

HR 8029

Pay Our Homeland Defenders Act

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Sponsor

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Party: Republican • **State:** AZ • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Appropriations Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 20, 2026
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Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
119 HR 7147	Related bill	Apr 30, 2026: Became Public Law No: 119-86.
119 HR 8206	Related bill	Apr 6, 2026: Referred to the Committee on Appropriations, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, 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.
119 HR 8173	Related bill	Apr 2, 2026: Referred to the Committee on Appropriations, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, 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.
119 HRES 1131	Related bill	Mar 25, 2026: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
119 HR 7744	Related bill	Mar 9, 2026: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.
119 HR 4213	Related bill	Jun 26, 2025: Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 139.

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This bill provides appropriations to the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) for the remainder of FY2026. It also ends the partial DHS shutdown that began on February 14, 2026, because the continuing resolution (CR) that was funding DHS expired and a regular FY2026 DHS appropriations bill had not been enacted.

Specifically, the bill provides appropriations to DHS for Departmental Management, Intelligence, Situational Awareness, and Oversight, including

- the Office of the Secretary and Executive Management;
- the Management Directorate;
- Intelligence, Analysis, and Situational Awareness; and
- the Office of Inspector General.

In addition, the bill provides appropriations for Security, Enforcement, and Investigations, including

- U.S. Customs and Border Protection,
- U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement,
- the Transportation Security Administration,
- the U.S. Coast Guard, and
- the U.S. Secret Service.

The bill provides appropriations for Protection, Preparedness, Response, and Recovery, including

- the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency, and
- the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

The bill provides appropriations for Research, Development, Training, and Services, including

- U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services,
- the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers, and
- the Science and Technology Directorate.

The bill also authorizes back pay, in accordance with current law, for federal employees who were affected by the partial DHS shutdown.

Finally, the bill ratifies and approves certain obligations that were incurred during the partial DHS shutdown, including obligations incurred to maintain the essential level of activity to protect life and property and bring about an orderly termination of government functions.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 2, 2026:** Received in the Senate.
- **Mar 26, 2026:** Considered under the provisions of rule H. Res. 1131. (consideration: CR H2731-2750)
- **Mar 26, 2026:** Rule provides for consideration of H.R. 8029, H. Res. 1128, H.R. 5103 and H.R. 7084. The resolution provides for consideration of H.R. 8029, H. Res. 1128, H.R. 5103, and H.R. 7084 under a closed rule with one hour of general debate on each measure. The resolution provides for one motion to recommit on H.R. 8029, H.R. 5103, and H.R. 7084.
- **Mar 26, 2026:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with one hour of debate on H.R. 8029.
- **Mar 26, 2026:** The previous question was ordered pursuant to the rule.
- **Mar 26, 2026:** Ms. DeLauro moved to recommit to the Committee on Appropriations. (CR H2750)
- **Mar 26, 2026:** The previous question on the motion to recommit was ordered pursuant to clause 2(b) of rule XIX.
- **Mar 26, 2026:** POSTPONED PROCEEDINGS - At the conclusion of debate on H.R. 8029, the Chair put the question on motion to recommit and by voice vote, announced the noes had prevailed. Ms. DeLauro demanded the yeas and nays and the Chair postponed further proceedings until a time to be announced.
- **Mar 26, 2026:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H2751-2752)
- **Mar 26, 2026:** On motion to recommit Failed by the Yeas and Nays: 210 - 215 (Roll no. 103).
- **Mar 26, 2026:** Passed/agreed to in House: On passage Passed by the Yeas and Nays: 218 - 206 (Roll no. 104).
- **Mar 26, 2026:** On passage Passed by the Yeas and Nays: 218 - 206 (Roll no. 104).
- **Mar 26, 2026:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Mar 24, 2026:** Rules Committee Resolution H. Res. 1131 Reported to House. Rule provides for consideration of H.R. 8029, H. Res. 1128, H.R. 5103 and H.R. 7084. The resolution provides for consideration of H.R. 8029, H. Res. 1128, H.R. 5103, and H.R. 7084 under a closed rule with one hour of general debate on each measure. The resolution provides for one motion to recommit on H.R. 8029, H.R. 5103, and H.R. 7084.
- **Mar 20, 2026:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 20, 2026:** Referred to the Committee on Appropriations, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, 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.

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