any investment, that may  
2 not lawfully be engaged in or made by a trust com-  
3 pany in the District of Columbia, except that the  
4 Foundation may make any investment authorized by  
5 the instrument of transfer, and may retain any  
6 property accepted by the Foundation.

7 “(2) SERVICES AND FACILITIES.—The Founda-  
8 tion may utilize the services and facilities of the Ad-  
9 ministration, and such services and facilities may be  
10 made available on request to the extent practicable  
11 without reimbursement.

12 “(e) SUCCESSION, LIABILITY, AND POWERS.—

13 “(1) SUCCESSION.—The Foundation shall have  
14 perpetual succession, with all the usual powers and  
15 obligations of a corporation acting as a trustee, in-  
16 cluding the power to sue and to be sued in its own  
17 name.

18 “(2) LIABILITY.—Notwithstanding paragraph  
19 (1), the members of the Board of the Foundation  
20 shall not be personally liable for acts or omissions  
21 related to the Foundation, except for malfeasance.

22 “(3) POWERS.—The Foundation shall have the  
23 power to enter into contracts, to execute instru-  
24 ments, and generally to do any and all lawful acts  
25 necessary or appropriate to its purposes.

1       “(f) BYLAWS.—In carrying out the provisions of this  
2 Act, the Board of the Foundation may adopt bylaws, rules,  
3 and regulations necessary for the administration of its  
4 functions and enter into contracts for any necessary serv-  
5 ices.

6       “(g) TAX EXEMPT STATUS.—

7           “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Foundation and any  
8 income or property received or owned by it, and all  
9 transactions relating to such income or property,  
10 shall be exempt from all Federal, State, and local  
11 taxation.

12           “(2) CONTRIBUTIONS TO LOCAL GOVERN-  
13 MENT.—The Foundation may, however, in the dis-  
14 cretion of the Board of the Foundation—

15           “(A) contribute toward the costs of local  
16 government in amounts not in excess of those  
17 costs that it would be obligated to pay such  
18 government if it were not exempt from taxation  
19 because of this subsection or because of its sta-  
20 tus as a charitable and nonprofit corporation;  
21 and

22           “(B) agree to so contribute property trans-  
23 ferred to the Foundation and the income de-  
24 rived from the property if such agreement is a  
25 condition of the transfer.

1           “(3) USE OF THE UNITED STATES.—Contribu-  
2           tions, gifts, and other transfers made to or for the  
3           use of the Foundation shall be regarded as contribu-  
4           tions, gifts, or transfers to or for the use of the  
5           United States.

6           “(h) NONLIABILITY OF UNITED STATES.—The  
7           United States shall not be liable for any debts, defaults,  
8           acts, or omissions of the Foundation.

9           “(i) REPORTS.—The Foundation shall, as soon as  
10          practicable after the end of each fiscal year, prepare and  
11          submit to Congress an annual report on its proceedings  
12          and activities, including a full and complete statement of  
13          its receipts, expenditures, and investments.

14          “(j) INITIAL FUNDING.—For the purposes of assist-  
15          ing the Foundation in establishing an office and meeting  
16          initial administrative, project, and other startup expenses,  
17          there is authorized to be appropriated \$2,500,000 for fis-  
18          cal year 2024. Such funds shall remain available to the  
19          Foundation until they are expended for authorized pur-  
20          poses.”.

21       **SEC. 107. 21ST CENTURY AMERICAN SERVICE OUTREACH**  
22                               **PROGRAM.**

23          Subtitle F of title I (42 U.S.C. 12631 et seq.) is  
24          amended by adding at the end the following:

1 **“SEC. 189E. 21ST CENTURY AMERICAN SERVICE OUTREACH**  
2 **PROGRAM.**

3 “(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

4 “(1) COVERED INDIVIDUAL.—The term ‘cov-  
5 ered individual’ means an individual who is not  
6 younger than age 17 or older than age 30.

7 “(2) NATIONAL SERVICE PROGRAM.—The term  
8 ‘national service program’ means a program under—

9 “(A) the National and Community Service  
10 Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12501 et seq.); or

11 “(B) title I of the Domestic Volunteer  
12 Service Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C. 4951 et seq.).

13 “(b) PROGRAM.—In order to ensure that every cov-  
14 ered individual who may want to participate in service pro-  
15 grams is informed of the opportunities to participate, the  
16 Administration shall—

17 “(1) determine how the Administration will  
18 work with Federal or State agencies and other enti-  
19 ties to—

20 “(A) contact each covered individual upon  
21 such individual’s 17th birthday to notify the in-  
22 dividual about—

23 “(i) the individual’s eligibility to par-  
24 ticipate in national service programs;

25 “(ii) the national service programs  
26 and how to apply for a specific program;

1           “(iii) other service programs for which  
2           the individual may be eligible, including  
3           service with the Peace Corps (as estab-  
4           lished by the Peace Corps Act (22 U.S.C.  
5           2501 et seq.)) and military service; and

6           “(iv) the individual’s option to opt out  
7           of receiving any notifications, or just noti-  
8           fications in a paper format, under this  
9           paragraph; and

10          “(B) after contacting a covered individual  
11          under subparagraph (A), notify the individual  
12          every 2 years thereafter of the information de-  
13          scribed in clauses (i) through (iv) of subpara-  
14          graph (A), unless—

15               “(i) the individual is serving in a na-  
16               tional service program or other program  
17               described in subparagraph (A); or

18               “(ii) the individual has opted out of  
19               receiving such notifications under subpara-  
20               graph (A)(iv);

21          “(2) determine how the Administration will en-  
22          able covered individuals to, and then enable eligible  
23          individuals to, apply for a specific national service  
24          program and ensure that such application process is

1 the most effective process for the purpose of apply-  
2 ing for such a program; and

3 “(3) develop a long-term strategy to gradually  
4 increase the number of opportunities in national  
5 service programs so that any covered individual who  
6 applies to and is eligible to participate in a national  
7 service program will be offered at least one service  
8 position.”.

9 **SEC. 108. LIVING ALLOWANCE AMOUNTS.**

10 (a) DOMESTIC VOLUNTEER SERVICE ACT OF  
11 1973.—Section 105(b) of the Domestic Volunteer Service  
12 Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C. 4955(b)(2)) is amended—

13 (1) in paragraph (2)—

14 (A) in subparagraph (A), by striking “95  
15 percent” and inserting “175 percent”; and

16 (B) in subparagraph (B), by striking “105  
17 percent” and inserting “210 percent”; and

18 (2) by adding at the end the following:

19 “(4)(A) A stipend or allowance under this sub-  
20 section shall not be increased as a result of amend-  
21 ments made by the ACTION for National Service  
22 Act, or any other amendment made to this sub-  
23 section unless the funds appropriated for carrying  
24 out this part are sufficient to maintain for the fiscal  
25 year in question a number of participants to serve



1 under this part at least equal to the number of such  
2 participants serving during the preceding fiscal year.

3 “(B) In the event that sufficient appropriations  
4 for any fiscal year are not available to increase any  
5 such stipend or allowance provided to the minimum  
6 amount specified in paragraph (2), the Director  
7 shall increase the stipend or allowance to such  
8 amount as appropriations for such year permit con-  
9 sistent with subparagraph (A).”.

10 (b) NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE ACT OF  
11 1990.—

12 (1) NATIONAL CIVILIAN COMMUNITY CORPS  
13 LIVING ALLOWANCES.—Section 158(b) (42 U.S.C.  
14 12618(b)) is amended—

15 (A) by striking “The Director” the first  
16 place it appears and inserting the following:

17 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Director”;

18 (B) by striking “100 percent” and insert-  
19 ing “200 percent”; and

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

21 “(2) INCREASES LIMITED BY APPROPRIA-  
22 TIONS.—

23 “(A) LIMIT ON INCREASES.—An allowance  
24 under this subsection or section 140 shall not  
25 be increased as a result of amendments made

1 by the ACTION for National Service Act, or  
2 any other amendment made to this subsection  
3 or section 140, respectively, unless the funds  
4 appropriated for carrying out this subtitle or  
5 subtitle C, respectively, are sufficient to main-  
6 tain for the fiscal year in question a number of  
7 participants to serve under this subtitle or sub-  
8 title C, respectively, at least equal to the num-  
9 ber of such participants serving during the pre-  
10 ceeding fiscal year.

11 “(B) PARTIAL INCREASE.—In the event  
12 that sufficient appropriations for any fiscal year  
13 are not available to increase an allowance under  
14 this subsection above the amount provided for  
15 fiscal year 2023 or under section 140 to the  
16 minimum amount specified in section 140, re-  
17 spectively, the Director shall increase the allow-  
18 ance to such amount as appropriations for such  
19 year permit consistent with subparagraph (A).”.

20 (2) GRANTS.—Section 189 (42 U.S.C. 12645e)  
21 is amended—

22 (A) in subsection (a), by striking  
23 “\$18,000” and inserting “\$30,000”;

24 (B) in subsection (e)(1), by striking  
25 “\$19,500” and inserting “\$39,000”; and

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

2 “(f) INSUFFICIENT APPROPRIATIONS.—Notwith-  
 3 standing the increased limitation on grant amounts per  
 4 full-time equivalent position described in subsection (a)  
 5 and the increased limitation described in subsection (e)(1)  
 6 as a result of amendments made by the ACTION for Na-  
 7 tional Service Act, or any other amendment made to this  
 8 section, the amount of funds per full-time equivalent posi-  
 9 tion approved by the Administration for a grant, as de-  
 10 scribed in those subsections, shall not be increased unless  
 11 the funds appropriated for carrying out this subtitle are  
 12 sufficient to make such increase while maintaining for the  
 13 fiscal year in question a number of approved national serv-  
 14 ice positions at least equal to the number of such positions  
 15 during the preceding fiscal year.”.

16 **SEC. 109. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

17 Section 501 (42 U.S.C. 12681) is amended—

18 (1) in subsection (a)—

19 (A) by striking paragraph (2) and insert-  
 20 ing the following:

21 “(2) SUBTITLES C AND D.—

22 “(A) SUBTITLE C.—There are authorized  
 23 to be appropriated for each of fiscal years 2024  
 24 through fiscal year 2033, such sums as may be  
 25 necessary to provide financial assistance under

1 subtitle C of title I for the number of partici-  
2 pants in programs and activities under subtitle  
3 C for fiscal year 2023.

4 “(B) SUBTITLE D.—There are authorized  
5 to be appropriated, and there are appropriated,  
6 for fiscal year 2024 and each subsequent fiscal  
7 year, such sums as may be necessary to provide  
8 national service educational awards under sub-  
9 title D of title I for the number of participants  
10 for whom the Administration recorded an obli-  
11 gation under section 149(a)(1)(B) for fiscal  
12 year 2023.”;

13 (B) in paragraph (6), by striking “sub-  
14 section (b)” and inserting “subsection (c)”; and

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

16 “(7) SUBTITLE K.—There are authorized to be  
17 appropriated such sums as may be necessary for fis-  
18 cal year 2024 and each subsequent fiscal year to  
19 carry out subtitle K of title I.”;

20 (2) by redesignating subsection (b) as sub-  
21 section (c); and

22 (3) by adding after subsection (a) the following:

23 “(b) ADDITIONAL AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIA-  
24 TIONS.—

1           “(1) AUTHORIZATION.—There is authorized to  
2 be appropriated to the Administration to carry out  
3 its programs and functions, including the programs  
4 and activities carried out under this Act and the Do-  
5 mestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C.  
6 4950 et seq.), such additional sums as may be nec-  
7 essary to achieve the goal set forth in paragraph (2).

8           “(2) TEN-YEAR GOAL.—It is the sense of Con-  
9 gress that sums appropriated under paragraph (1)  
10 should be sufficient to provide or facilitate the provi-  
11 sion of national service programs and activities  
12 under the national service laws (in addition to pro-  
13 grams and activities funded under subsection (a) for  
14 fiscal year 2024) for not fewer than 1,000,000 par-  
15 ticipants per year by September 30, 2033.

16           “(3) PLAN FOR APPROVED NATIONAL SERVICE  
17 POSITIONS.—The Administration shall—

18                   “(A) prepare a plan to—

19                           “(i) establish the number of the ap-  
20 proved national service positions as  
21 250,000 for fiscal year 2024; and

22                           “(ii) increase the number of the ap-  
23 proved positions in each fiscal year  
24 through fiscal year 2033, so that the num-  
25 ber of approved positions in fiscal year

1           2033 is sufficient to support the goal in  
2           paragraph (2);

3           “(B) ensure that the increases described in  
4           subparagraph (A)(ii) are achieved through an  
5           appropriate balance of full- and part-time serv-  
6           ice positions;

7           “(C) not later than 1 year after the date  
8           of enactment of the ACTION for National  
9           Service Act, submit a report to the authorizing  
10          committees on the status of the plan described  
11          in subparagraph (A);

12          “(D) not later than 8 years after the date  
13          of enactment of the ACTION for National  
14          Service Act, submit a report to the authorizing  
15          committees on the progress of the Administra-  
16          tion towards the goal described in paragraph  
17          (2), and the potential for exceeding that goal in  
18          fiscal year 2033 and beyond; and

19          “(E) subject to the availability of appro-  
20          priations and quality service opportunities, im-  
21          plement the plan described in subparagraph  
22          (A).”.

23 **SEC. 110. REPORT ON MATCHING REQUIREMENTS.**

24          Not later than 90 days after the date of enactment  
25          of this Act, the Director of the AmeriCorps Administration

1 shall submit to the Committee on Health, Education,  
2 Labor, and Pensions of the Senate and the Committee on  
3 Education and the Workforce of the House of Representa-  
4 tives a report on any recommendations for changes needed  
5 to matching funds or share requirements for recipients of  
6 funding for programs under the AmeriCorps Administra-  
7 tion to achieve the 10-year goal described in section  
8 501(b)(2) of the National and Community Service Act of  
9 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12681(b)(2)) and increase the number  
10 of national service programs, activities, and participants,  
11 in underserved communities.

12 **SEC. 111. EXCLUSION FROM GROSS INCOME OF NATIONAL**  
13 **SERVICE EDUCATIONAL AWARDS.**

14 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 117 of the Internal Rev-  
15 enue Code of 1986 (relating to qualified scholarships) is  
16 amended by adding at the end the following new sub-  
17 section:

18 “(e) NATIONAL SERVICE EDUCATIONAL AWARDS.—  
19 Gross income shall not include any amounts for payments  
20 specified in section 145(c) of the National and Community  
21 Service Act of 1990.”.

22 (b) EXCLUSION OF DISCHARGE OF STUDENT LOAN  
23 DEBT.—Subsection (f) of section 108 of such Code is  
24 amended by adding at the end the following new para-  
25 graph:

1           “(6) PAYMENTS UNDER NATIONAL SERVICE  
2 EDUCATIONAL AWARD PROGRAMS.—In the case of  
3 an individual, gross income shall not include any  
4 amount received a national service educational  
5 award under subtitle D of title I of the National and  
6 Community Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12601  
7 et seq.).”.

8           (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by  
9 this section shall apply to taxable years ending after the  
10 date of the enactment of this Act.

11 **SEC. 112. INCOME TAX EXCLUSION FOR LIVING ALLOW-**  
12 **ANCE.**

13           (a) IN GENERAL.—Part III of subchapter B of chap-  
14 ter 1 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended  
15 by inserting before section 140 the following new section:

16 **“SEC. 139J. LIVING ALLOWANCE FOR NATIONAL SERVICE**  
17 **PARTICIPANTS.**

18           “Gross income does not include the amount of any  
19 living allowance provided under section 140 of the Na-  
20 tional and Community Service Act of 1990.”.

21           (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections  
22 for part III of subchapter B of chapter 1 of the Internal  
23 Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by inserting before the  
24 item relating to section 140 the following new item:

“Sec. 139J. Living allowance for national service participants.”.



1 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by  
2 this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after  
3 the date of the enactment of this Act.

4 **SEC. 113. CONFORMING AMENDMENTS TO THE NATIONAL**  
5 **AND COMMUNITY SERVICE ACT OF 1990.**

6 (a) DEFINITIONS.—Section 101 (42 U.S.C. 12511)  
7 is amended—

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

10 “(9) DIRECTOR.—The term ‘Director’ means  
11 the Director of the AmeriCorps Administration ap-  
12 pointed under section 193.”;

13 (2) by striking paragraph (12) and inserting  
14 the following:

15 “(12) ADMINISTRATION.—The term ‘Adminis-  
16 tration’ means the AmeriCorps Administration es-  
17 tablished under section 191.”;

18 (3) by redesignating paragraphs (12), (1)  
19 through (8), (10), (11), and (9) as paragraphs (1)  
20 through (12), respectively; and

21 (4) by transferring the redesignated paragraphs  
22 so the paragraphs appear in numerical order.

23 (b) SERVICE-LEARNING PROGRAMS.—

24 (1) Section 113(a) (42 U.S.C. 12525(a)), sec-  
25 tion 114(c) (42 U.S.C. 12526(c)), and section

1 116(a) (42 U.S.C. 12528(a)) are amended, in the  
2 subsection headings, by striking “CORPORATION”  
3 and inserting “ADMINISTRATION”.

4 (2) Section 116(a)(2) (42 U.S.C. 12528(a)(2))  
5 is amended, in the paragraph heading, by striking  
6 “NONCORPORATION” and inserting “NONADMINIS-  
7 TRATION”.

8 (c) NATIONAL SERVICE TRUST PROGRAM.—

9 (1) Section 121 is amended—

10 (A) in subsection (e)(5)(B) (42 U.S.C.  
11 12571(e)(5)(B)), in the subparagraph heading,  
12 by striking “CORPORATION” and inserting “AD-  
13 MINISTRATION”; and

14 (B) by striking subsection (f).

15 (2) Section 122 (42 U.S.C. 12572) is amend-  
16 ed—

17 (A) in subsection (d)(1), in the paragraph  
18 heading, by striking “CORPORATION” and in-  
19 serting “ADMINISTRATION”; and

20 (B) in subsection (f)(1)(A)—

21 (i) in the subparagraph heading, by  
22 striking “CORPORATION” and inserting  
23 “ADMINISTRATION”; and

24 (ii) by striking “the strategic plan ap-  
25 proved under section 192A(g)(1,)” and in-

1           serting “the strategic plan recommended  
2           by the Board”.

3           (3) Section 129A(b) (42 U.S.C. 12581a(b)) and  
4           section 131(f) (42 U.S.C. 12583(f)) are amended, in  
5           the subsection headings, by striking “CORPORA-  
6           TION” and inserting “ADMINISTRATION”.

7           (d) NATIONAL SERVICE TRUST.—Section 145 (42  
8           U.S.C. 12601) is amended, in subsections (a)(2) and  
9           (d)(1), by striking “section 196(a)(2)” and inserting “sec-  
10          tion 199P”.

11          (e) NATIONAL CIVILIAN COMMUNITY CORPS.—

12           (1) Section 159 (42 U.S.C. 12619) is amend-  
13          ed—

14           (A) in subsection (a)—

15           (i) in paragraph (1), by striking “, in-  
16           cluding those recommended by the Board,”  
17           and inserting “, after reviewing any rec-  
18           ommendations by the Board,”; and

19           (ii) by striking paragraph (3) and in-  
20          serting the following:

21           “(3) at the election of the Director, carry out  
22          any other activities recommended by the Board.”;  
23          and

24           (B) in subsection (b)—

1 (i) in paragraph (1), by adding “and”  
2 at the end;

3 (ii) in paragraph (2), by striking “;  
4 and” and inserting a period; and

5 (iii) by striking paragraph (3).

6 (2) Section 165(1) (42 U.S.C. 12626(1)) is  
7 amended by striking “Board of Directors” and in-  
8 serting “Advisory Board”.

9 (f) ADMINISTRATION.—

10 (1) Section 172(b) (42 U.S.C. 12632(b)) is  
11 amended, in the subsection heading, by striking  
12 “CORPORATION” and inserting “ADMINISTRATION”.

13 (2) Section 178 (42 U.S.C. 12638) is amend-  
14 ed—

15 (A) in subsection (c)(3), in the paragraph  
16 heading, by striking “CORPORATION” and in-  
17 serting “ADMINISTRATION”; and

18 (B) in subsection (j)(1), in the paragraph  
19 heading, by striking “CORPORATION” and in-  
20 serting “ADMINISTRATION”.

21 (g) AMERICORPS ADMINISTRATION.—

22 (1) Subtitle G of title I (42 U.S.C. 12651 et  
23 seq.) is amended by striking the subtitle heading  
24 and inserting the following:

1                   **“Subtitle G—AmeriCorps**  
2                   **Administration”.**

3                   (2) Section 191 (42 U.S.C. 12651) is amended  
4                   by striking the section heading and inserting the fol-  
5                   lowing:

6                   **“SEC. 191. AMERICORPS ADMINISTRATION.”.**

7                   (3) Section 192 (42 U.S.C. 12651a) is amended  
8                   by striking the section heading and inserting the fol-  
9                   lowing:

10                  **“SEC. 192. ADVISORY BOARD.”.**

11                  (4) Section 192A (42 U.S.C. 12651b) is  
12                  amended by striking the section heading and insert-  
13                  ing the following:

14                  **“SEC. 192A. AUTHORITIES AND DUTIES OF THE BOARD.”.**

15                  (5) Section 193 (42 U.S.C. 12651c) and section  
16                  193A (42 U.S.C. 12651d) are amended, in the sec-  
17                  tion headings, by striking **“CHIEF EXECUTIVE OF-**  
18                  **FICER”** and inserting **“DIRECTOR”**.

19                  (6) Section 193A (42 U.S.C. 12651d) is  
20                  amended—

21                         (A) in subsection (a), by striking “that are  
22                         not reserved to the Board,” and inserting “,  
23                         after reviewing any recommendations from the  
24                         Board”;

25                         (B) in subsection (b)—

1 (i) in paragraphs (1), (2)(A), (3)(A),  
2 (4)(A), and (8) by striking “prepare and  
3 submit to the Board” and inserting “after  
4 reviewing any recommendations from the  
5 Board, prepare and submit to the author-  
6 izing committees”;

7 (ii) in paragraph (2)(B), by striking  
8 “an approved proposal under section  
9 192A(g)(2)” and inserting “a proposal rec-  
10 ommended by the Board”;

11 (iii) in paragraph (3)(B), by striking  
12 “an approved proposal under section  
13 192A(g)(3)” and inserting “a proposal rec-  
14 ommended by the Board”;

15 (iv) in paragraph (4)(B), by striking  
16 “an approved proposal under section  
17 192A(g)(4)” and inserting “a plan rec-  
18 ommended by the Board”;

19 (v) in paragraph (7), by striking “pre-  
20 pare and submit to the authorizing com-  
21 mittees and the Board” and inserting  
22 “after reviewing any recommendations  
23 from the Board, prepare and submit to the  
24 authorizing committees”;

25 (vi) in paragraph (9)(B)—

1 (I) in clause (i), by striking “ap-  
2 proved by the Board under section  
3 192A(g)(1)” and inserting “rec-  
4 ommended by the Board”;

5 (II) in clause (ii), by striking  
6 “approved by the Board under para-  
7 graph (2) or (3) of section 192A(g)”  
8 and inserting “recommended by the  
9 Board”; and

10 (III) in clause (iii), by striking  
11 “approved by the Board under section  
12 192A(g)(4)” and inserting “rec-  
13 ommended by the Board”;

14 (vii) in paragraph (10)(A), by striking  
15 “the services referred to in paragraph (1),  
16 and the money and property referred to in  
17 paragraph (2), of section 196(a)” and in-  
18 serting “the services referred to in section  
19 196(a)(1), and the money and property re-  
20 ferred to in section 199P,”;

21 (viii) in paragraph (11), by striking  
22 “prepare and submit to the Board periodi-  
23 cally,” and inserting “, after reviewing any  
24 recommendations from the Board, periodi-

1 cally prepare and submit to the authorizing  
2 committees”; and

3 (ix) in paragraph (12)—

4 (I) by striking “members of the  
5 Board and”;

6 (II) by striking “each member of  
7 the Board and”; and

8 (III) by striking “such member  
9 of the Board or”; and

10 (C) in subsection (d), by striking para-  
11 graph (3).

12 (7) Section 195 (42 U.S.C. 12651f) is amend-  
13 ed—

14 (A) in subsection (e), in the subsection  
15 heading, by striking “CORPORATION” and in-  
16 serting “ADMINISTRATION”; and

17 (B) in subsection (f)(1), by striking “The  
18 Chief Executive Officer, acting upon the rec-  
19 ommendation of the Board, may establish advi-  
20 sory committees in the Corporation to advise  
21 the Board” and inserting “The Director may  
22 establish advisory committees in the Adminis-  
23 tration to advise the Director”.

24 (8) Sections 196A (42 U.S.C. 12651h) and 198  
25 (42 U.S.C. 12653) are amended in the section head-



1       ings by striking “**CORPORATION**” and inserting  
2       “**ADMINISTRATION**”.

3       (h) INVESTMENT FOR QUALITY AND INNOVATION.—  
4 Part I of subtitle H of title I (42 U.S.C. 12653 et seq.)  
5 is amended by striking the part heading and inserting the  
6 following:

7           **“PART I—ADDITIONAL ADMINISTRATION**  
8       **ACTIVITIES TO SUPPORT NATIONAL SERVICE”**.

9       (i) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Section  
10 501(a)(5)(B) (42 U.S.C. 12681(a)(5)(B)) is amended, in  
11 the subparagraph heading, by striking “CORPORATION”  
12 and inserting “ADMINISTRATION”.

13       (j) GLOBAL REFERENCES TO CORPORATION.—Ex-  
14 cept in section 101(21)(A)(ii), section 132(b), or section  
15 601(b) of the National and Community Service Act of  
16 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12511(21)(A)(ii), 12584(b)), and except  
17 as provided in the table of contents or any heading of the  
18 Act, the Act is amended by striking “Corporation” each  
19 place it appears and inserting “Administration”.

20       (k) GLOBAL REFERENCES TO CHIEF EXECUTIVE OF-  
21 FICER.—Except as provided in the table of contents or any  
22 heading of the National and Community Service Act of  
23 1990, the Act is amended by striking “Chief Executive  
24 Officer” each place it appears and inserting “Director”.

1 (l) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents in  
2 section 1(b) (42 U.S.C. 12501 note) is amended—

3 (1) in the items relating to subtitle G of title  
4 I—

5 (A) by striking the item relating to the  
6 subtitle heading for subtitle G and inserting the  
7 following:

“Subtitle G—AmeriCorps Administration”;

8 (B) by striking the item relating to section  
9 191 and inserting the following:

“Sec. 191. AmeriCorps Administration.”;

10 (C) by striking the item relating to section  
11 193 and inserting the following:

“Sec. 193. Director.”;

12 (D) by striking the item relating to section  
13 193A and inserting the following:

“Sec. 193A. Authorities and duties of the Director.”;

14 and

15 (E) by striking the item relating to section  
16 196A and inserting the following:

“Sec. 196A. Administration State offices.”;

17 (2) in the items relating to part I of subtitle H  
18 of title I—

19 (A) by striking the item relating to the  
20 part heading and inserting the following:

“PART I—ADDITIONAL ADMINISTRATION ACTIVITIES TO SUPPORT NATIONAL  
SERVICE”;

1 and

2 (B) by striking the item relating to section  
3 198 and inserting the following:

“Sec. 198. Additional Administration activities to support national service.”;

4 and

5 (3) in the items relating to title I, by adding at  
6 the end the following:

“Subtitle K—National Service Foundation

“Sec. 199P. National Service Foundation.”.

7 **SEC. 114. CONFORMING AMENDMENTS TO THE DOMESTIC**  
8 **VOLUNTEER SERVICE ACT OF 1973.**

9 (a) DEFINITIONS.—Section 421 of the Domestic Vol-  
10 unteer Service Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C. 5061) is amend-  
11 ed—

12 (1) by striking paragraph (1) and inserting the  
13 following:

14 “(1) the term ‘Director’ means the Director of  
15 the AmeriCorps Administration appointed under sec-  
16 tion 193 of the National and Community Service Act  
17 of 1990;”;

18 (2) by striking paragraph (7) and inserting the  
19 following:

20 “(7) the term ‘Administration’ means the  
21 AmeriCorps Administration established under sec-  
22 tion 191 of the National and Community Service Act  
23 of 1990;”;

1           (3) by redesignating paragraphs (7), (20), (1),  
2           (8), (9), (10), (11), (13), (12), (3), (4), (6), (5),  
3           (14), (15), (16), (17), (2), (18), and (19) as para-  
4           graphs (1) through (20), respectively; and

5           (4) transferring such redesignated paragraphs  
6           so that the paragraphs appear in numerical order.

7           (b) REFERENCES TO NAMES.—The Domestic Volun-  
8           teer Service Act of 1973 is amended—

9           (1) in section 2(b) (42 U.S.C. 4950(b)), by  
10           striking “Corporation for National and Community  
11           Service” and inserting “Director of the AmeriCorps  
12           Administration”;

13           (2) except as provided in subsection (a) and  
14           paragraph (1) of this subsection, by striking “Cor-  
15           poration” each place it appears and inserting “Ad-  
16           ministration”; and

17           (3) in section 201(h) (42 U.S.C. 5001(h)), by  
18           striking “Chief Executive Officer” and inserting  
19           “Director”.

20           **SEC. 115. CONFORMING AMENDMENTS TO OTHER LAWS.**

21           (a) CIVIL SERVICE RETIREMENT.—Chapter 83 of  
22           title 5, United States Code, is amended—

23           (1) in section 8332(j)(1), by striking “Chief Ex-  
24           ecutive Officer of the Corporation for National and

1 Community Service” and inserting “Director of the  
2 AmeriCorps Administration”; and

3 (2) in section 8334(1)(3), by striking “Chief Ex-  
4 ecutive Officer of the Corporation for National and  
5 Community Service” and inserting “Director of the  
6 AmeriCorps Administration”.

7 (b) FEDERAL EMPLOYEES’ RETIREMENT SYSTEM.—  
8 Section 8422(f)(3) of title 5, United States Code, is  
9 amended by striking “Chief Executive Officer of the Cor-  
10 poration for National and Community Service” and insert-  
11 ing “Director of the AmeriCorps Administration”.

12 (c) INSPECTOR GENERAL ACT OF 1978.—The In-  
13 spector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.) is amend-  
14 ed—

15 (1) in section 8F—

16 (A) by striking the title and inserting the  
17 following:

18 **“SEC. 8F. SPECIAL PROVISIONS CONCERNING THE**  
19 **AMERICORPS ADMINISTRATION.”;**

20 (B) by striking “Corporation for National  
21 and Community Service” each place it appears  
22 and inserting “AmeriCorps Administration”;

23 (C) by striking “Chief Executive Officer”  
24 each place it appears and inserting “Director”;

1           (D) in subsection (b), by striking “such  
2 Corporation.” and inserting “such Administra-  
3 tion.”;

4           (E) in subsection (c), by striking “the Cor-  
5 poration shall” and inserting “the Administra-  
6 tion shall”; and

7           (F) in subsection (d), by striking “the Cor-  
8 poration,” and inserting “the Administration,”;  
9 and  
10 (2) in section 12—

11           (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “Chief  
12 Executive Officer of the Corporation for Na-  
13 tional and Community Service” and inserting  
14 “Director of the AmeriCorps Administration”;  
15 and

16           (B) in paragraph (2), by striking “Cor-  
17 poration for National and Community Service”  
18 and inserting “AmeriCorps Administration”.

19           (d) HOMELAND SECURITY ACT OF 2002.—Section  
20 509(b)(2)(A) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6  
21 U.S.C. 319(b)(2)(A)) is amended by striking “Corporation  
22 for National and Community Service” and inserting  
23 “AmeriCorps Administration”.

24           (e) VOLUNTEERS IN THE NATIONAL FORESTS ACT  
25 OF 1972.—Section 1 of the Volunteers in the National

1 Forests Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. 558a) is amended by  
2 striking “Corporation for National and Community Serv-  
3 ice” and inserting “AmeriCorps Administration”.

4 (f) PUBLIC LANDS CORPS OF 1993.—Section 209 of  
5 the Public Lands Corps Act of 1993 (16 U.S.C. 1727a)  
6 is amended by striking “Chief Executive Officer of the  
7 Corporation for National and Community Service” each  
8 place it appears and inserting “Director of the  
9 AmeriCorps Administration”.

10 (g) MUSEUM AND LIBRARY SERVICES ACT.—Section  
11 204(g) of the Museum and Library Services Act (20  
12 U.S.C. 9103(g)) is amended by striking “Chief Executive  
13 Officer of the Corporation for National and Community  
14 Service” and inserting “Director of the AmeriCorps Ad-  
15 ministration”.

16 (h) INDIAN FINANCING ACT OF 1974.—Section 502  
17 of the Indian Financing Act of 1974 (25 U.S.C. 1542)  
18 is amended by striking “ACTION” and inserting “the  
19 AmeriCorps Administration”.

20 (i) GOVERNMENT CORPORATIONS.—Section 9101 of  
21 title 31, United States Code, is amended by striking “Cor-  
22 poration for National and Community Service” and insert-  
23 ing “AmeriCorps Administration”.

24 (j) JUVENILE JUSTICE AND DELINQUENCY PREVEN-  
25 TION ACT OF 1974.—Section 206 of the Juvenile Justice

1 and Delinquency Prevention Act of 1974 (34 U.S.C.  
2 11116) is amended by striking “Chief Executive Officer  
3 of the Corporation for National and Community Service”  
4 and inserting “Director of the AmeriCorps Administra-  
5 tion”.

6 (k) PATIENT PROTECTION AND AFFORDABLE CARE  
7 ACT.—Section 4001(c)(12) of the Patient Protection and  
8 Affordable Care Act (42 U.S.C. 300u–10(c)(12)) is  
9 amended by striking “the Chairman of the Corporation  
10 for National and Community Service” and inserting “the  
11 Director of the AmeriCorps Administration”.

12 (l) PROPERTY MANAGEMENT.—Section 550(g) of  
13 title 40, United States Code, is amended—

14 (1) in paragraph (1), by striking “Chief Execu-  
15 tive Officer of the Corporation for National and  
16 Community Service” and inserting “Director of the  
17 AmeriCorps Administration”; and

18 (2) except as provided in paragraph (1), by  
19 striking “Chief Executive Officer” each place it ap-  
20 pears and inserting “Director”.

21 (m) SOCIAL SECURITY ACT.—The Social Security  
22 Act (42 U.S.C. 301 et seq.) is amended—

23 (1) in section 1612(b)(25) (42 U.S.C.  
24 1382a(b)(25)), by striking “Corporation for Na-



1 tional and Community Service” and inserting  
2 “AmeriCorps Administration”; and

3 (2) in section 2056(b)(2)(J) (42 U.S.C. 1397n–  
4 5(b)(2)(J)), by striking “Corporation for National  
5 and Community Service” and inserting “AmeriCorps  
6 Administration”.

7 (n) OLDER AMERICANS ACT OF 1965.—The Older  
8 Americans Act of 1965 is amended—

9 (1) in section 202(c) (42 U.S.C. 3012(c)), in  
10 the matter preceding paragraph (1), by striking  
11 “Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation for Na-  
12 tional and Community Service” and inserting “Di-  
13 rector of the AmeriCorps Administration”;

14 (2) in section 203(a)(1) (42 U.S.C.  
15 3013(a)(1)), by striking “Corporation for National  
16 and Community Service” and inserting “AmeriCorps  
17 Administration”;

18 (3) in section 301(a)(2)(F) (42 U.S.C.  
19 3021(a)(2)(F)), by striking “Corporation for Na-  
20 tional and Community Service” and inserting  
21 “AmeriCorps Administration”;

22 (4) in section 306(a)(6)(C)(iii) (42 U.S.C.  
23 3026(a)(6)(C)(iii)), by striking “Corporation for Na-  
24 tional and Community Service” and inserting  
25 “AmeriCorps Administration”; and

1           (5) in section 373(d) (42 U.S.C. 3030s-1(d)),  
2           by striking “Corporation for National and Commu-  
3           nity Service” and inserting “AmeriCorps Adminis-  
4           tration”.

5           (o) MCKINNEY-VENTO HOMELESS ASSISTANCE  
6 ACT.—Section 202(a)(12) of the McKinney-Vento Home-  
7 less Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11312(a)(12)) is amend-  
8 ed—

9           (1) by striking “Corporation for National and  
10          Community Service” and inserting “AmeriCorps Ad-  
11          ministration”; and

12          (2) by striking “Chief Executive Officer” each  
13          place it appears and inserting “Director”.

14          (p) ANTI-DRUG ABUSE ACT OF 1988.—Section  
15 3601(5) of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988 (42 U.S.C.  
16 11851(5)) is amended by striking “Chief Executive Officer  
17 of the Corporation for National and Community Service”  
18 and inserting “Director of the AmeriCorps Administra-  
19 tion”.

20          (q) CLAUDE PEPPER YOUNG AMERICANS ACT OF  
21 1990.—Section 916(b) of the Claude Pepper Young Amer-  
22 icans Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12312(b)) is amended by  
23 striking “Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation for  
24 National and Community Service” and inserting “Director  
25 of the AmeriCorps Administration”.

1           (r) NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE TRUST ACT  
2 OF 1993.—Section 205 of the National and Community  
3 Service Trust Act of 1993 (42 U.S.C. 12682) is amended  
4 by striking “Corporation for National and Community  
5 Service” and inserting “AmeriCorps Administration”.

6           (s) CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS RESOLUTION,  
7 2007.—Section 20638 of the Continuing Appropriations  
8 Resolution, 2007 (42 U.S.C. 12651i) is amended—

9                 (1) by striking “Corporation for National and  
10           Community Service” the second, third, and fourth  
11           places it appears and inserting “AmeriCorps Admin-  
12           istration”; and

13                 (2) by striking “Chief Executive Officer” each  
14           place it appears and inserting “Director”.

15           (t) REFERENCES.—Any reference in any other Fed-  
16 eral law, Executive order, rule, regulation, delegation of  
17 authority, or document to—

18                 (1) the Corporation for National and Commu-  
19           nity Service is deemed to refer to the AmeriCorps  
20           Administration; and

21                 (2) the Chief Executive Officer of the Corpora-  
22           tion for National and Community Service is deemed  
23           to refer to the Director of the AmeriCorps Adminis-  
24           tration.

1       **TITLE II—CIVILIAN CLIMATE**  
2   **CORPS**

3   **SEC. 201. DEFINITIONS.**

4       In this title:

5               (1) **APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-**  
6       **TEES.**—The term “appropriate congressional com-

7       mittees” means—

8               (A) the Committees on Appropriations,  
9               Energy and Natural Resources, Agriculture,  
10              Nutrition, and Forestry, and Health, Edu-

11             cation, Labor, and Pensions of the Senate; and

12              (B) the Committees on Appropriations,  
13              Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Education  
14              and the Workforce of the House of Representa-

15             tives.

16              (2) **CORPS.**—The term “Corps” means the Ci-  
17       vilian Climate Corps established under section  
18       202(a).

19              (3) **DIRECTOR.**—The term “Director” means  
20       the Director of the AmeriCorps Administration ap-  
21       pointed under section 193 of the National and Com-  
22       munity Service Act of 1990.

23              (4) **DISPROPORTIONATELY IMPACTED COMMU-**  
24       **NITY.**—The term “disproportionately impacted com-  
25       munity” means a community with significant rep-

1       resentation from 1 or more communities of color,  
2       low-income communities, or Tribal and Native  
3       American communities, that experiences, or is at  
4       greater risk of experiencing, higher or more adverse  
5       human health or environmental effects, as compared  
6       to other communities, from climate change.

7               (5) QUALIFIED YOUTH SERVICE OR CONSERVA-  
8       TION CORPS.—The term “qualified youth service or  
9       conservation corps” means—

10               (A) a corps that carries out a program au-  
11       thorized under—

12               (i) the National and Community Serv-  
13       vice Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12501 et seq.);

14               (ii) title I of the Act entitled “An Act  
15       to establish a pilot program in the Depart-  
16       ments of the Interior and Agriculture des-  
17       ignated as the Youth Conservation Corps,  
18       and for other purposes”, approved August  
19       13, 1970 (commonly known as the “Youth  
20       Conservation Corps Act of 1970”; 16  
21       U.S.C. 1701 et seq.); or

22               (iii) the Public Lands Corps Act of  
23       1993 (16 U.S.C. 1721 et seq.), including  
24       the Indian Youth Service Corps authorized

1           under section 210 of that Act (16 U.S.C.  
2           1727b); and

3           (B) the Urban Youth Corps authorized  
4           under section 106 of the National and Commu-  
5           nity Service Trust Act of 1993 (42 U.S.C.  
6           12656).

7           (6) SECRETARIES.—The term “Secretaries”  
8           means the Secretary of the Interior, the Secretary of  
9           Agriculture, and the Secretary of Labor, acting  
10          jointly.

11          (7) TRIBAL OR NATIVE AMERICAN COMMU-  
12          NITY.—The term “Tribal or Native American com-  
13          munity” means a population of people who are mem-  
14          bers of—

15                (A) an Indian Tribe (as defined in section  
16                4 of the Indian Self-Determination and Edu-  
17                cation Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 5304));

18                (B) an urban Indian (as defined in section  
19                4 of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act  
20                (25 U.S.C. 1603)) community;

21                (C) a Native Hawaiian (as defined in sec-  
22                tion 815 of the Native American Programs Act  
23                of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 2992c)) community; or

24                (D) a Native American Pacific Islander (as  
25                defined in section 815 of the Native American

1           Programs Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 2992c)) com-  
2           munity.

3 **SEC. 202. CIVILIAN CLIMATE CORPS.**

4           (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretaries and the Di-  
5 rector, in coordination with the Secretary of Transpor-  
6 tation, the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development,  
7 the Secretary of Energy, the Secretary of Commerce, the  
8 Secretary of Health and Human Services, the Director of  
9 the Office of Management and Budget, the Administrator  
10 of the Environmental Protection Agency, and the heads  
11 of other relevant Federal agencies, shall enter into an  
12 interagency agreement establishing a Civilian Climate  
13 Corps and service projects for the Corps, to be operated  
14 by the Director, in accordance with the National and Com-  
15 munity Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12501 et seq.) and  
16 the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C.  
17 4950 et seq.). The service projects shall be carried out  
18 using funds available under those Acts and any funds  
19 made available pursuant to an interagency agreement au-  
20 thorized by section 121(b)(1) of the National and Commu-  
21 nity Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12571(b)(1)).

22           (b) CONSULTATION.—The Secretaries and the Direc-  
23 tor shall consult with the National Association of Service  
24 and Conservation Corps and other relevant national serv-  
25 ice organizations for the purpose of identifying appro-

1 p r i a t e p r o j e c t s , a c t i v i t i e s , a n d w o r k f o r c e d e v e l o p m e n t o u t -  
2 c o m e s f o r t h e C o r p s .

3 (c) R E P O R T . — N o t l a t e r t h a n 6 0 d a y s a f t e r t h e d a t e  
4 o f e n a c t m e n t o f t h i s A c t , t h e S e c r e t a r i e s , i n c o o r d i n a t i o n  
5 w i t h t h e S e c r e t a r y o f T r a n s p o r t a t i o n , t h e S e c r e t a r y o f  
6 H o u s i n g a n d U r b a n D e v e l o p m e n t , t h e S e c r e t a r y o f E n -  
7 e r g y , t h e S e c r e t a r y o f C o m m e r c e , t h e S e c r e t a r y o f H e a l t h  
8 a n d H u m a n S e r v i c e s , t h e D i r e c t o r , t h e D i r e c t o r o f t h e O f -  
9 f i c e o f M a n a g e m e n t a n d B u d g e t , t h e A d m i n i s t r a t o r o f t h e  
10 E n v i r o n m e n t a l P r o t e c t i o n A g e n c y , a n d t h e h e a d s o f o t h e r  
11 r e l e v a n t F e d e r a l a g e n c i e s , s h a l l s u b m i t t o t h e a p p r o p r i a t e  
12 c o n g r e s s i o n a l c o m m i t t e e s a r e p o r t t h a t d e s c r i b e s —

13 (1) t h e p r o p o s e d n u m b e r o f C o r p s m e m b e r s ;  
14 a n d

15 (2) t h e r e c o m m e n d e d a m o u n t o f f u n d i n g f o r t h e  
16 s e r v i c e p r o j e c t s o f t h e C o r p s f o r e a c h o f f i s c a l y e a r s  
17 2 0 2 4 t h r o u g h 2 0 2 7 .

18 **SEC. 203. REQUIREMENTS FOR CORPS SERVICE PROJECTS.**

19 I n c a r r y i n g o u t a s e r v i c e p r o j e c t t h r o u g h t h e C o r p s ,  
20 t h e D i r e c t o r , i n c o o r d i n a t i o n w i t h t h e S e c r e t a r i e s , s h a l l —

21 (1)(A) p r i o r i t i z e e f f o r t s t o a s s i s t a d i s p r o p o r -  
22 t i o n a t e l y i m p a c t e d c o m m u n i t y ; o r

23 (B) e n s u r e t h e s e r v i c e p r o j e c t i s c a r r i e d o u t i n  
24 p a r t n e r s h i p w i t h a q u a l i f i e d y o u t h s e r v i c e o r c o n -  
25 s e r v a t i o n c o r p s ;



1           (2) ensure that the service project is, as rel-  
2           evant, coordinated with Tribal and Native American  
3           communities to protect natural cultural resources;  
4           and

5           (3) accomplish 1 or more of the following objec-  
6           tives:

7                   (A) Conserving, monitoring, and restoring  
8                   public land and water to help mitigate and  
9                   adapt to climate change.

10                   (B) Addressing the needs of frontline com-  
11                   munities experiencing the worst effects of cli-  
12                   mate change.

13                   (C) Building resilience to climate change  
14                   through nature-based solutions, such as living  
15                   shorelines, wetlands, green stormwater infra-  
16                   structure, and sustainable forest management,  
17                   to appropriately manage natural systems that  
18                   buffer human communities from environmental  
19                   harm.

20                   (D) Assisting natural disaster-prone com-  
21                   munities and disproportionately impacted com-  
22                   munities by replacing aging infrastructure with  
23                   climate-ready upgrades, such as improved  
24                   stream crossings and community facilities and  
25                   housing with enhanced energy efficiency.

1           (E) Promoting traditional ecological knowl-  
2           edge, natural climate solutions, such as eco-  
3           logically appropriate reforestation and seques-  
4           tration, and techniques, such as aquaponics and  
5           regenerative practices, in the agricultural sec-  
6           tor, to help mitigate climate change by reducing  
7           atmospheric greenhouse gas concentrations.

8           (F) Supporting the resilience of natural  
9           systems to climate change by protecting bio-  
10          diversity through targeted conservation efforts  
11          and the eradication of invasive species.

12          (G) Increasing education of the general  
13          public on climate adaptation and mitigation, in-  
14          cluding ways in which private landowners can  
15          initiate efforts on private land that are similar  
16          to climate adaptation and mitigation efforts  
17          supported by service projects carried out by the  
18          Corps.

19          (H) Improving access to outdoor recreation  
20          to promote a continued national appreciation  
21          for the natural environment.

22          (I) Addressing environmental degradation  
23          in disproportionately impacted communities.

24          (J) Supporting the resilience of agricul-  
25          tural and food supply systems to ensure reliable

1 and equitable access to nutritious foods, par-  
 2 ticularly among disproportionately impacted  
 3 communities.

4 (K) Advancing the resiliency and carbon  
 5 emission reductions of the entities headed by of-  
 6 ficers listed in section 202(a) through installa-  
 7 tion of small-scale clean energy equipment or  
 8 facility weatherization projects on public land.

9 (L) Addressing urban and suburban green-  
 10 ing and revitalization, including—

11 (i) the preservation, restoration, and  
 12 expansion of open spaces;

13 (ii) the conversion of blacktops;

14 (iii) the installations of green roofs;

15 and

16 (iv) the planting of trees.

17 **SEC. 204. DIVERSE BACKGROUNDS OF PARTICIPANTS.**

18 In selecting members for the Corps, the Director, in  
 19 coordination with the Secretaries, shall ensure that—

20 (1) members are from economically, geographi-  
 21 cally, and ethnically diverse backgrounds; and

22 (2) veterans, individuals with disabilities, and  
 23 people of various sexes, sexual orientations, and gen-  
 24 der identities are represented.

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