

Amendment to the Chairman's Mark

Offered by Representative Panetta

Adjust Function 150

1. Increase budget authority and outlays for Function 150 by the following amounts in billions of dollars to ensure the continuation of in-kind food assistance programs throughout the Trump administration.

	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034
BA	1.620	1.650	1.690	1.720						
Outlays	.680	1.600	1.670	1.710	1.020	.010				

2. Make all necessary and conforming changes to the Chairman's mark.
3. Amend the committee report to reflect the following policy assumptions:

The amendment rejects cuts to international food assistance programs that alleviate hunger and improve food security around the world, while also supporting American farmers. The Food for Peace Title II program spends more than \$1.5 billion annually on the donation of U.S. commodities and makes up the bulk of U.S. international food assistance.

The Administration's recent unlawful and abrupt closure to USAID has led to chaos both globally and in America's heartland. In-kind food aid, including rice, wheat and soybeans, were recklessly paused. The now-fired Inspector General for USAID released a report on Monday, February 10th that the pause impacted \$489 million worth of food assistance that is currently sitting at ports, in transit, and in warehouses. A poorly drafted Executive Order did not include this vital program in its food assistance waiver, putting more than 500,000 metric tons at risk of spoilage. While the pause was recently lifted on February 10th, reporting as recent as February 12th indicates continued uncertainty about the status of this program. This amendment rejects this chaos and ensures funding for Food for Peace Title II program continues throughout the Trump administration.