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# 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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Rehabilitation for Mul-  
5 tiemployer Pensions Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. PENSION REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION; ES-**  
2 **TABLISHMENT; POWERS.**

3 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established in the  
4 Department of the Treasury an agency to be known as  
5 the “Pension Rehabilitation Administration”.

6 (b) DIRECTOR.—

7 (1) ESTABLISHMENT OF POSITION.—There  
8 shall be at the head of the Pension Rehabilitation  
9 Administration a Director, who shall be appointed  
10 by the President.

11 (2) TERM.—

12 (A) IN GENERAL.—The term of office of  
13 the Director shall be 5 years.

14 (B) SERVICE UNTIL APPOINTMENT OF  
15 SUCCESSOR.—An individual serving as Director  
16 at the expiration of a term may continue to  
17 serve until a successor is appointed.

18 (3) POWERS.—

19 (A) APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY DIREC-  
20 TORS, OFFICERS, AND EMPLOYEES.—The Di-  
21 rector may appoint Deputy Directors, officers,  
22 and employees, including attorneys, in accord-  
23 ance with chapter 51 and subchapter III of  
24 chapter 53 of title 5, United States Code.

25 (B) CONTRACTING.—

1           (i) IN GENERAL.—The Director may  
2           contract for financial and administrative  
3           services (including those related to budget  
4           and accounting, financial reporting, per-  
5           sonnel, and procurement) with the General  
6           Services Administration, or such other  
7           Federal agency as the Director determines  
8           appropriate, for which payment shall be  
9           made in advance, or by reimbursement,  
10          from funds of the Pension Rehabilitation  
11          Administration in such amounts as may be  
12          agreed upon by the Director and the head  
13          of the Federal agency providing the serv-  
14          ices.

15          (ii) SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATIONS.—  
16          Contract authority under clause (i) shall be  
17          effective for any fiscal year only to the ex-  
18          tent that appropriations are available for  
19          that purpose.

20          (c) TRANSFER OF FUNDS.—The Secretary of the  
21          Treasury may transfer for any fiscal year, from unobli-  
22          gated amounts appropriated to the Department of the  
23          Treasury, to the Pension Rehabilitation Administration  
24          such sums as may be reasonably necessary for the admin-

1 istrative and operating expenses of the Pension Rehabilita-  
2 tion Administration.

3 **SEC. 3. PENSION REHABILITATION TRUST FUND.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter A of chapter 98 of the  
5 Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by adding at  
6 the end the following new section:

7 **“SEC. 9512. PENSION REHABILITATION TRUST FUND.**

8 “(a) CREATION OF TRUST FUND.—There is estab-  
9 lished in the Treasury of the United States a trust fund  
10 to be known as the ‘Pension Rehabilitation Trust Fund’  
11 (hereafter in this section referred to as the ‘Fund’), con-  
12 sisting of such amounts as may be appropriated or cred-  
13 ited to such Trust Fund as provided in this section and  
14 section 9602(b).

15 “(b) TRANSFERS TO FUND.—

16 “(1) AMOUNTS ATTRIBUTABLE TO TREASURY  
17 BONDS.—There shall be credited to the Fund the  
18 amounts transferred under section 6(b) of the Reha-  
19 bilitation for Multiemployer Pensions Act.

20 “(2) LOAN INTEREST AND PRINCIPAL.—

21 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The Director of the  
22 Pension Rehabilitation Administration estab-  
23 lished under section 2 of the Rehabilitation for  
24 Multiemployer Pensions Act shall deposit in the  
25 Fund any amounts received from a plan as pay-

1           ment of interest or principal on a loan under  
2           section 4 of such Act.

3           “(B) INTEREST.—For purposes of sub-  
4           paragraph (A), the term ‘interest’ includes  
5           points and other similar amounts.

6           “(3) TRANSFERS FROM SECRETARY.—The Di-  
7           rector of the Pension Rehabilitation Administration  
8           shall deposit in the Fund any amounts received from  
9           the Secretary under section 2(c) of such Act.

10          “(4) AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.—Amounts cred-  
11          ited to or deposited in the Fund shall remain avail-  
12          able until expended.

13          “(c) EXPENDITURES FROM FUND.—Amounts in the  
14          Fund are available without further appropriation to the  
15          Pension Rehabilitation Administration—

16                 “(1) for the purpose of making the loans de-  
17                 scribed in section 4 of the Rehabilitation for Multi-  
18                 employer Pensions Act,

19                 “(2) for the payment of principal and interest  
20                 on bonds issued under section 6 of such Act, and

21                 “(3) for administrative and operating expenses  
22                 of such Administration.”.

23          (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections  
24          for subchapter A of chapter 98 of the Internal Revenue

1 Code of 1986 is amended by adding at the end the fol-  
2 lowing new item:

“Sec. 9512. Pension Rehabilitation Trust Fund.”.

3 **SEC. 4. LOAN PROGRAM FOR MULTIEMPLOYER DEFINED**  
4 **BENEFIT PLANS.**

5 (a) LOAN AUTHORITY.—

6 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Pension Rehabilitation  
7 Administration established under section 2 is au-  
8 thorized—

9 (A) to make loans to multiemployer plans  
10 (as defined in section 414(f) of the Internal  
11 Revenue Code of 1986) which are defined ben-  
12 efit plans (as defined in section 414(j) of such  
13 Code) and which—

14 (i) are in critical and declining status  
15 (within the meaning of section 432(b)(6)  
16 of such Code and section 305(b)(6) of the  
17 Employee Retirement Income Security Act  
18 of 1974), including any plan with respect  
19 to which a suspension of benefits has been  
20 approved under section 432(e)(9) of such  
21 Code and section 305(e)(9) of such Act; or

22 (ii) are insolvent for purposes of sec-  
23 tion 418E of such Code, if they became in-  
24 solvent after December 16, 2014, and have  
25 not been terminated; and

1 (B) subject to subsection (b), to establish  
2 appropriate terms for such loans.

3 (2) CONSULTATION.—The Director of the Pen-  
4 sion Rehabilitation Administration shall consult with  
5 the Secretary of the Treasury, the Secretary of  
6 Labor, and the Director of the Pension Benefit  
7 Guaranty Corporation before making any loan under  
8 paragraph (1), and shall share with such persons the  
9 application and plan information with respect to  
10 each such loan.

11 (3) ESTABLISHMENT OF LOAN PROGRAM.—

12 (A) IN GENERAL.—A program to make the  
13 loans authorized under this section shall be es-  
14 tablished not later than April 30, 2019, with  
15 guidance regarding such program to be promul-  
16 gated by the Director of the Pension Rehabilita-  
17 tion Administration, in consultation with the  
18 Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation and the  
19 Department of Labor, not later than July 1,  
20 2019.

21 (B) LOANS AUTHORIZED BEFORE PRO-  
22 GRAM DATE.—Without regard to whether the  
23 program under subparagraph (A) has been es-  
24 tablished, a plan may apply for a loan under  
25 this section before either date described in such

1           subparagraph, and the Pension Rehabilitation  
2           Administration shall approve the application  
3           and make the loan before establishment of the  
4           program if necessary to avoid any suspension of  
5           the accrued benefits of participants.

6           (b) LOAN TERMS.—The terms of any loan made  
7           under subsection (a) shall state that—

8                   (1) the plan shall make payments of interest on  
9           the loan for a period of 29 years beginning on the  
10          date of the loan;

11                   (2) final payment of interest and principal shall  
12          be due in the 30th year after the date of the loan;  
13          and

14                   (3) as a condition of the loan, the plan sponsor  
15          stipulates that—

16                           (A) except as provided in subparagraph  
17                           (B), the plan will not increase benefits, allow  
18                           any employer participating in the plan to re-  
19                           duce its contributions, or accept any collective  
20                           bargaining agreement which provides for re-  
21                           duced contribution rates, during the 30-year pe-  
22                           riod described in paragraphs (1) and (2);

23                           (B) in the case of a plan with respect to  
24                           which a suspension of benefits has been ap-  
25                           proved under section 432(e)(9) of the Internal



1 Revenue Code of 1986 and section 305(e)(9) of  
2 the Employee Retirement Income Security Act  
3 of 1974, or under section 418E of such Code,  
4 before the loan, the plan will reinstate the sus-  
5 pended benefits (or will not carry out any sus-  
6 pension which has been approved but not yet  
7 implemented);

8 (C) the plan sponsor will comply with the  
9 requirements of section 6059A of the Internal  
10 Revenue Code of 1986; and

11 (D) the plan and plan administrator will  
12 meet such other requirements as the Director of  
13 the Pension Rehabilitation Administration pro-  
14 vides in the loan terms.

15 (c) LOAN APPLICATION.—

16 (1) IN GENERAL.—In applying for a loan under  
17 subsection (a), the plan sponsor shall—

18 (A) demonstrate that, except as provided  
19 in subparagraph (C)—

20 (i) the loan will enable the plan to  
21 avoid insolvency for at least the 30-year  
22 period described in paragraphs (1) and (2)  
23 of subsection (b) or, in the case of a plan  
24 which is already insolvent, to emerge from

1           insolvency within and avoid insolvency for  
2           the remainder of such period; and

3                   (ii) the plan is reasonably expected to  
4           be able to pay benefits and the interest on  
5           the loan during such period and to accu-  
6           mulate sufficient funds to repay the prin-  
7           cipal when due;

8           (B) provide the information necessary to  
9           determine the loan amount under subsection  
10          (d);

11           (C) stipulate whether the plan is also ap-  
12          plying for financial assistance under section  
13          4261(d) of the Employee Retirement Income  
14          Security Act of 1974 (29 U.S.C. 1431(d)) in  
15          combination with the loan to enable the plan to  
16          avoid insolvency and to pay benefits, or is al-  
17          ready receiving such financial assistance as a  
18          result of a previous application;

19           (D) state in what manner the loan pro-  
20          ceeds will be invested pursuant to subsection  
21          (d), the person from whom any annuity con-  
22          tracts under such subsection will be purchased,  
23          and the person who will be the investment man-  
24          ager for any portfolio implemented under such  
25          subsection; and

1 (E) include such other information and  
2 certifications as the Director of the Pension Re-  
3 habilitation Administration shall require.

4 (2) STANDARD FOR ACCEPTING ACTUARIAL AND  
5 PLAN SPONSOR DETERMINATIONS AND DEMONSTRA-  
6 TIONS IN THE APPLICATION.—In evaluating the plan  
7 sponsor’s application, the Director of the Pension  
8 Rehabilitation Administration shall accept the deter-  
9 minations and demonstrations in the application un-  
10 less the Director, in consultation with the Director  
11 of the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation and  
12 the Secretary of Labor, concludes that the deter-  
13 minations and demonstrations in the application  
14 were clearly erroneous.

15 (3) REQUIRED ACTION; DEEMED APPROVAL.—  
16 The Director of the Pension Rehabilitation Adminis-  
17 tration shall approve or deny any application under  
18 this subsection within 90 days after the submission  
19 of such application. An application shall be deemed  
20 approved unless, within such 90 days, the Director  
21 notifies the plan sponsor that the determinations or  
22 demonstrations in the application were deemed clear-  
23 ly erroneous under paragraph (2). Any approval or  
24 denial of an application by the Director of the Pen-  
25 sion Rehabilitation Administration shall be treated

1 as a final agency action for purposes of section 704  
2 of title 5, United States Code.

3 (4) CERTAIN PLANS REQUIRED TO APPLY.—

4 The plan sponsor of any plan with respect to which  
5 a suspension of benefits has been approved under  
6 section 432(e)(9) of the Internal Revenue Code of  
7 1986 and section 305(e)(9) of the Employee Retirement  
8 Income Security Act of 1974 or under section  
9 418E of such Code, before the date of the enactment  
10 of this Act shall apply for a loan under this section.

11 The Director of the Pension Rehabilitation Adminis-  
12 tration shall provide for such plan sponsors to use  
13 the simplified application under subsection  
14 (d)(2)(B).

15 (d) LOAN AMOUNT AND USE.—

16 (1) AMOUNT OF LOAN.—

17 (A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in  
18 subparagraph (B) and paragraph (2), the  
19 amount of any loan under subsection (a) shall  
20 be, as demonstrated by the plan sponsor on the  
21 application under subsection (c), the amount  
22 needed to purchase annuity contracts or to im-  
23 plement a portfolio described in paragraph  
24 (3)(C) (or a combination of the two) sufficient  
25 to provide benefits of participants and bene-

1           ficiaries of the plan in pay status at the time  
2           the loan is made.

3           (B) PLANS WITH SUSPENDED BENE-  
4           FITS.—In the case of a plan which has sus-  
5           pended benefits under section 432(e)(9) of the  
6           Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and section  
7           305(e)(9) of the Employee Retirement Income  
8           Security Act of 1974 (29 U.S.C. 1085(e)(9)) or  
9           under section 418E of such Code—

10                   (i) the suspension of benefits shall not  
11                   be taken into account in applying para-  
12                   graph (1); and

13                   (ii) the loan amount shall be the  
14                   amount sufficient to provide benefits of  
15                   participants and beneficiaries of the plan  
16                   in pay status at the time the loan is made,  
17                   determined without regard to the suspen-  
18                   sion, including retroactive payment of ben-  
19                   efits which would otherwise have been pay-  
20                   able during the period of the suspension.

21           (2) COORDINATION WITH PBGC FINANCIAL AS-  
22           SISTANCE.—

23                   (A) IN GENERAL.—In the case of a plan  
24                   which is also applying for financial assistance  
25                   under section 4261(d) of the Employee Retire-

1           ment Income Security Act of 1974 (29 U.S.C.  
2           1431(d))—

3                   (i) the plan sponsor shall submit the  
4                   loan application and the application for fi-  
5                   nancial assistance jointly to the Pension  
6                   Rehabilitation Administration and the Pen-  
7                   sion Benefit Guaranty Corporation with  
8                   the information necessary to determine the  
9                   amount under subparagraph (B); and

10                   (ii) if such financial assistance is  
11                   granted, the amount of the loan under sub-  
12                   section (a) shall be the amount described  
13                   in paragraph (1) reduced by the amount of  
14                   such financial assistance.

15                   (B) PLANS ALREADY RECEIVING PBGC AS-  
16                   SISTANCE.—The Director of the Pension Reha-  
17                   bilitation Administration shall provide for a  
18                   simplified application for the loan under this  
19                   section which may be used by an insolvent plan  
20                   which has not been terminated and which is al-  
21                   ready receiving financial assistance (other than  
22                   under section 4261(d) of such Act) from the  
23                   Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation at the  
24                   time of the application for the loan under this  
25                   section.

1 (3) USE OF LOAN FUNDS.—

2 (A) IN GENERAL.—The loan received  
3 under subsection (a) shall be used to purchase  
4 annuity contracts which meet the requirements  
5 of subparagraph (B) or to implement a port-  
6 folio described in subparagraph (C) (or a com-  
7 bination of the two) to provide the benefits de-  
8 scribed in paragraph (1).

9 (B) ANNUITY CONTRACT REQUIRE-  
10 MENTS.—The annuity contracts purchased  
11 under subparagraph (A) shall be issued by an  
12 insurance company which is licensed to do busi-  
13 ness under the laws of any State and which is  
14 rated A or better by a nationally recognized sta-  
15 tistical rating organization, and the purchase of  
16 such contracts shall meet all applicable fidu-  
17 ciary standards under the Employee Retirement  
18 Income Security Act of 1974.

19 (C) PORTFOLIO.—

20 (i) IN GENERAL.—A portfolio de-  
21 scribed in this subparagraph is—

22 (I) a cash matching portfolio or  
23 duration matching portfolio consisting  
24 of investment grade (as rated by a na-  
25 tionally recognized statistical rating

1 organization) fixed income invest-  
2 ments, including United States dollar-  
3 denominated public or private debt  
4 obligations issued or guaranteed by  
5 the United States or a foreign issuer,  
6 which are tradeable in United States  
7 currency and are issued at fixed or  
8 zero coupon rates; or

9 (II) any other portfolio pre-  
10 scribed by the Secretary of the Treas-  
11 ury in regulations which has a similar  
12 risk profile to the portfolios described  
13 in subclause (I) and is equally protec-  
14 tive of the interests of participants  
15 and beneficiaries.

16 Once implemented, such a portfolio shall  
17 be maintained until all liabilities to partici-  
18 pants and beneficiaries in pay status at the  
19 time of the loan are satisfied.

20 (ii) FIDUCIARY DUTY.—Any invest-  
21 ment manager of a portfolio under this  
22 subparagraph shall acknowledge in writing  
23 that such person is a fiduciary under the  
24 Employee Retirement Income Security Act  
25 of 1974 with respect to the plan.



1 (iii) TREATMENT OF PARTICIPANTS  
2 AND BENEFICIARIES.—Participants and  
3 beneficiaries covered by a portfolio under  
4 this subparagraph shall continue to be  
5 treated as participants and beneficiaries of  
6 the plan.

7 (D) ACCOUNTING.—

8 (i) IN GENERAL.—Annuity contracts  
9 purchased and portfolios implemented  
10 under this paragraph shall be accounted  
11 for separately from the other assets of the  
12 plan, and the proceeds thereof shall be  
13 used solely to provide the benefits de-  
14 scribed in paragraph (1) until all such ben-  
15 efits have been paid.

16 (ii) OVERSIGHT OF NON-ANNUITY IN-  
17 VESTMENTS.—

18 (I) IN GENERAL.—Any portfolio  
19 implemented under this paragraph  
20 shall be subject to oversight by the  
21 Pension Rehabilitation Administra-  
22 tion, including a mandatory triennial  
23 review of the adequacy of the portfolio  
24 to provide the benefits described in  
25 paragraph (1) and approval (to be

1 provided within a reasonable period of  
2 time) of any decision by the plan  
3 sponsor to change the investment  
4 manager of the portfolio.

5 (II) REMEDIAL ACTION.—If the  
6 triennial review under subclause (I)  
7 determines an inadequacy, the plan  
8 sponsor shall take remedial action to  
9 ensure that the inadequacy will be  
10 cured within 5 years of the review.

11 (E) OMBUDSPERSON.—The Participant  
12 and Plan Sponsor Advocate established under  
13 section 4004 of the Employee Retirement In-  
14 come Security Act of 1974 shall act as  
15 ombudsperson for participants and beneficiaries  
16 on behalf of whom annuity contracts are pur-  
17 chased or who are covered by a portfolio under  
18 this paragraph.

19 (e) LOAN DEFAULT.—If a plan is unable to make any  
20 payment on a loan under this section when due, the Pen-  
21 sion Rehabilitation Administration shall negotiate with the  
22 plan sponsor revised terms for repayment reflecting the  
23 plan's ability to make payments, which may include in-  
24 stallment payments over a reasonable period and, if the  
25 Pension Rehabilitation Administration deems necessary to

1 avoid any suspension of the accrued benefits of partici-  
2 pants, forgiveness of a portion of the loan principal.

3 (f) AUTHORITY TO ISSUE RULES, ETC.—The Direc-  
4 tor of the Pension Rehabilitation Administration estab-  
5 lished under section 2, in consultation with the Pension  
6 Benefit Guaranty Corporation and the Department of  
7 Labor, is authorized to issue rules regarding the form,  
8 content, and process of applications for loans under this  
9 section, actuarial standards and assumptions to be used  
10 in making estimates and projections for purposes of such  
11 applications, and assumptions regarding interest rates,  
12 mortality, and distributions with respect to a portfolio de-  
13 scribed in subsection (d)(3)(C).

14 (g) COORDINATION WITH TAXATION OF UNRELATED  
15 BUSINESS INCOME.—Subparagraph (A) of section  
16 514(c)(6) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amend-  
17 ed—

18 (1) by striking “or” at the end of clause (i);

19 (2) by striking the period at the end of clause  
20 (ii)(II) and inserting “, or”; and

21 (3) by adding at the end the following new  
22 clause:

23 “(iii) indebtedness with respect to a  
24 multiemployer plan under a loan made by  
25 the Pension Rehabilitation Administration

1                   pursuant to section 4 of the Rehabilitation  
2                   for Multiemployer Pensions Act.”.

3 **SEC. 5. COORDINATION WITH WITHDRAWAL LIABILITY AND**  
4 **FUNDING RULES.**

5           (a) AMENDMENT TO INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF  
6 1986.—Section 432 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986  
7 is amended by adding at the end the following new sub-  
8 section:

9           “(k) SPECIAL RULES FOR PLANS RECEIVING PEN-  
10 SION REHABILITATION LOANS.—

11           “(1) DETERMINATION OF WITHDRAWAL LIABIL-  
12 ITY.—

13           “(A) IN GENERAL.—If any employer par-  
14 ticipating in a plan at the time the plan receives  
15 a loan under section 4(a) of the Rehabilitation  
16 for Multiemployer Pensions Act withdraws from  
17 the plan before the end of the 30-year period  
18 beginning on the date of the loan, the with-  
19 drawal liability of such employer shall be deter-  
20 mined under the Employee Retirement Income  
21 Security Act of 1974—

22           “(i) by applying section 4219(c)(1)(D)  
23 of the Employee Retirement Income Secu-  
24 rity Act of 1974 as if the plan were termi-

1 nating by the withdrawal of every employer  
2 from the plan, and

3 “(ii) by determining the value of non-  
4 forfeitable benefits under the plan at the  
5 time of the deemed termination by using  
6 the interest assumptions prescribed for  
7 purposes of section 4044 of the Employee  
8 Retirement Income Security Act of 1974,  
9 as prescribed in the regulations under sec-  
10 tion 4281 of the Employee Retirement In-  
11 come Security Act of 1974 in the case of  
12 such a mass withdrawal.

13 “(B) ANNUITY CONTRACTS AND INVEST-  
14 MENT PORTFOLIOS PURCHASED WITH LOAN  
15 FUNDS.—Annuity contracts purchased and  
16 portfolios implemented under section 4(d)(3) of  
17 the Rehabilitation for Multiemployer Pensions  
18 Act shall not be taken into account in deter-  
19 mining the withdrawal liability of any employer  
20 under subparagraph (A), but the amount equal  
21 to the greater of—

22 “(i) the benefits provided under such  
23 contracts or portfolios to participants and  
24 beneficiaries, or

1                   “(ii) the remaining payments due on  
2                   the loan under section 4(a) of such Act,  
3                   shall be so taken into account.

4                   “(2) COORDINATION WITH FUNDING REQUIRE-  
5                   MENTS.—In the case of a plan which receives a loan  
6                   under section 4(a) of the Rehabilitation for Multiem-  
7                   ployer Pensions Act—

8                   “(A) annuity contracts purchased and  
9                   portfolios implemented under section 4(d)(3) of  
10                  such Act, and the benefits provided to partici-  
11                  pants and beneficiaries under such contracts or  
12                  portfolios, shall not be taken into account in de-  
13                  termining minimum required contributions  
14                  under section 412,

15                  “(B) payments on the interest and prin-  
16                  cipal under the loan, and any benefits owed in  
17                  excess of those provided under such contracts  
18                  or portfolios, shall be taken into account as li-  
19                  abilities for purposes of such section, and

20                  “(C) if such a portfolio is projected due to  
21                  unfavorable investment or actuarial experience  
22                  to be unable to fully satisfy the liabilities which  
23                  it covers, the amount of the liabilities projected  
24                  to be unsatisfied shall be taken into account as  
25                  liabilities for purposes of such section.”.

1 (b) AMENDMENT TO EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT IN-  
2 COME SECURITY ACT OF 1974.—Section 305 of the Em-  
3 ployee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (29  
4 U.S.C. 1085) is amended by adding at the end the fol-  
5 lowing new subsection:

6 “(k) SPECIAL RULES FOR PLANS RECEIVING PEN-  
7 SION REHABILITATION LOANS.—

8 “(1) DETERMINATION OF WITHDRAWAL LIABIL-  
9 ITY.—

10 “(A) IN GENERAL.—If any employer par-  
11 ticipating in a plan at the time the plan receives  
12 a loan under section 4(a) of the Rehabilitation  
13 for Multiemployer Pensions Act withdraws from  
14 the plan before the end of the 30-year period  
15 beginning on the date of the loan, the with-  
16 drawal liability of such employer shall be deter-  
17 mined—

18 “(i) by applying section 4219(c)(1)(D)  
19 as if the plan were terminating by the  
20 withdrawal of every employer from the  
21 plan, and

22 “(ii) by determining the value of non-  
23 forfeitable benefits under the plan at the  
24 time of the deemed termination by using  
25 the interest assumptions prescribed for

1 purposes of section 4044, as prescribed in  
2 the regulations under section 4281 in the  
3 case of such a mass withdrawal.

4 “(B) ANNUITY CONTRACTS AND INVEST-  
5 MENT PORTFOLIOS PURCHASED WITH LOAN  
6 FUNDS.—Annuity contracts purchased and  
7 portfolios implemented under section 4(d)(3) of  
8 the Rehabilitation for Multiemployer Pensions  
9 Act shall not be taken into account in deter-  
10 mining the withdrawal liability of any employer  
11 under subparagraph (A), but the amount equal  
12 to the greater of—

13 “(i) the benefits provided under such  
14 contracts or portfolios to participants and  
15 beneficiaries, or

16 “(ii) the remaining payments due on  
17 the loan under section 4(a) of such Act,  
18 shall be so taken into account.

19 “(2) COORDINATION WITH FUNDING REQUIRE-  
20 MENTS.—In the case of a plan which receives a loan  
21 under section 4(a) of the Rehabilitation for Multiem-  
22 ployer Pensions Act—

23 “(A) annuity contracts purchased and  
24 portfolios implemented under section 4(d)(3) of  
25 such Act, and the benefits provided to partici-



1 pants and beneficiaries under such contracts or  
2 portfolios, shall not be taken into account in de-  
3 termining minimum required contributions  
4 under section 302,

5 “(B) payments on the interest and prin-  
6 cipal under the loan, and any benefits owed in  
7 excess of those provided under such contracts  
8 or portfolios, shall be taken into account as li-  
9 abilities for purposes of such section, and

10 “(C) if such a portfolio is projected due to  
11 unfavorable investment or actuarial experience  
12 to be unable to fully satisfy the liabilities which  
13 it covers, the amount of the liabilities projected  
14 to be unsatisfied shall be taken into account as  
15 liabilities for purposes of such section.”.

16 **SEC. 6. ISSUANCE OF TREASURY BONDS.**

17 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Treasury  
18 shall issue bonds as authorized by section 3102 of title  
19 31, United States Code, in an amount necessary to fund  
20 the loan program under section 4 of this Act, as deter-  
21 mined in consultation with the Director of the Pension Re-  
22 habilitation Administration established under section 2.

23 (b) TRANSFERS TO PENSION REHABILITATION  
24 TRUST FUND.—The Secretary of the Treasury shall from  
25 time to time transfer an amount equal to the proceeds of

1 the issue under subsection (a), from the general fund of  
2 the Treasury to the Pension Rehabilitation Trust Fund  
3 established under section 9512 of the Internal Revenue  
4 Code of 1986.

5 **SEC. 7. REPORTS OF PLANS RECEIVING PENSION REHA-**  
6 **BILITATION LOANS.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subpart E of part III of sub-  
8 chapter A of chapter 61 of the Internal Revenue Code of  
9 1986 is amended by adding at the end the following new  
10 section:

11 **“SEC. 6059A. REPORTS OF PLANS RECEIVING PENSION RE-**  
12 **HABILITATION LOANS.**

13 “(a) IN GENERAL.—In the case of a plan receiving  
14 a loan under section 4(a) of the Rehabilitation for Multi-  
15 employer Pensions Act, with respect to the first plan year  
16 beginning after the date of the loan and each of the 29  
17 succeeding plan years, not later than the 90th day of each  
18 such plan year the plan sponsor shall file with the Sec-  
19 retary a report (including appropriate documentation and  
20 actuarial certifications from the plan actuary, as required  
21 by the Secretary) that contains—

22 “(1) the funded percentage (as defined in sec-  
23 tion 432(j)(2)) as of the first day of such plan year,  
24 and the underlying actuarial value of assets (deter-  
25 mined with regard, and without regard, to annuity

1 contracts purchased and portfolios implemented with  
2 proceeds of such loan) and liabilities (including any  
3 amounts due with respect to such loan) taken into  
4 account in determining such percentage,

5 “(2) the market value of the assets of the plan  
6 (determined as provided in paragraph (1)) as of the  
7 last day of the plan year preceding such plan year,

8 “(3) the total value of all contributions made by  
9 employers and employees during the plan year pre-  
10 ceeding such plan year,

11 “(4) the total value of all benefits paid during  
12 the plan year preceding such plan year,

13 “(5) cash flow projections for such plan year  
14 and the 9 succeeding plan years, and the assump-  
15 tions used in making such projections,

16 “(6) funding standard account projections for  
17 such plan year and the 9 succeeding plan years, and  
18 the assumptions relied upon in making such projec-  
19 tions,

20 “(7) the total value of all investment gains or  
21 losses during the plan year preceding such plan year,

22 “(8) any significant reduction in the number of  
23 active participants during the plan year preceding  
24 such plan year, and the reason for such reduction,

1           “(9) a list of employers that withdrew from the  
2           plan in the plan year preceding such plan year, and  
3           the resulting reduction in contributions,

4           “(10) a list of employers that paid withdrawal  
5           liability to the plan during the plan year preceding  
6           such plan year and, for each employer, a total as-  
7           sessment of the withdrawal liability paid, the annual  
8           payment amount, and the number of years remain-  
9           ing in the payment schedule with respect to such  
10          withdrawal liability,

11          “(11) any material changes to benefits, accrual  
12          rates, or contribution rates during the plan year pre-  
13          ceding such plan year, and whether such changes re-  
14          late to the terms of the loan,

15          “(12) details regarding any funding improve-  
16          ment plan or rehabilitation plan and updates to such  
17          plan,

18          “(13) the number of participants and bene-  
19          ficiaries during the plan year preceding such plan  
20          year who are active participants, the number of par-  
21          ticipants and beneficiaries in pay status, and the  
22          number of terminated vested participants and bene-  
23          ficiaries,

24          “(14) the amount of any financial assistance re-  
25          ceived under section 4261 of the Employee Retire-

1       ment Income Security Act of 1974 to pay benefits  
2       during the preceding plan year, and the total  
3       amount of such financial assistance received for all  
4       preceding years,

5               “(15) the information contained on the most re-  
6       cent annual funding notice submitted by the plan  
7       under section 101(f) of the Employee Retirement In-  
8       come Security Act of 1974,

9               “(16) the information contained on the most re-  
10      cent annual return under section 6058 and actuarial  
11      report under section 6059 of the plan, and

12              “(17) copies of the plan document and amend-  
13      ments, other retirement benefit or ancillary benefit  
14      plans relating to the plan and contribution obliga-  
15      tions under such plans, a breakdown of administra-  
16      tive expenses of the plan, participant census data  
17      and distribution of benefits, the most recent actu-  
18      arial valuation report as of the plan year, copies of  
19      collective bargaining agreements, and financial re-  
20      ports, and such other information as the Secretary,  
21      in consultation with the Director of the Pension Re-  
22      habilitation Administration, may require.

23              “(b) ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION.—The report re-  
24      quired under subsection (a) shall be submitted electroni-  
25      cally.

1           “(c) INFORMATION SHARING.—The Secretary shall  
2 share the information in the report under subsection (a)  
3 with the Secretary of Labor and the Director of the Pen-  
4 sion Benefit Guaranty Corporation.

5           “(d) REPORT TO PARTICIPANTS, BENEFICIARIES,  
6 AND EMPLOYERS.—Each plan sponsor required to file a  
7 report under subsection (a) shall, before the expiration of  
8 the time prescribed for the filing of such report, also pro-  
9 vide a summary (written in a manner so as to be under-  
10 stood by the average plan participant) of the information  
11 in such report to participants and beneficiaries in the plan  
12 and to each employer with an obligation to contribute to  
13 the plan.”.

14           (b) PENALTY.—Subsection (e) of section 6652 of the  
15 Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended—

16           (1) by inserting “, 6059A (relating to reports of  
17 plans receiving pension rehabilitation loans)” after  
18 “deferred compensation”;

19           (2) by inserting “(\$100 in the case of failures  
20 under section 6059A)” after “\$25”; and

21           (3) by adding at the end the following: “In the  
22 case of a failure with respect to section 6059A, the  
23 amount imposed under this subsection shall not be  
24 paid from the assets of the plan.”.

1 (c) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections  
2 for subpart E of part III of subchapter A of chapter 61  
3 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by add-  
4 ing at the end the following new item:

“Sec. 6059A. Reports of plans receiving pension rehabilitation loans.”.

5 **SEC. 8. PBGC FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 4261 of the Employee Re-  
7 tirement Income Security Act of 1974 (29 U.S.C. 1431)  
8 is amended by adding at the end the following new sub-  
9 section:

10 “(d)(1) The plan sponsor of a multiemployer plan—

11 “(A) which is in critical and declining status  
12 (within the meaning of section 305(b)(6)), or

13 “(B) which is insolvent but has not been termi-  
14 nated and is receiving assistance from the corpora-  
15 tion (other than assistance under this subsection),

16 and which is applying for a loan under section 4(a) of the  
17 Rehabilitation for Multiemployer Pensions Act may also  
18 apply to the corporation for financial assistance under this  
19 subsection, by jointly submitting such applications in ac-  
20 cordance with section 4(d)(2) of such Act. The application  
21 for financial assistance under this subsection shall dem-  
22 onstrate, based on projections by the plan actuary, that  
23 after the receipt of the anticipated loan amount under sec-  
24 tion 4(a) of such Act, the plan will still become (or remain)

1 insolvent within the 30-year period beginning on the date  
2 of the loan.

3 “(2) In the case of a plan described in paragraph  
4 (1)(A), the financial assistance provided pursuant to such  
5 application under this subsection shall be the amount (de-  
6 termined by the plan actuary and submitted on the appli-  
7 cation) equal to the sum of—

8 “(A) the percentage of benefits of participants  
9 and beneficiaries of the plan in pay status at the  
10 time of the application, and

11 “(B) the percentage of future benefits to which  
12 participants who have separated from service but are  
13 not yet in pay status are entitled,

14 which, if such percentage were paid by the corporation in  
15 combination with the loan, would allow the plan to avoid  
16 the projected insolvency and be projected to have increas-  
17 ing assets over any 5-year period following the repayment  
18 of the loan. Such amount shall not exceed the maximum  
19 guaranteed benefit with respect to all participants and  
20 beneficiaries of the plan under sections 4022A and 4022B.  
21 For this purpose, the maximum guaranteed benefit  
22 amount shall be determined by disregarding any loan  
23 available from the Pension Rehabilitation Administration  
24 and shall be determined as if the plan were insolvent on  
25 the date of the application. Further, the present value of



1 the maximum guaranteed benefit amount with respect to  
2 such participants and beneficiaries may be calculated in  
3 the aggregate, rather than by reference to the benefit of  
4 each such participant or beneficiary.

5 “(3) In the case of a plan described in paragraph  
6 (1)(B), the financial assistance provided pursuant to such  
7 application under this subsection shall be the amount (de-  
8 termined by the plan actuary and submitted on the appli-  
9 cation) which, if such amount were paid by the corporation  
10 in combination with the loan and any other assistance  
11 being provided to the plan by the corporation at the time  
12 of the application, would enable the plan to emerge from  
13 insolvency.

14 “(4) Subsections (b) and (c) shall apply to financial  
15 assistance under this subsection as if it were provided  
16 under subsection (a), except that the terms for repayment  
17 under subsection (b)(2) shall not require the financial as-  
18 sistance to be repaid before the date on which the loan  
19 under section 4(a) of the Rehabilitation for Multiemployer  
20 Pensions Act is repaid in full.

21 “(5) The corporation may forgo repayment of the fi-  
22 nancial assistance provided under this subsection if nec-  
23 essary to avoid any suspension of the accrued benefits of  
24 participants.”.

1           (b) APPROPRIATIONS.—There is appropriated to the  
2 Director of the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation  
3 such sums as may be necessary for each fiscal year to pro-  
4 vide the financial assistance described in section 4261(d)  
5 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974  
6 (29 U.S.C. 1431(d)) (as added by this section) (including  
7 necessary administrative and operating expenses relating  
8 to such assistance).