111TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

H. R. 4786

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

March 9, 2010

Mr. Connolly of Virginia (for himself, Mr. Oberstar, Mr. Mica, Mr. Levin, Mr. Towns, and Mr. Defazio) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, 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

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. COMPENSATION AND RATIFICATION OF AU-
- 4 THORITY.
- 5 (a) Compensation for Federal Employees.—
- 6 Any Federal employees furloughed as a result of the lapse

- 1 in expenditure authority from the Highway Trust Fund
- 2 after 11:59 p.m. on February 28, 2010, through March
- 3 2, 2010, shall be compensated for the period of that lapse
- 4 at their standard rates of compensation, as determined
- 5 under policies established by the Secretary of Transpor-
- 6 tation.
- 7 (b) Ratification of Essential Actions.—All ac-
- 8 tions taken by Federal employees, contractors, and grant-
- 9 ees for the purposes of maintaining the essential level of
- 10 Government operations, services, and activities to protect
- 11 life and property and to bring about orderly termination
- 12 of Government functions during the lapse in expenditure
- 13 authority from the Highway Trust Fund after 11:59 p.m.
- 14 on February 28, 2010, through March 2, 2010, are hereby
- 15 ratified and approved if otherwise in accord with the provi-
- 16 sions of the Continuing Appropriations Resolution, 2010
- 17 (division B of Public Law 111–68).
- 18 (c) Funding.—Funds used by the Secretary to com-
- 19 pensate employees described in subsection (a) shall be de-
- 20 rived from funds previously authorized out of the Highway
- 21 Trust Fund and made available or limited to the Depart-
- 22 ment of Transportation by the Consolidated Appropria-
- 23 tions Act, 2010 (Public Law 111-117) and shall be sub-
- 24 ject to the obligation limitations established in such Act.

- 1 (d) Expenditures From Highway Trust
- 2 Fund.—To permit expenditures from the Highway Trust
- 3 Fund to effectuate the purposes of this section, this sec-
- 4 tion shall be deemed to be a section of the Continuing Ap-
- 5 propriations Resolution, 2010 (division B of Public Law
- 6 111-68), as in effect on the date of the enactment of the
- 7 last amendment to such Resolution.

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