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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 23, 2019

Mr. BROWN of Maryland (for himself, Mr. RASKIN, Mr. TRONE, Ms. NORTON, Mr. BEYER, Mrs. TRAHAN, and Ms. WEXTON) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

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. ELIGIBILITY FOR UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSA-**
4 **TION DURING GOVERNMENT SHUTDOWN.**

5 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, during
6 fiscal year 2019, with respect to any lapse in appropria-
7 tions beginning on or after December 22, 2018, any Fed-
8 eral employee who is excepted from furlough and is not
9 being paid due to a lapse in appropriations shall be

1 deemed to be separated from Federal service and eligible
2 for unemployment compensation benefits under sub-
3 chapter I of chapter 85 of title 5, United States Code,
4 with no waiting period for such eligibility to accrue.

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