



Committee on Appropriations – Democrats

NO MONEY SHALL BE DRAWN FROM THE TREASURY WITHOUT AN APPROPRIATION AS AUTHORIZED BY LAW.



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FACT SHEET: H.R. 3, Trump-GOP Rescissions Bill

Tomorrow, the House will consider H.R. 3, President Trump and House Republicans' rescissions bill, which eliminates Children's Health Insurance Program funding and cuts many other important priorities for American families.

The Trump-GOP rescissions bill fails the American people by eliminating funding for children's health insurance without reinvesting in health care and human services for children and families.

- Just months after passing the Trump-GOP tax scam, which added more than \$1.5 trillion to annual deficits, Republicans are proposing to eliminate more than \$7 billion in funding for the Children's Health Insurance Program.
- Rescinding these funds prevents Congress from reinvesting them in other priorities like child and maternal health, early childhood education, biomedical research, community health centers, and other important initiatives.

In addition to eliminating Children's Health Insurance Program funding, the approximately \$15 billion rescissions bill includes numerous cuts to programs that create jobs, grow our economy, and strengthen communities.

- The bill cuts funding for the Economic Development Administration and Community Development Financial Institutions, both of which play a critical role in creating jobs in distressed communities and rural areas.
- The bill rescinds billions of dollars from programs like the Advanced Technology Vehicles Manufacturing Loan Program and Title 17 Innovative Technology Loan Guarantee, which support transformational energy efficiency programs and create jobs in the clean energy sector.
- The bill includes additional cuts to the Corporation for National and Community Service, the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation, health infrastructure, rural water programs, transportation improvements in the Appalachian region, and many other small but important programs.

The rescissions bill undermines the carefully negotiated Bipartisan Budget Agreement and is being rushed to the floor without Committee consideration or meaningful debate.

- The bill includes cuts to funding that was appropriated under the fiscal year 2017 omnibus, which was negotiated just over a year ago. Upending bipartisan agreements poisons the well and makes future negotiations more difficult.
- There has been no consideration of the rescissions bill in the Appropriations Committee and the bill is being rushed to the floor less than 48 hours after the White House submitted the most recent version of its rescissions proposal.
- Instead of rubber-stamping President Trump's rescissions package, Congress should conduct rigorous oversight to determine why the Trump administration has not spent these funds even as they mispend tax dollars on first class flights, fountain pens, and luxury dining sets.