

119TH CONGRESS  
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# H. R. 8138

To allow for Special Hiring Authority under the Defense Production Act of 1950, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 27, 2026

Mr. GOTTHEIMER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Financial Services, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, 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

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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 “DPA Specialized Staff-  
5 ing Act”.

### 6 **SEC. 2. SPECIAL HIRING AUTHORITY FOR SUBJECT MAT-** 7 **TER EXPERTS.**

8 Each agency represented on the Defense Production  
9 Act Committee may appoint, without regard to the provi-

1 sions of sections 3309 through 3318 of title 5, United  
2 States Code, subject matter experts directly to positions  
3 in the competitive service (as defined in section 2102 of  
4 that title) in the agency for the sole purpose of identifying,  
5 soliciting, evaluating, or approving activities that may re-  
6 ceive financial assistance under this Act.

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