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To amend the Peace Corps Act by reauthorizing the Peace Corps, providing better support for current, returning, and former volunteers, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. RISCH, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. YOUNG, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. PORTMAN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, and Mr. CORNYN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations

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Reported by Mr. MENENDEZ, with an amendment

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## A BILL

To amend the Peace Corps Act by reauthorizing the Peace Corps, providing better support for current, returning, and former volunteers, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.**

4 (a) ~~SHORT TITLE.~~—This Act may be cited as the  
5 “Peace Corps Reauthorization Act of 2022”.

1           (b) **TABLE OF CONTENTS.**—The table of contents for  
2 this Act is as follows:

- Sec. 1: Short title; table of contents.
- Sec. 2: Funding for the Peace Corps; Integration of information age volunteer opportunities.
- Sec. 3: Readjustment allowances for volunteers and volunteer leaders.
- Sec. 4: Restoration of volunteer opportunities for major disruptions to volunteer service.
- Sec. 5: Health care continuation for Peace Corps volunteers.
- Sec. 6: Access to antimalarial drugs and hygiene products for Peace Corps volunteers.
- Sec. 7: Codification of certain Executive orders relating to existing noncompetitive eligibility Federal hiring status for returning volunteers and extension of the period of such status.
- Sec. 8: Extension of period of existing noncompetitive eligibility Federal hiring status for returning volunteers.
- Sec. 9: Protection of Peace Corps volunteers against reprisal or retaliation.
- Sec. 10: Peace Corps National Advisory Council.
- Sec. 11: Memorandum of Agreement with Bureau of Diplomatic Security of the Department of State.
- Sec. 12: Clarification regarding eligibility of United States nationals.
- Sec. 13: Workers compensation for Peace Corps volunteers.
- Sec. 14: Sexual Assault Advisory Council.
- Sec. 15: Suspension without pay.
- Sec. 16: Technical and conforming amendments.

3   **SEC. 2. FUNDING FOR THE PEACE CORPS; INTEGRATION OF**  
4                           **INFORMATION AGE VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNI-**  
5                           **TIES.**

6           Section 3 of the Peace Corps Act (22 U.S.C. 2502)  
7 is amended—

8                           (1) in subparagraph (b)—  
9                                   (A) by striking paragraph (1) and insert-  
10                           ing the following:

11           “(1) There is authorized to be appropriated  
12 \$410,500,000 for each of the fiscal years 2023 through  
13 2027 to carry out this Act.”; and

1           (B) in paragraph (2), by striking “that fis-  
 2           cal year and the subsequent fiscal year” and in-  
 3           serting “obligation until the last day of the sub-  
 4           sequent fiscal year”; and  
 5           (2) by redesignating subsection (h) as sub-  
 6           section (e).

7   **SEC. 3. READJUSTMENT ALLOWANCES FOR VOLUNTEERS**  
 8                           **AND VOLUNTEER LEADERS.**

9           Section 5 of the Peace Corps Act (22 U.S.C. 2504)  
 10 is amended—

11           (1) in subsection (b), by striking “insure their  
 12           health” and inserting “ensure their safety, their  
 13           health, and”;

14           (2) in subsection (c)—

15                   (A) by striking “\$125” and inserting  
 16                   “\$375”;

17                   (B) by striking “his” each place such term  
 18                   appears and inserting “the volunteer’s”; and

19                   (C) by striking “he” and inserting “the  
 20                   volunteer”;

21           (3) by redesignating subsection (e) as sub-  
 22           section (d);

23           (4) by inserting after subsection (d), as redesi-  
 24           gnated, the following:

1 “(e) The Director shall consult with health experts  
 2 outside of the Peace Corps, including experts licensed in  
 3 the field of mental health, and follow guidance by the Cen-  
 4 ters for Disease Control and Prevention regarding the pre-  
 5 scription of medications to volunteers.”;

6 (5) in subsection (h), by striking “he” and in-  
 7 serting “the President”;

8 (6) in subsection (n)(2)—

9 (A) by striking “subsection (e)” each place  
 10 such term appears and inserting “subsection  
 11 (d)”;

12 (B) by striking “he” and inserting “the  
 13 President”;

14 (7) in subsection (o), by striking “his” each  
 15 place such term appears and inserting “the volun-  
 16 teer’s”.

17 **SEC. 4. RESTORATION OF VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**  
 18 **FOR MAJOR DISRUPTIONS TO VOLUNTEER**  
 19 **SERVICE.**

20 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Section 5 of the Peace Corps Act  
 21 (22 U.S.C. 2504), as amended by section 3 of this Act,  
 22 is further amended by adding at the end the following:

23 “(q) **DISRUPTION OF SERVICE PROTOCOLS.**—

24 “(1) **IN GENERAL.**—The Director shall establish  
 25 processes for the safe return to service of returning

1 Peace Corps volunteers whose service is interrupted  
2 due to mandatory evacuations of volunteers due to  
3 catastrophic events or global emergencies of unknow-  
4 able duration, which processes shall include—

5 “(A) the establishment of monitoring and  
6 communications systems, protocols, safety  
7 measures, policies, and metrics for determining  
8 the appropriate approaches for restoring volun-  
9 teer opportunities for evacuated return volun-  
10 teers whose service is interrupted by a cata-  
11 strophic event or global emergency; and

12 “(B) streamlining, to the fullest extent  
13 practicable, application requirements for the re-  
14 turn to service of such volunteers.

15 “(2) RETURN TO SERVICE.—Beginning on the  
16 date on which any volunteer described in paragraph  
17 (1) returns to service, the Director shall strive to af-  
18 ford evacuated volunteers, to the fullest extent prac-  
19 ticable, the opportunity—

20 “(A) to return to their previous country of  
21 service, except for Peace Corps missions in  
22 China; and

23 “(B) to continue their service in the most  
24 needed sectors within the country in which they  
25 had been serving immediately before their evae-

1           uation due to a catastrophic event or global  
2           emergency, except for Peace Corps missions in  
3           China.

4           “(r) SUSPENSION OF PAYMENTS AND ACCRUAL OF  
5 INTEREST ON FEDERAL LOANS DURING SERVICE.—

6           “(1) IN GENERAL.—If a volunteer received a  
7 Federal loan held by the Department of Education  
8 under part B or D of title IV of the Higher Edu-  
9 cation Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1071 et seq. and  
10 1087a et seq.) before commencing service in the  
11 Peace Corps—

12                   “(A) all payments due for such loans shall  
13 be suspended; and

14                   “(B) interest shall not accrue on such loan  
15 for the duration of such service.

16           “(2) DEFERMENT OR FORBEARANCE.—Not-  
17 withstanding any other provision of the Higher Edu-  
18 cation Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001 et seq.); the  
19 Secretary of Education shall deem each month for  
20 which a loan payment was—

21                   “(A) suspended under this section; or

22                   “(B) subject to a deferment or forbearance  
23 under the Higher Education Act of 1965, as if  
24 the borrower of the loan had made a payment  
25 for the purpose of any loan forgiveness program

1 or loan rehabilitation program authorized under  
 2 part B or D of title IV of the Higher Education  
 3 Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1071 et seq. and 1087a  
 4 et seq.) for which the borrower would have oth-  
 5 erwise qualified.”.

6 (b) **MEDICAL PERSONNEL.**—Section 5A(b) of the  
 7 Peace Corps Act (22 U.S.C. 2504a(b)) is amended, in the  
 8 matter preceding paragraph (1), by inserting “, mental  
 9 health professionals” after “medical officers”.

10 (c) **VOLUNTEER LEADERS.**—Section 6 of the Peace  
 11 Corps Act (22 U.S.C. 2505) is amended—

12 (1) in paragraph (1), by striking “\$125” and  
 13 inserting “\$375”, and

14 (2) in paragraph (3), by striking “he” and in-  
 15 serting “the President”.

16 **SEC. 5. HEALTH CARE CONTINUATION FOR PEACE CORPS**  
 17 **VOLUNTEERS.**

18 Section 5(d) of the Peace Corps Act, as redesignated  
 19 by section 3(3) of this Act, is amended to read as follows:

20 “(d)(1) Volunteers shall receive such health care dur-  
 21 ing their service as the Director considers necessary or ap-  
 22 propriate, including, if necessary, services under section  
 23 8B.

24 “(2) Applicants for enrollment shall receive such  
 25 health examinations preparatory to their service, and ap-

1 plicants for enrollment who have accepted an invitation  
2 to begin a period of training under section 8(a) shall re-  
3 ceive, preparatory to their service, such immunization,  
4 dental care, and information regarding prescription op-  
5 tions and potential interactions, as may be necessary and  
6 appropriate and in accordance with subsection (F).

7       “(3) Returned volunteers shall receive the health ex-  
8 aminations described in paragraph (2) during the 6-month  
9 period immediately following the termination of their serv-  
10 ice, including services provided in accordance with section  
11 8B (except that the 6-month limitation shall not apply in  
12 the case of such services); as the Director determines nec-  
13 essary or appropriate.

14       “(4) Subject to such conditions as the Director may  
15 prescribe, the health care described in paragraphs (1)  
16 through (3) for serving volunteers, applicants for enroll-  
17 ment, or returned volunteers may be provided in any facil-  
18 ity of any agency of the United States Government, and  
19 in such cases the amount expended for maintaining and  
20 operating such facility shall be reimbursed from appro-  
21 priations available under this Act. Health care may not  
22 be provided under this subsection in a manner that is in-  
23 consistent with the Assisted Suicide Funding Restriction  
24 Act of 1997 (Public Law 105-12).



1       “(5) Returned volunteers, including those whose pe-  
2 riod of service is subject to early termination as the result  
3 of an emergency, shall receive, upon termination of their  
4 service with the Peace Corps, 60 days of short term non-  
5 service-related health insurance for transition and travel,  
6 during which they will be—

7           “(A) given an opportunity to extend such tran-  
8 sitional health insurance for 1 additional month, at  
9 their expense; and

10          “(B) advised to obtain health insurance cov-  
11 erage through a qualified health plan (as defined in  
12 section 1301 of the Patient Protection and Afford-  
13 able Care Act (42 U.S.C. 18021)).

14       “(6) Not later than 30 days before the date on which  
15 the period of service of a volunteer terminates, or 30 days  
16 after such termination date if such termination is the re-  
17 sult of an emergency, the Director, in consultation with  
18 the Secretary of Health and Human Services, shall pro-  
19 vide detailed information to such volunteer regarding op-  
20 tions for health care after termination other than health  
21 care provided by the Peace Corps, including information  
22 regarding—

23           “(A) how to find additional, detailed informa-  
24 tion, including information regarding—

1           “(i) the application process and eligibility  
2 requirements for medical assistance through a  
3 State Medicaid plan under title XIX of the So-  
4 cial Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396 et seq.); or  
5 under a waiver of such plan; and

6           “(ii) health care navigators or health care  
7 option identification services available through  
8 the public and private sectors;

9           “(B) the qualified health plans (as defined in  
10 section 1301(a) of the Patient Protection and Af-  
11 fordable Care Act (42 U.S.C. 18021(a))) offered  
12 through an Exchange established under title I of  
13 such Act, including the enrollment periods for enroll-  
14 ing such plans; and

15           “(C) if such volunteer is 25 years of age or  
16 younger, the eligibility of such volunteer to enroll as  
17 a dependent child in a group health plan or health  
18 insurance coverage in which the parent of such vol-  
19 unteer is enrolled in such plan or coverage offers  
20 such dependent coverage.

21           “(7) Paragraphs (5) and (6) shall apply to volunteers  
22 whose periods of service are subject to early termination.”.

1 **SEC. 6. ACCESS TO ANTIMALARIAL DRUGS AND HYGIENE**  
2 **PRODUCTS FOR PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEERS.**

3 Section 5A of the Peace Corps Act (22 U.S.C. 2504a)  
4 is amended—

5 (1) by striking subsections (c) and (e);

6 (2) by redesignating subsection (d) as sub-  
7 section (e);

8 (3) by inserting after subsection (b) the fol-  
9 lowing:

10 “(e) ANTIMALARIAL DRUGS.—

11 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Director shall consult  
12 with experts at the Centers for Disease Control and  
13 Prevention regarding recommendations for pre-  
14 scribing malaria prophylaxis, in order to provide the  
15 best standard of care within the context of the Peace  
16 Corps environment.

17 “(2) CERTAIN TRAINING.—The Director shall  
18 ensure that each Peace Corps medical officer serving  
19 in a malaria-endemic country receives training in the  
20 recognition of the side effects of such medications.

21 “(3) CONSULTATION.—The Director shall con-  
22 sult with the Assistant Secretary of Defense for  
23 Health Affairs regarding the policy of using  
24 mefloquine in the field as an antimalarial prophylac-  
25 tic.

1 “(d) ACCESS TO HYGIENE PRODUCTS.—Not later  
 2 than 180 days after the date of the enactment of the  
 3 Peace Corps Reauthorization Act of 2022, the Director  
 4 shall establish a comprehensive policy to ensure Peace  
 5 Corps volunteers who require hygiene products are able  
 6 to access such products.”.

7 **SEC. 7. CODIFICATION OF CERTAIN EXECUTIVE ORDERS**  
 8 **RELATING TO EXISTING NONCOMPETITIVE**  
 9 **ELIGIBILITY FEDERAL HIRING STATUS FOR**  
 10 **RETURNING VOLUNTEERS AND EXTENSION**  
 11 **OF THE PERIOD OF SUCH STATUS.**

12 The Peace Corps Act (22 U.S.C. 2501 et seq.) is  
 13 amended by inserting after section 5A the following:

14 **“SEC. 5B. CODIFICATION OF EXECUTIVE ORDERS RELAT-**  
 15 **ING TO NONCOMPETITIVE ELIGIBILITY FED-**  
 16 **ERAL HIRING STATUS FOR RETURNING VOL-**  
 17 **UNTEERS.**

18 “(a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subsection (b), Execu-  
 19 tive Order 11103 (22 U.S.C. 2504 note; relating to Pro-  
 20 viding for the Appointment of Former Peace Corps Volun-  
 21 teers to the Civilian Career Services), as amended by Ex-  
 22 ecutive Order 12107 (44 Fed. Reg. 1055; relating to the  
 23 Civil Service Commission and Labor-Management in the  
 24 Federal Service), as in effect on the day before the date  
 25 of the enactment of the Peace Corps Reauthorization Act

1 of 2022, shall remain in effect and have the full force and  
2 effect of law.

3 “(b) PERIOD OF ELIGIBILITY.—

4 “(1) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:

5 “(A) EXECUTIVE AGENCY.—the term ‘Ex-  
6 ceutive agency’—

7 “(i) has the meaning given such term  
8 in section 105 of title 5, United States  
9 Code;

10 “(ii) includes the United States Postal  
11 Service and the Postal Regulatory Com-  
12 mission; and

13 “(iii) does not include the Government  
14 Accountability Office.

15 “(B) HIRING FREEZE.—The term ‘hiring  
16 freeze’ means any memorandum, Executive  
17 order, or other action by the President that  
18 prohibits an Executive agency from filling va-  
19 cant Federal civilian employee positions or cre-  
20 ating new such positions.

21 “(2) IN GENERAL.—The period of eligibility for  
22 noncompetitive appointment to the civil service pro-  
23 vided to an individual under subsection (a), includ-  
24 ing any individual who is so eligible on the date of  
25 the enactment of the Peace Corps Reauthorization

1 Act of 2022, shall be extended by the total number  
2 of days, during such period, that—

3 “(A) a hiring freeze for civilian employees  
4 of the executive branch is in effect by order of  
5 the President with respect to any Executive  
6 agency at which the individual has applied for  
7 employment;

8 “(B) there is a lapse in appropriations  
9 with respect to any Executive agency at which  
10 the individual has applied for employment; or

11 “(C) the individual is receiving disability  
12 compensation under section 8142 of title 5,  
13 United States Code, based on the individual’s  
14 service as a Peace Corp volunteer, retroactive to  
15 the date the individual applied for such com-  
16 pensation.

17 “(3) APPLICABILITY.—The period of eligibility  
18 for noncompetitive appointment status to the civil  
19 service under subsection (a) shall apply to a Peace  
20 Corps volunteer—

21 “(A) whose service ended involuntarily as a  
22 result of a suspension of volunteer operations  
23 by the Director, but may not last longer than  
24 1 year after the date on which such service  
25 ended involuntarily; or

1           “(B) who re-enrolls as a volunteer in the  
2           Peace Corps after completion of a term of serv-  
3           ice.”.

4 **SEC. 8. EXTENSION OF PERIOD OF EXISTING NONCOMPETI-**  
5 **TIVE ELIGIBILITY FEDERAL HIRING STATUS**  
6 **FOR RETURNING VOLUNTEERS.**

7           The Peace Corps Act (22 U.S.C. 2501 et seq.) is  
8 amended by inserting after section 5B, as added by section  
9 7 of this Act, the following:

10 **“SEC. 5C. EXTENSION OF PERIOD OF EXISTING NON-**  
11 **COMPETITIVE ELIGIBILITY FEDERAL HIRING**  
12 **STATUS FOR RETURNING VOLUNTEERS.**

13           “(a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to section 5B, Executive  
14 Order 11103 (22 U.S.C. 2504 note; relating to Providing  
15 for the Appointment of Former Peace Corps Volunteers  
16 to the Civilian Career Services); as amended by Executive  
17 Order 12107 (44 Fed. Reg. 1055; relating to the Civil  
18 Service Commission and Labor-Management in the Fed-  
19 eral Service); as in effect on the day before the date of  
20 the enactment of the Peace Corps Reauthorization Act of  
21 2022, shall remain in effect and have the full force and  
22 effect of law.

23           “(b) NONCOMPETITIVE ELIGIBILITY FEDERAL HIR-  
24 ING STATUS.—Subject to subsection (d), any volunteer  
25 whose Peace Corps service was terminated after April 1,

1 2020, and who has been certified by the Director as hav-  
2 ing satisfactorily completed a full term of service, may be  
3 appointed to a position in any United States department,  
4 agency, or establishment in the competitive service under  
5 title 5, United States Code, without competitive examina-  
6 tion, in accordance with such regulations and conditions  
7 as may be prescribed by the Director of the Office of Per-  
8 sonnel Management.

9 “(c) EXTENSION.—The appointing authority may ex-  
10 tend the noncompetitive appointment eligibility under sub-  
11 section (b) to not more than 2 years after a volunteer’s  
12 separation from the Peace Corps if the volunteer, following  
13 such service, was engaged in—

14 “(1) military service;

15 “(2) the pursuit of studies at a recognized insti-  
16 tution of higher learning; or

17 “(3) other activities which, in the view of the  
18 appointing authority, warrant an extension of such  
19 eligibility.

20 “(d) EXCEPTION.—The appointing authority may not  
21 extend the noncompetitive appointment eligibility under  
22 subsection (b) to any volunteer who chooses to be subject  
23 to early termination.”.



1 **SEC. 9. PROTECTION OF PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEERS**  
 2 **AGAINST REPRISAL OR RETALIATION.**

3 Section 8G of the Peace Corps Act (22 U.S.C. 2507g)  
 4 is amended by adding at the end the following:

5 ~~“(d) PROHIBITION AGAINST REPRISAL OR RETALIA-~~  
 6 ~~TION.—~~

7 ~~“(1) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:~~

8 ~~“(A) COVERED OFFICIAL OR OFFICE.—The~~  
 9 ~~term ‘covered official or office’ means—~~

10 ~~“(i) any Peace Corps employee, in-~~  
 11 ~~cluding an employee of the Office of In-~~  
 12 ~~spector General;~~

13 ~~“(ii) a Member of Congress or a des-~~  
 14 ~~ignated representative of a committee of~~  
 15 ~~Congress;~~

16 ~~“(iii) an Inspector General (other~~  
 17 ~~than the Inspector General for the Peace~~  
 18 ~~Corps);~~

19 ~~“(iv) the Government Accountability~~  
 20 ~~Office;~~

21 ~~“(v) any authorized official of the De-~~  
 22 ~~partment of Justice or other Federal law~~  
 23 ~~enforcement agency; and~~

24 ~~“(vi) a United States court, including~~  
 25 ~~any Federal grand jury.~~

1           “(B) RELIEF.—The term ‘relief’ includes  
2 all affirmative relief necessary to make a volun-  
3 teer whole, including monetary compensation,  
4 equitable relief, compensatory damages, and at-  
5 torney fees and costs.

6           “(C) REPRISAL OR RETALIATION.—The  
7 term ‘reprisal or retaliation’ means taking,  
8 threatening to take, or initiating adverse ad-  
9 ministrative action against a volunteer because  
10 the volunteer made a report described in sub-  
11 section (a) or otherwise disclosed to a covered  
12 official or office any information pertaining to  
13 waste, fraud, abuse of authority, misconduct,  
14 mismanagement, violations of law, or a signifi-  
15 cant threat to health and safety, if the activity  
16 or occurrence complained of is based upon the  
17 reasonable belief of the volunteer.

18           “(2) IN GENERAL.—The Director of the Peace  
19 Corps shall take all reasonable measures, including  
20 through the development and implementation of a  
21 comprehensive policy, to prevent and address re-  
22 prisal or retaliation against a volunteer by any Peace  
23 Corps officer or employee, or any other person with  
24 supervisory authority over the volunteer during the  
25 volunteer’s period of service.

1           “(3) REPORTING AND INVESTIGATION; RE-  
2 RELIEF.—

3           “(A) IN GENERAL.—A volunteer may re-  
4 port a complaint or allegation of reprisal or re-  
5 taliation—

6           “(i) directly to the Inspector General  
7 of the Peace Corps, who may conduct such  
8 investigations and make such recommenda-  
9 tions with respect to the complaint or alle-  
10 gation as the Inspector General considers  
11 appropriate; and

12           “(ii) through other channels provided  
13 by the Peace Corps, including through the  
14 process for confidential reporting imple-  
15 mented pursuant to subsection (a).

16           “(B) RELIEF.—The Director of the Peace  
17 Corps—

18           “(i) may order any relief for an af-  
19 firmative finding of a proposed or final res-  
20 olution of a complaint or allegation of re-  
21 prisal or retaliation in accordance with  
22 policies, rules, and procedures of the Peace  
23 Corps; and

24           “(ii) shall ensure that such relief is  
25 promptly provided to the volunteer.

1           “(4) APPEAL.—

2                   “(A) IN GENERAL.—A volunteer may sub-  
3           mit an appeal to the Director of the Peace  
4           Corps of any proposed or final resolution of a  
5           complaint or allegation of reprisal or retaliation.

6                   “(B) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing  
7           in this paragraph may be construed to affect  
8           any other right of recourse a volunteer may  
9           have under any other provision of law.

10           “(5) NOTIFICATION OF RIGHTS AND REM-  
11           EDIES.—The Director of the Peace Corps shall en-  
12           sure that volunteers are informed in writing of the  
13           rights and remedies provided under this section.

14           “(6) DISPUTE MEDIATION.—The Director of  
15           the Peace Corps shall offer the opportunity for vol-  
16           unteers to resolve disputes concerning a complaint  
17           or allegation of reprisal or retaliation through medi-  
18           ation in accordance with procedures developed by the  
19           Peace Corps.

20           “(7) VOLUNTEER COOPERATION.—The Director  
21           of the Peace Corps may take such disciplinary or  
22           other administration action, including termination of  
23           service, with respect to a volunteer who unreason-  
24           ably refuses to cooperate with an investigation into  
25           a complaint or allegation of reprisal or retaliation

1 conducted by the Inspector General of the Peace  
2 Corps.”.

3 **SEC. 10. PEACE CORPS NATIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL.**

4 Section 12 of the Peace Corps Act (22 U.S.C. 2511)  
5 is amended—

6 (1) in subsection (b)(2)—

7 (A) in the matter preceding subparagraph  
8 (A), by striking “(subject to subsection (d)(1))  
9 conduct on-site inspections, and make examina-  
10 tions, of the activities of the Peace Corps in the  
11 United States and in other countries in order  
12 to”;

13 (B) in subparagraph (C), by striking  
14 “and” at the end;

15 (C) by redesignating subparagraph (D) as  
16 subparagraph (G); and

17 (D) by inserting after subparagraph (C)  
18 the following:

19 “(D) make recommendations for utilizing  
20 the expertise of returned Peace Corps volun-  
21 teers in fulfilling the goals of the Peace Corps;

22 “(E) make recommendations on strength-  
23 ening diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessi-  
24 bility principles in the workforce and daily work  
25 of the Peace Corps, including by—

1           “(i) increasing the recruitment of vol-  
2           unteers from diverse backgrounds and bet-  
3           ter supporting such volunteers during their  
4           training and enrollment in the Peace  
5           Corps;

6           “(ii) increasing and sustaining a di-  
7           verse and inclusive workforce through data  
8           collection, anti-harassment and anti-dis-  
9           crimination measures, recruitment, reten-  
10          tion, professional development, and pro-  
11          motion and leadership initiatives that also  
12          consider the work and roles of contractors;

13          “(iii) ensuring that advisory commit-  
14          tees and boards represent the diversity of  
15          the agency; and

16          “(iv) increasing opportunities in oper-  
17          ations, programming, and procurement  
18          through work with partners and commu-  
19          nities that are underrepresented or tradi-  
20          tionally marginalized;

21          “(F) make recommendations to reduce any  
22          financial barriers to application, training, or en-  
23          rollment in the Peace Corps, including medical  
24          expenses and other out-of-pocket costs; and”;

1           (2) in subsection (c), by amending paragraph  
2           (2) to read as follows:

3           “(2)(A) The Council shall be composed of 7 members  
4 who are United States citizens and are not being paid as  
5 officers or employees of the Peace Corps or of any other  
6 United States Government entity.

7           “(B) Of the 7 members of the Council—

8           “(i) 1 member shall be appointed by the Presi-  
9 dent;

10           “(ii) 3 members shall be appointed by the  
11 President pro tempore of the Senate, of which—

12           “(I) 2 members shall be appointed upon  
13 the recommendation of the leader in the Senate  
14 of the political party that is not the political  
15 party of the President;

16           “(II) 1 member shall be appointed upon  
17 the recommendation of the leader in the Senate  
18 of the political party of the President; and

19           “(III) at least 2 members shall be former  
20 Peace Corps volunteers; and

21           “(iii) 3 members shall be appointed by the  
22 Speaker of the House of Representatives, of which—

23           “(I) 2 members shall be appointed upon  
24 the recommendation of the leader in the House

1 of Representatives of the political party that is  
2 not the political party of the President;

3 “(II) 1 member shall be appointed upon  
4 the recommendation of the leader in the House  
5 of Representatives of the political party of the  
6 President; and

7 “(III) at least 2 members shall be former  
8 Peace Corps volunteers.

9 “(C) Council members shall be appointed to 2-year  
10 terms. No member of the Council may serve for more than  
11 2 consecutive 2-year terms.

12 “(D) Not later than 30 days after any vacancy occurs  
13 on the Council, the Director shall appoint an individual  
14 to fill such vacancy. Any Council member appointed to fill  
15 a vacancy occurring before the expiration of the term for  
16 which the member’s predecessor was appointed—

17 “(i) shall be appointed for the remainder of  
18 such term; and

19 “(ii) may only serve on the Council for 1 addi-  
20 tional 2-year term.

21 “(E)(i) Except as provided in clause (ii), Council  
22 members shall not be subject to laws relating to Federal  
23 employment, including laws relating to hours of work,  
24 rates of compensation, leave, unemployment compensa-  
25 tion, and Federal employee benefits.



1       “(ii) Notwithstanding clause (i), Council members  
2 shall be deemed to be Federal employees for purposes of—

3               “(I) chapter 81 of title 5, United States Code  
4 (relating to compensation for work-related injuries);

5               “(II) chapter 11 of title 18, United States Code  
6 (relating to conflicts of interest);

7               “(III) chapter 171 of title 28, United States  
8 Code (relating to tort claims); and

9               “(IV) section 3721 of title 31 (relating to  
10 claims for damage to, or loss of, personal property  
11 incident to service).

12       “(F) Council members shall serve at the pleasure of  
13 the Director. The Council may remove a member from the  
14 Council by a vote of 5 members if the Council determines  
15 that such member—

16               “(i) committed malfeasance in office;

17               “(ii) persistently neglected, or was unable to  
18 successfully discharge, his or her duties on the  
19 Council; or

20               “(iii) committed an offense involving moral tur-  
21 pitude.”;

22       (3) in subsection (g)—

23               (A) by striking “and at its first regular  
24 meeting in each calendar year thereafter” and

1 inserting “at its first meeting each subsequent  
2 calendar year”; and

3 (B) by adding at the end the following:  
4 “The Chair and Vice Chair shall each serve in  
5 such capacity for a period not to exceed 2  
6 years. The Director may renew the term of  
7 members appointed as Chair and Vice Chair  
8 under this subsection.”;

9 (4) in subsection (h), by amending paragraph  
10 (1) to read as follows:

11 “(1) The Council shall hold 1 regular meeting per  
12 quarter of each calendar year at a date and time to be  
13 determined by the Chair of the Council or at the call of  
14 the Director.”; and

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

16 “(k) INDEPENDENCE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL.—  
17 None of the activities or functions of the Council author-  
18 ized under subsection (b)(2) may undermine the independ-  
19 ence or supersede the duties of the Inspector General of  
20 the Peace Corps.”.

21 **SEC. 11. MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH BUREAU OF**  
22 **DIPLOMATIC SECURITY OF THE DEPART-**  
23 **MENT OF STATE.**

24 (a) **QUINQUENNIAL REVIEW AND UPDATE.**—Not  
25 later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of

1 this Act, and at least once every 5 years, the Director of  
 2 the Peace Corps and the Assistant Secretary of State for  
 3 Diplomatic Security shall—

4           (1) review the Memorandum of Agreement be-  
 5           tween the Bureau of Diplomatic Security of the De-  
 6           partment of State and the Peace Corps regarding  
 7           security support and protection of Peace Corps vol-  
 8           unteers, and staff members abroad; and

9           (2) update such Memorandum of Agreement, as  
 10          appropriate.

11         (b) NOTIFICATION.—

12           (1) IN GENERAL.—The Director of the Peace  
 13          Corps and the Assistant Secretary of State for Dip-  
 14          lomatic Security shall jointly submit any update to  
 15          the Memorandum of Agreement under subsection (a)  
 16          to—

17                   (A) the Committee on Foreign Relations of  
 18                   the Senate; and

19                   (B) the Committee on Foreign Affairs of  
 20                   the House of Representatives.

21           (2) TIMING OF NOTIFICATION.—Each written  
 22          notification submitted pursuant to paragraph (1)  
 23          shall be submitted not later than 30 days before the  
 24          update referred to in such paragraph takes effect.

1 **SEC. 12. CLARIFICATION REGARDING ELIGIBILITY OF**  
2 **UNITED STATES NATIONALS.**

3 The Peace Corps Act (22 U.S.C. 2501 et seq.), as  
4 amended by this Act, is further amended—

5 (1) in section 7(a)(5) (22 U.S.C. 2506(a)(5)),  
6 by striking “United States citizens” each place such  
7 term appears and inserting “United States nationals  
8 of American Samoa and citizens of the United  
9 States”;

10 (2) in section 8(b) (22 U.S.C. 2507(b)), by in-  
11 serring “United States nationals of American Samoa  
12 and” after “training for”;

13 (3) in section 10(b) (22 U.S.C. 2509(b)), strik-  
14 ing “any person not a citizen or resident of the  
15 United States” and inserting “any person who is not  
16 a United States national of American Samoa nor a  
17 citizen or resident of the United States”; and

18 (4) in section 12(g) (22 U.S.C. 2511(g)), by in-  
19 serring “United States nationals of American Samoa  
20 or” after “who are”.

21 **SEC. 13. WORKERS COMPENSATION FOR PEACE CORPS**  
22 **VOLUNTEERS.**

23 Section 8142(e) of title 5, United States Code, is  
24 amended by striking paragraphs (1) and (2) and inserting  
25 the following:

1           “(1) a volunteer injured on or after the date of  
2 the enactment of the Peace Corps Reauthorization  
3 Act of 2022 is deemed to be receiving monthly pay  
4 at the rate for GS-7, step 5;

5           “(2)(A) a volunteer or former volunteer whose  
6 injury occurred before the date of the enactment of  
7 the Peace Corps Reauthorization Act of 2022 shall  
8 have their disability compensation prospectively ad-  
9 justed so that they are deemed receiving monthly  
10 pay at the rate for GS-7, step 5, unless such adjust-  
11 ment would result in a reduction of compensation  
12 payable;

13           “(B) benefits paid under section 8133 due to a  
14 death occurring before such date of enactment shall  
15 be prospectively adjusted to reflect the volunteer’s  
16 deemed receiving monthly pay at the rate for GS-  
17 7, step 5; and

18           “(C) nothing in this subsection may be con-  
19 strued to authorize the retroactive adjustment to the  
20 rate for GS-7, step 5 for compensation payable for  
21 any period before such date of enactment.”.

22 **SEC. 14. SEXUAL ASSAULT ADVISORY COUNCIL.**

23           (a) **REPORT AND EXTENSION OF THE SEXUAL AS-**  
24 **SAULT ADVISORY COUNCIL.**—Section 8D of the Peace  
25 Corps Act (22 U.S.C. 2507d) is amended—

1           (1) by amending subsection (d) to read as fol-  
2       lows:

3       “(d) **REPORTS.**—On an annual basis through the  
4 date specified in subsection (g), the Council shall submit  
5 a report to the Director of the Peace Corps, the Com-  
6 mittee on Foreign Relations of the Senate, the Committee  
7 on Appropriations of the Senate, the Committee on For-  
8 eign Affairs of the House of Representatives, and the  
9 Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representa-  
10 tives that describes its findings based on the reviews con-  
11 ducted pursuant to subsection (e) and includes relevant  
12 recommendations. Each such report shall be made publicly  
13 available.”; and

14           (2) in subsection (g), by striking “October 1,  
15       2023” and inserting “October 1, 2027”.

16 **SEC. 15. SUSPENSION WITHOUT PAY.**

17       Section 7 of the Peace Corps Act (22 U.S.C. 2506)  
18 is amended by inserting after subsection (a) the following:

19       “(b) **SUSPENSION WITHOUT PAY.**—(1) The Peace  
20 Corps may suspend (without pay) any employee appointed  
21 or assigned under this section if the Director has deter-  
22 mined that the employee engaged in serious misconduct  
23 that could impact the efficiency of the service and could  
24 lead to removal for cause.

1       “(2) Any employee for whom a suspension without  
2 pay is proposed under this subsection shall be entitled  
3 to—

4           “(A) written notice stating the specific reasons  
5 for such proposed suspension;

6           “(B)(i) up to 15 days to respond orally or in  
7 writing to such proposed suspension if the employee  
8 is assigned in the United States; or

9           “(ii) up to 30 days to respond orally or in writ-  
10 ing to such proposed suspension if the employee is  
11 assigned outside of the United States;

12          “(C) representation by an attorney or other  
13 representative, at the employee’s own expense;

14          “(D) a written decision, including the specific  
15 reasons for such decision, as soon as practicable;

16          “(E) a process through which the employee may  
17 submit an appeal to the Director of the Peace Corps  
18 not later than 10 business days after the issuance of  
19 a written decision; and

20          “(F) a final decision personally rendered by the  
21 Director of the Peace Corps not later than 30 days  
22 after the receipt of such appeal.

23       “(3) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a  
24 final decision under paragraph (2)(F) shall be final and  
25 not subject to further review.

1       “(4) If the Director fails to establish misconduct by  
 2 an employee under paragraph (1) and no disciplinary ac-  
 3 tion is taken against such employee based upon the alleged  
 4 grounds for the suspension, the employee shall be entitled  
 5 to reinstatement, back pay, full benefits, and reimburse-  
 6 ment of attorney fees of up to \$20,000.”.

7 **SEC. 16. TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.**

8       The Peace Corps Act (22 U.S.C. 2501 et seq.), as  
 9 amended by this Act, is further amended—

10               (1) by amending section 1 to read as follows:

11 **“SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.**

12       “(a) **SHORT TITLE.**—This Act may be cited as the  
 13 ‘Peace Corps Act’.

14       “(b) **TABLE OF CONTENTS.**—The table of contents  
 15 for this Act is as follows:

**“TITLE I—THE PEACE CORPS**

“Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

“Sec. 2. Declaration of purpose.

“Sec. 2A. Peace Corps as an independent agency.

“Sec. 3. Authorization.

“Sec. 4. Director of the Peace Corps and delegation of functions.

“Sec. 5. Peace Corps volunteers.

“Sec. 5A. Health care for volunteers at Peace Corps posts.

“Sec. 5B. Codification of Executive orders relating to noncompetitive eligibility  
 Federal hiring status for returning volunteers.

“Sec. 5C. Extension of period of existing noncompetitive eligibility Federal hir-  
 ing status for returning volunteers.

“Sec. 6. Peace Corps volunteer leaders.

“Sec. 7. Peace Corps employees.

“Sec. 8. Volunteer training.

“Sec. 8A. Sexual assault risk-reduction and response training.

“Sec. 8B. Sexual assault policy.

“Sec. 8C. Office of Victim Advocacy.

“Sec. 8D. Establishment of Sexual Assault Advisory Council.

“Sec. 8E. Volunteer feedback and Peace Corps review.

“Sec. 8F. Establishment of a policy on stalking.

“Sec. 8G. Establishment of a confidentiality protection policy.



“Sec. 8H. Removal and assessment and evaluation.  
 “Sec. 8I. Reporting requirements.  
 “Sec. 9. Participation of foreign nationals.  
 “Sec. 10. General powers and authorities.  
 “Sec. 11. Reports.  
 “Sec. 12. Peace Corps National Advisory Council.  
 “Sec. 13. Experts and consultants.  
 “Sec. 14. Detail of personnel to foreign governments and international organizations.  
 “Sec. 15. Utilization of funds.  
 “Sec. 16. Foreign Currency Fluctuations Account.  
 “Sec. 17. Use of foreign currencies.  
 “Sec. 18. Activities promoting Americans’ understanding of other peoples.  
 “Sec. 19. Exclusive right to seal and name.  
 “Sec. 22. Security investigations.  
 “Sec. 23. Universal Military Training and Service Act.  
 “Sec. 24. Foreign language proficiency.  
 “Sec. 25. Nonpartisan appointments.  
 “Sec. 26. Definitions.  
 “Sec. 27. Construction.  
 “Sec. 28. Effective date.

“TITLE H—AMENDMENT OF INTERNAL REVENUE CODE AND  
 SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

“TITLE III—ENCOURAGEMENT OF VOLUNTARY SERVICE  
 PROGRAMS

“Sec. 301. ”;

1           (2) in section 2(a) (22 U.S.C. 2501(a))—  
 2                   (A) by striking “help the peoples” and in-  
 3           serting “partner with the peoples”; and  
 4                   (B) by striking “manpower” and inserting  
 5           “individuals”;  
 6           (3) in section 3 (22 U.S.C. 2502)—  
 7                   (A) by redesignating subsection (h) as sub-  
 8           section (e); and  
 9                   (B) in subsection (e), as redesignated, by  
 10           striking “disabled people” each place such term  
 11           appears and inserting “people with disabilities”;  
 12           (4) in section 4(b) (22 U.S.C. 2503(b))—

1 (A) by striking “him” and inserting “the  
2 President”;

3 (B) by striking “he” and inserting “the  
4 Director”; and

5 (C) by striking “of his subordinates” and  
6 all that follows through “functions.” and insert-  
7 ing “subordinate of the Director the authority  
8 to perform any such function.”;

9 (5) in section 5 (22 U.S.C. 2504)—

10 (A) in subsection (e), by striking “: *Pro-*  
11 *vided, however,*” and all that follows through  
12 “the amount” and inserting “: Under such cir-  
13 cumstances as the President may determine,  
14 the accrued readjustment allowance, or any  
15 part thereof, may be paid to the volunteer,  
16 members of the volunteer’s family, or others,  
17 during the period of the volunteer’s service, or  
18 prior to the volunteer’s return to the United  
19 States. In the event of the volunteer’s death  
20 during the period of his service, the amount”;

21 (B) in subsection (h), by striking “he may  
22 determine” and inserting “the President may  
23 determine”; and

24 (C) in subsection (o) by striking “the date  
25 of his departure” and all that follows and in-

1           serting “the date of the volunteer’s departure  
2           from the volunteer’s place of residence to enter  
3           training until not later than 3 months after the  
4           termination of the volunteer’s service.”;

5           (6) in section 6(3) (22 U.S.C. 2505(3)), by  
6           striking by striking “he may determine” and insert-  
7           ing “the President may determine”;

8           (7) in section 7 (22 U.S.C. 2506)—

9           (A) in subsection (a), by moving para-  
10          graphs (7) and (8) 2 ems to the left; and

11          (B) in subsection (b), as redesignated, by  
12          striking “in his discretion” and inserting “in  
13          the President’s discretion”;

14          (8) in section 8A (22 U.S.C. 2507a)—

15          (A) in subsection (e), by striking “his or  
16          her” and inserting “the volunteer’s”;

17          (B) in subsection (d)(2), by inserting  
18          “the” before “information”; and

19          (C) in subsection (f)—

20          (i) in paragraph (2)(A), by striking  
21          “his or her” each place such phrase ap-  
22          pears and inserting “the volunteer’s”; and

23          (ii) in paragraph (4)(A), by striking  
24          “his or her” and inserting “the person’s”;

1           (9) in section 8C(a) (22 U.S.C. 2507e(a)), in  
2 the subsection heading, by striking “VICTIMS” and  
3 inserting “VICTIM”;

4           (10) in section 8E (22 U.S.C. 2507e)—

5           (A) in subsection (b), by striking “sub-  
6 section (e),” and inserting “subsection (e),”;  
7 and

8           (B) in subsection (e)(1)(F), by striking  
9 “Peace Corp’s mission” and inserting “Peace  
10 Corps’ mission”;

11          (11) in section 9 (22 U.S.C. 2508)—

12          (A) by striking “under which he was ad-  
13 mitted or who fails to depart from the United  
14 States at the expiration of the time for which  
15 he was admitted” and inserting “under which  
16 such person was admitted or who fails to depart  
17 from the United States at the expiration of the  
18 period for which such person was admitted”;  
19 and

20          (B) by striking “Act proceedings” and in-  
21 serting “Act. Removal proceedings”;

22          (12) in section 10 (22 U.S.C. 2509)—

23          (A) in subsection (b), by striking “he may  
24 prescribe” and inserting “the President may  
25 prescribe”;

1           (B) in subsection (d), by striking “section  
2           3709 of the Revised Statutes of the United  
3           States, as amended, section 302 of the Federal  
4           Property and Administrative Services Act of  
5           1949”; and by inserting “sections 3101(a),  
6           3101(e), 3104, 3106, 3301(b)(2), and 6101 of  
7           title 41, United States Code”; and

8           (C) in subsection (j), by striking “of this  
9           section.”;

10          (13) in section 12(d)(1)(b) (22 U.S.C.  
11          2511(d)(1)(b)), by striking “his or her” and insert-  
12          ing “the member’s”;

13          (14) in section 14 (22 U.S.C. 2513)—

14           (A) in subsection (a), by striking “his  
15           agency” and inserting “such agency”; and

16           (B) in subsection (b)—

17           (i) by striking “his allowance” and in-  
18           serting “the”; and

19           (ii) by striking “he”;

20          (15) in section 15 (22 U.S.C. 2514)—

21           (A) in subsection (e), by striking “that  
22           Act” and inserting “that subchapter”; and

23           (B) in subsection (d)(7), by striking “his  
24           designee” and inserting “the Director’s des-  
25           ignee”;

1           (16) in section 19(a) (~~22~~ U.S.C. 2518(a)), by  
2 striking “he shall determine” and inserting “the  
3 President shall determine”;

4           (17) in section ~~23~~ (22 U.S.C. 2520)—

5           (A) in the section heading, by striking  
6 “UNIVERSAL MILITARY TRAINING AND SERV-  
7 ICE” and inserting “MILITARY SELECTIVE  
8 SERVICE”; and

9           (B) by striking “Universal Military Train-  
10 ing and Service Act” and inserting “Military  
11 Selective Service Act (50 U.S.C. 3801 et seq.)”;

12          (18) in section 24—

13          (A) by striking “he” each place such term  
14 appears and inserting “the volunteer”; and

15          (B) by striking “his” and inserting “the  
16 volunteer’s”;

17          (19) in section 26—

18          (A) by redesignating paragraphs (2)  
19 through (9) as paragraphs (3) through (10), re-  
20 spectively;

21          (B) by inserting after paragraph (1) the  
22 following:

23           “(2) The term ‘Director’ means the Director of  
24 the Peace Corps.”;

1           (C) in paragraph (5), as redesignated, by  
2 striking “he or she” and inserting “the medical  
3 officer”;

4           (D) in paragraph (7), as redesignated, by  
5 striking “5(m)” and inserting “5(n)”; and

6           (E) in paragraph (10), as redesignated—

7                 (i) by redesignating clauses (i) and  
8                 (ii) as subparagraphs (A) and (B), respec-  
9                 tively; and

10                (ii) in subparagraph (A), as redesi-  
11                gnated, by striking “section 5(f)” and in-  
12                serting “section 5(e)”; and

13           (20) in section 301(a), by striking “manpower”  
14 each place such term appears and inserting “individ-  
15 uals”.

16 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.**

17           (a) *SHORT TITLE.*—*This Act may be cited as the*  
18 *“Peace Corps Reauthorization Act of 2022”.*

19           (b) *TABLE OF CONTENTS.*—*The table of contents for*  
20 *this Act is as follows:*

*Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.*

*Sec. 2. Funding for the Peace Corps; Integration of information age volunteer op-  
portunities.*

*Sec. 3. Readjustment allowances for volunteers and volunteer leaders.*

*Sec. 4. Restoration of volunteer opportunities for major disruptions to volunteer  
service.*

*Sec. 5. Health care continuation for Peace Corps volunteers.*

*Sec. 6. Access to antimalarial drugs and hygiene products for Peace Corps volun-  
teers.*

*Sec. 7. Codification of certain Executive orders relating to existing noncompeti-  
tive eligibility Federal hiring status for returning volunteers and  
extension of the period of such status.*

- Sec. 8. Extension of period of existing noncompetitive eligibility Federal hiring status for returning volunteers.*
- Sec. 9. Protection of Peace Corps volunteers against reprisal or retaliation.*
- Sec. 10. Peace Corps National Advisory Council.*
- Sec. 11. Memorandum of Agreement with Bureau of Diplomatic Security of the Department of State.*
- Sec. 12. Clarification regarding eligibility of United States nationals.*
- Sec. 13. Workers compensation for Peace Corps volunteers.*
- Sec. 14. Sexual Assault Advisory Council.*
- Sec. 15. Suspension without pay.*
- Sec. 16. Oceania Peace Corps partnerships.*
- Sec. 17. Technical and conforming amendments.*

1 **SEC. 2. FUNDING FOR THE PEACE CORPS; INTEGRATION OF**  
 2 **INFORMATION AGE VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNI-**  
 3 **TIES.**

4 *Section 3 of the Peace Corps Act (22 U.S.C. 2502) is*  
 5 *amended—*

6 *(1) in subparagraph (b)—*

7 *(A) by striking paragraph (1) and inserting*  
 8 *the following:*

9 *“(1) There is authorized to be appropriated*  
 10 *\$410,500,000 for each of the fiscal years 2023 through 2027*  
 11 *to carry out this Act.”; and*

12 *(B) in paragraph (2), by striking “that fis-*  
 13 *cal year and the subsequent fiscal year” and in-*  
 14 *serting “obligation until the last day of the sub-*  
 15 *sequent fiscal year”; and*

16 *(2) by redesignating subsection (h) as subsection*  
 17 *(e).*



1 **SEC. 3. READJUSTMENT ALLOWANCES FOR VOLUNTEERS**  
2 **AND VOLUNTEER LEADERS.**

3 *Section 5 of the Peace Corps Act (22 U.S.C. 2504) is*  
4 *amended—*

5 *(1) in subsection (b), by striking “insure their*  
6 *health” and inserting “ensure their safety, their*  
7 *health, and”;*

8 *(2) in subsection (c)—*

9 *(A) by striking “\$125” and inserting*  
10 *“\$375”;*

11 *(B) by striking “his” each place such term*  
12 *appears and inserting “the volunteer’s”; and*

13 *(C) by striking “he” and inserting “the vol-*  
14 *unteer”;*

15 *(3) by redesignating subsection (e) as subsection*  
16 *(d);*

17 *(4) by inserting after subsection (d), as redesign-*  
18 *ated, the following:*

19 *“(e) The Director shall consult with health experts out-*  
20 *side of the Peace Corps, including experts licensed in the*  
21 *field of mental health, and follow guidance by the Centers*  
22 *for Disease Control and Prevention regarding the prescrip-*  
23 *tion of medications to volunteers.”;*

24 *(5) in subsection (h), by striking “he” and in-*  
25 *serting “the President”;*

26 *(6) in subsection (n)(2)—*

1           (A) by striking “subsection (e)” each place  
2           such term appears and inserting “subsection  
3           (d)”; and

4           (B) by striking “he” and inserting “the  
5           President”; and

6           (7) in subsection (o), by striking “his” each  
7           place such term appears and inserting “the volun-  
8           teer’s”.

9   **SEC. 4. RESTORATION OF VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**  
10                   **FOR MAJOR DISRUPTIONS TO VOLUNTEER**  
11                   **SERVICE.**

12           (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Section 5 of the Peace Corps Act  
13           (22 U.S.C. 2504), as amended by section 3 of this Act, is  
14           further amended by adding at the end the following:

15           “(q) *DISRUPTION OF SERVICE PROTOCOLS.*—

16                   “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—The Director shall establish  
17                   processes for the safe return to service of returning  
18                   Peace Corps volunteers whose service is interrupted  
19                   due to mandatory evacuations of volunteers due to  
20                   catastrophic events or global emergencies of unknow-  
21                   able duration, which processes shall include—

22                           “(A) the establishment of monitoring and  
23                           communications systems, protocols, safety meas-  
24                           ures, policies, and metrics for determining the  
25                           appropriate approaches for restoring volunteer

1           *opportunities for evacuated returned volunteers*  
 2           *whose service is interrupted by a catastrophic*  
 3           *event or global emergency; and*

4                   “(B) *streamlining, to the fullest extent prac-*  
 5                   *ticable, application requirements for the return*  
 6                   *to service of such volunteers.*

7           “(2) *RETURN TO SERVICE.—Beginning on the*  
 8           *date on which any volunteer described in paragraph*  
 9           *(1) returns to service, the Director shall strive to af-*  
 10           *ford evacuated volunteers, to the fullest extent prac-*  
 11           *ticable, the opportunity—*

12                   “(A) *to return to their previous country of*  
 13                   *service, except for Peace Corps missions in*  
 14                   *China; and*

15                   “(B) *to continue their service in the most*  
 16                   *needed sectors within the country in which they*  
 17                   *had been serving immediately before their evacu-*  
 18                   *ation due to a catastrophic event or global emer-*  
 19                   *gency, except for Peace Corps missions in China.*

20           “(r) *SUSPENSION OF PAYMENTS AND ACCRUAL OF IN-*  
 21           *TEREST ON FEDERAL LOANS DURING SERVICE.—*

22                   “(1) *IN GENERAL.—If a volunteer received a*  
 23                   *Federal loan held by the Department of Education*  
 24                   *under part B or D of title IV of the Higher Edu-*  
 25                   *cation Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1071 et seq. and 1087a*

1 *et seq.) before commencing service in the Peace*  
2 *Corps—*

3 *“(A) all payments due for such loans shall*  
4 *be suspended; and*

5 *“(B) interest shall not accrue on such loan*  
6 *for the duration of such service.*

7 *“(2) DEFERMENT OR FORBEARANCE.—Notwith-*  
8 *standing any other provision of the Higher Education*  
9 *Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001 et seq.), the Secretary of*  
10 *Education shall deem each month for which a loan*  
11 *payment was—*

12 *“(A) suspended under this section; or*

13 *“(B) subject to a deferment or forbearance*  
14 *under the Higher Education Act of 1965, as if*  
15 *the borrower of the loan had made a payment for*  
16 *the purpose of any loan forgiveness program or*  
17 *loan rehabilitation program authorized under*  
18 *part B or D of title IV of the Higher Education*  
19 *Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1071 et seq. and 1087a*  
20 *et seq.) for which the borrower would have other-*  
21 *wise qualified.”.*

22 *(b) MEDICAL PERSONNEL.—Section 5A(b) of the Peace*  
23 *Corps Act (22 U.S.C. 2504a(b)) is amended, in the matter*  
24 *preceding paragraph (1), by inserting “, mental health pro-*  
25 *fessionals” after “medical officers”.*

1           (c) *VOLUNTEER LEADERS.*—Section 6 of the Peace  
2 *Corps Act (22 U.S.C. 2505) is amended—*

3                   (1) *in paragraph (1), by striking “\$125” and in-*  
4 *serting “\$375”; and*

5                   (2) *in paragraph (3), by striking “he” and in-*  
6 *serting “the President”.*

7 **SEC. 5. HEALTH CARE CONTINUATION FOR PEACE CORPS**  
8 **VOLUNTEERS.**

9           Section 5(d) of the Peace Corps Act, as redesignated  
10 *by section 3(3) of this Act, is amended to read as follows:*

11           “(d)(1) *Volunteers shall receive such health care during*  
12 *their service as the Director considers necessary or appro-*  
13 *priate, including, if necessary, services under section 8B.*

14           “(2) *Applicants for enrollment shall receive such health*  
15 *examinations preparatory to their service, and applicants*  
16 *for enrollment who have accepted an invitation to begin a*  
17 *period of training under section 8(a) shall receive, pre-*  
18 *paratory to their service, such immunization, dental care,*  
19 *and information regarding prescription options and poten-*  
20 *tial interactions, as may be necessary and appropriate and*  
21 *in accordance with subsection (F).*

22           “(3) *Returned volunteers shall receive the health ex-*  
23 *aminations described in paragraph (2) during the 6-month*  
24 *period immediately following the termination of their serv-*  
25 *ice, including services provided in accordance with section*

1 8B (except that the 6-month limitation shall not apply in  
2 the case of such services), as the Director determines nec-  
3 essary or appropriate.

4       “(4) Subject to such conditions as the Director may  
5 prescribe, the health care described in paragraphs (1)  
6 through (3) for serving volunteers, applicants for enroll-  
7 ment, or returned volunteers may be provided in any facil-  
8 ity of any agency of the United States Government, and  
9 in such cases the amount expended for maintaining and  
10 operating such facility shall be reimbursed from appropria-  
11 tions available under this Act. Health care may not be pro-  
12 vided under this subsection in a manner that is inconsistent  
13 with the Assisted Suicide Funding Restriction Act of 1997  
14 (Public Law 105–12).

15       “(5) Returned volunteers, including those whose period  
16 of service is subject to early termination as the result of  
17 an emergency, shall receive, upon termination of their serv-  
18 ice with the Peace Corps, 60 days of short term non-service-  
19 related health insurance for transition and travel, during  
20 which they will be—

21               “(A) given an opportunity to extend such transi-  
22 tional health insurance for 1 additional month, at  
23 their expense; and

24               “(B) advised to obtain health insurance coverage  
25 through a qualified health plan (as defined in section

1        *1301 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care*  
2        *Act (42 U.S.C. 18021)).*

3        “(6) *Not later than 30 days before the date on which*  
4        *the period of service of a volunteer terminates, or 30 days*  
5        *after such termination date if such termination is the result*  
6        *of an emergency, the Director, in consultation with the Sec-*  
7        *retary of Health and Human Services, shall provide de-*  
8        *tailed information to such volunteer regarding options for*  
9        *health care after termination other than health care pro-*  
10       *vided by the Peace Corps, including information regard-*  
11       *ing—*

12                “(A) *how to find additional, detailed informa-*  
13        *tion, including information regarding—*

14                        “(i) *the application process and eligibility*  
15        *requirements for medical assistance through a*  
16        *State Medicaid plan under title XIX of the So-*  
17        *cial Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396 et seq.), or*  
18        *under a waiver of such plan; and*

19                        “(ii) *health care navigators or health care*  
20        *option identification services available through*  
21        *the public and private sectors;*

22                “(B) *the qualified health plans (as defined in*  
23        *section 1301(a) of the Patient Protection and Afford-*  
24        *able Care Act (42 U.S.C. 18021(a))) offered through*  
25        *an Exchange established under title I of such Act, in-*

1 *cluding the enrollment periods for enrolling such*  
 2 *plans; and*

3 *“(C) if such volunteer is 25 years of age or*  
 4 *younger, the eligibility of such volunteer to enroll as*  
 5 *a dependent child in a group health plan or health*  
 6 *insurance coverage in which the parent of such volun-*  
 7 *teer is enrolled in such plan or coverage offers such*  
 8 *dependent coverage.*

9 *“(7) Paragraphs (5) and (6) shall apply to volunteers*  
 10 *whose periods of service are subject to early termination.”.*

11 **SEC. 6. ACCESS TO ANTIMALARIAL DRUGS AND HYGIENE**  
 12 **PRODUCTS FOR PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEERS.**

13 *Section 5A of the Peace Corps Act (22 U.S.C. 2504a)*  
 14 *is amended—*

15 *(1) by striking subsections (c) and (e);*

16 *(2) by redesignating subsection (d) as subsection*  
 17 *(e);*

18 *(3) by inserting after subsection (b) the fol-*  
 19 *lowing:*

20 *“(c) ANTIMALARIAL DRUGS.—*

21 *“(1) IN GENERAL.—The Director shall consult*  
 22 *with experts at the Centers for Disease Control and*  
 23 *Prevention regarding recommendations for pre-*  
 24 *scribing malaria prophylaxis, in order to provide the*



1 *best standard of care within the context of the Peace*  
2 *Corps environment.*

3 “(2) *CERTAIN TRAINING.*—*The Director shall en-*  
4 *sure that each Peace Corps medical officer serving in*  
5 *a malaria-endemic country receives training in the*  
6 *recognition of the side effects of such medications.*

7 “(3) *CONSULTATION.*—*The Director shall consult*  
8 *with the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Af-*  
9 *airs regarding the policy of using mefloquine in the*  
10 *field as an antimalarial prophylactic.*

11 “(d) *ACCESS TO HYGIENE PRODUCTS.*—*Not later than*  
12 *180 days after the date of the enactment of the Peace Corps*  
13 *Reauthorization Act of 2022, the Director shall establish a*  
14 *comprehensive policy to ensure Peace Corps volunteers who*  
15 *require hygiene products are able to access such products.”.*

16 **SEC. 7. CODIFICATION OF CERTAIN EXECUTIVE ORDERS**  
17 **RELATING TO EXISTING NONCOMPETITIVE**  
18 **ELIGIBILITY FEDERAL HIRING STATUS FOR**  
19 **RETURNING VOLUNTEERS AND EXTENSION**  
20 **OF THE PERIOD OF SUCH STATUS.**

21 *The Peace Corps Act (22 U.S.C. 2501 et seq.) is*  
22 *amended by inserting after section 5A the following:*

1 **“SEC. 5B. CODIFICATION OF EXECUTIVE ORDERS RELATING**  
2 **TO NONCOMPETITIVE ELIGIBILITY FEDERAL**  
3 **HIRING STATUS FOR RETURNING VOLUN-**  
4 **TEERS.**

5 “(a) *IN GENERAL.*—Subject to subsection (b), *Execu-*  
6 *tive Order 11103 (22 U.S.C. 2504 note; relating to Pro-*  
7 *viding for the Appointment of Former Peace Corps Volun-*  
8 *teers to the Civilian Career Services), as amended by Execu-*  
9 *tive Order 12107 (44 Fed. Reg. 1055; relating to the Civil*  
10 *Service Commission and Labor-Management in the Federal*  
11 *Service), as in effect on the day before the date of the enact-*  
12 *ment of the Peace Corps Reauthorization Act of 2022, shall*  
13 *remain in effect and have the full force and effect of law.*

14 “(b) *PERIOD OF ELIGIBILITY.*—

15 “(1) *DEFINITIONS.*—In this subsection:

16 “(A) *EXECUTIVE AGENCY.*—the term ‘*Exec-*  
17 *utive agency*’—

18 “(i) *has the meaning given such term*  
19 *in section 105 of title 5, United States*  
20 *Code;*

21 “(ii) *includes the United States Postal*  
22 *Service and the Postal Regulatory Commis-*  
23 *sion; and*

24 “(iii) *does not include the Government*  
25 *Accountability Office.*

1           “(B) *HIRING FREEZE*.—The term ‘*hiring*  
2           *freeze*’ means any memorandum, Executive  
3           order, or other action by the President that pro-  
4           hibits an Executive agency from filling vacant  
5           Federal civilian employee positions or creating  
6           new such positions.

7           “(2) *IN GENERAL*.—The period of eligibility for  
8           noncompetitive appointment to the civil service pro-  
9           vided to an individual under subsection (a), includ-  
10          ing any individual who is so eligible on the date of  
11          the enactment of the Peace Corps Reauthorization Act  
12          of 2022, shall be extended by the total number of days,  
13          during such period, that—

14                 “(A) a hiring freeze for civilian employees  
15                 of the executive branch is in effect by order of the  
16                 President with respect to any Executive agency  
17                 at which the individual has applied for employ-  
18                 ment;

19                 “(B) there is a lapse in appropriations with  
20                 respect to any Executive agency at which the in-  
21                 dividual has applied for employment; or

22                 “(C) the individual is receiving disability  
23                 compensation under section 8142 of title 5,  
24                 United States Code, based on the individual’s  
25                 service as a Peace Corps volunteer, retroactive to

1           *the date the individual applied for such com-*  
 2           *ensation.*

3           “(3) *APPLICABILITY.*—*The period of eligibility*  
 4           *for noncompetitive appointment status to the civil*  
 5           *service under subsection (a) shall apply to a Peace*  
 6           *Corps volunteer—*

7                   “(A) *whose service ended involuntarily as a*  
 8                   *result of a suspension of volunteer operations by*  
 9                   *the Director, but may not last longer than 1 year*  
 10                  *after the date on which such service ended invol-*  
 11                  *untarily; or*

12                   “(B) *who re-enrolls as a volunteer in the*  
 13                   *Peace Corps after completion of a term of serv-*  
 14                   *ice.”.*

15 **SEC. 8. EXTENSION OF PERIOD OF EXISTING NONCOMPETI-**  
 16                   **TIVE ELIGIBILITY FEDERAL HIRING STATUS**  
 17                   **FOR RETURNING VOLUNTEERS.**

18           *The Peace Corps Act (22 U.S.C. 2501 et seq.) is*  
 19           *amended by inserting after section 5B, as added by section*  
 20           *7 of this Act, the following:*

21 **“SEC. 5C. EXTENSION OF PERIOD OF EXISTING NON-**  
 22                   **COMPETITIVE ELIGIBILITY FEDERAL HIRING**  
 23                   **STATUS FOR RETURNING VOLUNTEERS.**

24           “(a) *IN GENERAL.*—*Subject to section 5B, Executive*  
 25           *Order 11103 (22 U.S.C. 2504 note; relating to Providing*

1 *for the Appointment of Former Peace Corps Volunteers to*  
2 *the Civilian Career Services), as amended by Executive*  
3 *Order 12107 (44 Fed. Reg. 1055; relating to the Civil Serv-*  
4 *ice Commission and Labor-Management in the Federal*  
5 *Service), as in effect on the day before the date of the enact-*  
6 *ment of the Peace Corps Reauthorization Act of 2022, shall*  
7 *remain in effect and have the full force and effect of law.*

8       “(b) *NONCOMPETITIVE ELIGIBILITY FEDERAL HIRING*  
9 *STATUS.*—*Subject to subsection (d), any volunteer whose*  
10 *Peace Corps service was terminated after April 1, 2020, and*  
11 *who has been certified by the Director as having satisfac-*  
12 *torily completed a full term of service, may be appointed*  
13 *within two years of completion of qualifying service to a*  
14 *position in any United States department, agency, or estab-*  
15 *lishment in the competitive service under title 5, United*  
16 *States Code, without competitive examination, in accord-*  
17 *ance with such regulations and conditions as may be pre-*  
18 *scribed by the Director of the Office of Personnel Manage-*  
19 *ment.*

20       “(c) *EXTENSION.*—*The appointing authority may ex-*  
21 *tend the noncompetitive appointment eligibility under sub-*  
22 *section (b) to not more than 3 years after a volunteer’s sepa-*  
23 *ration from the Peace Corps if the volunteer, following such*  
24 *service, was engaged in—*

25               “(1) *military service;*

1           “(2) *the pursuit of studies at a recognized insti-*  
2           *tution of higher learning; or*

3           “(3) *other activities which, in the view of the ap-*  
4           *pointing authority, warrant an extension of such eli-*  
5           *gibility.*

6           “(d) *EXCEPTION.—The appointing authority may not*  
7           *extend the noncompetitive appointment eligibility under*  
8           *subsection (b) to any volunteer who chooses to be subject*  
9           *to early termination.”.*

10 **SEC. 9. PROTECTION OF PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEERS**  
11 **AGAINST REPRISAL OR RETALIATION.**

12           *Section 8G of the Peace Corps Act (22 U.S.C. 2507g)*  
13 *is amended by adding at the end the following:*

14           “(d) *PROHIBITION AGAINST REPRISAL OR RETALIA-*  
15 *TION.—*

16           “(1) *DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:*

17           “(A) *COVERED OFFICIAL OR OFFICE.—The*  
18           *term ‘covered official or office’ means—*

19                   “(i) *any Peace Corps employee, includ-*  
20                   *ing an employee of the Office of Inspector*  
21                   *General;*

22                   “(ii) *a Member of Congress or a des-*  
23                   *ignated representative of a committee of*  
24                   *Congress;*

1                   “(iii) an Inspector General (other than  
2                   the Inspector General for the Peace Corps);

3                   “(iv) the Government Accountability  
4                   Office;

5                   “(v) any authorized official of the De-  
6                   partment of Justice or other Federal law  
7                   enforcement agency; and

8                   “(vi) a United States court, including  
9                   any Federal grand jury.

10                  “(B) RELIEF.—The term ‘relief’ includes all  
11                  affirmative relief necessary to make a volunteer  
12                  whole, including monetary compensation, equi-  
13                  table relief, compensatory damages, and attorney  
14                  fees and costs.

15                  “(C) REPRISAL OR RETALIATION.—The  
16                  term ‘reprisal or retaliation’ means taking,  
17                  threatening to take, or initiating adverse admin-  
18                  istrative action against a volunteer because the  
19                  volunteer made a report described in subsection  
20                  (a) or otherwise disclosed to a covered official or  
21                  office any information pertaining to waste,  
22                  fraud, abuse of authority, misconduct, mis-  
23                  management, violations of law, or a significant  
24                  threat to health and safety, if the activity or oc-

1           currence complained of is based upon the reason-  
2           able belief of the volunteer.

3           “(2) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Director of the Peace*  
4           *Corps shall take all reasonable measures, including*  
5           *through the development and implementation of a*  
6           *comprehensive policy, to prevent and address reprisal*  
7           *or retaliation against a volunteer by any Peace Corps*  
8           *officer or employee, or any other person with super-*  
9           *visory authority over the volunteer during the volun-*  
10          *teer’s period of service.*

11          “(3) *REPORTING AND INVESTIGATION; RELIEF.*—

12           “(A) *IN GENERAL.*—*A volunteer may report*  
13           *a complaint or allegation of reprisal or retalia-*  
14           *tion—*

15                   “(i) *directly to the Inspector General of*  
16                   *the Peace Corps, who may conduct such in-*  
17                   *vestigations and make such recommenda-*  
18                   *tions with respect to the complaint or alle-*  
19                   *gation as the Inspector General considers*  
20                   *appropriate; and*

21                   “(ii) *through other channels provided*  
22                   *by the Peace Corps, including through the*  
23                   *process for confidential reporting imple-*  
24                   *mented pursuant to subsection (a).*



1           “(B) *RELIEF.*—*The Director of the Peace*  
2           *Corps—*

3                   “(i) *may order any relief for an af-*  
4                   *firmative finding of a proposed or final res-*  
5                   *olution of a complaint or allegation of re-*  
6                   *prisal or retaliation in accordance with*  
7                   *policies, rules, and procedures of the Peace*  
8                   *Corps; and*

9                   “(ii) *shall ensure that such relief is*  
10                  *promptly provided to the volunteer.*

11           “(4) *APPEAL.*—

12                   “(A) *IN GENERAL.*—*A volunteer may sub-*  
13                   *mit an appeal to the Director of the Peace Corps*  
14                   *of any proposed or final resolution of a com-*  
15                   *plaint or allegation of reprisal or retaliation.*

16                   “(B) *RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.*—*Nothing in*  
17                   *this paragraph may be construed to affect any*  
18                   *other right of recourse a volunteer may have*  
19                   *under any other provision of law.*

20           “(5) *NOTIFICATION OF RIGHTS AND REM-*  
21           *EDIES.*—*The Director of the Peace Corps shall ensure*  
22           *that volunteers are informed in writing of the rights*  
23           *and remedies provided under this section.*

24           “(6) *DISPUTE MEDIATION.*—*The Director of the*  
25           *Peace Corps shall offer the opportunity for volunteers*

1       to resolve disputes concerning a complaint or allega-  
 2       tion of reprisal or retaliation through mediation in  
 3       accordance with procedures developed by the Peace  
 4       Corps.

5               “(7) VOLUNTEER COOPERATION.—The Director  
 6       of the Peace Corps may take such disciplinary or  
 7       other administrative action, including termination of  
 8       service, with respect to a volunteer who unreasonably  
 9       refuses to cooperate with an investigation into a com-  
 10      pliant or allegation of reprisal or retaliation con-  
 11      ducted by the Inspector General of the Peace Corps.”.

12 **SEC. 10. PEACE CORPS NATIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL.**

13       Section 12 of the Peace Corps Act (22 U.S.C. 2511)  
 14      is amended—

15               (1) in subsection (b)(2)—

16                   (A) in the matter preceding subparagraph  
 17                   (A), by striking “(subject to subsection (d)(1))  
 18                   conduct on-site inspections, and make examina-  
 19                   tions, of the activities of the Peace Corps in the  
 20                   United States and in other countries in order  
 21                   to”;

22                   (B) in subparagraph (C), by striking “and”  
 23                   at the end;

24                   (C) by redesignating subparagraph (D) as  
 25                   subparagraph (G); and

1           (D) by inserting after subparagraph (C) the  
2 following:

3           “(D) make recommendations for utilizing  
4 the expertise of returned Peace Corps volunteers  
5 in fulfilling the goals of the Peace Corps;

6           “(E) make recommendations on strength-  
7 ening diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessi-  
8 bility principles in the workforce and daily work  
9 of the Peace Corps, including by—

10           “(i) increasing the recruitment of vol-  
11 unteers from diverse backgrounds and better  
12 supporting such volunteers during their  
13 training and enrollment in the Peace Corps;

14           “(ii) increasing and sustaining a di-  
15 verse and inclusive workforce through data  
16 collection, anti-harassment and anti-dis-  
17 crimination measures, recruitment, reten-  
18 tion, professional development, and pro-  
19 motion and leadership initiatives that also  
20 consider the work and roles of contractors;

21           “(iii) ensuring that advisory commit-  
22 tees and boards represent the diversity of  
23 the agency; and

24           “(iv) increasing opportunities in oper-  
25 ations, programming, and procurement

1           *through work with partners and commu-*  
2           *nities that are underrepresented or tradi-*  
3           *tionally marginalized;*

4           *“(F) make recommendations to reduce any*  
5           *financial barriers to application, training, or*  
6           *enrollment in the Peace Corps, including medical*  
7           *expenses and other out-of-pocket costs; and”;*

8           *(2) in subsection (c), by amending paragraph*  
9           *(2) to read as follows:*

10          *“(2)(A) The Council shall be composed of 7 members*  
11          *who are United States citizens and are not being paid as*  
12          *officers or employees of the Peace Corps or of any other*  
13          *United States Government entity.*

14          *“(B) Of the 7 members of the Council—*

15                *“(i) 1 member shall be appointed by the Presi-*  
16                *dent;*

17                *“(ii) 3 members shall be appointed by the Presi-*  
18                *dent pro tempore of the Senate, of which—*

19                    *“(I) 2 members shall be appointed upon the*  
20                    *recommendation of the leader in the Senate of*  
21                    *the political party that is not the political party*  
22                    *of the President;*

23                    *“(II) 1 member shall be appointed upon the*  
24                    *recommendation of the leader in the Senate of*  
25                    *the political party of the President; and*

1           “(III) at least 2 members shall be former  
2           Peace Corps volunteers; and

3           “(iii) 3 members shall be appointed by the  
4           Speaker of the House of Representatives, of which—

5           “(I) 2 members shall be appointed upon the  
6           recommendation of the leader in the House of  
7           Representatives of the political party that is not  
8           the political party of the President;

9           “(II) 1 member shall be appointed upon the  
10          recommendation of the leader in the House of  
11          Representatives of the political party of the  
12          President; and

13          “(III) at least 2 members shall be former  
14          Peace Corps volunteers.

15          “(C) Council members shall be appointed to 2-year  
16          terms. No member of the Council may serve for more than  
17          2 consecutive 2-year terms.

18          “(D) Not later than 30 days after any vacancy occurs  
19          on the Council, the Director shall appoint an individual  
20          to fill such vacancy. Any Council member appointed to fill  
21          a vacancy occurring before the expiration of the term for  
22          which the member’s predecessor was appointed—

23                 “(i) shall be appointed for the remainder of such  
24          term; and

1           “(ii) may only serve on the Council for 1 addi-  
2           tional 2-year term.

3           “(E)(i) Except as provided in clause (ii), Council  
4 members shall not be subject to laws relating to Federal em-  
5 ployment, including laws relating to hours of work, rates  
6 of compensation, leave, unemployment compensation, and  
7 Federal employee benefits.

8           “(ii) Notwithstanding clause (i), Council members  
9 shall be deemed to be Federal employees for purposes of—

10           “(I) chapter 81 of title 5, United States Code  
11 (relating to compensation for work-related injuries);

12           “(II) chapter 11 of title 18, United States Code  
13 (relating to conflicts of interest);

14           “(III) chapter 171 of title 28, United States  
15 Code (relating to tort claims); and

16           “(IV) section 3721 of title 31 (relating to claims  
17 for damage to, or loss of, personal property incident  
18 to service).

19           “(F) Council members shall serve at the pleasure of  
20 the Director. The Council may remove a member from the  
21 Council by a vote of 5 members if the Council determines  
22 that such member—

23           “(i) committed malfeasance in office;

1           “(ii) persistently neglected, or was unable to suc-  
2           cessfully discharge, his or her duties on the Council;  
3           or

4           “(iii) committed an offense involving moral tur-  
5           pitude.”;

6           (3) in subsection (g)—

7                 (A) by striking “and at its first regular  
8                 meeting in each calendar year thereafter” and  
9                 inserting “at its first meeting each subsequent  
10                calendar year”; and

11               (B) by adding at the end the following:  
12                “The Chair and Vice Chair shall each serve in  
13                such capacity for a period not to exceed 2 years.  
14                The Director may renew the term of members  
15                appointed as Chair and Vice Chair under this  
16                subsection.”;

17           (4) in subsection (h), by amending paragraph  
18           (1) to read as follows:

19               “(1) The Council shall hold 1 regular meeting per  
20               quarter of each calendar year at a date and time to be deter-  
21               mined by the Chair of the Council or at the call of the Direc-  
22               tor.”; and

23           (5) by adding at the end the following:

24               “(k) INDEPENDENCE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL.—None  
25               of the activities or functions of the Council authorized under

1 subsection (b)(2) may undermine the independence or su-  
 2 perse the duties of the Inspector General of the Peace  
 3 Corps.”.

4 **SEC. 11. MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH BUREAU OF**  
 5 **DIPLOMATIC SECURITY OF THE DEPARTMENT**  
 6 **OF STATE.**

7 (a) *QUINQUENNIAL REVIEW AND UPDATE.*—Not later  
 8 than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act,  
 9 and at least once every 5 years, the Director of the Peace  
 10 Corps and the Assistant Secretary of State for Diplomatic  
 11 Security shall—

12 (1) review the Memorandum of Agreement be-  
 13 tween the Bureau of Diplomatic Security of the De-  
 14 partment of State and the Peace Corps regarding se-  
 15 curity support and protection of Peace Corps volun-  
 16 teers, and staff members abroad; and

17 (2) update such Memorandum of Agreement, as  
 18 appropriate.

19 (b) *NOTIFICATION.*—

20 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—The Director of the Peace  
 21 Corps and the Assistant Secretary of State for Diplo-  
 22 matic Security shall jointly submit any update to the  
 23 Memorandum of Agreement under subsection (a) to—

24 (A) the Committee on Foreign Relations of  
 25 the Senate; and



1                   (B) the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the  
2                   House of Representatives.

3                   (2) *TIMING OF NOTIFICATION.*—Each written no-  
4                   tification submitted pursuant to paragraph (1) shall  
5                   be submitted not later than 30 days before the update  
6                   referred to in such paragraph takes effect.

7 **SEC. 12. CLARIFICATION REGARDING ELIGIBILITY OF**  
8                   **UNITED STATES NATIONALS.**

9                   *The Peace Corps Act (22 U.S.C. 2501 et seq.), as*  
10 *amended by this Act, is further amended—*

11                   (1) *in section 7(a)(5) (22 U.S.C. 2506(a)(5)), by*  
12 *striking “United States citizens” each place such term*  
13 *appears and inserting “United States nationals of*  
14 *American Samoa and citizens of the United States”;*

15                   (2) *in section 8(b) (22 U.S.C. 2507(b)), by in-*  
16 *serting “United States nationals of American Samoa*  
17 *and” after “training for”;*

18                   (3) *in section 10(b) (22 U.S.C. 2509(b)), striking*  
19 *“any person not a citizen or resident of the United*  
20 *States” and inserting “any person who is not a*  
21 *United States national of American Samoa nor a cit-*  
22 *izen or resident of the United States”; and*

23                   (4) *in section 12(g) (22 U.S.C. 2511(g)), by in-*  
24 *serting “United States nationals of American Samoa*  
25 *or” after “who are”.*

1 **SEC. 13. WORKERS COMPENSATION FOR PEACE CORPS VOL-**  
2 **UNTEERS.**

3 *Section 8142(c) of title 5, United States Code, is*  
4 *amended by striking paragraphs (1) and (2) and inserting*  
5 *the following:*

6 *“(1) a volunteer injured on or after the date of*  
7 *the enactment of the Peace Corps Reauthorization Act*  
8 *of 2022 is deemed to be receiving monthly pay at the*  
9 *rate for GS–7, step 5;*

10 *“(2)(A) a volunteer or former volunteer whose*  
11 *injury occurred before the date of the enactment of the*  
12 *Peace Corps Reauthorization Act of 2022 shall have*  
13 *their disability compensation prospectively adjusted*  
14 *so that they are deemed receiving monthly pay at the*  
15 *rate for GS–7, step 5, unless such adjustment would*  
16 *result in a reduction of compensation payable;*

17 *“(B) benefits paid under section 8133 due to a*  
18 *death occurring before such date of enactment shall be*  
19 *prospectively adjusted to reflect the volunteer’s deemed*  
20 *receiving monthly pay at the rate for GS–7, step 5;*  
21 *and*

22 *“(C) nothing in this subsection may be construed*  
23 *to authorize the retroactive adjustment to the rate for*  
24 *GS–7, step 5 for compensation payable for any period*  
25 *before such date of enactment.”.*

1 **SEC. 14. SEXUAL ASSAULT ADVISORY COUNCIL.**

2       (a) *REPORT AND EXTENSION OF THE SEXUAL AS-*  
3 *SAULT ADVISORY COUNCIL.—Section 8D of the Peace Corps*  
4 *Act (22 U.S.C. 2507d) is amended—*

5           (1) *by amending subsection (d) to read as fol-*  
6 *lows:*

7       “(d) *REPORTS.—On an annual basis through the date*  
8 *specified in subsection (g), the Council shall submit a report*  
9 *to the Director of the Peace Corps, the Committee on For-*  
10 *ign Relations of the Senate, the Committee on Appropria-*  
11 *tions of the Senate, the Committee on Foreign Affairs of*  
12 *the House of Representatives, and the Committee on Appro-*  
13 *priations of the House of Representatives that describes its*  
14 *findings based on the reviews conducted pursuant to sub-*  
15 *section (c) and includes relevant recommendations. Each*  
16 *such report shall be made publicly available.”; and*

17           (2) *in subsection (g), by striking “October 1,*  
18 *2023” and inserting “October 1, 2027”.*

19 **SEC. 15. SUSPENSION WITHOUT PAY.**

20       Section 7 of the Peace Corps Act (22 U.S.C. 2506) is  
21 amended by inserting after subsection (a) the following:

22       “(b) *SUSPENSION WITHOUT PAY.—(1) The Peace*  
23 *Corps may suspend (without pay) any employee appointed*  
24 *or assigned under this section if the Director has determined*  
25 *that the employee engaged in serious misconduct that could*

1 *impact the efficiency of the service and could lead to re-*  
2 *moval for cause.*

3       “(2) *Any employee for whom a suspension without pay*  
4 *is proposed under this subsection shall be entitled to—*

5               “(A) *written notice stating the specific reasons*  
6 *for such proposed suspension;*

7               “(B)(i) *up to 15 days to respond orally or in*  
8 *writing to such proposed suspension if the employee*  
9 *is assigned in the United States; or*

10              “(ii) *up to 30 days to respond orally or in writ-*  
11 *ing to such proposed suspension if the employee is as-*  
12 *signed outside of the United States;*

13              “(C) *representation by an attorney or other rep-*  
14 *resentative, at the employee’s own expense;*

15              “(D) *a written decision, including the specific*  
16 *reasons for such decision, as soon as practicable;*

17              “(E) *a process through which the employee may*  
18 *submit an appeal to the Director of the Peace Corps*  
19 *not later than 10 business days after the issuance of*  
20 *a written decision; and*

21              “(F) *a final decision personally rendered by the*  
22 *Director of the Peace Corps not later than 30 days*  
23 *after the receipt of such appeal.*

1       “(3) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a  
2 final decision under paragraph (2)(F) shall be final and  
3 not subject to further review.

4       “(4) If the Director fails to establish misconduct by  
5 an employee under paragraph (1) and no disciplinary ac-  
6 tion is taken against such employee based upon the alleged  
7 grounds for the suspension, the employee shall be entitled  
8 to reinstatement, back pay, full benefits, and reimbursement  
9 of attorney fees of up to \$20,000.”.

10 **SEC. 16. OCEANIA PEACE CORPS PARTNERSHIPS.**

11       (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than one year after the  
12 date of the enactment of this Act, the Director of the Peace  
13 Corps shall submit to Congress a report on strategies to rea-  
14 sonably and safely expand the number of Peace Corps vol-  
15 unteers in the Indo-Pacific countries of Oceania, with the  
16 goals of—

17               (1) expanding the presence of the Peace Corps to  
18 all currently feasible locations in the Indo-Pacific  
19 countries of Oceania; and

20               (2) working with regional and international  
21 partners of the United States to expand the presence  
22 of Peace Corps volunteers in low-income communities  
23 in the Indo-Pacific countries of Oceania in support of  
24 climate resilience initiatives.

1       **(b) ELEMENTS.**—*The report required by subsection (a)*  
2 *shall—*

3           (1) *assess the factors contributing to the current*  
4 *absence of the Peace Corps and its volunteers in the*  
5 *Indo-Pacific countries of Oceania;*

6           (2) *examine potential remedies that include*  
7 *working with United States Government agencies and*  
8 *regional governments, including governments of*  
9 *United States allies—*

10           (A) *to increase the health infrastructure and*  
11 *medical evacuation capabilities of the Indo-Pa-*  
12 *cific countries of Oceania to better support the*  
13 *safety of Peace Corps volunteers while in those*  
14 *countries;*

15           (B) *to address physical safety concerns that*  
16 *have decreased the ability of the Peace Corps to*  
17 *operate in the Indo-Pacific countries of Oceania;*  
18 *and*

19           (C) *to increase transportation infrastruc-*  
20 *ture in the Indo-Pacific countries of Oceania to*  
21 *better support the travel of Peace Corps volun-*  
22 *teers and their access to necessary facilities;*

23           (3) *evaluate the potential to expand the deploy-*  
24 *ment of Peace Corps Response volunteers to help the*  
25 *Indo-Pacific countries of Oceania address social, eco-*

1        *conomic, and development needs of their communities*  
 2        *that require specific professional expertise; and*

3            *(4) explore potential new operational models to*  
 4        *address safety and security needs of Peace Corps vol-*  
 5        *unteers in the Indo-Pacific countries of Oceania, in-*  
 6        *cluding—*

7            *(A) changes to volunteer deployment dura-*  
 8        *tions; and*

9            *(B) scheduled redeployment of volunteers to*  
 10        *regional or United States-based healthcare facili-*  
 11        *ties for routine physical and behavioral health*  
 12        *evaluation.*

13        *(c) VOLUNTEERS IN LOW-INCOME OCEANIA COMMU-*  
 14        *NITIES.—*

15            *(1) IN GENERAL.—In examining the potential to*  
 16        *expand the presence of Peace Corps volunteers in low-*  
 17        *income communities in the Indo-Pacific countries of*  
 18        *Oceania under subsection (a)(2), the Director of the*  
 19        *Peace Corps shall consider the development of initia-*  
 20        *tives described in paragraph (2).*

21            *(2) INITIATIVES DESCRIBED.—Initiatives de-*  
 22        *scribed in this paragraph are volunteer initiatives*  
 23        *that help the Indo-Pacific countries of Oceania ad-*  
 24        *dress social, economic, and development needs of their*  
 25        *communities, including by—*

1           (A) addressing, through appropriate resil-  
2           ience-based interventions, the vulnerability that  
3           communities in the Indo-Pacific countries of  
4           Oceania face as result of extreme weather, severe  
5           environmental change, and other climate related  
6           trends; and

7           (B) improving, through smart infrastruc-  
8           ture principles, access to transportation and  
9           connectivity infrastructure that will help address  
10          the economic and social challenges that commu-  
11          nities in the Indo-Pacific countries of Oceania  
12          confront as a result of poor or nonexistent infra-  
13          structure.

14          (d) *INDO-PACIFIC COUNTRIES OF OCEANIA DE-*  
15 *FINED.*—The term “Indo-Pacific countries of Oceania”  
16 means Fiji, Kiribati, Republic of the Marshall Islands, Mi-  
17 cronesia, Nauru, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Sol-  
18 omon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu, and Vanuatu.

19 **SEC. 17. TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.**

20          The Peace Corps Act (22 U.S.C. 2501 et seq.), as  
21 amended by this Act, is further amended—

22           (1) by amending section 1 to read as follows:

23 **“SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.**

24          “(a) *SHORT TITLE.*—This Act may be cited as the  
25 ‘Peace Corps Act’.



1           “(b) *TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents for*  
 2 *this Act is as follows:*

“*TITLE I—THE PEACE CORPS*

- “*Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.*
- “*Sec. 2. Declaration of purpose.*
- “*Sec. 2A. Peace Corps as an independent agency.*
- “*Sec. 3. Authorization.*
- “*Sec. 4. Director of the Peace Corps and delegation of functions.*
- “*Sec. 5. Peace Corps volunteers.*
- “*Sec. 5A. Health care for volunteers at Peace Corps posts.*
- “*Sec. 5B. Codification of Executive orders relating to noncompetitive eligibility Federal hiring status for returning volunteers.*
- “*Sec. 5C. Extension of period of existing noncompetitive eligibility Federal hiring status for returning volunteers.*
- “*Sec. 6. Peace Corps volunteer leaders.*
- “*Sec. 7. Peace Corps employees.*
- “*Sec. 8. Volunteer training.*
- “*Sec. 8A. Sexual assault risk-reduction and response training.*
- “*Sec. 8B. Sexual assault policy.*
- “*Sec. 8C. Office of Victim Advocacy.*
- “*Sec. 8D. Establishment of Sexual Assault Advisory Council.*
- “*Sec. 8E. Volunteer feedback and Peace Corps review.*
- “*Sec. 8F. Establishment of a policy on stalking.*
- “*Sec. 8G. Establishment of a confidentiality protection policy.*
- “*Sec. 8H. Removal and assessment and evaluation.*
- “*Sec. 8I. Reporting requirements.*
- “*Sec. 9. Participation of foreign nationals.*
- “*Sec. 10. General powers and authorities.*
- “*Sec. 11. Reports.*
- “*Sec. 12. Peace Corps National Advisory Council.*
- “*Sec. 13. Experts and consultants.*
- “*Sec. 14. Detail of personnel to foreign governments and international organizations.*
- “*Sec. 15. Utilization of funds.*
- “*Sec. 16. Foreign Currency Fluctuations Account.*
- “*Sec. 17. Use of foreign currencies.*
- “*Sec. 18. Activities promoting Americans’ understanding of other peoples.*
- “*Sec. 19. Exclusive right to seal and name.*
- “*Sec. 22. Security investigations.*
- “*Sec. 23. Universal Military Training and Service Act.*
- “*Sec. 24. Foreign language proficiency.*
- “*Sec. 25. Nonpartisan appointments.*
- “*Sec. 26. Definitions.*
- “*Sec. 27. Construction.*
- “*Sec. 28. Effective date.*

“*TITLE II—AMENDMENT OF INTERNAL REVENUE CODE AND  
 SOCIAL SECURITY ACT*

“*TITLE III—ENCOURAGEMENT OF VOLUNTARY SERVICE PROGRAMS*

“*Sec. 301.* ”;

1           (2) *in section 2(a) (22 U.S.C. 2501(a))—*

2                 (A) *by striking “help the peoples” and in-*  
3 *serting “partner with the peoples”; and*

4                 (B) *by striking “manpower” and inserting*  
5 *“individuals”;*

6           (3) *in section 3 (22 U.S.C. 2502)—*

7                 (A) *by redesignating subsection (h) as sub-*  
8 *section (e); and*

9                 (B) *in subsection (e), as redesignated, by*  
10 *striking “disabled people” each place such term*  
11 *appears and inserting “people with disabilities”;*

12           (4) *in section 4(b) (22 U.S.C. 2503(b))—*

13                 (A) *by striking “him” and inserting “the*  
14 *President”;*

15                 (B) *by striking “he” and inserting “the Di-*  
16 *rector”;* and

17                 (C) *by striking “of his subordinates” and*  
18 *all that follows through “functions.” and insert-*  
19 *ing “subordinate of the Director the authority to*  
20 *perform any such function.”;*

21           (5) *in section 5 (22 U.S.C. 2504)—*

22                 (A) *in subsection (c), by striking “: Pro-*  
23 *vided, however,” and all that follows through*  
24 *“the amount” and inserting “. Under such cir-*  
25 *cumstances as the President may determine, the*

1           *accrued readjustment allowance, or any part*  
2           *thereof, may be paid to the volunteer, members*  
3           *of the volunteer’s family, or others, during the*  
4           *period of the volunteer’s service, or prior to the*  
5           *volunteer’s return to the United States. In the*  
6           *event of the volunteer’s death during the period*  
7           *of his service, the amount”;*

8           *(B) in subsection (h), by striking “he may*  
9           *determine” and inserting “the President may de-*  
10          *termine”;* and

11          *(C) in subsection (o) by striking “the date*  
12          *of his departure” and all that follows and insert-*  
13          *ing “the date of the volunteer’s departure from*  
14          *the volunteer’s place of residence to enter train-*  
15          *ing until not later than 3 months after the ter-*  
16          *mination of the volunteer’s service.”;*

17          *(6) in section 6(3) (22 U.S.C. 2505(3)), by strik-*  
18          *ing by striking “he may determine” and inserting*  
19          *“the President may determine”;*

20          *(7) in section 7 (22 U.S.C. 2506)—*

21          *(A) in subsection (a), by moving para-*  
22          *graphs (7) and (8) 2 ems to the left; and*

23          *(B) in subsection (b), as redesignated, by*  
24          *striking “in his discretion” and inserting “in the*  
25          *President’s discretion”;*

1           (8) *in section 8A (22 U.S.C. 2507a)—*

2                 (A) *in subsection (c), by striking “his or*  
3 *her” and inserting “the volunteer’s”;*

4                 (B) *in subsection (d)(2), by inserting “the”*  
5 *before “information”; and*

6                 (C) *in subsection (f)—*

7                     (i) *in paragraph (2)(A), by striking*  
8 *“his or her” each place such phrase appears*  
9 *and inserting “the volunteer’s”; and*

10                    (ii) *in paragraph (4)(A), by striking*  
11 *“his or her” and inserting “the person’s”;*

12           (9) *in section 8C(a) (22 U.S.C. 2507c(a)), in the*  
13 *subsection heading, by striking “VICTIMS” and insert-*  
14 *ing “VICTIM”;*

15           (10) *in section 8E (22 U.S.C. 2507e)—*

16                 (A) *in subsection (b), by striking “sub-*  
17 *section (c),,” and inserting “subsection (c),”;* and

18                 (B) *in subsection (e)(1)(F), by striking*  
19 *“Peace Corp’s mission” and inserting “Peace*  
20 *Corps’ mission”;*

21           (11) *in section 9 (22 U.S.C. 2508)—*

22                 (A) *by striking “under which he was admit-*  
23 *ted or who fails to depart from the United States*  
24 *at the expiration of the time for which he was*  
25 *admitted” and inserting “under which such per-*

1            *son was admitted or who fails to depart from the*  
2            *United States at the expiration of the period for*  
3            *which such person was admitted”; and*

4            *(B) by striking “Act proceedings” and in-*  
5            *serting “Act. Removal proceedings”;*

6            *(12) in section 10 (22 U.S.C. 2509)—*

7            *(A) in subsection (b), by striking “he may*  
8            *prescribe” and inserting “the President may pre-*  
9            *scribe”;*

10           *(B) in subsection (d), by striking “section*  
11           *3709 of the Revised Statutes of the United*  
12           *States, as amended, section 302 of the Federal*  
13           *Property and Administrative Services Act of*  
14           *1949”; and by inserting “sections 3101(a),*  
15           *3101(c), 3104, 3106, 3301(b)(2), and 6101 of*  
16           *title 41, United States Code”; and*

17           *(C) in subsection (j), by striking “of this*  
18           *section.”;*

19           *(13) in section 12(d)(1)(b) (22 U.S.C.*  
20           *2511(d)(1)(b)), by striking “his or her” and inserting*  
21           *“the member’s”;*

22           *(14) in section 14 (22 U.S.C. 2513)—*

23           *(A) in subsection (a), by striking “his agen-*  
24           *cy” and inserting “such agency”; and*

25           *(B) in subsection (b)—*

1                   (i) by striking “his allowance” and in-  
2                   serting “the”; and

3                   (ii) by striking “he”;

4                   (15) in section 15 (22 U.S.C. 2514)—

5                   (A) in subsection (c), by striking “that Act”  
6                   and inserting “that subchapter”; and

7                   (B) in subsection (d)(7), by striking “his  
8                   designee” and inserting “the Director’s des-  
9                   ignee”;

10                  (16) in section 19(a) (22 U.S.C. 2518(a)), by  
11                  striking “he shall determine” and inserting “the  
12                  President shall determine”;

13                  (17) in section 23 (22 U.S.C. 2520)—

14                  (A) in the section heading, by striking  
15                  “UNIVERSAL MILITARY TRAINING AND SERVICE”  
16                  and inserting “MILITARY SELECTIVE SERVICE”;  
17                  and

18                  (B) by striking “Universal Military Train-  
19                  ing and Service Act” and inserting “Military  
20                  Selective Service Act (50 U.S.C. 3801 et seq.)”;

21                  (18) in section 24—

22                  (A) by striking “he” each place such term  
23                  appears and inserting “the volunteer”; and

24                  (B) by striking “his” and inserting “the  
25                  volunteer’s”;

1           (19) in section 26—

2                   (A) by redesignating paragraphs (2)  
3 through (9) as paragraphs (3) through (10), re-  
4 spectively;

5                   (B) by inserting after paragraph (1) the fol-  
6 lowing:

7                   “(2) The term ‘Director’ means the Director of  
8 the Peace Corps.”;

9                   (C) in paragraph (5), as redesignated, by  
10 striking “he or she” and inserting “the medical  
11 officer”;

12                   (D) in paragraph (7), as redesignated, by  
13 striking “5(m)” and inserting “5(n)”; and

14                   (E) in paragraph (10), as redesignated—

15                           (i) by redesignating clauses (i) and (ii)  
16 as subparagraphs (A) and (B), respectively;  
17 and

18                           (ii) in subparagraph (A), as redesi-  
19 gnated, by striking “section 5(f)” and insert-  
20 ing “section 5(e)”; and

21                   (20) in section 301(a), by striking “manpower”  
22 each place such term appears and inserting “individ-  
23 uals”.

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