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H. R. 5091

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 26, 2018

Mr. BUDD introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

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 “Essential Act of
5 2018”.

6 **SEC. 2. REPORTING REQUIREMENT WITH RESPECT TO**
7 **NONESSENTIAL EMPLOYEES.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—In the case of a lapse in appro-
9 priations for an agency, not later than 120 days after the

1 date on which such lapse in appropriations ends, the head
2 of such agency shall submit to the Director of the Office
3 of Management and Budget a report on the following:

4 (1) The name of each employee of the agency
5 who was furloughed as a result of the lapse in ap-
6 propriations.

7 (2) The job description of each such employee.

8 (3) The rate of basic pay for each such em-
9 ployee.

10 (b) AGENCY DEFINED.—In this section, the term
11 “agency” has the meaning given that term in section 551
12 of title 5, United States Code.

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