



### State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs

The fiscal year 2024 State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs (SFOPS) funding bill invests \$58.3 billion in United States global leadership and cooperation. The bill is \$3.4 billion below fiscal year 2023 and \$18 billion above House Republicans proposed SFOPS bill. The bill rejects the \$11 billion rescission from Environmental Protection Agency programs in the Inflation Reduction Act as included in House Republican's SFOPS bill.

This legislation:

- Invests in Global Health by including \$10 billion to support the health of families and communities around the world.
- Rejects the House Republican proposal to zero out the UN regular budget and voluntary contributions and restores \$3.3 billion for international organizations and meeting our treaty obligations.
- Supports the operations of United States Embassies, diplomats, and development workers around the world representing the best of the United States to foreign nations.
- Provides \$8.9 billion for international security assistance to allies and partners globally through international narcotics control and law enforcement activities, antiterrorism programs, nonproliferation programs, peacekeeping operations, and other critical international security efforts.
- Supports the most vulnerable with \$8.7 billion in humanitarian assistance under the accounts Migration & Refugee Assistance (MRA), U.S. Emergency Refugee & Migration Assistance (ERMA), and International Disaster Assistance (IDA) to address the historic levels of global displacement and humanitarian need resulting from natural disasters, economic strain from the pandemic, and the worldwide impact of Russia's aggression in Ukraine.
- Promotes gender equality by providing \$200 million for the Gender Equity and Equality Action Fund, \$50 million to support women's leadership, \$250 million to prevent and respond to gender-based violence, and \$150 million to support the Women, Peace and Security Strategy.
- Eliminates House Republican attempts to reinstate the Mexico City policy and reduce access to family planning and reproductive health.

This legislation rejects poison pill riders in the House bill including policies that would have:

- Prohibited the promotion or advancement of Critical Race Theory.
- Prohibited the implementation of three executive orders related to diversity, equity, and inclusion.
- Prohibited funds for gender-affirming care or organizations that provide services or affirm the existence of transgender youth.
- Prohibited funds to implement the Arms Trade Treaty.
- Withheld 15 percent of the Secretary of State's budget until Remain in Mexico agreements are implemented, consistent with directives provided in House Republican's extreme border bill (H.R. 2).
- Prohibited funding for the Office of Palestinian Affairs.
- Prohibited funds for the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration.
- Prohibited economic support to Mexico.
- Prohibited the Art in Embassies program.
- Cut the salary of the Secretary of State to \$1.

### **Bill Summary**

The fiscal year 2024 SFOPS bill includes:

#### **Funds for Critical Agencies –**

- \$9.4 billion to support the operation of our diplomatic presence overseas for the **Department of State's Diplomatic Programs** and \$1.7 billion for **USAID's Operating Expenses**.
- \$867 million for the **United States Agency for Global Media**, protecting access to accurate and timely news to people internationally including through \$43.5 million for the Open Technology Fund to advance internet freedom.
- \$430.5 million for **Peace Corps**.
- \$930 million for the **Millennium Challenge Corporation**.

#### **Global Health –**

- \$6 billion for the **U.S. President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR)**, including \$1.65 billion for the Global Fund.
- \$4 billion for programs to improve **maternal and child health and fight infectious diseases**, \$362 million above the House SFOPS bill for fiscal year 2024.
- Removes the prohibition of support to the **World Health Organization** as proposed by the House SFOPS bill for fiscal year 2024.

- Supports reproductive health by providing \$575 million for voluntary **family planning** and \$32.5 million for the **UN Population Fund**.

#### **Climate and Environment Initiatives –**

- Includes \$1.5 billion for bilateral and multilateral **climate and other environmental programs**.
- Restores U.S. support to the **Clean Technology Fund and Special Presidential Envoy for Climate**.
- Removes the prohibition on the **Green Climate Fund**.
- Allows the use of funds to carry out President Biden’s executive orders related to climate change.

#### **Critical Country and Regional Programs –**

- **International Boundary and Water Commission**: \$220.9 million, \$110 million more than fiscal year 2023.
- **Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia (AEECA)**: \$770 million for the countries of Eastern Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia.
- **Taiwan**: Provides \$300 million from the Foreign Military Financing Program to support loans and loan guarantees for Taiwan.
- **Countering Russian Influence Fund**: \$300 million.
- **Countering the People's Republic of China (PRC) Influence Fund**: \$400 million, an increase of \$75 million above the fiscal year 2023.
- Promotes a free and open **Indo-Pacific** by providing over \$1.8 billion to help counter the growing influence of the PRC in developing countries.
- Directs, for the first time, \$125 million to **counter fentanyl and other synthetic drugs coming from other countries into the United States**.
- Supports an additional 12,000 **Special Immigrant Visas** for Afghans that assisted the United States.
- Allows United States participation in the **Poverty Reduction and Growth Trust** to address debt distress in low income countries, unlocking \$21 billion in lending to address balance of payment crises.
- Includes a prohibition on contributions to the **UN Relief and Works Agency** until March 2025. Due to Biden Administration policy, there is no near term effect of this language which is included in Division G.