

AMENDMENT NO. _____ Calendar No. _____

Purpose: In the nature of a substitute.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES—114th Cong., 1st Sess.

S. 1115

To close out expired, empty grant accounts.

Referred to the Committee on _____ and
ordered to be printed

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AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE intended
to be proposed by Mr. JOHNSON

Viz:

1 Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the fol-
2 lowing:

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Grants Oversight and
5 New Efficiency Act” or the “GONE Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. IDENTIFYING AND CLOSING OUT EXPIRED GRANTS.**

7 (a) EXPIRED GRANT REPORT.—

8 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days
9 after the date of enactment of this Act, the Director
10 of the Office of Management and Budget shall in-
11 struct the head of each agency, in coordination with
12 the Secretary, to submit to Congress and the Sec-
13 retary a report, not later than December 31 of the

1 first calendar year beginning after the date of enact-
2 ment of this Act, that—

3 (A) lists each covered grant held by the
4 United States Government;

5 (B) recommends which of the covered
6 grants described in subparagraph (A) should be
7 closed; and

8 (C) for each covered grant, explains why
9 the covered grant has not been closed out.

10 (2) USE OF DATA SYSTEMS.—An agency may
11 use existing multiagency data systems in order to
12 submit the report required under paragraph (1).

13 (3) EXPLANATION OF MISSING INFORMATION.—
14 If an agency is unable to submit all of the informa-
15 tion required to be included in the report under
16 paragraph (1), the report shall include an expla-
17 nation of why the information was not available, in-
18 cluding any shortcomings with existing grant data
19 systems.

20 (b) NOTICE FROM AGENCIES.—

21 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after
22 the date on which the head of an agency submits the
23 report required under subsection (a), the head of the
24 agency shall provide notice to the Secretary speci-
25 fying whether the head of the agency has closed out

1 grant awards associated with all of the covered
2 grants.

3 (2) NOTICE TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 90
4 days after the date on which the head of an agency
5 provides notice to the Secretary under paragraph
6 (1), the head of the agency shall provide the same
7 notice to Congress.

8 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section—

9 (1) the term “agency” has the meaning given
10 that term in section 551 of title 5, United States
11 Code;

12 (2) the term “close out” means a close out of
13 a grant account conducted in accordance with sec-
14 tion 200 of title 2, Code of Federal Regulations, in-
15 cluding section 200.343 of such title, or any suc-
16 cessor thereto;

17 (3) the term “covered grant” means a grant in
18 a Federal agency cash payment management system
19 held by the United States Government for which—

20 (A) the grant award period of perform-
21 ance, including any extensions, has been expired
22 for not less than 2 years; and

23 (B) close out has not yet occurred in ac-
24 cordance with section 200.343 of title 2, Code

1 of Federal Regulations, or any successor there-
2 to; and
3 (4) the term “Secretary” means the Secretary
4 of Health and Human Services.