

## S 3001

Shutdown Fairness Act

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### Sponsor

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Sen. Crapo, Mike [R-ID]	R · ID		Oct 9, 2025
Sen. Risch, James E. [R-ID]	R · ID		Oct 9, 2025
Sen. Young, Todd [R-IN]	R · IN		Oct 9, 2025
Sen. Sullivan, Dan [R-AK]	R · AK		Oct 14, 2025
Sen. Cassidy, Bill [R-LA]	R · LA		Oct 15, 2025

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Appropriations Committee	Senate	Referred To	Oct 10, 2025

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
119 S 3012	Related bill	<b>Nov 7, 2025:</b> Upon reconsideration, cloture on the motion to proceed to the measure not invoked in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 53 - 43. Record Vote Number: 609.
119 HR 5801	Related bill	<b>Oct 21, 2025:</b> Referred to the House Committee on Appropriations.

## **Shutdown Fairness Act**

This bill provides appropriations to pay federal employees who work during a government shutdown.

Specifically, the bill provides appropriations for federal agencies to provide pay and allowances to excepted employees who are required to work during any period in which interim or full-year appropriations are not in effect for a fiscal year (i.e., a government shutdown).

Under current law, excepted employees are required to work during a government shutdown and are not paid until the government shutdown is over. This bill provides appropriations to pay excepted employees during a government shutdown. The bill also specifies that the term *excepted employee* includes certain contractors who support federal employees during a government shutdown.

A federal agency may not use the funds provided by this bill during any period in which continuing appropriations are in effect for the purpose of paying excepted employees of the agency.



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