Homeland Security

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House Republicans are not interested in securing the border. They are interested in creating chaos and scoring political points. Instead of working with House Democrats to invest in effective strategies and help border communities and cities receiving migrants, **the House Republican 2025 Homeland Security funding bill fails to secure our border, weakens our national security, and makes our communities less safe and more vulnerable to terrorism and violent extremists.** Democrats will not support these disingenuous, misguided investments and extreme policies.

Fails to End the Border Crisis

- Does not include the $4.7 billion President Biden requested for a Southwest Border Contingency Fund.
- Misses opportunities to make even bolder investments to combat public health threats like the flow of fentanyl and other dangerous drugs through our ports of entry.
- Includes $600 million for ineffective and dangerous pedestrian border fencing.
- Makes our border less secure by failing to include border management funding to address projected levels of border crossings, such as increased funding for migrant processing facilities, migrant medical care, transportation, personnel overtime, and other costs.

Forces Chaos, Putting Politics Over Securing the Border

- Hurts border communities and cities across the United States receiving migrants by eliminating funding for the Shelter and Services Program and slashing funding for family reunification.
- Needlessly limits Customs and Border Protection's (CBP) ability to manage an orderly and secure humanitarian response process that promotes the use of legal pathways for those seeking refuge.
- Puts CBP officers and agents in danger by prohibiting a policy to reduce the risk inherent in vehicular pursuits.
  Fails to provide funding for Application Processing for refugee operations, asylum operations, backlog reduction, or the Citizenship and Integration Grant Program.

Makes Communities Less Safe and Fails to Protect Americans from Terrorism

- Eliminates funding for Targeted Violence and Terrorism Prevention grants to communities seeking to prevent harmful targeted violence and terrorism acts from happening.
- Limits the Department's ability to counter disinformation campaigns, including from harmful foreign actors seeking to undermine our elections.
- Decreases funding for the Federal Emergency Management Agency's National Urban Search and Rescue program and slashes investments in risk reduction and strategies to address climate change.
- Fails to adequately invest in cybersecurity and infrastructure security investments, opening the U.S. to increased cyber attacks and foreign adversary influence.