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119TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. _____

To provide salary and expenses for Department of Homeland Security personnel during a Government shutdown during fiscal year 2026 or fiscal year 2027, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. HUIZENG 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 “Pay Our Homeland
5 Defenders Act of 2026”.

1 **SEC. 2. CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS FOR DHS EMPLOY-**
2 **EES DURING GOVERNMENT SHUTDOWN.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—There are hereby appropriated,
4 out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appro-
5 priated, for any period during which interim or full-year
6 appropriations for fiscal year 2026 or fiscal year 2027 are
7 not in effect such sums as are necessary to provide pay
8 and allowances to—

9 (1) law enforcement personnel of the Depart-
10 ment of Homeland Security during such period, in-
11 cluding any personnel within classification series
12 0083, 1801, 1802, 1811, 1881, 1895, 1896, or 2181
13 (or any successor series);

14 (2) any Department of Homeland Security em-
15 ployees or contractors that the Secretary determines
16 are necessary to carry out this subsection, including
17 employees or contractors involved in the administra-
18 tive, payroll, distribution, accounting, and commer-
19 cial accounts functions; and

20 (3) members, civilian personnel, and contractors
21 of the United States Coast Guard during such pe-
22 riod, to the extent not otherwise provided for by law.

23 (b) TERMINATION.—Appropriations and authority
24 granted pursuant to this Act shall remain available until
25 the earlier of the following:

1 (1) The enactment into law of an appropriation
2 (including a continuing resolution) for any of the
3 purposes described in subsection (a).

4 (2) The enactment into law of a regular appro-
5 priations bill or continuing resolution without an ap-
6 propriation for those purposes.

7 (3) January 1, 2027.