

113TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 325

AN ACT

To ensure the complete and timely payment of the obligations of the United States Government until May 19, 2013, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “No Budget, No Pay
3 Act of 2013”.

4 **SEC. 2. TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF DEBT CEILING.**

5 (a) **SUSPENSION.**—Section 3101(b) of title 31,
6 United States Code, shall not apply for the period begin-
7 ning on the date of the enactment of this Act and ending
8 on May 18, 2013.

9 (b) **SPECIAL RULE RELATING TO OBLIGATIONS**
10 **ISSUED DURING SUSPENSION PERIOD.**—Effective May
11 19, 2013, the limitation in section 3101(b) of title 31,
12 United States Code, as increased by section 3101A of such
13 title, is increased to the extent that—

14 (1) the face amount of obligations issued under
15 chapter 31 of such title and the face amount of obli-
16 gations whose principal and interest are guaranteed
17 by the United States Government (except guaran-
18 teed obligations held by the Secretary of the Treas-
19 ury) outstanding on May 19, 2013, exceeds

20 (2) the face amount of such obligations out-
21 standing on the date of the enactment of this Act.

22 An obligation shall not be taken into account under para-
23 graph (1) unless the issuance of such obligation was nec-
24 essary to fund a commitment incurred by the Federal Gov-
25 ernment that required payment before May 19, 2013.

1 **SEC. 3. HOLDING SALARIES OF MEMBERS OF CONGRESS IN**
2 **ESCROW UPON FAILURE TO AGREE TO BUDG-**
3 **ET RESOLUTION.**

4 (a) HOLDING SALARIES IN ESCROW.—

5 (1) IN GENERAL.—If by April 15, 2013, a
6 House of Congress has not agreed to a concurrent
7 resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2014 pursu-
8 ant to section 301 of the Congressional Budget Act
9 of 1974, during the period described in paragraph
10 (2) the payroll administrator of that House of Con-
11 gress shall deposit in an escrow account all pay-
12 ments otherwise required to be made during such
13 period for the compensation of Members of Congress
14 who serve in that House of Congress, and shall re-
15 lease such payments to such Members only upon the
16 expiration of such period.

17 (2) PERIOD DESCRIBED.—With respect to a
18 House of Congress, the period described in this
19 paragraph is the period which begins on April 16,
20 2013, and ends on the earlier of—

21 (A) the day on which the House of Con-
22 gress agrees to a concurrent resolution on the
23 budget for fiscal year 2014 pursuant to section
24 301 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974;
25 or

1 (B) the last day of the One Hundred Thir-
2 teenth Congress.

3 (3) WITHHOLDING AND REMITTANCE OF
4 AMOUNTS FROM PAYMENTS HELD IN ESCROW.—The
5 payroll administrator shall provide for the same
6 withholding and remittance with respect to a pay-
7 ment deposited in an escrow account under para-
8 graph (1) that would apply to the payment if the
9 payment were not subject to paragraph (1).

10 (4) RELEASE OF AMOUNTS AT END OF THE
11 CONGRESS.—In order to ensure that this section is
12 carried out in a manner that shall not vary the com-
13 pensation of Senators or Representatives in violation
14 of the twenty-seventh article of amendment to the
15 Constitution of the United States, the payroll ad-
16 ministrator of a House of Congress shall release for
17 payments to Members of that House of Congress
18 any amounts remaining in any escrow account under
19 this section on the last day of the One Hundred
20 Thirteenth Congress.

21 (5) ROLE OF SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.—
22 The Secretary of the Treasury shall provide the pay-
23 roll administrators of the Houses of Congress with
24 such assistance as may be necessary to enable the
25 payroll administrators to carry out this section.

1 (b) TREATMENT OF DELEGATES AS MEMBERS.—In
2 this section, the term “Member” includes a Delegate or
3 Resident Commissioner to the Congress.

4 (c) PAYROLL ADMINISTRATOR DEFINED.—In this
5 section, the “payroll administrator” of a House of Con-
6 gress means—

7 (1) in the case of the House of Representatives,
8 the Chief Administrative Officer of the House of
9 Representatives, or an employee of the Office of the
10 Chief Administrative Officer who is designated by
11 the Chief Administrative Officer to carry out this
12 section; and

13 (2) in the case of the Senate, the Secretary of
14 the Senate, or an employee of the Office of the Sec-
15 retary of the Senate who is designated by the Sec-
16 retary to carry out this section.

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2013.

Attest:

Clerk.

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