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118TH CONGRESS
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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. NUNN of Iowa introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

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 Work, No Pay
5 Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. IMPOSITION OF FINE ON MEMBERS OF CONGRESS**

7 **IN EVENT OF GOVERNMENT SHUTDOWN.**

8 (a) IMPOSITION.—If on any day during a year a Gov-
9 ernment shutdown is in effect, the enforcement authority

1 of that House of Congress shall impose a fine against each
2 Member of Congress who serves in that House in an
3 amount equal to the product of—

4 (1) one day's worth of pay under the annual
5 rate of pay applicable to the Member under section
6 601(a) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of
7 1946 (2 U.S.C. 4501); and

8 (2) the number of days during the year on
9 which the Government shutdown is in effect.

10 (b) ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY DEFINED.—In this
11 section, the “enforcement authority” of a House of Con-
12 gress means—

13 (1) in the case of the House of Representatives,
14 the Sergeant-at-Arms of the House of Representa-
15 tives; and

16 (2) in the case of the Senate, the Sergeant-at-
17 Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate.

18 **SEC. 3. DEDUCTING FINE FROM PAY.**

19 (a) DEDUCTION FROM PAY.—If a Member of Con-
20 gress against whom a fine is imposed under this Act has
21 not paid the fine prior to the expiration of the 30-calendar
22 day period which begins on the date the fine is imposed,
23 the payroll administrator of that House of Congress shall
24 deduct the amount of the fine from the net salary other-
25 wise due the Member, in accordance with timetables and

1 procedures established by the Committee on House Ad-
2 ministration of the House of Representatives (in the case
3 of a Member of the House of Representatives or a Dele-
4 gate or Resident Commissioner to the Congress) or the
5 Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate (in
6 the case of a Senator).

7 (b) PROHIBITING USE OF CAMPAIGN OR OFFICIAL
8 FUNDS TO PAY FINES.—A Member of Congress may not
9 use campaign funds or official funds, including amounts
10 in the Members’ Representational Allowance or the Sen-
11 ators’ Official Personnel and Office Expense Account, to
12 pay a fine imposed under this Act.

13 (c) PAYROLL ADMINISTRATOR DEFINED.—In this
14 section, the “payroll administrator” of a House of Con-
15 gress means—

16 (1) in the case of the House of Representatives,
17 the Chief Administrative Officer of the House of
18 Representatives, or an employee of the Office of the
19 Chief Administrative Officer who is designated by
20 the Chief Administrative Officer to carry out this
21 section; and

22 (2) in the case of the Senate, the Secretary of
23 the Senate, or an employee of the Office of the Sec-
24 retary of the Senate who is designated by the Sec-
25 retary to carry out this section.

1 **SEC. 4. DETERMINATION OF GOVERNMENT SHUTDOWN.**

2 For purposes of this Act, a Government shutdown
3 shall be considered to be in effect if there is a lapse in
4 appropriations for any Federal agency or department as
5 a result of a failure to enact a regular appropriations bill
6 or continuing resolution.

7 **SEC. 5. POLICIES AND PROCEDURES.**

8 Policies and procedures for the implementation of
9 this Act shall be established—

10 (1) for the implementation of this Act in the
11 House of Representatives, by the Sergeant-at-Arms,
12 Committee on House Administration, and Chief Ad-
13 ministrative Officer of the House of Representatives;
14 and

15 (2) for the implementation of this Act in the
16 Senate, by the Sergeant-at-Arms and Doorkeeper,
17 Committee on Rules and Administration, and Sec-
18 retary of the Senate.

19 **SEC. 6. EXERCISE OF RULEMAKING AUTHORITY.**

20 This Act is enacted by Congress—

21 (1) as an exercise of the rulemaking power of
22 the Senate and House of Representatives, respec-
23 tively, and as such it is deemed a part of the rules
24 of each House, respectively, and it supersedes other
25 rules only to the extent that it is inconsistent with
26 such rules; and

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

6 **SEC. 7. MEMBER OF CONGRESS DEFINED.**

7 In this Act, the term “Member of Congress” means
8 an individual serving in a position under subparagraph
9 (A), (B), or (C) of section 601(a) of the Legislative Reor-
10 ganization Act of 1946 (2 U.S.C. 4501).