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# H. R. 2856

To limit the impoundment, transfer, or reprogramming of certain Federal funds made available to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 10, 2025

Mr. KENNEDY of New York (for himself, Ms. TLAIB, Mr. THANEDAR, Mrs. DINGELL, Ms. STEVENS, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Ms. NORTON, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Ms. BROWN, and Mr. SCHNEIDER) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, and in addition to the Committee on Natural Resources, 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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## 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 “Great Lakes and Na-  
5       tional Weather Service Funding Protection Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. LIMITATION ON DEFERRAL OR TRANSFER OF CER-**  
2 **TAIN FEDERAL FUNDS MADE AVAILABLE TO**  
3 **NOAA.**

4 (a) **LIMITATION.**—Notwithstanding any other provi-  
5 sion of law, including the Impoundment Control Act of  
6 1974, discretionary appropriations (including amounts  
7 made available by the Full-Year Continuing Appropria-  
8 tions and Extensions Act, 2025 (Public Law 119–4))  
9 made available for the National Weather Service and the  
10 Great Lakes Region may not be impounded, transferred,  
11 or reprogrammed unless specific statutory authority is en-  
12 acted into law after the date of the enactment of this Act,  
13 with express reference to this Act, permitting such an im-  
14 poundment, transfer, or reprogramming.

15 (b) **CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE.**—Not later  
16 than 30 days after the date of the enactment of this Act,  
17 and annually thereafter, the Administrator of National  
18 Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration shall certify that  
19 the Administrator is in compliance with the requirements  
20 of this Act to the following committees:

21 (1) The Committee on Appropriations of the  
22 House of Representatives.

23 (2) The Committee on Natural Resources of the  
24 House of Representatives.

25 (3) The Committee on Science, Space, and  
26 Technology of the House of Representatives.

1           (4) The Committee on Appropriations of the  
2       Senate.

3           (5) The Committee on Commerce, Science, and  
4       Transportation of the Senate.

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