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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

SEPTEMBER 24, 2013

Mr. UDALL of Colorado (for himself and Mr. MORAN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Appropriations

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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. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “Military Pay Protec-  
5       tion Act of 2013”.

1 **SEC. 2. EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS TO PRO-**  
2 **VIDE PAY AND ALLOWANCES FOR MEMBERS**  
3 **OF THE ARMED FORCES AND SUPPORTING**  
4 **CIVILIAN AND CONTRACTOR PERSONNEL**  
5 **DURING GOVERNMENTWIDE SHUTDOWN.**

6 During a Governmentwide shutdown, the Secretary  
7 of the Treasury shall make available to the Secretary of  
8 Defense (and the Secretary of Homeland Security in the  
9 case of the Coast Guard), out of any amounts in the gen-  
10 eral fund of the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, such  
11 amounts as the Secretary of Defense (and the Secretary  
12 of Homeland Security in the case of the Coast Guard) de-  
13 termines to be necessary to continue to provide the fol-  
14 lowing:

15 (1) Pay and allowances (without interruption)  
16 to the following:

17 (A) Members of the Army, Navy, Air  
18 Force, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard, includ-  
19 ing reserve components thereof, who perform  
20 active service during the funding gap.

21 (B) At the discretion of the Secretary of  
22 Defense, such civilian personnel of the Depart-  
23 ment of Defense who are providing support to  
24 the members of the Armed Forces described in  
25 paragraph (1) as the Secretary considers appro-  
26 priate.

1           (C) At the discretion of the Secretary of  
2           Defense, such personnel of contractors of the  
3           Department of Defense who are providing di-  
4           rect support to the members of the Armed  
5           Forces described in paragraph (1) as the Sec-  
6           retary considers appropriate.

7           (2) Funding necessary to prevent interruptions  
8           or delays in the performance of domestic disaster re-  
9           lief and recovery operations.

10 **SEC. 3. GOVERNMENTWIDE SHUTDOWN DEFINED.**

11           In this Act, the term “Governmentwide shutdown”  
12           means any portion of a fiscal year during which none of  
13           the appropriation bills for the fiscal year have become law  
14           and an Act or joint resolution making continuing appro-  
15           priations for the fiscal year is not in effect.

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