

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT SUBMITTED BY MR. COLE, CHAIRMAN OF THE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS, REGARDING  
H.R. \_\_\_, FINANCIAL SERVICES AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT AND NATIONAL  
SECURITY, DEPARTMENT OF STATE, AND RELATED PROGRAMS APPROPRIATIONS  
ACT, 2026

The following is an explanation of the Financial Services and General Government and National Security, Department of State, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2026.

This Act includes 2 regular appropriations bills for fiscal year 2026. The divisions contained in the Act are as follows:

- Division A – Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Act, 2026
- Division B – National Security, Department of State, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2026
- Division C – Other Matters

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 provides the customary payments to the widows or heirs of recently deceased Members of Congress.