

HR 1973

No Pay for Congress During Default or Shutdown Act

Congress: 119 (2025–2027, Current)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Congress

Introduced: Mar 10, 2025

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 Government Reform, 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. (Mar 10, 2025)

Official Text: <https://www.congress.gov/bill/119th-congress/house-bill/1973>

Sponsor

Name: Rep. Vindman, Eugene [D-VA-7]

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

Cosponsors (14 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Fitzpatrick, Brian K. [R-PA-1]	R · PA		Mar 10, 2025
Rep. Bresnahan, Robert [R-PA-8]	R · PA		Mar 21, 2025
Rep. Pappas, Chris [D-NH-1]	D · NH		Sep 26, 2025
Rep. Whitesides, George [D-CA-27]	D · CA		Sep 26, 2025
Rep. Deluzio, Christopher R. [D-PA-17]	D · PA		Sep 30, 2025
Rep. Goodlander, Maggie [D-NH-2]	D · NH		Sep 30, 2025
Rep. Kean, Thomas H. [R-NJ-7]	R · NJ		Sep 30, 2025
Rep. Cisneros, Gilbert Ray [D-CA-31]	D · CA		Oct 3, 2025
Rep. Elfreth, Sarah [D-MD-3]	D · MD		Oct 3, 2025
Rep. Smucker, Lloyd [R-PA-11]	R · PA		Oct 3, 2025
Rep. Subramanyam, Suhas [D-VA-10]	D · VA		Oct 3, 2025
Rep. Kennedy, Timothy M. [D-NY-26]	D · NY		Nov 4, 2025
Rep. Tokuda, Jill N. [D-HI-2]	D · HI		Nov 4, 2025
Rep. Landsman, Greg [D-OH-1]	D · OH		Nov 12, 2025

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Committee on House Administration	House	Referred To	Mar 10, 2025
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 10, 2025

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Congress

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
119 HR 9222	Related bill	Jun 9, 2026: Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committees on Oversight and Government Reform, House Administration, Ways and Means, and Rules, 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 Mar 10, 2025)

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 119th 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. (Some exceptions apply.)

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 10, 2025:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 10, 2025:** Referred to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, 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.

LegiList

CONGRESS, MADE CLEAR.

Search Every Federal Bill, Law, and Vote

LegiList is the fastest way to research Congress. Track any bill from introduction to enactment, see how every legislator voted, follow committee activity, and read the full text of every bill — all in one place, always up to date.

legilist.com

Free Course: Learn How Congress Actually Works

LegiList Learn is a free, self-paced course that walks through the entire legislative process — from drafting a bill to a presidential signature. Seven modules, plain language, no politics. Earn a certificate when you finish.

legilist.com/learn

Developer API: Build Apps on Legislative Data

The LegiList API gives developers direct access to bills, votes, legislators, committees, and more. Start free with 1,000 requests per day — no credit card required. Upgrade to Pro when you need to scale.

legilist.com/api

Public data belongs to the public. — legilist.com