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JOINT RESOLUTION

Making appropriations for the salaries and related expenses of certain Federal employees during a lapse in funding authority for fiscal year 2014, to establish a bicameral working group on deficit reduction and economic growth, and for other purposes.

1 *Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives*
2 *of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **TITLE I—FEDERAL WORKER PAY**
4 **FAIRNESS ACT**

5 That the following sums are hereby appropriated, out of
6 any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated,
7 and out of applicable corporate or other revenues, receipts,

1 and funds, for the salaries and related expenses of certain
2 Federal employees for fiscal year 2014, and for other pur-
3 poses, namely:

4 SEC. 101. Such amounts as may be necessary for
5 paying salaries and related expenses of Federal employees
6 excepted from the provisions of the Antideficiency Act (31
7 U.S.C. 1341 et seq.) who work during the period begin-
8 ning October 1, 2013, and ending December 15, 2013,
9 when there is otherwise no funding authority for such sal-
10 aries and related expenses: *Provided*, That not later than
11 December 20, 2013, the Director of the Office of Manage-
12 ment and Budget shall provide to the Committees on Ap-
13 propriations of the House of Representatives and the Sen-
14 ate a report specifying the use of funds made available
15 to the Executive Branch by this joint resolution.

16 SEC. 102. Expenditures made pursuant to this joint
17 resolution shall be charged to the applicable appropriation,
18 fund, or authorization whenever a bill in which such appli-
19 cable appropriation, fund, or authorization is contained is
20 enacted into law.

21 SEC. 103. It is the sense of Congress that this joint
22 resolution may also be referred to as the “Federal Worker
23 Pay Fairness Act”.

24 This title may be cited as the “Excepted Employees’
25 Pay Continuing Appropriations Resolution, 2014”.

1 **TITLE II—DEFICIT REDUCTION**
2 **AND ECONOMIC GROWTH**
3 **WORKING GROUP ACT**

4 **SEC. 201. SHORT TITLE.**

5 This title may be cited as the “Deficit Reduction and
6 Economic Growth Working Group Act of 2013”.

7 **SEC. 202. BICAMERAL WORKING GROUP ON DEFICIT RE-**
8 **DUCTION AND ECONOMIC GROWTH.**

9 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is hereby established a
10 bicameral working group to be known as the “Bicameral
11 Working Group on Deficit Reduction and Economic
12 Growth” (hereinafter referred to as the “working group”).

13 (b) PURPOSE.—The working group shall recommend
14 to the House of Representatives and the Senate—

15 (1) overall levels of discretionary spending, in-
16 cluding for the fiscal year ending on September 30,
17 2014;

18 (2) changes in the statutory limit on the public
19 debt; and

20 (3) reforms in direct spending programs.

21 (c) MEMBERSHIP.—

22 (1) The working group shall be comprised of 20
23 members to be appointed as follows:

24 (A) The Speaker shall appoint 10 Members
25 of the House of Representatives, of which one

1 shall be designated as House co-chair and 4
2 shall be on the recommendation of the minority
3 leader of the House of Representatives.

4 (B) The majority leader of the Senate shall
5 appoint 10 Senators, of which one shall be des-
6 ignated as Senate co-chair and 4 shall be on the
7 recommendation of the minority leader of the
8 Senate.

9 (2) Any vacancy occurring in the membership
10 of the working group shall be filled in the same
11 manner as the original designation was made.

12 (3) Each appointment under this subsection
13 shall be made not later than one calendar day after
14 enactment of this Act.

15 (d) MEETINGS.—The members of the working group
16 shall meet not later than one calendar day after their ap-
17 pointment pursuant to subsection (c) and shall meet on
18 each calendar day thereafter unless both co-chairs jointly
19 determine that there is good cause to dispense with such
20 meeting.

21 (e) ADOPTION OF RECOMMENDATIONS.—The work-
22 ing group may not report any recommendation unless it
23 receives the support of a majority of the members ap-
24 pointed by both the Speaker of the House of Representa-
25 tives and the majority leader of the Senate.

1 (f) REPORT.—

2 (1) The working group shall report its rec-
3 ommendations, including any legislative language re-
4 quired to implement those recommendations, to the
5 House of Representatives and the Senate within 3
6 calendar days after their adoption.

7 (2) The report shall be referred in the House
8 of Representatives by the Speaker in accordance
9 with clause 2 of rule XIV.

10 (3) The report shall include any supplemental,
11 minority, or additional views submitted to the co-
12 chairs prior to its transmission pursuant to para-
13 graph (1).

14 (g) TERMINATION.—The working group shall termi-
15 nate immediately after transmission of the report under
16 subsection (f).

17 (h) RULEMAKING.—The provisions of this section are
18 enacted by Congress—

19 (1) as an exercise of the rulemaking power of
20 the House of Representatives and the Senate, re-
21 spectively, and as such they shall be considered as
22 part of the rules of each House, respectively, or of
23 that House to which they specifically apply, and
24 such rules shall supercede other rules only to the ex-
25 tent that they are inconsistent therewith; and

1 (2) with full recognition of the constitutional
2 right of either House to change such rules (so far
3 as relating to such House) at any time, in the same
4 manner, and to the same extent as in the case of
5 any other rule of such House.

Passed the House of Representatives October 8,
2013.

Attest:

KAREN L. HAAS,
Clerk.

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