

119TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. _____

To provide for continuing appropriations for Head Start programs.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Ms. BALDWIN introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred
to the Committee on _____

A BILL

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programs.

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 Head Start
5 Funded Act of 2025”.

6 **SEC. 2. CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS FOR HEAD START.**

7 There are hereby appropriated for fiscal year 2026,
8 out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appro-
9 priated, for any period during which interim or full-year
10 appropriations for fiscal year 2026 are not in effect, such
11 sums as are necessary for carrying out without interrup-

tion, under the authority and conditions provided for in division A of the Full-Year Continuing Appropriations and Extensions Act, 2025 (Public Law 119–4), all projects or activities under the Head Start Act that were conducted in fiscal year 2025, and for which appropriations were made available by the Full-Year Continuing Appropriations and Extensions Act, 2025.

SEC. 3. TERMINATION.

Appropriations and funds made available and authority granted pursuant to this Act shall be available until whichever of the following first occurs:

(1) The enactment into law of an appropriation (including a continuing appropriation) for any purpose for which amounts are made available in section 2.

(2) The enactment into law of the regular or continuing appropriations resolution or other Act for the Department of Health and Human Services without any appropriation for such purpose.

(3) September 30, 2026.

SEC. 4. CHARGE TO FUTURE APPROPRIATIONS.

Expenditures made pursuant to this Act shall be charged to the applicable appropriation, fund, or authorization whenever a bill in which such applicable appropria-

1 tion, fund, or authorization is contained is enacted into
2 law.

3 **SEC. 5. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

4 This Act shall take effect as if enacted on September
5 30, 2025.