The Appropriations & Budget Process

The White House
- President's Budget

CBO
- Reestimates President's Budget
- Baseline

House & Senate Appropriations Committees
- Views & Estimates
- Full committees make 302 (b) suballocations to their respective subcommittees

House Authorizing Committees:
Agriculture
Education and the Workforce
Energy and Commerce
Financial Services
Government Reform
Homeland Security
House Administration
International Relations
Judiciary
Resources
Science
Select Intelligence
Small Business
Transportation and Infrastructure
Veterans' Affairs
Ways & Means

- Views & Estimates
- Prepare language in compliance with reconciliation instructions
- Draft authorization legislation

Senate Authorizing Committees:
Agriculture, Nutrition & Forestry
Armed Services
Banking, Housing & Urban Affairs
Commerce, Science & Transportation
Energy & Natural Resources
Environment & Public Works
Finance
Foreign Relations
Homeland Security & Government Affairs
Indian Affairs
Judiciary
Health, Education, Labor & Pensions
Rules & Administration
Select Intelligence
Small Business
Special Aging
Veterans' Affairs

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House & Senate Budget Committees
- Hold Hearings

House & Senate Budget Committees
- Each Committee holds a markup and reports out the concurrent resolution on the budget

House & Senate Floors
- Consider amendments
- Votes to pass the Budget Resolution

Separate House & Senate Appropriations Bills
Agriculture & Rural Development
Commerce, Justice, & Science
Defense
District of Columbia
Energy & Water
Homeland Security
Interior
Labor, HHS, Education
Legislative Branch
Military Construction & Veterans' Aff.
State & Foeign Operations
Transportation, Treasury & Judiciary
Housing & Urban Development

House & Senate Appropriations Subcommittees
- Hold Hearings

Budget Resolution Conference Report
- House & Senate vote to pass conference report
- Conference report includes: 302 (a) spending allocations; reconciliation instructions

House & Senate Appropriations Subcommittees
- Each holds a markup & reports out appropriation legislation

House & Senate Authorizing Committees
- Hold hearings

House & Senate Budget Committees
- Package Reconciliation language from Authorizing Committees
- Report out reconciliation bill

House & Senate Floors
- Consider amendments
- Vote to adopt appropriations bills and send to conference

House & Senate Authorizing Committees
- Each holds a markup & reports out authorization legislation

House & Senate Floors
- Consider Amendments
- Pass Reconciliation bill and send to conference

Appropriations bill Conference Reports
- Adopt conference reports and send to President for signature

House & Senate Floors
- Consider amendments
- Votes to pass each authorization bill and send to conference

Reconciliation Bill Conference Report
- House & Senate vote to adopt conference report and send to President for signature

White House
- Signed by President or allowed to become law without signature

White House
- Vetoed by President
- Bill Returned to House of origin

Authorization Bill Conference Report
- House & Senate vote to adopt conference report and send to President for signature

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House & Senate
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Continuing Resolution (CR) Needed If:
- Failure to pass appropriations bills
- Failure to overturn a veto

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House & Senate Floors
- Consider amendments
- Vote to pass the CR and send to conference

Laws
- Setting mandatory spending revenue levels
- Setting levels authorized to be appropriated

House & Senate
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CR Conference Committee
- House & Senate vote to adopt conference report and send to President for signature

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Legend

- Executive Branch
- Congressional Budget Office
- Authorizing Committees
- Budget Committees
- Appropriations Committees

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