

118TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

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To provide emergency appropriations for continuing operations of the Merchant Marine Academy in the event of a funding gap.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. WICKER introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on _____

A BILL

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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. EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS FOR**
4 **CONTINUING OPERATIONS OF THE UNITED**
5 **STATES MERCHANT MARINE ACADEMY DUR-**
6 **ING FUNDING GAP.**

7 (a) APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS FOR OPERATIONS.—

8 During a funding gap, the Secretary of the Treasury shall
9 make available to the Secretary of Transportation, out of
10 any amounts in the general fund of the Treasury not oth-

1 erwise appropriated, such amounts as the Secretary of
2 Transportation determines to be necessary to continue to
3 provide (without interruption) for the following:

4 (1) Continuing operations of the United States
5 Merchant Marine Academy during the funding gap.

6 (2) At the discretion of the Secretary of Trans-
7 portation, pay and allowances for such civilian per-
8 sonnel of the Merchant Marine Academy who are
9 providing support for the operations described in
10 paragraph (1) as the Secretary considers appro-
11 priate.

12 (3) At the discretion of the Secretary of Trans-
13 portation, pay and allowances for such contractor
14 personnel at the Merchant Marine Academy who are
15 providing support for the operations described in
16 paragraph (1) as the Secretary considers appro-
17 priate.

18 (b) FUNDING GAP DEFINED.—In this section, the
19 term “funding gap” means any period of time after the
20 beginning of a fiscal year for which interim or full-year
21 appropriations for accounts for the operations of the
22 United States Merchant Marine Academy for that fiscal
23 year have not been enacted.