

## HR 3538

### No Pay for Congress During Default or Shutdown Act

**Congress:** 118 (2023–2025, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Congress

**Introduced:** May 18, 2023

**Current Status:** Referred to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability, 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. (May 18, 2023)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/118th-congress/house-bill/3538>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Spanberger, Abigail Davis [D-VA-7]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** VA • **Chamber:** House

### Cosponsors (16 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Fitzpatrick, Brian K. [R-PA-1]	R · PA		May 18, 2023
Rep. Moskowitz, Jared [D-FL-23]	D · FL		May 22, 2023
Rep. Davis, Donald G. [D-NC-1]	D · NC		May 24, 2023
Rep. Nickel, Wiley [D-NC-13]	D · NC		Sep 19, 2023
Rep. Pappas, Chris [D-NH-1]	D · NH		Sep 19, 2023
Rep. Wild, Susan [D-PA-7]	D · PA		Sep 19, 2023
Rep. Deluzio, Christopher R. [D-PA-17]	D · PA		Sep 21, 2023
Rep. Landsman, Greg [D-OH-1]	D · OH		Sep 21, 2023
Rep. Fallon, Pat [R-TX-4]	R · TX		Sep 26, 2023
Rep. Lee, Susie [D-NV-3]	D · NV		Sep 26, 2023
Rep. Slotkin, Elissa [D-MI-7]	D · MI		Sep 26, 2023
Rep. Harder, Josh [D-CA-9]	D · CA		Sep 27, 2023
Rep. McClellan, Jennifer L. [D-VA-4]	D · VA		Sep 27, 2023
Rep. Garcia, Mike [R-CA-27]	R · CA		Oct 6, 2023
Rep. Gottheimer, Josh [D-NJ-5]	D · NJ		Feb 28, 2024
Rep. Phillips, Dean [D-MN-3]	D · MN		Mar 6, 2024

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Committee on House Administration	House	Referred To	May 18, 2023
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Referred To	May 18, 2023

## Subjects & Policy Tags

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### Policy Area:

Congress

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 HR 5587	Related bill	<b>Sep 20, 2023:</b> Referred to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability, 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.

**Summary** (as of May 18, 2023)

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### No Pay for Congress During Default or Shutdown Act

This bill withholds or eliminates the pay of Members of Congress for any day that the public debt limit is reached or there is a government shutdown.

During the 118th Congress, any salary earned by Members during these events must be held in escrow and released on the last day of that Congress. For subsequent Congresses, a Member shall not be paid for any day that these events occur.

### Actions Timeline

- **May 18, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **May 18, 2023:** Referred to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability, 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.