

119TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 5654

To provide for interim appropriations for the District of Columbia courts and related agencies with respect to any fiscal year for which appropriations are not otherwise provided for such courts and agencies.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 30, 2025

Ms. NORTON introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Appropriations

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. INTERIM APPROPRIATIONS FOR DISTRICT OF**
4 **COLUMBIA COURTS AND RELATED AGENCIES.**

5 (a) AVAILABILITY OF INTERIM APPROPRIATIONS.—

6 If during any fiscal year (beginning with fiscal year 2025)
7 there is an appropriation made for a Federal payment de-
8 scribed in subsection (c), and during the next fiscal year

1 there is no appropriation made for such a payment, there
2 shall be appropriated for such next fiscal year, out of any
3 money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, such
4 sums as are necessary for such payment, at a rate for op-
5 erations and under the terms and conditions provided in
6 the previous fiscal year.

7 (b) EFFECT OF ENACTMENT OF SUBSEQUENT AP-
8 PROPRIATIONS.—If an appropriation for a Federal pay-
9 ment described in subsection (c), or a general appropria-
10 tion bill providing appropriations for Federal funds for the
11 District of Columbia without provision for such a pay-
12 ment, is enacted into law on any date during a fiscal year
13 following the expenditure of funds during such fiscal year
14 pursuant to this Act—

15 (1) such expenditure shall be charged to such
16 appropriation (if any); and

17 (2) appropriations made available pursuant to
18 this Act shall not be available after the date of en-
19 actment of such appropriation or general appropria-
20 tion bill.

21 (c) FEDERAL PAYMENTS DESCRIBED.—The Federal
22 payments described in this subsection are as follows, as
23 provided in the District of Columbia Appropriations Act,
24 2024 (title IV of division B of Public Law 118–47), as

1 continued in effect by the Full-Year Continuing Appro-
2 priations Act, 2025:

3 (1) A Federal payment to the District of Co-
4 lumbia Courts.

5 (2) Notwithstanding the exception under section
6 1101(a)(5) of division A of the Full-Year Continuing
7 Appropriations Act, 2025, a Federal payment for de-
8 fender services in District of Columbia courts at the
9 rate for operations provided in the District of Co-
10 lumbia Appropriations Act, 2024.

11 (3) A Federal payment to the Court Services
12 and Offender Supervision Agency for the District of
13 Columbia.

14 (4) A Federal payment to the District of Co-
15 lumbia Public Defender Service, as amended by sec-
16 tion 127(a) of the Continuing Appropriations Act,
17 2025 (division A of Public Law 118–83) and as
18 modified by section 127(c) of such Act.

19 (5) A Federal payment to the Criminal Justice
20 Coordinating Council.

21 (6) A Federal payment for judicial commis-
22 sions.

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