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H. R. 6134

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. COFFMAN of Colorado introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committees on Oversight and Government Reform and the Judiciary, 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,*

1 **SEC. 1. REDUCTION IN PAY FOR MEMBERS OF CONGRESS.**

2 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the an-
3 nual rate of pay for—

4 (1) each Senator, Member of the House of Rep-
5 resentatives, and Delegate to the House of Rep-
6 resentatives, and the Resident Commissioner from
7 Puerto Rico,

8 (2) the President pro tempore of the Senate,
9 the majority leader and the minority leader of the
10 Senate, and the majority leader and the minority
11 leader of the House of Representatives, and

12 (3) the Speaker of the House of Representa-
13 tives,

14 shall be determined as if the adjustment taking effect
15 under section 601(a)(2) of the Legislative Reorganization
16 Act of 1946 (2 U.S.C. 31(2)), as of the first day of the
17 first pay period beginning in January 2011, were a reduc-
18 tion of 10 percent.

19 **SECTION 2. MANDATORY UNPAID LEAVE.**

20 (a) PROVISIONS RELATING TO EMPLOYEES IN THE
21 EXECUTIVE BRANCH.—

22 (1) IN GENERAL.—The President shall by regu-
23 lation provide that, during fiscal year 2011, employ-
24 ees in the executive branch of the Government shall
25 be subject to—

1 (A) a total of 2 weeks of mandatory un-
2 paid leave; or

3 (B) the pro rata equivalent, in the case of
4 employees serving for less than the entire fiscal
5 year.

6 (2) EXCEPTIONS.—The regulations under para-
7 graph (1) may provide for such exceptions as may
8 be necessary—

9 (A) for reasons of national security;

10 (B) for reasons relating to the public
11 health or safety, including effective law enforce-
12 ment; or

13 (C) for such other reasons as the President
14 considers necessary or appropriate.

15 (b) PROVISIONS RELATING TO EMPLOYEES IN THE
16 JUDICIAL BRANCH.—The Director of the Administrative
17 Office of the United States Courts shall, by regulation,
18 apply this section to employees in the judicial branch of
19 the Government.

20 (c) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this sec-
21 tion shall be considered to require that mandatory unpaid
22 leave be taken over a continuous period.

23 (d) EMPLOYEE DEFINED.—For purposes of this sec-
24 tion, the term “employee” has the meaning given such
25 term by section 2105 of title 5, United States Code.

1 **SEC. 3. REDUCTION IN SALARIES AND EXPENSES FOR LEG-**
2 **ISLATIVE BRANCH OFFICES.**

3 (a) REDUCTION.—The aggregate amount which may
4 be appropriated or otherwise made available for any fiscal
5 year for allowances and expenses (including salaries) of
6 any office of the legislative branch may not exceed 96%
7 of the aggregate amount appropriated or otherwise made
8 available for fiscal year 2010 for allowances and expenses
9 of such office.

10 (b) EXCEPTION FOR CAPITOL POLICE.—Subsection
11 (a) does not apply with respect to the United States Cap-
12 itol Police.

13 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section shall apply with
14 respect to fiscal year 2011 and each succeeding fiscal year.

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