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Introduced by Representative E Pluribus Unum on behalf of the Sun
Administration

A BILL

To make consolidated appropriations for the fiscal months beginning August
11, 2024, and ending October 10, 2024.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States
of America in Congress assembled,*

SEC. 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as –

- (a) The “Budget for Economic Strength and Tenacity 2024”;
- (b) The “BEST Act of August-October 2024”;
- (c) The “BEST Act”; or
- (d) The “General Appropriations and Budget Act of August-October 2024”.

SEC. 2. STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS.

The following sums in this Act are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the fiscal months beginning August 11, 2024, and ending October 10, 2024, henceforth referred to in this Act as fiscal months August to October, 2024.

SEC. 3. AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.

Each amount designated in this Act by the Congress shall remain available until October 10, 2024, unless otherwise specified, provided that official reception and representation expenses do not exceed 2% of appropriations in the same period.

SEC. 4. TRANSFER OF FUNDS.

None of the funds provided by this Act, provided by previous appropriations acts that remain available for obligation or expenditure in fiscal months August to October 2024, or provided from any accounts in the Treasury of the United States derived by the collection of fees available to the components funded by this Act, shall be available for obligation or expenditure through reprogramming of funds that:

- (a) Increases funds for any program, project, or activity for which funds have been denied or restricted by the Congress;
- (b) Contracts out any function or activity presently performed by Federal employees or any new function or activity proposed to be performed by Federal employees in the President's budget proposal for fiscal months August to October 2024;
- (c) augments funding for existing programs, projects, or activities, in excess of \$15,000,000 or 18 percent, whichever is more;
- (d) Reduces funding for any program, project, or activity, or numbers of personnel, by 5 percent or more; or
- (e) Results from any general savings from a reduction in personnel that would result in a change in funding levels for programs, projects, or activities as approved by the Congress.

SEC. 6. OBLIGATION OF FUNDS.

Amounts appropriated by this Act shall be available for obligation and expenditure not later than three (3) days after the date of enactment of this Act.

SEC. 7. APPROPRIATE USE OF FUNDS.

None of the funds provided by this Act may be used in any way, directly or indirectly, to influence congressional action on any legislation or appropriation matters pending before Congress, other than to communicate to Members of Congress as described in 18 U.S.C. 1913. Furthermore, whereas appropriations are such sums as may be necessary, notwithstanding any other provision of law, no amounts made available under such heading shall be made available for transfer to another budget account.

SEC. 8. COMPLIANCE WITH FEDERAL LAW.

None of the funds made available in this Act may be used for any program, project, or activity, when it is made known to the Federal entity or official to which the funds are made available that the program, project, or activity is not in compliance with any Federal law relating to risk assessment, the protection of private property rights, or unfunded mandates.

SEC. 9. CONTINUATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

Furthermore, such amounts as may be necessary are hereby appropriated, of of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, and out of applicable revenues, receipts, and funds, for several departments, agencies, corporations, and other organizational units of Government for fiscal year 2024, and for other purposes: *Provided*, That such sums are provided at a rate for operations as provided in this Act for the fiscal months August to October 2024, under the authority and conditions provided, for continuing projects or activities, including the costs of direct loans and loan guarantees, that were conducted in fiscal months of August to October 2024, except when otherwise provided for under this Act, and for which appropriations, funds, or other authority were previously made available in this Act: *Provided further*, That such sums shall cease to be provided following the enactment into law of an appropriation for any project or activity provided for in this Act.

SEC. 10. RECEIPTS.

Offset revenues, projected to amount to \$35,000,551,367.14, shall be deposited into the General Fund of the Treasury of the United States.

Revenues are projected to amount according to the following table:

Bimonthly Receipts, broken down by source:	
Income Tax	\$406,885,203,530.12
Payroll Taxes (FICA)	\$290,244,610,416.37
Public Patriotic Benefits	\$76,286,209,163.30
Corporate Tax	\$69,924,312,715.85
Excise Tax	\$60,621,282,371.75

Other	\$47,583,013,586.93
Receipts Totalled:	\$951,544,631,784.31

SEC. 10. EXPENDITURES.

The following expenditures are reported as totals for Executive Departments and top-level Agencies:


(1) Department of Defense	\$102,805,235,321.73
(a) Personnel	\$26,626,345,167.99
(b) Operation and Maintenance	\$32,416,564,751.57
(c) Procurement	\$18,747,925,305.06
(d) Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation	\$15,486,971,747.15
(e) Revolving and Management Funds	\$285,918,176.96
(f) Other DoD Related Programs, Related Agencies	\$406,310,007.43
(2) Departments of Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies	\$20,924,722,274.53
(a) Department of Commerce	\$3,370,793,823.75
(b) Department of Justice	\$7,188,397,896.33
(c) Science	\$10,144,369,010.38
(d) Related Agencies	\$221,161,544.07
(3) Department of the Treasury, General Government, and Independent Agencies	\$25,482,928,744.16
(a) Department of the Treasury	\$20,277,093,042.95
(b) Executive Office of the President and Funds Appropriation	\$1,124,417,532.57
(c) The Judiciary	\$635,920,708.32
(d) District of Columbia	\$125,594,792.76
(e) Independent Agencies	\$3,319,902,667.56
(4) Department of Homeland Security	\$11,280,055,283.31

(a) Departmental Management, Operations, Intelligence, and Oversight	\$443,761,556.34
(b) Security, Enforcement, and Investigations	\$5,141,359,235.48
(c) Protection, Preparedness, Response, and Recovery	\$5,373,053,612.13
(d) Research, Development, Training, and Services	\$324,294,985.95
(5) Departments of Labor, Health & Human Services, and Education	\$112,283,389,039.41
(a) Department of Labor	\$1,789,211,049.41
(b) Department of Health and Human Services	\$84,864,279,250.12
(c) Department of Education	\$17,893,263,712.15
(d) Related Agencies	\$7,736,635,027.72
(6) Departments of Agriculture, Rural Development; the FDA; & Related Agencies	\$31,455,177,786.15
(a) Agricultural Programs	\$3,889,362,535.86
(b) Rural Development Programs	\$6,603,157,582.37
(c) Domestic Food Programs	\$18,923,454,242.57
(d) Foreign Assistance and Related Programs	\$1,047,131,392.72
(e) Independent Agencies	\$49,936,120.07
(7) Energy and Water Development & Related Agencies	\$9,793,575,764.66
(a) Corps of Engineers - Civil	\$2,222,620,142.80
(b) Department of Energy	\$7,355,928,869.03
(c) Independent Agencies	\$215,026,752.83
(8) Departments of Interior, Environment; & Related Agencies	\$9,057,575,603.46
(a) Department of the Interior	\$3,027,574,836.88
(b) Environmental Protection Agency	\$3,137,975,671.09
(c) Department of Health & Human Services	\$1,372,642,287.53

(d) Department of Agriculture	\$1,519,382,807.96
(9) Legislative Branch of the U.S. Government	\$1,223,509,322.47
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(10) The Department of Veterans Affairs, & Related Agencies	\$7,634,839,924.76
(a) Department of Defense	\$1,616,560,895.48
(b) Department of Veterans Affairs	\$4,737,955,093.74
(c) Related Agencies	\$35,644,965.31
(d) Overseas Contingency Operations	\$92,497,790.68
(e) Natural Disaster Relief	\$1,161,516,271.84
(11) Department of State, other Foreign Operations, & Related Programs/Agencies	\$8,418,593,220.50
(a) Department of State and Related Agencies	\$2,519,282,399.57
(b) United States Agency for International Development	\$302,201,185.94
(c) Bilateral Economic Assistance	\$4,108,087,897.63
(d) International Security Assistance	\$1,158,672,834.70
(e) Multilateral Assistance	\$315,001,185.47
(f) Export and Investment Assistance	\$15,347,717.21
(12) Departments of Transportation, Housing & Urban Development, & Related Agencies	\$17,389,717,847.03
(a) Department of Transportation	\$5,042,604,098.26
(b) Department of Housing and Urban Development	\$12,275,171,819.85
(c) Related Agencies	\$71,941,928.92
Social Security	\$203,274,089,215.30
Medicare	\$119,975,251,354.21
Net Interest on Public Debt	\$121,634,015,658.21

Discretionary Programs Spending	\$85,034,551,514.36
Expenditures, excluding Social Security Trust Fund	-\$888,328,750,549.00
Additional Mandatory Payments to Social Security Trust Fund	\$31,269,866,000.08
Total Surplus	31,946,015,235.22

SEC. 11. EXPENDITURES AND RECEIPTS BREAKDOWN.

There shall be a breakdown of expenditures by Department and receipts, located  August-October Budget .

SEC. 12. SURPLUS, DEBT AND EMERGENCY FUND.

- (a) **DEBT INTEREST.**—For payments of interest on the public debt, such sums as may be necessary, projected amount to \$31,946,015,235.22.
- (b) **TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS.**—Appropriations contained within this Act from the General Fund of the Treasury, including net interest paid but excluding additional payments to the Social Security Trust Fund, are calculated to the amount to \$888,328,750,549.00.
- (c) **TOTAL REVENUES.**—For the fiscal months of June to August 2024, total revenues are projected to amount to \$951,544,631,784.31.
- (d) **SURPLUS.**—For the fiscal months June to August 2024, total appropriations less total revenues, including additional payments to the social security trust fund but prior to payments against the public debt, are projected to amount to 31,946,015,235.22.
- (e) **DEBT PRINCIPAL.**—
 - (i) **Findings.**—Total payments against the public debt for June to August 2024 are projected to amount to 31,946,015,235.22.
 - (ii) **In General.**—For the fiscal months of June to August 2024, in the event that total appropriations are greater than total revenues, the additional to the public debt shall be total appropriations less total revenues. Alternatively, in the event that total appropriations are lesser than total revenues, there shall be appropriated the amount of total revenues less total appropriations for payments against the public debt, except as provided in section (g).
- (f) **RECISSION OF UNSPENT APPROPRIATIONS.**—Appropriated amounts remaining at the end of the period of availability shall be transferred to the

General Fund of the Treasury and subsequently appropriated as payments against the public debt.

(g) SOCIAL SECURITY TRUST FUND.—

- (i) Findings.—Total Payments outside of standard appropriations to the Social Security Program for the fiscal months of June to August 2024 are projected to amount to \$31,269,866,000.08.
- (ii) In General.—In the event that total appropriations to the Social Security Program are lesser than total revenues from the Old-Age, Survivors, and Disability Insurance Payroll tax, during the June to August 2024 fiscal months, then the remaining revenues shall be appropriated to both the Old-Age and Survivors Insurance trust fund and the Disability Insurance trust fund.

SEC. 13. SEVERABILITY.

Should any portion of this Act be deemed invalid or unconstitutional for any reason in a court with relevant jurisdiction, the rest of the Act, and the application of the remaining provisions, shall not be affected.

SEC. 14. SUPREMACY.

Any existing provisions of law that contradict this Act shall be considered null and void for the purposes of interpreting this legislation.