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H. R. 1362

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 4, 2011

Mr. YODER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure and 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,*

3 **SECTION 1. CONTINUATION OF PAY AND ALLOWANCES FOR**

4 **MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES.**

5 (a) CONTINUATION DURING ANY FEDERAL GOVERN-
6 MENT SHUTDOWN.—From amounts in the general fund

1 of the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the Secretary
2 of the Treasury shall transfer to the Secretary of Defense
3 (and the Secretary of Homeland Security in the case of
4 the Coast Guard) such amounts as are necessary to pro-
5 vide pay and allowances to members of the Armed Forces,
6 including reserve component members, who perform active
7 service during any funding gap during fiscal year 2011
8 when interim or full-year appropriations for the personnel
9 accounts of the Armed Forces have not been enacted.

10 (b) CONTINUATION DESPITE REACHING STATUTORY
11 DEBT LIMIT.—Members of the Armed Forces, including
12 reserve component members, shall continue to be paid
13 their pay and allowances even if the debt of the United
14 States Government, as defined in section 3101 of title 31,
15 United States Code, reaches the statutory limit. The obli-
16 gation of the Secretary of Defense (and the Secretary of
17 Homeland Security in the case of the Coast Guard) to pro-
18 vide such pay and allowances shall take priority over all
19 other obligations incurred by the Government of the
20 United States.

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