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# S. 2979

To rescind certain budget authority proposed to be rescinded in special messages transmitted to the Congress by the President on May 8, 2018, in accordance with title X of the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act 1974.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 24, 2018

Mr. LEE (for himself, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. TOOMEY, Mrs. ERNST, Mr. PERDUE, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. PAUL, Mr. FLAKE, and Mr. SASSE) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred concurrently to the Committee on Appropriations and the Committee on the Budget, pursuant to the order of January 30, 1975, as modified by the order of April 11, 1986, with instructions that the Budget Committee be authorized to report its views to the Appropriations Committee, and that the latter alone be authorized to report the bill

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## A BILL

To rescind certain budget authority proposed to be rescinded in special messages transmitted to the Congress by the President on May 8, 2018, in accordance with title X of the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act 1974.

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

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2       This Act may be cited as the “Spending Cuts to Ex-  
3       pired and Unnecessary Programs Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. RESCISSION OF BUDGET AUTHORITY.**

5       (a) IN GENERAL.—Pursuant to the special message  
6       transmitted by the President on May 8, 2018, to the  
7       House of Representatives and the Senate proposing the  
8       rescission of budget authority under section 1012 of part  
9       B of title X of the Congressional Budget and Impound-  
10      ment Control Act of 1974 (2 U.S.C. 682 et seq.), the re-  
11      scissions described under subsection (b) shall take effect  
12      immediately upon the date of enactment of this Act.

13      (b) RESCISSIONS.—The rescissions described in this  
14      subsection are as follows:

15           (1) Of the unobligated balances identified by  
16      the Treasury Appropriation Fund Symbol 12X1600,  
17      \$148,000,000 are permanently rescinded.

18           (2) Of the unobligated balances identified by  
19      the Treasury Appropriation Fund Symbol 12X1004,  
20      the following amounts are permanently rescinded:

21           (A) \$143,854,263 of amounts made avail-  
22      able in section 1241(a)(5) of the Food Security  
23      Act of 1985 (16 U.S.C. 3841(a)(5)).

24           (B) \$146,650,991 of amounts made avail-  
25      able under the amendment made by section

1           2701(d) of the Food, Conservation, and Energy  
2           Act of 2008 (Public Law 110–246).

3           (C) \$33,261,788 of amounts made avail-  
4           able under the amendment made by section  
5           2701(e) of the Food, Conservation, and Energy  
6           Act of 2008 (Public Law 110–246).

7           (D) \$12,960,988 of amounts made avail-  
8           able under the amendment made by section  
9           2701(g) of the Food, Conservation, and Energy  
10          Act of 2008 (Public Law 110–246).

11          (E) \$7,447,193 of amounts made available  
12          under the amendment made by section 2510 of  
13          the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of  
14          2008 (Public Law 110–246).

15          (F) \$155,332,698 of amounts made avail-  
16          able from the Commodity Credit Corporation to  
17          carry out the wetlands reserve program.

18          (3) Of the unobligated balances identified by  
19          the Treasury Appropriation Fund Symbol 12X1072,  
20          the following amounts are rescinded:

21               (A) \$107,482,457 of amounts made avail-  
22               able under the heading “Emergency Conserva-  
23               tion Activities” in title X of the Disaster Relief  
24               Appropriations Act, 2013 (Public Law 113–2)  
25               for activities under section 403 of the Agri-

1 culture Credit Act of 1978 (Emergency Water-  
2 shed Protection Program; 16 U.S.C. 2203).

3 (B) \$50,000,000 of amounts made avail-  
4 able under the heading “Watershed and Flood  
5 Prevention Operations” in the Consolidated Ap-  
6 propriations Act, 2017 (Public Law 115–31).

7 (4) From amounts made available under the  
8 heading “Department of Agriculture—Rural Hous-  
9 ing Service—Rental Assistance Program” in the  
10 Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2017 (Public Law  
11 115–31) that remain available until September 30,  
12 2018, \$40,000,000 are rescinded.

13 (5) Of the unobligated balances available under  
14 the heading “Department of Agriculture—Rural  
15 Housing Service—Rural Community Facilities Pro-  
16 gram Account” in the Consolidated Appropriations  
17 Act, 2017 (Public Law 115–31) and prior Acts,  
18 \$2,000,000 are rescinded.

19 (6) Of the unobligated balances available under  
20 the heading “Department of Agriculture—Rural  
21 Business-Cooperative Service—Rural Cooperative  
22 Development Grants” in the Consolidated Appro-  
23 priations Act, 2017 (Public Law 115–31) and prior  
24 Acts, \$14,705,229 are rescinded.

1           (7) Of the amounts made available under the  
2           amendments made by section 9003 of the Agricul-  
3           tural Act of 2014 (Public Law 113–79),  
4           \$36,410,174 are rescinded.

5           (8) Of the amounts transferred to, and merged  
6           with, the Rural Utilities Service, High Energy Cost  
7           Grants Account by the matter under the heading  
8           “Department of Agriculture—Rural Utilities Serv-  
9           ice—Rural Water and Waste Disposal Program Ac-  
10          count” in the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2017  
11          (Public Law 115–31) and prior Acts, \$13,275,855  
12          are rescinded.

13          (9) Of the unobligated balances available under  
14          the heading “Department of Agriculture—Rural  
15          Utilities Service—Rural Water and Waste Disposal  
16          Program Account” in the Consolidated Appropria-  
17          tions Act, 2017 (Public Law 115–31) and prior  
18          Acts, \$37,000,000 are rescinded. No amounts may  
19          be rescinded under this paragraph from amounts  
20          that were designated by the Congress as an emer-  
21          gency or disaster relief requirement pursuant to the  
22          concurrent resolution on the budget or the Balanced  
23          Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

24          (10) Of the unobligated balances available  
25          under the heading “Department of Agriculture—

1 Forest Service—Land Acquisition” in the Consoli-  
2 dated Appropriations Act, 2017 (Public Law 115–  
3 31) and prior Acts that were derived from the Land  
4 and Water Conservation Fund, \$16,000,000 are per-  
5 manently rescinded.

6 (11) Of the unobligated balances available  
7 under the heading “Department of Commerce—Eco-  
8 nomic Development Administration—Economic De-  
9 velopment Assistance Programs” from prior year ap-  
10 propriations, \$30,000,000 are rescinded.

11 (12) Any unobligated balances of amounts pro-  
12 vided by section 129 of division A of the Consoli-  
13 dated Security, Disaster Assistance, and Continuing  
14 Appropriations Act, 2009 (Public Law 110–329) for  
15 the cost of direct loans as authorized by section  
16 136(d) of the Energy Independence and Security  
17 Act of 2007 (Public Law 110–140) are rescinded.

18 (13) Of the unobligated balances made available  
19 by section 1425 of the Department of Defense and  
20 Full-Year Continuing Appropriations Act, 2011  
21 (Public Law 112–10) for the cost of loan guarantees  
22 for renewable energy or efficient end-use energy  
23 technologies under section 1703 of the Energy Pol-  
24 icy Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 15513), \$160,682,760  
25 are rescinded.

1           (14) Any unobligated balances of amounts  
2           made available under the heading “Department of  
3           Energy—Energy Programs—Title 17—Innovative  
4           Technology Loan Guarantee Program” in the Amer-  
5           ican Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Public  
6           Law 111–5) for the cost of guaranteed loans author-  
7           ized by section 1705 of the Energy Policy Act of  
8           2005 are rescinded.

9           (15) Of the unobligated balances available from  
10          section 301(b)(3) of Public Law 114–10 and pursu-  
11          ant to section 2104(m)(2)(B)(iv) of the Social Secu-  
12          rity Act, \$5,149,512,000 are rescinded.

13          (16) Of the amounts made available in section  
14          1115A(f)(1)(B) of the Social Security Act,  
15          \$800,000,000 are rescinded.

16          (17) Of the amounts deposited in the Child En-  
17          rollment Contingency Fund for fiscal year 2018  
18          under section 2104(n)(2) of the Social Security Act,  
19          \$1,865,000,000 are permanently rescinded.

20          (18) Of the unobligated balances available in  
21          the Nonrecurring Expenses Fund established in sec-  
22          tion 223 of division G of Public Law 110–161,  
23          \$220,000,000 are rescinded.

24          (19) Of the unobligated balances available  
25          under the heading “Department of Housing and

1 Urban Development—Public and Indian Housing—  
2 Public Housing Capital Fund” in the Consolidated  
3 and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015  
4 (Public Law 113–235), \$1,192,287 are rescinded.

5 (20) Of the unobligated balances available  
6 under the heading “Department of Housing and  
7 Urban Development—Public and Indian Housing—  
8 Public Housing Capital Fund” in the Consolidated  
9 Appropriations Act, 2016 (Public Law 114–113),  
10 \$5,243,222 are rescinded.

11 (21) Of the unobligated balances available  
12 under the heading “Department of Housing and  
13 Urban Development—Public and Indian Housing—  
14 Public Housing Capital Fund” in the Consolidated  
15 Appropriations Act, 2017 (Public Law 115–31),  
16 \$31,980,121 are rescinded.

17 (22) Of the unobligated balances available until  
18 expended under the heading “Department of Hous-  
19 ing and Urban Development—Public and Indian  
20 Housing—Public Housing Capital Fund”, including  
21 from prior year appropriations, \$518,885 are perma-  
22 nently rescinded.

23 (23) Of the unobligated balances available  
24 under the heading “Department of Justice—Legal  
25 Activities—Assets Forfeiture Fund”, including from



1 prior year appropriations, \$106,000,000 are perma-  
2 nently rescinded.

3 (24) Any unobligated balances of amounts  
4 made available under the amendment made by sec-  
5 tion 1899K(b) of division B of the American Recov-  
6 ery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Public Law  
7 111–5) are rescinded.

8 (25) Of the unobligated balances available  
9 under the heading “Bilateral Economic Assistance—  
10 Funds Appropriated to the President—Complex Cri-  
11 ses Fund” in the Consolidated Appropriations Act,  
12 2017 (Public Law 115–31) and the Consolidated  
13 Appropriations Act, 2016 (Public Law 114–113),  
14 \$30,000,000 are rescinded.

15 (26) From amounts made available under the  
16 heading “Millennium Challenge Corporation” in the  
17 Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2017 (Public Law  
18 115–31) and prior Acts, \$52,000,000 are rescinded.

19 (27) Of the unobligated balances available  
20 under the heading “International Disaster Assist-  
21 ance” in the Consolidated and Further Continuing  
22 Appropriations Act, 2015 (Public Law 113–235),  
23 \$252,000,000 are rescinded.

24 (28) Of the unobligated balances available in  
25 the “Surface Transportation Priorities” account

1 under Treasury Account Fund Symbol 69X0538 in  
2 the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2010 (Public  
3 Law 111–117) or any other Act, \$85,938,251 are  
4 rescinded.

5 (29) Of the unobligated balances available  
6 under the heading “Department of Transportation—  
7 Federal Highway Administration—Appalachian De-  
8 velopment Highway System” in the Department of  
9 Transportation and Related Agencies Appropriations  
10 Act, 1998 (Public Law 105–66) or any other Act,  
11 \$45,240,246 are rescinded.

12 (30) Of the unobligated balances available  
13 under the heading “Federal-Aid Highways” in the  
14 Department of Transportation and Related Agencies  
15 Appropriations Act, 2001 (Public Law 106–346) or  
16 any other Act, \$48,019,600 are permanently re-  
17 scinded.

18 (31) Of the unobligated balances available  
19 under the heading “Department of Transportation—  
20 Federal Railroad Administration—Capital Assist-  
21 ance for High Speed Rail Corridors and Intercity  
22 Passenger Rail Service” in the Consolidated Appro-  
23 priations Act, 2010 (Public Law 111–117)  
24 \$53,404,128 are rescinded.

1           (32) Of the unobligated balances available for  
2           Transit Formula Grants from fiscal year 2005 and  
3           prior fiscal years, \$46,560,000 are permanently re-  
4           scinded.

5           (33) Of the unobligated balances available in  
6           the Department of the Treasury Forfeiture Fund es-  
7           tablished by the Treasury Forfeiture Fund Act of  
8           1992 (31 U.S.C. 9705), \$53,000,000 are perma-  
9           nently rescinded.

10          (34) Of the unobligated balances available  
11          under the heading “Department of the Treasury—  
12          Departmental Offices—Community Development Fi-  
13          nancial Institutions Fund Program Account” for the  
14          Bank Enterprise Award Program from the Consoli-  
15          dated Appropriations Act, 2017 (Public Law 115–  
16          31) \$22,787,358 are rescinded.

17          (35) From amounts made available to the Cap-  
18          ital Magnet Fund for fiscal year 2018 pursuant to  
19          sections 1337 and 1339 of the Housing and Eco-  
20          nomic Recovery Act of 2008 (12 U.S.C. 4567 and  
21          4569) \$141,716,839 are permanently rescinded.

22          (36) Of the unobligated balances available in  
23          the “National Service Trust” established in section  
24          102 of the National and Community Service Trust

1 Act of 1993, \$150,000,000 are permanently re-  
2 scinded.

3 (37) Of the amounts made available under the  
4 amendments made by section 9 of the Worker,  
5 Homeownership, and Business Assistance Act of  
6 2009 (Public Law 111–92), \$132,612,397 are re-  
7 scinded.

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