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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 8, 2019

Ms. HILL of California introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

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 “Shutdown Fairness
5 Act of 2019”.

1 **SEC. 2. CLARIFICATION RELATED TO ELIGIBILITY FOR UN-**
2 **EMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION.**

3 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Notwithstanding any other provi-
4 sions of law, beginning on December 22, 2018, any indi-
5 vidual who is paid unemployment compensation by a
6 State, on the basis of the individual’s Federal service (as
7 defined in section 8501 or 8521 of title 5, United States
8 Code), for a week during fiscal year 2019 during any part
9 of which a lapse in appropriations is in effect with respect
10 to which the individual is excepted from furlough shall be
11 deemed to be totally separated from Federal service and
12 eligible for unemployment compensation benefits under
13 subchapter I of chapter 85 of title 5 of the United States
14 Code for such week.

15 (b) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—This section shall apply with
16 respect to weeks beginning on or after December 22,
17 2018.

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