

119TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 10290

To require the President to publish a justification for each grant of clemency.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 3, 2026

Mr. SUBRAMANYAM (for himself, Mr. LIEU, and Mr. NEGUSE) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on House Administration, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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 “No Pardon Paydays
5 Act of 2026”.

6 **SEC. 2. JUSTIFICATIONS OF PARDONS.**

7 In the case of any pardon by the President, the Par-
8 don Attorney of the Department of Justice shall submit
9 to Congress within 30 days after such a grant a written

1 analysis of any criminal history of the recipient that does
2 not pertain to any offense for which a pardon is granted,
3 and an analysis of any risk of recidivism and danger to
4 communities based on their background.

5 **SEC. 3. LIMITATION ON POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS.**

6 A person who has received a pardon from the Presi-
7 dent may not make, in the determination of the Federal
8 Election Commission, any contribution in an amount
9 greater than \$1,000 to an authorized committee of the
10 President, a leadership PAC of the President, or an entity
11 that has made an independent expenditure expressly advo-
12 cating the election of the President. The Federal Election
13 Commission may refer, as appropriate, any matter for
14 criminal prosecution to the Attorney General.

15 **SEC. 4. DEFINITIONS.**

16 In this Act:

17 (1) The terms “authorized committee” and
18 “independent expenditure” have the meanings given
19 such terms in section 301 of the Federal Election
20 Campaign Act of 1971 (52 U.S.C. 30101).

21 (2) The term “leadership PAC” has the mean-
22 ing given such term in section 304(i)(8)(B) of the
23 Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 (52 U.S.C.
24 30104(i)(8)(B)).

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