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EXPLANATORY STATEMENT SUBMITTED BY MRS. LOWEY,  
CHAIRWOMAN OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS  
REGARDING H.R. 1158

CONSOLIDATED APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2020

The following is an explanation of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2020.

This Act includes 4 regular appropriations bills for fiscal year 2020. The divisions contained in the Act are as follows:

- Division A – Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2020
- Division B – Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2020
- Division C – Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Act, 2020
- Division D – Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act, 2020

Section 1 of the Act is the short title of the bill.

Section 2 of the Act displays a table of contents.

Section 3 of the Act states that, unless expressly provided otherwise, any reference to “this Act” contained in any division shall be treated as referring only to the provisions of that division.

Section 4 of the Act states that this explanatory statement shall have the same effect with respect to the allocation of funds and implementation of this legislation as if it were a joint explanatory statement of a committee of conference.

Section 5 of the Act provides a statement of appropriations.

Section 6 of the Act states that each amount designated by Congress as being for emergency requirements or for Overseas Contingency Operations/Global War on Terrorism (OCO/GWOT) is contingent on the President so designating all such emergency or OCO/GWOT amounts and transmitting such designations to Congress.

The Act does not contain any congressional earmarks, limited tax benefits, or limited tariff benefits as defined by clause 9 of rule XXI of the Rules of the House of Representatives.