

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 17, 1975

The President
of the Senate

Sir:

I ask the Congress to consider amendments to the request for appropriations transmitted in the budget for fiscal year 1976 and for the transition period, July 1, 1976 to September 30, 1976, totalling \$7,812,000 for the Department of Labor.

The details of this proposal are set forth in the enclosed letter from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, with whose comments and observations I concur.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Gerald R. Ford". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent "G" and "F".

Enclosure

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
 OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET
 WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

July 17, 1975

The President

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Sir:

I have the honor to submit for your consideration amendments to the requests for appropriations transmitted in the budget for fiscal year 1976. The amendments involve increases for the Department of Labor in the amounts of \$6,250,000 for fiscal year 1976 and \$1,562,000 for the transition period, July 1, 1976, to September 30, 1976, as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

EMPLOYMENT STANDARDS ADMINISTRATION

1976 Budget appendix page	Heading	1976 Budget Request	1976 Proposed Amendment	1976 Revised Request
624	Salaries and expenses	79,715,000	6,250,000	85,965,000

1976 Budget appendix page	Heading	Transition Period Budget Request	Transition Period Proposed Amendment	Transition Period Revised Request
624	Salaries and expenses	19,929,000	1,562,000	21,491,000

The proposed budget amendments would provide for additional resources to carry out enforcement activities resulting from the unexpected increase in workload under the Fair Labor Standards Act amendments of 1974 and the added responsibilities of administering the requirements in the Vietnam Era Veterans Readjustment Act of 1974 that Federal contractors take affirmative action to employ veterans. Funds would also be provided for automation of the claims processing and payment activities of the Federal Employees Compensation Act in order to improve services and reduce backlog.

I have carefully reviewed the proposal for appropriations contained in this document and am satisfied that this request is necessary at this time. I recommend, therefore, that this proposal be transmitted to the Congress.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James L. ...", written in a cursive style.

Enclosure