

HR 5398

Pay Our Homeland Defenders Act of 2026

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Rep. Stauber, Pete [R-MN-8]	R · MN		Oct 10, 2025
Rep. Mills, Cory [R-FL-7]	R · FL		Oct 24, 2025

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Appropriations Committee	House	Referred To	Sep 16, 2025

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Economics and Public Finance

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Sep 16, 2025)

Pay Our Homeland Defenders Act of 2026

This bill provides continuing appropriations for the salaries of certain Department of Homeland Security (DHS) employees during any period in which interim or full-year appropriations for FY2026 or FY2027 are not in effect (i.e., a government shutdown).

If there is a government shutdown in FY2026 or FY2027, the bill provides continuing appropriations to provide pay and allowances to

- DHS law enforcement personnel;
- DHS employees or contractors who are necessary to carry out this bill, including employees or contractors involved in the administrative, payroll, distribution, accounting, and commercial accounts functions; and
- members, civilian personnel, and contractors of the U.S. Coast Guard.

The bill provides the appropriations until the earlier of (1) the enactment of specified appropriations legislation, or (2) January 1, 2027.

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