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H. R. 9999

To amend the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974 to include timely completion of budgetary actions as an essential purpose of such Act and to establish limitations on the official travel of Members of Congress upon failure to timely adopt a concurrent resolution on the budget, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 18, 2024

Mr. ARRINGTON (for himself, Mr. YAKYM, and Mr. SORENSEN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committees on the Budget, and Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “No Budget, No Recess
3 Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. TIMELY COMPLETION OF BUDGETARY ACTIONS.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 2 of the Congressional
6 Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974 (2 U.S.C.
7 621) is amended—

8 (1) in paragraph (4), by striking “and” at the
9 end;

10 (2) in paragraph (5), by striking the period at
11 the end and inserting “; and”; and

12 (3) by adding at the end the following new
13 paragraph:

14 “(6) to ensure timely completion of budgetary
15 actions as outlined in this Act.”.

16 (b) HOUSE APPROVAL OF REGULAR APPROPRIATION
17 BILLS.—Section 309 of such Act is amended by inserting
18 “or August” after “July”.

19 **SEC. 3. LIMITS ON OFFICIAL TRAVEL OF MEMBERS OF CON-**
20 **GRESS UPON FAILURE TO ADOPT A CONCUR-**
21 **RENT RESOLUTION ON THE BUDGET IN A**
22 **TIMELY MANNER.**

23 (a) LIMITS ON OFFICIAL TRAVEL.—

24 (1) LIMITATION.—Except as provided in para-
25 graph (2), no amounts may be obligated or expended
26 for official travel by a Member of Congress (includ-

1 ing a Delegate or Resident Commissioner to the
2 Congress) during the period described in subsection
3 (b).

4 (2) EXCEPTIONS.—

5 (A) RETURN TO DC.—If a Member of Con-
6 gress is away from the seat of Government on
7 the date on which the period described in sub-
8 section (b) begins, funds may be obligated and
9 expended for official travel for a single return
10 trip to the seat of Government by the Member
11 of Congress.

12 (B) TRAVEL IN NATIONAL CAPITAL RE-
13 GION.—During the period described in sub-
14 section (b), amounts may be obligated and ex-
15 pended for official travel by a Member of Con-
16 gress from one location in the National Capital
17 Region to another location in the National Cap-
18 ital Region.

19 (C) NATIONAL SECURITY EVENTS.—Dur-
20 ing the period described in subsection (b), if a
21 national security event that triggers a con-
22 tinuity of operations or continuity of Govern-
23 ment protocol occurs, amounts may be obligated
24 and expended for official travel by a Member of
25 Congress for any official travel relating to re-

1 sponding to the national security event or im-
2 plementing the continuity of operations or con-
3 tinuity of Government protocol.

4 (b) PERIOD DESCRIBED.—The period described in
5 this subsection is the period that—

6 (1) begins on the next calendar day after April
7 15 of each calendar year if the House of Representa-
8 tives and the Senate have not adopted a concurrent
9 resolution on the budget as required by section
10 301(a) of the Congressional Budget and Impound-
11 ment Control Act of 1974 (2 U.S.C. 632(a)); and

12 (2) ends on the date of the adoption of a con-
13 current resolution on the budget.

14 (c) DEFINITIONS.—For the purposes of this sec-
15 tion—

16 (1) a “calendar day” shall exclude Saturdays,
17 Sundays, and legal holidays; and

18 (2) the term “National Capital Region” has the
19 meaning given that term in section 8702 of title 40,
20 United States Code.

