In lieu of House report language regarding the Bureau’s anticipated report on the feasibility of including Puerto Rico in additional surveys and Bureau of Justice Statistics data provided to the Census Bureau on November 26, 2019, the agreement directs the Bureau to provide a supplement to this report, not later than 90 days after enactment, containing an overall cost estimate and implementation plan for Puerto Rico’s inclusion in these surveys and products. The Bureau is further directed to work in coordination with stakeholders in Puerto Rico, while conducting the Puerto Rico Community Survey, to better understand Puerto Rico’s data needs.

CURRENT SURVEYS AND PROGRAMS

The agreement provides $774,000,000 for the Current Surveys and Programs account of the Bureau of the Census, to include funds to continue the level of effort for the Survey of Income and Program Participation, as described in the House report. The agreement does not adopt House report language on the division of funds within the appropriation.

PERIODIC CENSUSES AND PROGRAMS

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

The bill provides $7,284,319,000 for the Periodic Censuses and Programs account of the Bureau of the Census. The agreement does not adopt the House report language on the division of funds at the Program, Project, and Activity (PPA) level.

2020 Decennial Census.—In July 2019, the Census Bureau provided an update to the Committees on its 2020 Census Life Cycle Cost Estimate. While the total estimates for the overall Decennial costs remain unchanged, the Census Bureau assumes efficiencies in the program allow for a lower contingency reserve to support potential risks. The agreement provides $6,696,000,000 for the Decennial Census and does not adopt House recommended levels for the key operational frames, as described in the House report. The agreement includes $699,000,000 dedicated towards Secretarial contingency that may arise during the Census operation such as major disasters or other unforeseen risks realized, and $283,000,000 in additional sensitivity risks to support additional testing and any resolution in self-response rates beyond the current projections of the Census Bureau. The agreement clarifies a previous requirement regarding the Census Bureau’s obligation on the funding of the Bureau within the Decennial Census and does not adopt House recommendations for the level of effort for the population frames, as described in the House report. The agreement also states that there are no less than the level of effort for outreach and communications that was utilized in preparation for the 2010 Decennial Census, adjusted for inflation.

Mobile Questionnaire Assistance Centers.—Within funds provided, the agreement directs the Census Bureau to support this new initiative aimed at increasing response in historically hard and high-count communities. As part of the report on outreach activities in hard to count communities as directed by the House, the Census Bureau shall include details on how Table Top Questionnaire Assistance Centers will be utilized as a part of these efforts.

Quarterly Briefing.—The agreement continues quarterly briefings for congressional members from the Census Bureau to ensure the Committees are regularly apprised of the status of the 2020 Decennial operations, Census systems integration, and new initiatives to reduce Enterprise Data Collaboration and Processing, implementation of GAO recommendations, and the American Community Survey. As part of these briefings, the Census Bureau should also include updates on actions it is taking, along with the Department of Homeland Security, to secure the accuracy of the data, as described in the House report, as well as work the agency has done to mitigate risks identified by GAO, as referenced in the Senate report.

NATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION ADMINISTRATION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement includes $60,941,000 for the salaries and expenses of the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA). The agreement directs NTIA to report to the Committees, not later than 90 days after enactment of this Act, containing an overall cost estimate and implementation plan for Puerto Rico’s inclusion in these surveys and products. The Bureau is further directed to work in coordination with stakeholders in Puerto Rico, while conducting the Puerto Rico Community Survey, to better understand Puerto Rico’s data needs.

FORWARD LOOKING BUILDING STANDARDS.—House report language regarding forward looking building standards is amended to clarify that it neither directs nor authorizes NIST to undertake its own research and development.

Forensic Sciences.—In lieu of House and Senate report language, the agreement provides $1,000,000 above the fiscal year 2019 enacted level for forensic science research. Additionally, the agreement provides $3,150,000 to support the Organization of Scientific Area Committees and $2,000,000 to support technical merit evaluations.

Facial Recognition Vendor Test.—Senate language regarding the facial recognition vendor test is adopted, and the agreement further directs NIST to continue efforts to secure personally identifiable information and other sensitive data used by this program.

INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY SERVICES

The agreement includes $162,000,000 in total for Industrial Technology Services (ITS), including $146,000,000 for the Hollings Manufacturing Extension Partnership, $4,000,000 for the Hollings Technology (NTIA). The allocation of funding provided in the table in the House report is not adopted. Senate report language regarding Public Safety Communications.

Accurate Broadband Mapping.—In lieu of section 542 of the House bill, the agreement directs NTIA to report to the Committees, not later than 90 days after enactment of this Act, containing an overall cost estimate and implementation plan for Puerto Rico’s inclusion in these surveys and products. The Bureau is further directed to work in coordination with stakeholders in Puerto Rico, while conducting the Puerto Rico Community Survey, to better understand Puerto Rico’s data needs.

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

The agreement includes $754,000,000 for the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) $3,450,681,000, the full amount of offsetting fee collections estimated for fiscal year 2020 by the Congressional Budget Office. The agreement transfers $2,000,000 to the Office of Inspector General to continue oversight and audits of USPTO operations and budget transparency.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF STANDARDS AND TECHNOLOGY

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

The agreement provides $40,441,000 for the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST). This total funding level includes $3,956,213,000 under this account for construction of research facilities, of which $8,000,000 in excess of prior year obligations.

Accurate Broadband Mapping.—In lieu of section 542 of the House bill, the agreement directs NTIA to report to the Committees, not later than 90 days after enactment of this Act, containing an overall cost estimate and implementation plan for Puerto Rico’s inclusion in these surveys and products. The Bureau is further directed to work in coordination with stakeholders in Puerto Rico, while conducting the Puerto Rico Community Survey, to better understand Puerto Rico’s data needs.

FORENSIC SCIENCES.—The agreement adopts House and Senate report language on forensic science research. Additionally, the agreement provides $1,000,000 above the fiscal year 2019 enacted level for forensic science research. Additionally, the agreement provides $3,150,000 to support the Organization of Scientific Area Committees and $2,000,000 to support technical merit evaluations.

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Sexual Assault and Sexual Harassment (SASH).—The agreement adopts House and Senate report language on SASH and provides no less than $2,000,000, of which $1,000,000 shall be derived from funding provided to Mission Support, Executive Leadership.

OPERATIONS, RESEARCH, AND FACILITIES

The agreement includes a total program level of $3,956,213,000 under this account for construction of Research Facilities, of which $8,000,000 is for the continued renovation of NIST’s Building Laboratory, $1,000,000 for the Hollings Manufacturing Extension Partnership, of which $40,441,000 for the Hollings Manufacturing Extension Partnership, $3,763,939,000 in direct appropriations; a transfer of $174,774,000 from balances in the “Promote and Develop Fishery Products and Research Pertaining to American Fisheries” fund; and $17,500,000 derived from recoveries of prior year obligations.

The following narrative descriptions and tables identify the specific activities and funding levels included in this Act.

National Ocean Service

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

The agreement includes a total program level of $508,956,000 is for NOS Operations, Research, and Facilities.
NATIONAL OCEAN SERVICE—Continued
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Southern Resident Killer Whales.—The agreement includes no less than the fiscal year 2019 enacted level for NMFS to continue its work on Southern Resident killer whales. North Atlantic Right Whale.—The agreement provides an increase of $2,000,000 within Marine Mammals, Sea Turtles, and Other Species for North Atlantic right whales-related research, development, and conservation. Additional direction in the House and Senate reports, including the pilot project, is adopted.

Salmon Management Activities.—Within funding provided, the agreement includes no less than $35,500,000 for implementation of the Pacific Salmon Treaty, which is $20,000,000 above the fiscal year 2019 enacted level, and $22,000,000 for the operation and maintenance of Mitchell Act hatcheries. House and Senate language on the Pacific Salmon Treaty is adopted, and the Commit-tees look forward to receiving the requested spend plan in an expeditious fashion. Fisheries Information Networks.—The agreement provides $25,000,000 for Fisheries Information Networks and adopts Senate language regarding the disbursement of funds provided above the fiscal year 2019 enacted level.

Gulf of Mexico Electronic Logbooks.—Senate language and funding levels regarding implementing electronic logbooks in the Gulf of Mexico are adopted.

South Atlantic Reef Fish.—Senate guidance on conducting a fishing gear selectivity study is adopted. Additionally, the agreement provides up to $1,500,000 to employ the Independent and alternative stock assessment strategies directed by the House and Senate for the Gulf of Mexico to supplement NMFS assessments of red snapper in the South Atlantic. NMFS Quarterly Briefings.—In lieu of House report language regarding quarterly updates on red snapper, the agreement directs NMFS to provide quarterly briefings on relevant operational, regulatory, and policy matters. Modern Fish Act.—The agreement adopts Senate language on data collection for recreational fisheries and provides no less than $3,000,000 for these purposes.

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Illegal, Unreported, and Unregulated (IUU) Fishing.—The agreement adopts Senate language regarding IUU fishing. In lieu of the House language regarding the Seafood Import Monitoring Program (SIMP), NOAA shall, in consultation with the Task Force on Human Trafficking in Fishing in International Waters, which was codified in Public Law 115–141, determine any gaps in the Task Force’s report regarding the nature and extent of human trafficking and related labor abuses in the commercial seafood supply chain. This study shall identify specific countries and fisheries where such activities are believed to be significant, and shall be provided to the Committees within one year of enactment of this Act. NOAA shall notify the Department of Justice if any gaps are found.

Further, NOAA shall evaluate, within the biannual report to Congress on IUU fishing, SIMP’s effectiveness regarding (1) the preservation of stocks of at-risk species around the world and (2) the protection of American consumers from seafood fraud; and, within 180 days of enactment of this Act, shall report to the Committees on the metrics it intends to use for such evaluation.

Highly Migratory Species.—House report language regarding Highly Migratory Species is not adopted.

Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Research (OAR).—$548,384,000 is for OAR Operations, Research, and Facilities.

OFFICE OF OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC RESEARCH
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introduction of material into the stratosphere from changes in natural systems, increased air and space traffic, proposals to inject material to affect climate, and the assessment of solar climate interventions. Within these funds, the agreement further directs OAR to improve the understanding of the impact of atmospheric aerosols on radiative forcing, as well as roles on the formation of clouds, precipitation, and extreme weather.

Regional Integrated Sciences and Assessments Program (RISA).—The agreement includes an increase of $1,500,000 for the RISA Program and adopts the House direction.

U.S. Weather Research Program.—The agreement provides no less than $8,000,000 for the Earth Observation Innovation and Testbed program and adopts the Senate direction. The agreement also adopts the Administration’s request for investment in a new phased array radar.

Vortex-Southeast (Vortex-SE).—The agreement provides up to $10,000,000 for OAR to continue collaborating with the National Science Foundation’s Vortex-SE initiative.

Highly Migratory Species.—The agreement does not adopt Senate language regarding the national needs assessment of highly migratory species, but includes $5,000,000 for the administration of the Science Foundation’s Vortex-SE initiative.

Cloud Computing for Research.—The agreement adopts the Senate direction regarding cloud computing and provides no less than $5,000,000 for the NOAA Supercomputing Plan. The agreement enables the moldering direction regarding cloud computing and provides no less than $5,000,000 for that purpose.

Study on Satellite Instrumentation and Data.—The agreement provides $1,500,000 within Aviation Operations and Aircraft Services to further programs aimed at recruiting and training pilots for service in the Commissioned Officer Corps of NOAA.

Monitoring of Atmospheric Rivers.—The agreement provides no less than $1,500,000 within Aviation Operations and Aircraft Services to better observe and predict atmospheric rivers.

NOAA Ship Ronald H. Brown Midlife Maintenance.—OMAO is directed to continue its partnership with the academic research fleet to obtain all required engineering and acquisition requirements to initiate a single phase, 12-month midlife maintenance repair period in fiscal year 2021 on the NOAA Ship Ronald H. Brown.

The agreement provides $17,200,000 for the José E. Serrano Educational Partnership Program with Minority Serving Institutions, which has been re-named in honor of Congressman José E. Serrano for his steadfast leadership and support for increasing the participation of underrepresented communities in the sciences.

Office of Marine and Aviation Operations (OMAO).—$244,415,000 is for OMAO operations, research, and facilities.

Aviation Operations and Aircraft Services.—The agreement includes an increase of $1,500,000 within Aviation Operations and Aircraft Services to further programs aimed at recruiting and training pilots for service in the Commissioned Officer Corps of NOAA.

Commercial Remote Sensing Regulatory Affairs.—The agreement provides $1,500,000 for OMAO Operations, Research, and Facilities.

Total, Office of Marine and Aviation Operations, Research, Operations, Research, and Facilities: $244,415,000.
The agreement includes $61,000,000 for De-
partmental Management (DM) salaries and
expenses.

Working Capital Fund (WCF).—The agree-
ment adopts Senate report language on the
Working Capital Fund and further requests
that the GAO conduct a review of the De-
partment of Commerce’s use of the WCF. The
Committees request that GAO: (1) determine
whether the WCF is adhering to key op-
erating principles to ensure the appropriate
tracking and use of funds necessary to evaluate
how the DOC policies and procedures for man-
ger the WCF are meeting these principles; (3)
examine the balances accumulated and re-
tained in the WCF and (4) assess how the
WCF is adhering to all other requirements of
the Department at large, including the proper
assignment of costs and the appropriate use of
funds.

Office of the Secretary Travel.—House bill
language to prohibit travel for personnel
within the Office of the Secretary from funds
outside of Salaries and Expenses is not
adopted. However, to increase transparency
regarding the amounts the Department’s bu-
reaus contribute toward travel expenses of
the Secretary’s immediate staff, the agreement directs the Department to
provide in its fiscal year 2021 congres-
sional budget justification the estimated
total DOC travel, (1) the total amount
for the National Capital Region for all personnel
within Executive Direction by office, broken
down by bureau contributions at the FPA level
and any associated authorities that justify why
such expenses are not supported through the “De-
partmental Management, Salaries and Ex-
penses” appropriation. As part of the budget
justification, the Department shall also in-
clude travel costs associated with fiscal years
2019 and 2020. The Department shall
also ensure that these costs are clearly iden-
tified in future spend plans.

Section 232 Exclusion Process.—The agree-
ment continues to provide funding for the
ongoing exclusion process for Section 232
steels and aluminum tariffs, including up to
$5,500,000 within BIS, up to $8,000,000 within
ITA, and up to $1,000,000 within DM. If ad-
tional funding for the exclusion process be-
comes necessary, the Department shall report
to the Committees at least 15 days prior
to the obligation of funds above the totals
specified in this Agreement. Committee
concerns are by the findings presented in
the DOC Office of Inspector General (OIG)
Management Alert (OIG–20–003–M) regarding
the Section 232 exclusion process. Therefore,
the agreement directs the Department to
brief the Committees, not later than 30 days
after enactment of this Act, on how the pro-
cess has been implemented in response to the
OIG’s recommendations.

Space Commerce.—Senate report language
on Space Commerce within DM is amended
to clearly state that the independent review shall be submitted to the Commit-
tees, and all relevant authorizing commit-
tees, no later than six months after the Sec-
retary submits to a contract with the Na-
tional Academy of Public Administration.
Additionally, the agreement encourages that
the costs of the study be shared by DM and
NOAA, with the consent of the appropri-
sations committees, for services, and for uniforms and allow-
asances as authorized by law.

Section 103 provides the authority to
transfer funds between Department of Com-
merce appropriation accounts and requires 15
days advance notification to the Committees
on Appropriations for certain actions.

Section 104 provides congressional notifi-
cation of any multiyear and single-year pro-
grams and includes life cycle cost estimates
for certain weather satellite programs.

Section 105 provides for reimbursement for
services within Department of Commerce
buildings.

Section 106 clarifies that grant recipients
under the Department of Commerce may
continue to deter child pornography, copy-
right infringement, or any other unlawful
activity over their networks.

Section 107 provides the NOAA Admin-
istrator with the authority to award NOAA of-
fering contracts or agreements with those
supplying the resources, to carry out respon-
sibilities of any statute administered by
NOAA.

Section 108 prohibits the National Tech-
nical Information Service from charging for
certain services.

Section 109 allows NOAA to be reimbursed
by Federal and non-Federal entities for per-
funding certain activities of those sup-
plying the resources, to carry out respon-
sibilities of any statute administered by
NOAA.

Section 110 provides the Economics and
Statistics Administration certain authority
to enter into cooperative agreements.

Section 111 establishes a Department of Com-
merce COVID-19 task force to provide
information and business technology system
modernization and makes appropriations for
a business application system moderniza-
tion.

Section 112 provides for the release of a
Department of Commerce report.