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H.R. 34

To Make Appropriations Essential for the National Institutes of Health (NIH) in the Event of a Federal Government Shutdown

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 17, 2014

Mr. JONES introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Science, Space and Technology for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, 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*
2 *Representatives of the United States of America in*
3 *Congress assembled,*

4 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

5 This Act may be cited as "NIH Protection Act".

6 **SEC. 2. Essential**

7 Appropriations for the National Institutes of Health will
8 be deemed essential. In the event of a federal government
9 shutdown, appropriations allotted to fund the NIH will continue.
10 This act will serve as a way of protecting the NIH's ability to
11 treat patients during a government shutdown. This act will also

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12 protect NIH disease cure research and experiments during a
13 shutdown.

14 **SEC. 3. Funding**

15 This bill does not require any additional funding. Rather it
16 mandates that funding already appropriated to the NIH be
17 continue during any future federal government shutdowns.

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