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the third day of January, two thousand and twenty*

An Act

Making consolidated appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2021,
providing coronavirus emergency response and relief, and for other purposes.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of
the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021”.

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(b) COOPERATION.—To avoid duplication of functions, facilities, and personnel, and to attain closer coordination and greater effectiveness and economy in administration of Federal and State law, where conduct by any person subject to the horseracing medication control program or the racetrack safety program may involve both a medication control or racetrack safety rule violation and violation of Federal or State law, the Authority and Federal or State law enforcement authorities shall cooperate and share information.

SEC. 1212. DETERMINATION OF BUDGETARY EFFECTS.

The budgetary effects of this Act, for the purpose of complying with the Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2010, shall be determined by reference to the latest statement titled “Budgetary Effects of PAYGO Legislation” for this Act, submitted for printing in the Congressional Record by the Chairman of the House Budget Committee, provided that such statement has been submitted prior to the vote on passage.

**TITLE XIII—COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANTS**

SEC. 1301. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANTS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Funds previously made available in chapter 9 of title X of the Disaster Relief Appropriations Act, 2013 (Public Law 113–2, division A; 127 Stat. 36) under the heading “DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT—Community Planning and Development—Community Development Fund” that were available for obligation through fiscal year 2017 are to remain available through fiscal year 2023 for the liquidation of valid obligations incurred in fiscal years 2013 through 2017.

(b) EMERGENCY.—Amounts repurposed pursuant to this section that were previously designated by the Congress as an emergency requirement pursuant to the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 are designated by the Congress as an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

**TITLE XIV—COVID-19 CONSUMER
PROTECTION ACT**

SEC. 1401. PROHIBITING DECEPTIVE ACTS OR PRACTICES IN CONNECTION WITH THE NOVEL CORONAVIRUS.

(a) SHORT TITLE.—This section may be cited as the “COVID-19 Consumer Protection Act”.

(b) IN GENERAL.—For the duration of a public health emergency declared pursuant to section 319 of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 247d) as a result of confirmed cases of the 2019 novel coronavirus (COVID-19), including any renewal thereof, it shall be unlawful for any person, partnership, or corporation to engage in a deceptive act or practice in or affecting commerce in violation of section 5(a) of the Federal Trade Commission Act (15 U.S.C. 45(a)) that is associated with—

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(1) the treatment, cure, prevention, mitigation, or diagnosis of COVID-19; or

(2) a government benefit related to COVID-19.

(c) ENFORCEMENT BY THE FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION.—

(1) VIOLATION.—A violation of subsection (b) shall be treated as a violation of a rule defining an unfair or deceptive act or practice prescribed under section 18(a)(1)(B) of the Federal Trade Commission Act (15 U.S.C. 57a(a)(1)(B)).

(2) POWERS OF THE FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The Federal Trade Commission shall enforce subsection (b) in the same manner, by the same means, and with the same jurisdiction, powers, and duties as though all applicable terms and provisions of the Federal Trade Commission Act (15 U.S.C. 41 et seq.) were incorporated into and made a part of this Act.

(B) PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES.—Any person who violates this Act shall be subject to the penalties and entitled to the privileges and immunities provided in the Federal Trade Commission Act.

(3) EFFECT ON OTHER LAWS.—Nothing in this Act shall be construed to limit the authority of the Federal Trade Commission under any other provision of law.

(d) SEVERABILITY.—If any provision of this Act, or the application thereof to any person or circumstance, is held invalid, the remainder of this Act and the application of such provision to other persons not similarly situated or to other circumstances shall not be affected by the invalidation.

TITLE XV—AMERICAN COMPETE ACT

SEC. 1501. AMERICAN COMPETITIVENESS OF A MORE PRODUCTIVE EMERGING TECH ECONOMY.

(a) SHORT TITLE.—This title may be cited as the “American Competitiveness Of a More Productive Emerging Tech Economy Act” or the “American COMPETE Act”.

(b) STUDY TO ADVANCE ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—

(A) STUDY REQUIRED.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Commerce and the Federal Trade Commission shall complete a study on the state of the artificial intelligence industry and the impact of such industry on the United States economy.

(B) REQUIREMENTS FOR STUDY.—In conducting the study, the Secretary and the Commission shall—

(i) develop and conduct a survey of the artificial intelligence industry through outreach to participating entities as appropriate to—

(I) establish a list of industry sectors that implement and promote the use of artificial intelligence;

(II) establish a list of public-private partnerships focused on promoting the adoption and use of artificial intelligence, as well as industry-based bodies, including international bodies, which have developed, or are developing, mandatory or voluntary standards for artificial intelligence;