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To provide a bonus to any Federal employee excepted from furlough during the lapse in appropriations beginning on or about December 22, 2018, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 28, 2019

Mr. GRIFFITH introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Reform, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services, 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,*

3 **SECTION 1. BONUS FOR EXCEPTED FEDERAL EMPLOYEES**

4 **FOR DECEMBER 22, 2018 SHUTDOWN.**

5 (a) BONUS FOR FEDERAL EMPLOYEES.—

6 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subsection (b),
7 any employee of the United States Government ex-
8 cepted from furlough and working without pay dur-

1 ing the lapse in appropriations beginning on or
2 about December 22, 2018, shall receive a bonus for
3 each day during that lapse that the employee re-
4 ported to the employee’s duty station and performed
5 the duties of the employee’s position.

6 (2) PAYMENT.—A bonus under this subsection
7 shall be—

8 (A) equal to 15 percent of the employee’s
9 daily rate of pay (as determined under section
10 5504 of title 5, United States Code); and

11 (B) paid on the same date that the em-
12 ployee receives backpay under section 1341(c)
13 of title 31, United States Code, as added by the
14 Government Employee Fair Treatment Act of
15 2019, or as soon as practicable after that date.

16 (3) TREATMENT OF BONUSES.—Any bonus paid
17 under this subsection—

18 (A) shall be subject to any limitation on
19 total aggregate pay, including section 5307 of
20 title 5, United States Code; and

21 (B) is not part of the basic pay of an em-
22 ployee for any purpose.

23 (b) BONUSES FOR MEMBERS OF THE UNIFORMED
24 SERVICES.—

1 (1) IN GENERAL.—Any member of the uni-
2 formed services excepted from furlough and working
3 without pay during the lapse in appropriations be-
4 ginning on or about December 22, 2018, shall re-
5 ceive a bonus for each day during that lapse that the
6 member reported to the duty station of the member
7 and performed the duties of the member.

8 (2) PAYMENT.—A bonus under this subsection
9 shall be—

10 (A) equal to 15 percent of the daily rate
11 of pay the member (as determined under chap-
12 ter 3 of title 37, United States Code); and

13 (B) paid on the same date that the mem-
14 ber receives backpay under section 1341(c) of
15 title 31, United States Code, as added by the
16 Government Employee Fair Treatment Act of
17 2019, or as soon as practicable after that date.

18 (3) TREATMENT OF BONUSES.—Any bonus paid
19 under this subsection—

20 (A) shall be subject to any limitation on
21 total aggregate pay, including section 204(i)(1)
22 of title 37, United States Code; and

23 (B) is not part of the basic pay of a mem-
24 ber for any purpose.

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