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## Legislative Update

### 2024 Legislative Committee Update

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Earlier today Congressional Leadership from both the House and Senate announced a deal had been reached to avoid a government shutdown by extending funding through a 4<sup>th</sup> Continuing Resolution (CR).

In a joint statement, Senate Majority Leader Schumer, Senate Minority Leader McConnell, House Speaker Johnson, and House Minority Leader Jeffries stated, “We are in agreement that Congress must work in a bipartisan manner to fund our government.” Negotiators reached an agreement with expectations that Congress will schedule votes next week to pass the following annual appropriation bills funding these agencies through the end of FY 2024 which is September 30, 2024:

- **March 8, 2024-** Six appropriations bills: **Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies**; Commerce-Justice and Science, and Related Agencies; Energy and Water Development; Interior; Military Construction and Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies; and Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies.
- **March 22, 2024-** funding for the remaining six appropriations bills: Defense; Financial Services and General Government; Homeland Security; Environment; Labor, Health and Human Services, Education; Legislative Branch and State, Foreign Operations.

The joint statement also detailed what legislative activities could be expected over the next few days; “To give the House and Senate Appropriations Committee adequate time to execute on this deal in principle, including drafting, preparing report language, scoring and other technical matters, and to allow members 72 hours to review, a short-term continuing resolution to fund agencies through March 8 and the 22 will be necessary, and voted on by the House and Senate this week.”

The NASCOE Legislative Team and Legislative Consultant Hunter Moorhead will continue to provide updates as Congress finalizes the FY 2024 budget and await details regarding President Biden’s FY 2025 budget scheduled to be released on or about March 11, 2024.

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