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 13 subcommittees

House Authorizing Committees:
Agriculture
Banking & Financial Services
Housing & Urban Affairs
Commerce
Economic & Educational Opportunities
Government Reform & Oversight
House Oversight
International Relations
Judiciary
National Security
Resources
Science
Select Intelligence
Small Business
Transportation & 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
Government Affairs
Indian Affairs
Judiciary
Labor & Human Resources
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

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

13 Separate House & Senate Appropriations Bills
Agriculture & Rural Development
Commerce, Justice, State
Judiciary
District of Columbia
Energy & Water Development
Foreign Operations
Interior
Labor, HHS, Education
Legislative Branch
Military Construction
Defense
Transportation
Treasury, Postal Service
VA, HUD, Independent Agencies

13 House & Senate Appropriations Subcommittees
- Hold Hearings

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

House & Senate Floors
- Consider amendments
- Vote to adopt 13 appropriations bills and send to conference

Appropriations bill Conference Reports
- Adopt 13 conference reports 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

House & Senate
- Requires 2/3 vote to override veto in each chamber

Continuing Resolution (CR) Needed If:
- Failure to pass 13 appropriations bills
- Failure to overturn a veto

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

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

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

House & Senate
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17 House & 17 Senate Authorizing Committees
- Hold hearings

17 House & 17 Senate Authorizing Committees
- Each holds a markup & reports out authorization legislation

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

Authorization 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

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

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

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

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

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White House
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Executive Branch

Congressional Budget Office

Authorizing Committees

Budget Committees

Appropriations Committees

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