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Authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Commerce, Science, and  
Transportation.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. WICKER, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation,  
reported the following original resolution; which was referred to the Com-  
mittee on \_\_\_\_\_ ,

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**RESOLUTION**

Authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Commerce,  
Science, and Transportation.

1       *Resolved*, That, in carrying out its powers, duties, and  
2 functions under the Standing Rules of the Senate, in ac-  
3 cordance with its jurisdiction under Rule XXV of the  
4 Standing Rules of the Senate, including holding hearings,  
5 reporting such hearings, and making investigations as au-  
6 thorized by paragraphs 1 and 8 of rule XXVI of the  
7 Standing Rules of the Senate, the Committee on Com-  
8 merce, Science, and Transportation is authorized from

1 March 1, 2019, through February 28, 2021, in its discre-  
2 tion—

3 (1) to make expenditures from the contingent  
4 fund of the Senate;

5 (2) to employ personnel; and

6 (3) with the prior consent of the Government  
7 department or agency concerned and the Committee  
8 on Rules and Administration, to use on a reimburs-  
9 able or nonreimbursable basis the services of per-  
10 sonnel of any such department or agency.

11 SEC. 2. (a) The expenses of the committee for the  
12 period from March 1, 2019, through September 30, 2019,  
13 under this resolution shall not exceed \$4,155,132, of  
14 which amount—

15 (1) not to exceed \$50,000 may be expended for  
16 the procurement of the services of individual consult-  
17 ants, or organizations thereof (as authorized by sec-  
18 tion 202(i) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of  
19 1946 (2 U.S.C. 4301(i))); and

20 (2) not to exceed \$50,000 may be expended for  
21 the training of the professional staff of the com-  
22 mittee (under procedures specified by section 202(j)  
23 of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946 (2  
24 U.S.C. 4301(j))).

1 (b) For the period October 1, 2019, through Sep-  
2 tember 30, 2020, expenses of the committee under this  
3 resolution shall not exceed \$7,104,057, of which amount—

4 (1) not to exceed \$50,000 may be expended for  
5 the procurement of the services of individual consult-  
6 ants, or organizations thereof (as authorized by sec-  
7 tion 202(i) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of  
8 1946 (2 U.S.C. 4301(i))); and

9 (2) not to exceed \$50,000 may be expended for  
10 the training of the professional staff of such com-  
11 mittee (under procedures specified by section 202(j)  
12 of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946 (2  
13 U.S.C. 4301(j))).

14 (c) For the period October 1, 2020, through Feb-  
15 ruary 28, 2021, expenses of the committee under this res-  
16 olution shall not exceed \$2,960,024, of which amount—

17 (1) not to exceed \$50,000 may be expended for  
18 the procurement of the services of individual consult-  
19 ants, or organizations thereof (as authorized by sec-  
20 tion 202(i) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of  
21 1946 (2 U.S.C. 4301(i))); and

22 (2) not to exceed \$50,000 may be expended for  
23 the training of the professional staff of the com-  
24 mittee (under procedures specified by section 202(j))

1 of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946 (2  
2 U.S.C. 4301(j)).

3 SEC. 3. Expenses of the committee under this resolu-  
4 tion shall be paid from the contingent fund of the Senate  
5 upon vouchers approved by the chairman of the com-  
6 mittee, except that vouchers shall not be required for—

7 (1) the disbursement of salaries of employees  
8 paid at an annual rate;

9 (2) the payment of telecommunications provided  
10 by the Office of the Sergeant at Arms and Door-  
11 keeper;

12 (3) the payment of stationery supplies pur-  
13 chased through the Keeper of the Stationery;

14 (4) payments to the Postmaster of the Senate;

15 (5) the payment of metered charges on copying  
16 equipment provided by the Office of the Sergeant at  
17 Arms and Doorkeeper;

18 (6) the payment of Senate Recording and Pho-  
19 tographic Services; or

20 (7) the payment of franked and mass mail costs  
21 by the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper.

22 SEC. 4. There are authorized to be paid from the ap-  
23 propriations account for “Expenses of Inquiries and Inves-  
24 tigations” of the Senate such sums as may be necessary

1 for agency contributions related to the compensation of  
2 employees of the committee for—

3           (1) the period from March 1, 2019, through  
4           September 30, 2019;

5           (2) the period from October 1, 2019, through  
6           September 30, 2020; and

7           (3) the period from October 1, 2020, through  
8           February 28, 2021.