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# H. R. 1906

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 17, 1997

Mr. DEFAZIO 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

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## 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. CONDITION.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 601(a) of the Legislative  
5 Reorganization Act of 1946 (2 U.S.C. 31) is amended—

1           (1) in paragraph (2)(A) by striking “Subject to  
2       subparagraph (B),” and inserting “Subject to sub-  
3       paragraph (B) and paragraph (3),”; and

4           (2) by adding at the end the following:

5       “(3)(A) An adjustment under paragraph (2) which  
6 is scheduled to take effect in a calendar year shall not  
7 be made if the budget of the United States Government  
8 was in deficit for the last fiscal year ending before the  
9 start of such calendar year, as determined under subpara-  
10 graph (B).

11       “(B) Not later than 2 months after the end of each  
12 fiscal year, the Director of the Congressional Budget Of-  
13 fice shall—

14           “(i) determine whether the budget of the Unit-  
15       ed States Government was in deficit for such fiscal  
16       year; and

17           “(ii) submit a written report to the Congress as  
18       to its findings under this subparagraph.

19 A failure to make a timely determination under the pre-  
20 ceding sentence shall be treated as a determination under  
21 this subparagraph that the budget of the United States  
22 Government was in deficit for the fiscal year involved.”.

1       (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by  
2 this section shall apply with respect to any adjustment  
3 scheduled to take effect after December 31, 1998.

