

118TH CONGRESS  
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# H. R. 8595

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 3, 2024

Ms. NORTON introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Appropriations, and in addition to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, 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

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## 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 “Promoting National  
5 Service and Reducing Unemployment Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS.**

7 In addition to any amounts otherwise appropriated  
8 or made available, there is appropriated such sums as may

1 be necessary, for the fiscal year ending September 30,  
2 2025—

3 (1) to increase by not less than 500,000 the  
4 number of national service positions approved under  
5 subtitle C of title I of the National and Community  
6 Service Act of 1990; and

7 (2) to enable an increase in the living allowance  
8 of each participant of a national service program to  
9 200 percent of the poverty line, as specified under  
10 section 140(a)(1) of the National and Community  
11 Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12594(a)(1)), as  
12 amended by section 3.

13 **SEC. 3. PERMANENT INCREASE IN LIVING ALLOWANCE.**

14 Section 140(a)(1) of the National and Community  
15 Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12594(a)(1)) is amended  
16 to read as follows:

17 “(1) LIVING ALLOWANCE REQUIRED.—Subject  
18 to paragraphs (2) and (3), a national service pro-  
19 gram (including a national service program carried  
20 out using assistance provided under section 121)  
21 shall provide to each participant of such program a  
22 living allowance in an amount equal to 200 percent  
23 of the poverty line (as defined by the Office of Man-  
24 agement and Budget, and revised annually in ac-  
25 cordance with section 673(2) of the Community

1 Services Block Grant Act (42 U.S.C. 9902(2))) ap-  
2 plicable to a family of the size involved), and ad-  
3 justed each year after 2025 for inflation as meas-  
4 ured by the Consumer Price Index for All Urban  
5 Consumers published by the Secretary of Labor.”.

6 **SEC. 4. PERMANENT INCREASE IN COST PER MEMBER**  
7 **SERVICE YEAR.**

8 Section 189(a) of the National and Community Serv-  
9 ice Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12645e(a)) is amended by  
10 striking “\$18,000 per full-time equivalent position” and  
11 inserting “125 percent of the amount of the minimum liv-  
12 ing allowance of a full-time participant per full-time equiv-  
13 alent position”.

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