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## **CBO: Government Will Spend Over \$310 Billion on Expired Programs**

WASHINGTON D.C. – The federal government will spend more than \$310 billion in fiscal year 2016 on programs and activities whose statutory authorization for funding has expired, according to a Congressional Budget Office (CBO) report released today. The \$310 billion has been awarded to a wide array of expired programs and entities originally authorized under 256 separate laws. Senate Budget Committee Chairman Mike Enzi (R-WY) said it was time for Congress to take a closer look at these funds.

“Alarming, this new report indicates that most non-defense discretionary spending is currently being awarded to expired programs,” **said Chairman Enzi.** “Congress should reexamine what we are actually funding in order to improve or eliminate government programs not delivering results. By taking a closer look at these programs and activities, Congress would have more funding flexibility to boost important programs and priorities.”

CBO has published this report annually pursuant to a requirement enacted in 1985.

The full CBO report can be read [here](#).

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