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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 7, 1975

The Speaker of the

House of Representatives

Sir:

I ask the Congress to consider proposed supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year 1976 in the amount of \$5,461,200,000 and for the transition quarter in the amount of \$10,800,000 for the Department of Labor.

The details of these proposals are set forth in the enclosed letter from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget. I concur in his comments and observations.

Respectfully,

Gerald R. Ford

Estimate No.

94th Corress, 1st Session



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

October 7, 1975

The President

The White House

Sir:

I have the honor to submit for your consideration proposed supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year 1976 in the amount of \$5,461,200,000 and for the transition quarter in the amount of \$10,800,000 for the Department of Labor.

The details to these requests are contained in the enclosure to this letter. I have carefully reviewed the proposal for appropriations contained in these documents and am satisfied that these requests are necessary at this time. I recommend, therefore, that these proposals be transmitted to the Congress.

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Aspectfully

James T. Director

Enclosure

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR Manpower Administration

Grants to States for Unemployment Insurance and Employment Services

For an additional amount which may be expended for "Grants to states for unemployment insurance and employment services", from the Employment Security Administration account in the Unemployment Trust Fund, \$364,100,000, to remain available until September 30, 1977, which shall be available only to the extent necessary to meet increased costs of administration resulting from changes in a State law or increases in the number of unemployment insurance claims filed and claims paid or increased salary costs resulting from changes in State salary compensation plans embracing employees of the State generally over those upon which the State's basic grant was based, which cannot be provided for by normal budgetary adjustments.

These additional funds are needed to finance the processing of increased levels of unemployment insurance claims, and related employment service activities, increased in part, by Public Law 94-45.

Advances to the Unemployment Trust Fund and Other Funds

For repayable advances to the Unemployment Trust Fund, as authorized by Section 905 (d) and 1203 of the Social Security Act, as amended, and for non-repayable advances to the "Federal unemployment benefits and allowances" account, to remain available until September 30, 1977, \$5,000,000,000.

These funds would provide repayable advances to either the Extended unemployment compensation account or the Federal unemployment account of the Unemployment Trust Fund and would also be available to cover payments from the Federal unemployment benefits and allowances account. These funds are needed under currently anticipated levels of unemployment to assure that advances can

be made to States whose resources for unemployment benefits are exhausted and that the Federal Government can pay its share of extended and supplemental unemployment insurance, as well as unemployment benefits for ex-servicemen, Federal employees, those certified by the Department of Labor as unemployed because of imports, and workers not covered by other unemployment compensation programs.

Employment Standards Administration Special Benefits

For an additional amount for "Special benefits", \$97,100,000.

For an additional amount for "Special benefits" for the period July 1, 1976, through September 30, 1976, \$10,800,000.

These funds are needed to cover the increasing numbers and amounts of medical and compensation claims under the Federal Employees Compensation Act and the use of approximately \$29.9 million in 1976 budget authority to meet 1975 needs.