



Legislative Bulletin.....October 5, 2013

H.J. Res. 77 – Food and Drug Safety Act (Rep. Aderholt, R-AL)

Order of Business: This bill is scheduled to be considered on Monday, October 7, under a closed rule ([H.Res. 371](#) – which was adopted by the House on Friday, October 4).

Summary: This bill (text [here](#)) provides funds for the Food and Drug Administration, provided only the amount necessary to keep current staffing levels is used AND the agency takes all necessary action to reduce administrative expenses.

Currently 698 FDA staff are excepted to carry out inspections of regulated products, conduct sample analysis, and inspect imports. To read the full HHS/FDA shutdown contingency plan, click [here](#).

Funds are appropriated at the Fiscal Year 2013 post-sequester level through December 15, 2013, or the passage of a superseding appropriations act, whichever comes first. CBO estimates that the annualized cost of this bill is \$2.3 billion in budget authority.

Administration Position: The Administration has issued a [veto threat](#) for this legislation.

Outside Organizations: At press time no outside group positions were available.

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