

A Bill to Prevent Future Government Shutdowns

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. The federal government shall implement an Automatic Continuing Resolution (Auto-CR) that provides uninterrupted funding at the prior fiscal year's levels if Congress fails to pass all required appropriations bills or a continuing resolution by the beginning of a new fiscal year.

SECTION 2. For the purposes of this legislation:

A. "Automatic Continuing Resolution" shall be defined as the automatic extension of funding for all federal programs at previously enacted levels.

B. "Prior fiscal year's levels" shall be defined as the program-by-program funding enacted for the most recently completed fiscal year.

C. "Uninterrupted funding" refers to full operational capacity without furloughs, shutdowns, or suspension of services.

SECTION 3. The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) shall oversee and enforce the Automatic Continuing Resolution.

A. OMB shall issue guidance to federal agencies within 48 hours of Auto-CR activation.

B. OMB shall ensure proportional continuation of all accounts without unauthorized reallocation of funds.

C. OMB shall submit a report to Congress every 30 days detailing expenditures and impacts until a new appropriations bill is enacted.

SECTION 4. This legislation shall take effect at the beginning of the next fiscal year. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

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