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To provide, in the event of a Government shutdown during fiscal year 2019, continuing appropriations to members and employees of the Coast Guard and law enforcement officers and custom and border protection officers within the Department of Homeland Security, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 28, 2019

Mr. KELLY of Mississippi introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Appropriations

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 “Pay our Homeland
5 Heroes Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS FOR COAST GUARD**
2 **AND LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS AND**
3 **CUSTOM AND BORDER PROTECTION OFFI-**
4 **CERS IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND**
5 **SECURITY.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—There are hereby appropriated for
7 fiscal year 2019, out of any money in the Treasury not
8 otherwise appropriated, for any period during which in-
9 terim or full-year appropriations for fiscal year 2019 are
10 not in effect—

11 (1) such sums as are necessary to provide pay
12 and allowances to members and employees of the
13 Coast Guard; and

14 (2) such sums as are necessary to provide the
15 salary and expenses of any law enforcement officer
16 (as that term is defined in section 8401(17) of title
17 5, United States Code) or customs and border pro-
18 tection officer (as that term is defined in section
19 8401(36) of such title) within the Department of
20 Homeland Security.

21 (b) AVAILABILITY.—Appropriations and funds made
22 available and authority granted pursuant to subsection (a)
23 shall be available until whichever of the following first oc-
24 curs:

25 (1) The enactment into law of an appropriation
26 (including a continuing appropriation) for any pur-

1 pose for which amounts are made available in sub-
2 section (a).

3 (2) The enactment into law of the applicable
4 regular or continuing appropriations resolution or
5 other Act without any appropriation for such pur-
6 pose.

7 (c) BACKPAY.—With respect to the period of a lapse
8 in the appropriations described in subsection (a) beginning
9 on or around December 22, 2018, and ending on the date
10 of enactment of this Act, compensation provided by this
11 section shall be considered to be payments made in accord-
12 ance with subsection (c) of section 1341 of title 31, United
13 States Code, as added by the Government Employee Fair
14 Treatment Act of 2019.

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