

104TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 2882

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 25, 1996

Mr. BLUTE introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, and in addition to the Committee on House Oversight, 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. PAY AND BENEFITS OF PRESIDENT, VICE**
2 **PRESIDENT, MEMBERS OF CONGRESS, AND**
3 **CERTAIN HIGH-LEVEL GOVERNMENT EM-**
4 **PLOYEES DURING ANY PERIOD OF LAPSED**
5 **APPROPRIATIONS.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—During any period with respect
7 to which there is a lapse in appropriations for any Federal
8 department or agency as a result of a failure to enact a
9 regular appropriations bill or a continuing resolution, the
10 pay and benefits of the individuals described in subsection
11 (b) shall be treated for all purposes, including suspension
12 of payment, in the same manner as the pay and benefits
13 of employees of any department or agency that is affected
14 by the lapse in appropriations.

15 (b) INDIVIDUALS DESCRIBED.—The individuals re-
16 ferred to in subsection (a) are—

- 17 (1) the President and the Vice President;
18 (2) Members of Congress; and
19 (3) employees in the executive branch or the
20 legislative branch of the Government who are—

21 (A) under the Executive Schedule, under
22 subchapter II of chapter 53 of title 5, United
23 States Code;

24 (B) in the Senior Executive Service, under
25 subchapter VIII of chapter 53 of title 5, United
26 States Code; or

1 (C) in positions covered by any system or
2 arrangement, the pay for which is the equiva-
3 lent of, is derived from, or is based on the pay
4 for the Executive Schedule or the Senior Execu-
5 tive Service.

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITION.**

7 As used in this Act, the term “Member of Congress”
8 means a Senator or Representative in, or a Delegate or
9 Resident Commissioner to, the Congress.

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