

117TH CONGRESS  
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# H. R. 4968

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

AUGUST 6, 2021

Mr. MOOLENAAR introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Reform

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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 “Stop COVID Bonuses  
5       for Elected Officials Act”.

6       **SEC. 2. WORKERS ELIGIBLE FOR CORONAVIRUS STATE FIS-**  
7                               **CAL RECOVERY FUNDS.**

8       (a) INELIGIBILITY OF ELECTED PUBLIC OFFI-  
9       CIALS.—Section 602(g)(2) of the Social Security Act (42  
10       U.S.C. 802(g)(2)) is amended by striking “The term ‘eli-

1 gible workers’ means” and all that follows and inserting  
2 the following:

3           “(A) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘eligible  
4 workers’ means those workers needed to main-  
5 tain continuity of operations of essential critical  
6 infrastructure sectors and additional sectors as  
7 each Governor of a State or territory, or each  
8 Tribal government, may designate as critical to  
9 protect the health and well-being of the resi-  
10 dents of their State, territory, or Tribal govern-  
11 ment.

12           “(B) EXCEPTION.—An elected public offi-  
13 cial with authority to designate who is eligible  
14 to receive premium pay under this section shall  
15 not be an eligible worker, except that such an  
16 elected official who performs other work during  
17 the COVID–19 public health emergency that is  
18 unrelated to the elected official’s duties may be  
19 considered an eligible worker for such other  
20 work so long as individuals performing such  
21 work who are not elected public officials are  
22 designated as eligible workers.”.

23           (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by  
24 subsection (a) shall apply with respect to funds provided  
25 under a payment made under section 602 of the Social

- 1 Security Act (42 U.S.C. 802) which are obligated or ex-
- 2 pended on or after the date of the enactment of this Act.

