

114TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 2074

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

SEPTEMBER 24, 2015

Ms. HEITKAMP (for herself, Mr. MANCHIN, and Mrs. BOXER) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

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 Government No
5 Pay Act of 2015”.

6 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITING PAYING MEMBERS OF CONGRESS IN** 7 **RESPONSE TO GOVERNMENT SHUTDOWN.**

8 (a) PROHIBITION OF PAY.—For any pay period dur-
9 ing which a Government shutdown is in effect, the payroll

1 administrator of each House of Congress shall exclude
2 from the payments otherwise required to be made with re-
3 spect to that pay period for the compensation of each
4 Member of Congress who serves in that House of Congress
5 an amount equal to the product of—

6 (1) the daily rate of pay of the Member of Con-
7 gress under section 601(a) of the Legislative Reor-
8 ganization Act of 1946 (2 U.S.C. 4501); and

9 (2) the number of 24-hour periods during the
10 pay period during which the Government shutdown
11 is in effect.

12 (b) **ROLE OF SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.**—The
13 Secretary of the Treasury shall provide the payroll admin-
14 istrator of each House of Congress with such assistance
15 as may be necessary to enable the payroll administrator
16 to carry out this Act.

17 **SEC. 3. DEFINITIONS.**

18 In this Act—

19 (1) the term “Government shutdown” means a
20 lapse in appropriations for 1 or more Federal agen-
21 cies or departments as a result of a failure to enact
22 a regular appropriations bill or continuing resolu-
23 tion;

24 (2) the term “Member of Congress” means an
25 individual serving in a position covered under sub-

1 paragraph (A), (B), or (C) of section 601(a)(1) of
2 the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946 (2
3 U.S.C. 4501(1)); and

4 (3) the term “payroll administrator”, with re-
5 spect to a House of Congress, means—

6 (A) in the case of the House of Represent-
7 atives, the Chief Administrative Officer of the
8 House of Representatives, or an employee of
9 the Office of the Chief Administrative Officer
10 who is designated by the Chief Administrative
11 Officer to carry out this Act; and

12 (B) in the case of the Senate, the Sec-
13 retary of the Senate, or an employee of the Of-
14 fice of the Secretary of the Senate who is des-
15 ignated by the Secretary to carry out this Act.

16 **SEC. 4. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

17 This Act shall apply on and after the date on which
18 the One Hundred Fifteenth Congress convenes.

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