

118TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 8755

To amend title 5, United States Code, to establish Eid Days as Federal holidays, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 14, 2024

Mr. CARSON (for himself, Mr. GOTTHEIMER, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Ms. MENG, Ms. OMAR, and Ms. TLAIB) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability

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 “Eid Days Act”.

5 **SEC. 2. SENSE OF CONGRESS REGARDING EID DAYS.**

6 Congress finds the following:

7 (1) Eid is a holiday of great importance to
8 3,500,000 Muslim Americans and approximately
9 1,800,000,000 Muslims around the world.

1 (2) Eid al-Adha is an Islamic holiday which
2 commemorates Abraham’s symbolic sacrifice of his
3 son to God, as referenced in the Quran, Old Testa-
4 ment, and New Testament. Eid al-Adha also marks
5 the annual pilgrimage to Mecca, called Hajj.

6 (3) Eid al-Adha falls on the tenth day of the
7 twelfth month of Dhul-Hijjah of the Islamic lunar
8 (Hijra) calendar. The date of Eid al-Adha shifts
9 back approximately 10 to 12 days every year on the
10 Gregorian calendar.

11 (4) Eid al-Fitr is an Islamic holiday which com-
12 memorates the sighting of the new moon, signifying
13 a month-long end to fasting and reflection for all
14 Muslim followers.

15 (5) Eid al-Fitr falls on the first day of the
16 tenth month of Shawal of the Islamic lunar (Hijra)
17 calendar. The date of Eid al-Fitr shifts back ap-
18 proximately 10 to 12 days every year on the Grego-
19 rian calendar.

20 **SEC. 3. EID DAYS.**

21 Section 6103 of title 5, United States Code, is
22 amended—

23 (1) by redesignating subsection (d) as sub-
24 section (e); and

1 (2) by inserting after subsection (c) the fol-
2 lowing new subsection:

3 “(d)(1) Each Eid Day is a legal public holiday.

4 “(2) For the purposes of this subsection, the
5 Director of the Office of Personnel Management
6 shall—

7 “(A) determine each Eid Day for each cal-
8 endar year; and

9 “(B) make such determination publicly
10 available on a website of the Office of Personnel
11 Management.

12 “(3) In this subsection, the term ‘Eid Day’
13 means—

14 “(A) the first day of Eid al-Adha; and

15 “(B) the first day of Eid al-Fitr.”.

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