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117TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. _____

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

M__. _____ introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

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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. SHORT TITLE.**

4   This Act may be cited as the ''Keep the Watchdogs

5 Running Act''.

1 **SEC. 2. INSPECTOR GENERAL OVERSIGHT DURING LAPSE**

2 **IN APPROPRIATIONS.**

3 Subsection (g) of section 6 of the Inspector General

4 Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.) is amended by adding at the

5 end the following new paragraph:

6 ''(4) Notwithstanding any other provision of law and

7 in addition to any other authority, during a lapse in appro-

8 priations, an Inspector General may incur obligations in

9 advance of appropriations—

10   ''(A) for such amounts as may be necessary and

11   at a rate for operations and under the authority and

12   conditions as provided in the most recently enacted

13   appropriations Acts; and

14   ''(B) to perform the duties of the Office with

15   respect to any program and operation of the estab-

16   lishment that continues during the lapse in appro-

17   priations.''.