

119TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 5893

To provide funding for administrative expenses of the Social Security Administration during any lapse in appropriations during fiscal year 2026, to require that the Social Security Administration be responsive to Congressional offices during such a lapse in appropriations, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 31, 2025

Mrs. SYKES (for herself and Mr. BRESNAHAN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Appropriations, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, 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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Guaranteed Uninter-
3 rupted Access to Retiree Disbursements Act” or the
4 “GUARD Act”.

5 **SEC. 2. FUNDING FOR ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES OF THE**
6 **SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION.**

7 There are hereby appropriated for fiscal year 2026,
8 out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appro-
9 priated, for any period during which interim or full-year
10 appropriations for fiscal year 2026 are not in effect, such
11 sums as are necessary for administrative expenses of the
12 Social Security Administration.

13 **SEC. 3. OPERATIONS DURING LAPSE IN APPROPRIATIONS.**

14 The Commissioner of Social Security shall ensure
15 that, during any lapse in appropriations occurring during
16 fiscal year 2026, the Social Security Administration car-
17 ries out all functions, including responding to communica-
18 tions from Congressional offices, that the Administration
19 would carry out in the absence of such a lapse.

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