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H. R. 4735

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 14, 2016

Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure and Appropriations, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

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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 “Architect of the Capitol
5 Administrative Operations Improvement Act of 2016”.

1 **SEC. 2. WORKING CAPITAL FUND FOR ARCHITECT OF THE**
2 **CAPITOL.**

3 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is hereby established in
4 the Treasury of the United States a working capital fund
5 (hereafter in this section referred to as the “Fund”) for
6 the Architect of the Capitol.

7 (b) AVAILABILITY OF AMOUNTS.—Amounts in the
8 Fund shall be available to the Architect of the Capitol for
9 such common agency services, activities, equipment, and
10 other common costs as the Architect determines to be ap-
11 propriate, efficient, and economical. The Fund shall also
12 be available for construction, capital repairs, renovations,
13 rehabilitation, maintenance of real property, and similar
14 agency expenses, on a reimbursable basis within the Archi-
15 tect of the Capitol.

16 (c) CONTENTS.—The capital of the Fund consists
17 of—

- 18 (1) amounts appropriated to the Fund;
- 19 (2) the reasonable value of stocks of supplies,
20 equipment, and other assets and inventories on
21 order that the Architect transfers to the fund, less
22 related liabilities and unpaid obligations;
- 23 (3) receipts from the sale or exchange of prop-
24 erty held in the Fund;
- 25 (4) all miscellaneous receipts compensating the
26 Architect of the Capitol for loss or damage to any

1 Government property under the Architect's jurisdic-
2 tion or care, including but not limited to the United
3 States Botanic Garden;

4 (5) reimbursements pursuant to subsection (d);
5 and

6 (6) amounts transferred to the Fund pursuant
7 to subsection (e).

8 (d) REIMBURSEMENT.—The Fund shall be reim-
9 bursed from available accounts of the Architect of the
10 Capitol for supplies, materials, services, and related ex-
11 penses, at rates which will approximate the full cost of
12 operations, including—

13 (1) accrual of employee leave and benefits;

14 (2) depreciation of plant, property, and equip-
15 ment; and

16 (3) overhead.

17 (e) TRANSFERS FROM OTHER ACCOUNTS.—Notwith-
18 standing any other provision of law, the Architect is au-
19 thorized to transfer amounts from other available Archi-
20 tect of the Capitol accounts to the Fund as the Architect
21 determines to be appropriate, efficient, and economical.

22 (f) CONTINUING AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.—
23 Amounts in the Fund are available without regard to fiscal
24 year limitation.

1 **SEC. 3. HOUSE OFFICE BUILDINGS SHUTTLE SERVICE.**

2 The Architect of the Capitol may use funds appro-
3 priated or otherwise made available under the heading
4 “Architect of the Capitol, House Office Buildings” in any
5 Act making appropriations for the legislative branch for
6 a fiscal year for the purchase or rental, maintenance, and
7 operation of passenger motor vehicles to provide shuttle
8 service for Members and employees of Congress to and
9 from the House Office Buildings.

10 **SEC. 4. USE OF EXPIRED FUNDS FOR MAKING UNEMPLOY-**
11 **MENT COMPENSATION PAYMENTS.**

12 Available balances of expired Architect of the Capitol
13 appropriations shall be available to the Architect of the
14 Capitol for reimbursing the Secretary of Labor for any
15 amounts paid with respect to unemployment compensation
16 payments for former employees of the Architect of the
17 Capitol, without regard to the fiscal year for which the
18 obligation to make such payments is incurred.

19 **SEC. 5. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

20 This Act shall apply with respect to fiscal year 2017
21 and each succeeding fiscal year.

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