

1 U.S.C. 1233(a)), for reclamation of abandoned mine lands
2 and other related activities in accordance with the terms
3 and conditions described in the report accompanying this
4 Act and shall be used for economic and community devel-
5 opment in conjunction with the priorities in section 403(a)
6 of the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of
7 1977: *Provided further*, That such additional amount shall
8 be allocated to States and Indian Tribes within 60 days
9 after the date of enactment of this Act.

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INDIAN AFFAIRS

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BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

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OPERATION OF INDIAN PROGRAMS

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(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

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For expenses necessary for the operation of Indian
15 programs, as authorized by law, including the Snyder Act
16 of November 2, 1921 (25 U.S.C. 13) and the Indian Self-
17 Determination and Education Assistance Act of 1975 (25
18 U.S.C. 5301 et seq.), \$2,149,387,000, to remain available
19 until September 30, 2024, except as otherwise provided
20 herein; of which not to exceed \$8,500 may be for official
21 reception and representation expenses; of which not to ex-
22 ceed \$78,488,000 shall be for welfare assistance pay-
23 ments: *Provided*, That in cases of designated Federal dis-
24 asters, the Secretary of the Interior may exceed such cap
25 for welfare payments from the amounts provided herein,

1 to provide for disaster relief to Indian communities af-
2 fected by the disaster: *Provided further*, That federally rec-
3 ognized Indian tribes and tribal organizations of federally
4 recognized Indian tribes may use their tribal priority allo-
5 cations for unmet welfare assistance costs: *Provided fur-*
6 *ther*, That not to exceed \$67,084,000 shall remain avail-
7 able until expended for housing improvement, road main-
8 tenance, land acquisition, attorney fees, litigation support,
9 land records improvement, and the Navajo-Hopi Settle-
10 ment Program: *Provided further*, That any forestry funds
11 allocated to a federally recognized tribe which remain un-
12 obligated as of September 30, 2024, may be transferred
13 during fiscal year 2025 to an Indian forest land assistance
14 account established for the benefit of the holder of the
15 funds within the holder's trust fund account: *Provided fur-*
16 *ther*, That any such unobligated balances not so trans-
17 ferred shall expire on September 30, 2025: *Provided fur-*
18 *ther*, That in order to enhance the safety of Bureau field
19 employees, the Bureau may use funds to purchase uni-
20 forms or other identifying articles of clothing for per-
21 sonnel: *Provided further*, That the Bureau of Indian Af-
22 fairs may accept transfers of funds from United States
23 Customs and Border Protection to supplement any other
24 funding available for reconstruction or repair of roads
25 owned by the Bureau of Indian Affairs as identified on

1 the National Tribal Transportation Facility Inventory, 23
2 U.S.C. 202(b)(1).

3 INDIAN LAND CONSOLIDATION

4 For the acquisition of fractional interests to further
5 land consolidation as authorized under the Indian Land
6 Consolidation Act Amendments of 2000 (Public Law 106–
7 462), and the American Indian Probate Reform Act of
8 2004 (Public Law 108–374), \$50,000,000, to remain
9 available until expended: *Provided*, That any provision of
10 the Indian Land Consolidation Act Amendments of 2000
11 (Public Law 106–462) that requires or otherwise relates
12 to application of a lien shall not apply to the acquisitions
13 funded herein.

14 CONTRACT SUPPORT COSTS

15 For payments to tribes and tribal organizations for
16 contract support costs associated with Indian Self-Deter-
17 mination and Education Assistance Act agreements with
18 the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Bureau of Indian
19 Education for fiscal year 2023, such sums as may be nec-
20 essary, which shall be available for obligation through Sep-
21 tember 30, 2024: *Provided*, That notwithstanding any
22 other provision of law, no amounts made available under
23 this heading shall be available for transfer to another
24 budget account.

1 on a nonreimbursable basis: *Provided further*, That this
2 appropriation may be reimbursed from the Office of the
3 Special Trustee for American Indians appropriation for
4 the appropriate share of construction costs for space ex-
5 pansion needed in agency offices to meet trust reform im-
6 plementation: *Provided further*, That of the funds made
7 available under this heading, \$10,000,000 shall be derived
8 from the Indian Irrigation Fund established by section
9 3211 of the WIIN Act (Public Law 114–322; 130 Stat.
10 1749).

11 INDIAN LAND AND WATER CLAIM SETTLEMENTS AND
12 MISCELLANEOUS PAYMENTS TO INDIANS

13 For payments and necessary administrative expenses
14 for implementation of Indian land and water claim settle-
15 ments pursuant to Public Laws 99–264, 114–322, and
16 116–260, and for implementation of other land and water
17 rights settlements, \$825,000, to remain available until ex-
18 pended.

19 INDIAN GUARANTEED LOAN PROGRAM ACCOUNT

20 For the cost of guaranteed loans and insured loans,
21 \$13,884,000, to remain available until September 30,
22 2024, of which \$2,680,000 is for administrative expenses,
23 as authorized by the Indian Financing Act of 1974: *Pro-*
24 *vided*, That such costs, including the cost of modifying
25 such loans, shall be as defined in section 502 of the Con-

1 gressional Budget Act of 1974: *Provided further*, That
2 these funds are available to subsidize total loan principal,
3 any part of which is to be guaranteed or insured, not to
4 exceed \$150,213,551.

5 BUREAU OF INDIAN EDUCATION
6 OPERATION OF INDIAN EDUCATION PROGRAMS

7 For expenses necessary for the operation of Indian
8 education programs, as authorized by law, including the
9 Snyder Act of November 2, 1921 (25 U.S.C. 13), the In-
10 dian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act of
11 1975 (25 U.S.C. 5301 et seq.), the Education Amend-
12 ments of 1978 (25 U.S.C. 2001–2019), and the Tribally
13 Controlled Schools Act of 1988 (25 U.S.C. 2501 et seq.),
14 \$1,202,676,000 to remain available until September 30,
15 2024, except as otherwise provided herein: *Provided*, That
16 federally recognized Indian tribes and tribal organizations
17 of federally recognized Indian tribes may use their tribal
18 priority allocations for unmet welfare assistance costs:
19 *Provided further*, That not to exceed \$870,288,000 for
20 school operations costs of Bureau-funded schools and
21 other education programs shall become available on July
22 1, 2023, and shall remain available until September 30,
23 2024: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding any other
24 provision of law, including but not limited to the Indian
25 Self–Determination Act of 1975 (25 U.S.C. 5301 et seq.)

1 and section 1128 of the Education Amendments of 1978
2 (25 U.S.C. 2008), not to exceed \$99,107,000 within and
3 only from such amounts made available for school oper-
4 ations shall be available for administrative cost grants as-
5 sociated with grants approved prior to July 1, 2023: *Pro-*
6 *vided further*, That in order to enhance the safety of Bu-
7 reau field employees, the Bureau may use funds to pur-
8 chase uniforms or other identifying articles of clothing for
9 personnel.

10 EDUCATION CONSTRUCTION

11 For construction, repair, improvement, and mainte-
12 nance of buildings, utilities, and other facilities necessary
13 for the operation of Indian education programs, including
14 architectural and engineering services by contract; acquisi-
15 tion of lands, and interests in lands; \$375,102,000 to re-
16 main available until expended: *Provided*, That in order to
17 ensure timely completion of construction projects, the Sec-
18 retary of the Interior may assume control of a project and
19 all funds related to the project, if, not later than 18
20 months after the date of the enactment of this Act, any
21 Public Law 100–297 (25 U.S.C. 2501, et seq.) grantee
22 receiving funds appropriated in this Act or in any prior
23 Act, has not completed the planning and design phase of
24 the project and commenced construction.

1 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

2 The Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Bureau of In-
3 dian Education may carry out the operation of Indian pro-
4 grams by direct expenditure, contracts, cooperative agree-
5 ments, compacts, and grants, either directly or in coopera-
6 tion with States and other organizations.

7 Notwithstanding Public Law 87–279 (25 U.S.C. 15),
8 the Bureau of Indian Affairs may contract for services in
9 support of the management, operation, and maintenance
10 of the Power Division of the San Carlos Irrigation Project.

11 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no funds
12 available to the Bureau of Indian Affairs or the Bureau
13 of Indian Education for central office oversight and Exec-
14 utive Direction and Administrative Services (except Exec-
15 utive Direction and Administrative Services funding for
16 Tribal Priority Allocations, regional offices, and facilities
17 operations and maintenance) shall be available for con-
18 tracts, grants, compacts, or cooperative agreements with
19 the Bureau of Indian Affairs or the Bureau of Indian
20 Education under the provisions of the Indian Self-Deter-
21 mination Act or the Tribal Self-Governance Act of 1994
22 (Public Law 103–413).

23 In the event any tribe returns appropriations made
24 available by this Act to the Bureau of Indian Affairs or
25 the Bureau of Indian Education, this action shall not di-

1 diminish the Federal Government's trust responsibility to
2 that tribe, or the government-to-government relationship
3 between the United States and that tribe, or that tribe's
4 ability to access future appropriations.

5 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no funds
6 available to the Bureau of Indian Education, other than
7 the amounts provided herein for assistance to public
8 schools under 25 U.S.C. 452 et seq., shall be available to
9 support the operation of any elementary or secondary
10 school in the State of Alaska.

11 No funds available to the Bureau of Indian Edu-
12 cation shall be used to support expanded grades for any
13 school or dormitory beyond the grade structure in place
14 or approved by the Secretary of the Interior at each school
15 in the Bureau of Indian Education school system as of
16 October 1, 1995, except that the Secretary of the Interior
17 may waive this prohibition to support expansion of up to
18 one additional grade when the Secretary determines such
19 waiver is needed to support accomplishment of the mission
20 of the Bureau of Indian Education, or more than one
21 grade to expand the elementary grade structure for Bu-
22 reau-funded schools with a K-2 grade structure on Octo-
23 ber 1, 1996. Appropriations made available in this or any
24 prior Act for schools funded by the Bureau shall be avail-
25 able, in accordance with the Bureau's funding formula,

1 only to the schools in the Bureau school system as of Sep-
2 tember 1, 1996, and to any school or school program that
3 was reinstated in fiscal year 2012. Funds made available
4 under this Act may not be used to establish a charter
5 school at a Bureau-funded school (as that term is defined
6 in section 1141 of the Education Amendments of 1978
7 (25 U.S.C. 2021)), except that a charter school that is
8 in existence on the date of the enactment of this Act and
9 that has operated at a Bureau-funded school before Sep-
10 tember 1, 1999, may continue to operate during that pe-
11 riod, but only if the charter school pays to the Bureau
12 a pro rata share of funds to reimburse the Bureau for
13 the use of the real and personal property (including buses
14 and vans), the funds of the charter school are kept sepa-
15 rate and apart from Bureau funds, and the Bureau does
16 not assume any obligation for charter school programs of
17 the State in which the school is located if the charter
18 school loses such funding. Employees of Bureau-funded
19 schools sharing a campus with a charter school and per-
20 forming functions related to the charter school's operation
21 and employees of a charter school shall not be treated as
22 Federal employees for purposes of chapter 171 of title 28,
23 United States Code.

24 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, including
25 section 113 of title I of appendix C of Public Law 106–

1 113, if in fiscal year 2003 or 2004 a grantee received indi-
2 rect and administrative costs pursuant to a distribution
3 formula based on section 5(f) of Public Law 101–301, the
4 Secretary shall continue to distribute indirect and admin-
5 istrative cost funds to such grantee using the section 5(f)
6 distribution formula.

7 Funds available under this Act may not be used to
8 establish satellite locations of schools in the Bureau school
9 system as of September 1, 1996, except that the Secretary
10 may waive this prohibition in order for an Indian tribe
11 to provide language and cultural immersion educational
12 programs for non-public schools located within the jurisdic-
13 tional area of the tribal government which exclusively
14 serve tribal members, do not include grades beyond those
15 currently served at the existing Bureau-funded school,
16 provide an educational environment with educator pres-
17 ence and academic facilities comparable to the Bureau-
18 funded school, comply with all applicable Tribal, Federal,
19 or State health and safety standards, and the Americans
20 with Disabilities Act, and demonstrate the benefits of es-
21 tablishing operations at a satellite location in lieu of incur-
22 ring extraordinary costs, such as for transportation or
23 other impacts to students such as those caused by busing
24 students extended distances: *Provided*, That no funds
25 available under this Act may be used to fund operations,

1 maintenance, rehabilitation, construction, or other facili-
2 ties-related costs for such assets that are not owned by
3 the Bureau: *Provided further*, That the term “satellite
4 school” means a school location physically separated from
5 the existing Bureau school by more than 50 miles but that
6 forms part of the existing school in all other respects.

7 Funds made available for Tribal Priority Allocations
8 within Operation of Indian Programs and Operation of In-
9 dian Education Programs may be used to execute re-
10 quested adjustments in tribal priority allocations initiated
11 by an Indian Tribe.

12 OFFICE OF THE SPECIAL TRUSTEE FOR AMERICAN
13 INDIANS
14 FEDERAL TRUST PROGRAMS
15 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

16 For the operation of trust programs for Indians by
17 direct expenditure, contracts, cooperative agreements,
18 compacts, and grants, \$111,286,000, to remain available
19 until expended, of which not to exceed \$17,867,000 from
20 this or any other Act, may be available for historical ac-
21 counting: *Provided*, That funds for trust management im-
22 provements and litigation support may, as needed, be
23 transferred to or merged with the Bureau of Indian Af-
24 fairs, “Operation of Indian Programs” and Bureau of In-
25 dian Education, “Operation of Indian Education Pro-

1 grams” accounts; the Office of the Solicitor, “Salaries and
2 Expenses” account; and the Office of the Secretary, “De-
3 partmental Operations” account: *Provided further*, That
4 funds made available through contracts or grants obli-
5 gated during fiscal year 2023, as authorized by the Indian
6 Self-Determination Act of 1975 (25 U.S.C. 5301 et seq.),
7 shall remain available until expended by the contractor or
8 grantee: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding any other
9 provision of law, the Secretary shall not be required to
10 provide a quarterly statement of performance for any In-
11 dian trust account that has not had activity for at least
12 15 months and has a balance of \$15 or less: *Provided fur-*
13 *ther*, That the Secretary shall issue an annual account
14 statement and maintain a record of any such accounts and
15 shall permit the balance in each such account to be with-
16 drawn upon the express written request of the account
17 holder: *Provided further*, That not to exceed \$100,000 is
18 available for the Secretary to make payments to correct
19 administrative errors of either disbursements from or de-
20 posits to Individual Indian Money or Tribal accounts after
21 September 30, 2002: *Provided further*, That erroneous
22 payments that are recovered shall be credited to and re-
23 main available in this account for this purpose: *Provided*
24 *further*, That the Secretary shall not be required to rec-
25 oncile Special Deposit Accounts with a balance of less than

1 \$500 unless the Office of the Special Trustee receives
2 proof of ownership from a Special Deposit Accounts claim-
3 ant: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding section 102
4 of the American Indian Trust Fund Management Reform
5 Act of 1994 (Public Law 103–412) or any other provision
6 of law, the Secretary may aggregate the trust accounts
7 of individuals whose whereabouts are unknown for a con-
8 tinuous period of at least 5 years and shall not be required
9 to generate periodic statements of performance for the in-
10 dividual accounts: *Provided further*, That with respect to
11 the eighth proviso, the Secretary shall continue to main-
12 tain sufficient records to determine the balance of the indi-
13 vidual accounts, including any accrued interest and in-
14 come, and such funds shall remain available to the indi-
15 vidual account holders.

16 DEPARTMENTAL OFFICES

17 OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

18 DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS

19 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

20 For necessary expenses for management of the De-
21 partment of the Interior and for grants and cooperative
22 agreements, as authorized by law, \$147,706,000, to re-
23 main available until September 30, 2024; of which not to
24 exceed \$15,000 may be for official reception and represen-
25 tation expenses; of which up to \$1,000,000 shall be avail-