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S. 3751

To amend the CARES Act to provide the Special Inspector General for Pandemic Recovery with additional personnel authorities, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 18, 2020

Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Ms. HASSAN, Mr. CRAPO, Ms. ERNST, and Mr. BOOKER) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

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 “Special Inspector Gen-
5 eral for Pandemic Recovery Expedited Hiring Authorities
6 Act of 2020”.

1 **SEC. 2. SPECIAL INSPECTOR GENERAL FOR PANDEMIC RE-**
 2 **COVERY.**

3 Section 4018(e) of the CARES Act (Public Law 116–
 4 136) is amended—

5 (1) in paragraph (1)—

6 (A) by striking “The Special” and insert-
 7 ing the following:

8 “(A) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subpara-
 9 graph (B), the Special”; and

10 (B) by adding at the end the following:

11 “(B) ADDITIONAL AUTHORITIES.—

12 “(i) IN GENERAL.—Subject to clause
 13 (ii), the Special Inspector General may ex-
 14 ercise any authority provided to the head
 15 of a temporary organization under section
 16 3161 of title 5, United States Code, with-
 17 out regard to whether the Office of the
 18 Special Inspector General for Pandemic
 19 Recovery qualifies as a temporary organi-
 20 zation under subsection (a) of that section.

21 “(ii) LIMITATIONS.—With respect to
 22 the exercise of authority under subsection
 23 (b) of section 3161 of title 5, United
 24 States Code, as permitted under clause (i)
 25 of this subparagraph—

1 “(I) the Special Inspector Gen-
 2 eral may not make any appointment
 3 under that subsection on or after the
 4 later of—

5 “(aa) the date that is 180
 6 days after the date of enactment
 7 of the Special Inspector General
 8 for Pandemic Recovery Expedited
 9 Hiring Authorities Act of 2020;
 10 or

11 “(bb) the date that is 180
 12 days after the date on which the
 13 Special Inspector General is con-
 14 firmed by the Senate;

15 “(II) paragraph (2) of that sub-
 16 section (relating to periods of appoint-
 17 ments) shall not apply; and

18 “(III) no period of an appoint-
 19 ment made under that subsection may
 20 extend after the date on which the Of-
 21 fice of the Special Inspector General
 22 for Pandemic Recovery terminates
 23 under subsection (h).”; and

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

25 “(5) REEMPLOYMENT OF ANNUITANTS.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subparagraph (B), if an annuitant receiving an annuity from the Civil Service Retirement and Disability Fund becomes employed in a position in the Office of the Special Inspector General for Pandemic Recovery—

“(i) the annuity of that annuitant shall continue; and

“(ii) that reemployed annuitant shall not be considered to be an employee for the purposes of chapter 83 or 84 of title 5, United States Code.

“(B) LIMITATIONS.—Subparagraph (A) shall apply to—

“(i) not more than 25 employees of the Office of the Special Inspector General for Pandemic Recovery at any particular time, as designated by the Special Inspector General; and

“(ii) pay periods beginning after the date of enactment of the Special Inspector General for Pandemic Recovery Expedited Hiring Authorities Act of 2020.”.

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