

**AMENDMENT TO SENATE AMENDMENT TO
H.J.RES. 59
OFFERED BY MR. BRIDENSTINE OF OKLAHOMA**

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the
Senate insert the following:

1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.

2 (a) **SHORT TITLE.**—This Act may be cited as the
3 “Provide for the Common Defense Act of 2013”.

4 (b) **TABLE OF CONTENTS.**—The table of contents of
5 this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

**TITLE I—ELIMINATION OF SEQUESTRATION FOR REVISED
SECURITY CATEGORY**

Sec. 101. Elimination of 251A reductions for revised security category in fiscal
years 2014 and 2015.

TITLE II—OFFSETTING PAYMENT CHANGES

Subtitle A—Medicare

Sec. 201. Adjustments to calculation of Medicare part B and part D premiums
for high-income beneficiaries.

Sec. 202. Increase in part B deductible for new enrollees.

Subtitle B—Agriculture

Sec. 211. Cap on overall rate of return for crop insurance providers.

Sec. 212. Cap on reimbursements for administrative and operating expenses of
crop insurance providers.

Sec. 213. Reduction in share of crop insurance premium paid by Federal Crop
Insurance Corporation.

Subtitle C—Federal Retirement

Sec. 221. Retirement contributions.

Sec. 222. Annuity supplement.

Sec. 223. Use of Chained Consumer Price Index.

Subtitle D—Chained CPI

Sec. 231. Change in index used to calculate Social Security cost-of-living adjustments.

1 **TITLE I—ELIMINATION OF SE-**
2 **QUESTRATION FOR REVISED**
3 **SECURITY CATEGORY**

4 **SEC. 101. ELIMINATION OF 251A REDUCTIONS FOR REVISED**
5 **SECURITY CATEGORY IN FISCAL YEARS 2014**
6 **AND 2015.**

7 (a) ELIMINATION OF THE ADJUSTMENT UNDER SEC-
8 TION 251A FOR FISCAL YEARS 2014 AND 2015.—Section
9 251A of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit
10 Control Act of 1985 (2 U.S.C. 901a) is amended—

11 (1) in paragraphs (7)(B) and (8), by striking
12 “On the date” in each instance and inserting “Sub-
13 ject to paragraph (12), on the date”; and

14 (2) by adding at the end the following new
15 paragraph:

16 “(12) NO REDUCTIONS FOR REVISED SECURITY
17 CATEGORY IN FISCAL YEARS 2014 AND 2015.—Para-
18 graphs (7)(B) and (8) shall have no force or effect
19 for fiscal years 2014 and 2015 with respect to the
20 revised security category.”.

21 (b) DISCRETIONARY SPENDING LIMITS FOR THE RE-
22 VISED SECURITY CATEGORY IN FISCAL YEARS 2014 AND
23 2015.—For purposes of section 251(c) of the Balanced

1 Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 (as
2 modified by section 251A(2) of such Act), for fiscal years
3 2014 and 2015, the discretionary spending limit for the
4 revised security category in each such fiscal year shall be
5 \$552,000,000,000 and \$566,000,000,000, respectively.

6 **TITLE II—OFFSETTING**
7 **PAYMENT CHANGES**
8 **Subtitle A—Medicare**

9 **SEC. 201. ADJUSTMENTS TO CALCULATION OF MEDICARE**
10 **PART B AND PART D PREMIUMS FOR HIGH-**
11 **INCOME BENEFICIARIES.**

12 (a) INCREASE IN APPLICABLE PERCENTAGE USED
13 TO CALCULATE PREMIUMS.—Section 1839(i)(3)(C)(i) of
14 the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395r(i)(3)(C)(i)) is
15 amended—

16 (1) by inserting after “IN GENERAL.—” the fol-
17 lowing:

18 “(I) YEARS BEFORE 2017.—For
19 calendar years prior to 2017:”; and

20 (2) by adding at the end the following new sub-
21 clause:

22 “(II) 2017 AND SUBSEQUENT
23 YEARS.—For calendar year 2017 and each
24 subsequent calendar year:

“If the modified adjusted gross income is:	The applicable percentage is:
More than \$85,000 but not more than \$107,000	40

“If the modified adjusted gross income is:	The applicable percentage is:
More than \$107,000 but not more than \$160,000	55
More than \$160,000 but not more than \$214,000	70
More than \$214,000	90.”.

1 (b) TEMPORARY ADJUSTMENT TO INCOME THRESH-
2 OLDS USED TO CALCULATE PREMIUMS.—

3 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 1839(i)(6) of the
4 Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395r(i)(6)) is
5 amended in the matter preceding subparagraph (A)
6 by striking “December 31, 2019” and inserting
7 “December 31 of the year after 2019 that is the
8 first year after the year in which at least 25 percent
9 of individuals enrolled under this part are subject to
10 a reduction under this subsection to the monthly
11 amount of the premium subsidy applicable to the
12 premium under this section.”.

13 (2) APPLICATION OF INFLATION ADJUST-
14 MENT.—Section 1839(i)(5) of the Social Security
15 Act (42 U.S.C. 1395r(i)(5)) is amended—

16 (A) in subparagraph (A), by striking “In
17 the case” and inserting “Subject to subpara-
18 graph (C), in the case”; and

19 (B) by adding at the end the following new
20 subparagraph:

21 “(C) TREATMENT OF YEARS AFTER TEM-
22 PORARY ADJUSTMENT PERIOD.—In applying
23 subparagraph (A) for the first year beginning

1 after the period described in paragraph (6) and
2 for each subsequent year, the 12-month period
3 ending with August 2006 described in clause
4 (ii) of such subparagraph shall be deemed to be
5 the 12-month period ending with August of the
6 last year of such period described in paragraph
7 (6).”.

8 **SEC. 202. INCREASE IN PART B DEDUCTIBLE FOR NEW EN-**
9 **ROLLEES.**

10 Section 1833 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
11 1395l) is amended—

12 (1) in the first sentence of subsection (b), by in-
13 sserting “(subject to subsection (z))” after “for a
14 subsequent year”; and

15 (2) by adding at the end the following:

16 “(z) HIGHER DEDUCTIBLE FOR NEW ENROLLEES.—

17 In the case of an individual who is not enrolled under this
18 part before January 1, 2017, the amount of the deductible
19 under subsection (b)—

20 “(1) for 2017 shall be the amount otherwise de-
21 termined under such subsection for 2017 increased
22 by \$25;

23 “(2) for 2018 shall be the amount otherwise de-
24 termined under such subsection for 2018, taking

1 into account the application of the previous para-
2 graph;

3 “(3) for 2019 shall be the amount otherwise de-
4 termined under such subsection for 2019, taking
5 into the application of the previous paragraphs, , in-
6 creased by \$25;

7 “(4) for 2020 shall be the amount otherwise de-
8 termined under such subsection for 2020, taking
9 into account the application of the previous para-
10 graphs, increased by \$25;

11 “(5) for 2021 shall be the amount otherwise de-
12 termined under such subsection for 2021, taking
13 into account the application of the previous para-
14 graphs, increased by \$25; and

15 “(6) for any subsequent year shall be the
16 amount otherwise determined under such subsection
17 for such year, taking into account the application of
18 the previous paragraphs and this paragraph for pre-
19 vious years.”.

20 **Subtitle B—Agriculture**

21 **SEC. 211. CAP ON OVERALL RATE OF RETURN FOR CROP** 22 **INSURANCE PROVIDERS.**

23 Section 508(k) of the Federal Crop Insurance Act (7
24 U.S.C. 1508(k)) is amended—

1 (1) by designating paragraph (3) as subpara-
2 graph (A) (and adjusting the margin two ems to the
3 right);

4 (2) by inserting before subparagraph (A) (as so
5 designated) the following:

6 “(3) RISK.—”; and

7 (3) by adding at the end the following new sub-
8 paragraph:

9 “(B) CAP ON OVERALL RATE OF RE-
10 TURN.—The target rate of return for all the
11 companies combined for the 2014 and subse-
12 quent reinsurance years shall be 12.8 percent of
13 retained premium.”.

14 **SEC. 212. CAP ON REIMBURSEMENTS FOR ADMINISTRATIVE**
15 **AND OPERATING EXPENSES OF CROP INSUR-**
16 **ANCE PROVIDERS.**

17 Section 508(k)(4) of the Federal Crop Insurance Act
18 (7 U.S.C. 1508(k)(4)) is amended by adding at the end
19 the following new subparagraph:

20 “(G) ADDITIONAL CAP ON REIMBURSE-
21 MENTS.—Notwithstanding subparagraphs (A)
22 through (F), total reimbursements for adminis-
23 trative and operating costs for the 2014 insur-
24 ance year for all types of policies and plans of
25 insurance shall not exceed \$935,000,000. For

1 each subsequent insurance year, the dollar
2 amount in effect pursuant to the preceding sen-
3 tence shall be increased by the same inflation
4 factor as established for the administrative and
5 operating costs cap in the 2011 Standard Rein-
6 surance Agreement.”.

7 **SEC. 213. REDUCTION IN SHARE OF CROP INSURANCE PRE-**
8 **MIUM PAID BY FEDERAL CROP INSURANCE**
9 **CORPORATION.**

10 (a) CATASTROPHIC RISK PROTECTION.—Section
11 508(d)(2)(A) of the Federal Crop Insurance Act (7 U.S.C.
12 1508(d)(2)(A)) is amended by striking “sufficient to cover
13 anticipated losses and a reasonable reserve” and inserting
14 “for all crops for which catastrophic risk protection cov-
15 erage is available shall be reduced by the percentage equal
16 to the difference between the average loss ratio for such
17 crop and 100 percent, plus a reasonable reserve”.

18 (b) ADDITIONAL COVERAGE.—Section 508(e)(2) of
19 the Federal Crop Insurance Act (7 U.S.C. 1508(e)(2)) is
20 amended—

21 (1) in subparagraph (B)(i), by striking “67”
22 and inserting “64”;

23 (2) in subparagraph (C)(i), by striking “64”
24 and inserting “61”;

1 (3) in subparagraph (D)(i), by striking “59”
2 and inserting “56”; and

3 (4) in subparagraph (E)(i), by striking “55”
4 and inserting “52”.

5 (c) ENTERPRISE AND WHOLE FARM UNITS.—Sec-
6 tion 508(e)(5)(C) of the Federal Crop Insurance Act (7
7 U.S.C. 1508(e)(5)(C)) is amended by striking “80” and
8 inserting “77”.

9 (d) AREA REVENUE PLANS.—Section 508(e)(6) of
10 the Federal Crop Insurance Act (7 U.S.C. 1508(e)(6)) is
11 amended—

12 (1) in subparagraph (A)(i), by striking “59”
13 and inserting “56”; and

14 (2) in subparagraph (B)(i), by striking “55”
15 and inserting “52”.

16 (e) AREA YIELD PLANS.—Section 508(e)(7) of the
17 Federal Crop Insurance Act (7 U.S.C. 1508) is amend-
18 ed—

19 (1) in subparagraph (A)(i), by striking “59”
20 and inserting “56”;

21 (2) in subparagraph (B)(i), by striking “55”
22 and inserting “52”; and

23 (3) in subparagraph (C)(i), by striking “51”
24 and inserting “48”.

1 (f) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
2 this section shall apply with respect to the first contract
3 change date for a contract under the Federal Crop Insur-
4 ance Act occurring after the date of the enactment of this
5 Act.

6 **Subtitle C—Federal Retirement**

7 **SEC. 221. RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTIONS.**

8 (a) CIVIL SERVICE RETIREMENT SYSTEM.—

9 (1) INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTIONS.—Section
10 8334(e) of title 5, United States Code, is amended—

11 (A) by striking “(e) Each” and inserting
12 “(e)(1) Each”; and

13 (B) by adding at the end the following:

14 “(2) Notwithstanding any other provision of this sub-
15 section, the applicable percentage of basic pay under this
16 subsection for civilian service by an employee or Member
17 shall, for purposes of computing an amount—

18 “(A) for a period in calendar year 2014, be
19 equal to the applicable percentage under this sub-
20 section for calendar year 2013 plus an additional 0.4
21 percentage point;

22 “(B) for a period in calendar year 2015, be
23 equal to the applicable percentage under this sub-
24 section for calendar year 2014 (as determined under

1 subparagraph (A)) plus an additional 0.4 percentage
2 point;

3 “(C) for a period in calendar year 2016, be
4 equal to the applicable percentage under this sub-
5 section for calendar year 2015 (as determined under
6 subparagraph (B)) plus an additional 0.4 percentage
7 point; and

8 “(D) for a period in any calendar year after
9 2016, be equal to the applicable percentage under
10 this subsection for calendar year 2015 (as deter-
11 mined under subparagraph (C)).

12 “(3)(A) Notwithstanding subsection (a)(2), any ex-
13 cess contributions under subsection (a)(1)(A) (including
14 the portion of any deposit under this subsection allocable
15 to excess contributions) shall, if made by an employee of
16 the United States Postal Service or the Postal Regulatory
17 Commission, be deposited to the credit of the Postal Serv-
18 ice Fund under section 2003 of title 39, rather than the
19 Civil Service Retirement and Disability Fund.

20 “(B) For purposes of this paragraph, the term ‘ex-
21 cess contributions’, as used with respect to contributions
22 made under subsection (a)(1)(A) by an employee of the
23 United States Postal Service or the Postal Regulatory
24 Commission, means the amount by which—

1 “(i) deductions from basic pay of such employee
2 which are made under subsection (a)(1)(A), exceed

3 “(ii) deductions from basic pay of such em-
4 ployee which would have been so made if paragraph
5 (2) had not been enacted.”.

6 (2) GOVERNMENT CONTRIBUTIONS.—Section
7 8334(a)(1)(B) of title 5, United States Code, is
8 amended—

9 (A) in clause (i), by striking “Except as
10 provided in clause (ii),” and inserting “Except
11 as provided in clause (ii) or (iii),”; and

12 (B) by adding at the end the following:

13 “(iii) The amount to be contributed under clause (i)
14 shall, with respect to a period in any year beginning after
15 December 31, 2013, be equal to—

16 “(I) the amount which would otherwise apply
17 under clause (i) with respect to such period, reduced
18 by

19 “(II) the amount by which, with respect to such
20 period, the withholding under subparagraph (A) ex-
21 ceeds the amount which would otherwise have been
22 withheld from the basic pay of the employee or elect-
23 ed official involved under subparagraph (A) based on
24 the percentage applicable under subsection (c) for
25 calendar year 2013.”.

1 (b) INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTIONS UNDER THE FED-
2 ERAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM.—Section
3 8422(a)(3) of title 5, United States Code, is amended—

4 (1) by redesignating subparagraph (B) as sub-
5 paragraph (C); and

6 (2) by inserting after subparagraph (A) the fol-
7 lowing:

8 “(B) Notwithstanding any other provision of this
9 paragraph, the applicable percentage under this para-
10 graph for civilian service by employees or Members other
11 than revised annuity employees shall—

12 “(i) for a period in calendar year 2014, be
13 equal to the applicable percentage under this para-
14 graph for calendar year 2013 plus an additional 0.4
15 percentage point;

16 “(ii) for a period in calendar year 2015, be
17 equal to the applicable percentage under this para-
18 graph for calendar year 2014 (as determined under
19 clause (i)) plus an additional 0.4 percentage point;

20 “(iii) for a period in calendar year 2016, be
21 equal to the applicable percentage under this para-
22 graph for calendar year 2015 (as determined under
23 clause (ii)) plus an additional 0.4 percentage point;

24 and

1 “(iv) for a period in any calendar year after
2 2016, be equal to the applicable percentage under
3 this paragraph for calendar year 2016 (as deter-
4 mined under clause (iii)).”.

5 **SEC. 222. ANNUITY SUPPLEMENT.**

6 Section 8421(a) of title 5, United States Code, is
7 amended—

8 (1) in paragraph (1), by striking “paragraph
9 (3)” and inserting “paragraphs (3) and (4)”;

10 (2) in paragraph (2), by striking “paragraph
11 (3)” and inserting “paragraphs (3) and (4)”; and

12 (3) by adding at the end the following:

13 “(4) No annuity supplement under this section shall
14 be payable in the case of an individual who first becomes
15 subject to this chapter after December 31, 2013.”.

16 **SEC. 223. USE OF CHAINED CONSUMER PRICE INDEX.**

17 (a) IN GENERAL.—Paragraph (15) of section 8331
18 of title 5, United States Code, is amended to read as fol-
19 lows:

20 “(15) the term ‘price index’ means the Chained
21 Consumer Price Index (all items-all urban con-
22 sumers) published monthly by the Bureau of Labor
23 Statistics;”.

24 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
25 subsection (a) shall take effect on January 1, 2015, and

1 shall apply with respect to any cost-of-living adjustment
2 taking effect under section 8340 or 8462 of title 5, United
3 States Code, on or after that date.

4 **Subtitle D—Chained CPI**

5 **SEC. 231. CHANGE IN INDEX USED TO CALCULATE SOCIAL** 6 **SECURITY COST-OF-LIVING ADJUSTMENTS.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 215(i)(1) of the Social Se-
8 curity Act (42 U.S.C. 415(i)(1)) is amended—

9 (1) in subparagraph (G), by striking the period
10 at the end and inserting “; and”; and

11 (2) by adding at the end the following new sub-
12 paragraph:

13 “(H) the term ‘Consumer Price Index’ means
14 the Chained Consumer Price Index for All Urban
15 Consumers (C-CPI-U, as published in its initial
16 version by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the De-
17 partment of Labor).”.

18 (b) APPLICATION TO PRE-1979 LAW.—

19 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 215(i)(1) of the So-
20 cial Security Act as in effect in December 1978, and
21 as applied in certain cases under the provisions of
22 such Act as in effect after December 1978, is
23 amended—

24 (A) in subparagraph (C), by striking the
25 period at the end and inserting “; and”; and

1 (B) by adding at the end the following new
2 subparagraph:

3 “(D) the term ‘Consumer Price Index’ means
4 the Chained Consumer Price Index for All Urban
5 Consumers (C-CPI-U, as published in its initial
6 version by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the De-
7 partment of Labor).”.

8 (2) CONFORMING CHANGE.—Section 215(i)(4)
9 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 415(i)(4)) is
10 amended by inserting “and by section 231 of the
11 Provide for the Common Defense Act of 2013” after
12 “1986”.

13 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
14 this section shall apply with respect to adjustments effec-
15 tive with or after December 2014.

