



Legislative Showdown: GOP Bill to End Shutdown Sparks Democrat Debate

Description

The proposed bill aims to maintain current funding levels for federal agencies until March 28th.

House Republicans have introduced a [measure](#) to avert a partial government shutdown at the end of the month, extending funding until late March. By then, new leadership will determine agency priorities for fiscal year 2025.

[Republicans](#) have included a contentious immigration provision, mandating proof of citizenship for voter registration. However, this aspect is met with opposition in the Senate, complicating the bill's passage.

Returning from August recess, legislators face a backlog of appropriations bills required for the upcoming fiscal year. A stopgap measure is crucial to avoid a shutdown on October 1st.

Speaker Mike Johnson emphasized the importance of federal funding and election security. Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer and Appropriations Chair Patty Murray stressed the need for bipartisan cooperation to avert a shutdown.

Key conservative groups urge for measures extending funding into early next year, aligning with their priorities. While Republicans argue for a citizenship requirement to safeguard elections, opponents highlight potential voter disenfranchisement.

If the bill advances in the House but faces opposition in the Senate, uncertainties remain. Apart from funding agencies until March 28th, the bill allocates additional resources for Inauguration Day security and \$10 billion for disaster relief.

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Vocabulary List:

1. **Legislation** /ˌlɛɡɪsˈleɪʃən/ (noun): Laws or proposed laws enacted by a government.
2. **Appropriations** /əˌprɒpɪəˈeɪʃənz/ (noun): Funds allocated by a legislature for specific purposes.
3. **Provision** /prəˈvɪʒən/ (noun): A condition or requirement in a legal document or agreement.
4. **Avert** /əˈvɜrt/ (verb): To prevent or turn aside a negative occurrence.
5. **Disenfranchisement** /ˌdɪs.ɪnˈfræŋ.tʃaɪz.mənt/ (noun): The state of being deprived of a right especially the right to vote.
6. **Backlog** /ˈbæk.lɒɡ/ (noun): A buildup of unprocessed work or tasks that need to be completed.

Comprehension Questions

Multiple Choice

1. What is the main objective of the proposed bill mentioned in the text?
Option: To increase funding levels for federal agencies
Option: To cut funding for federal agencies
Option: To maintain current funding levels for federal agencies until March 28th
Option: To shutdown federal agencies temporarily
2. Why have House Republicans introduced a measure according to the text?
Option: To increase funding until fiscal year 2025
Option: To reduce funding for federal agencies
Option: To avert a potential government shutdown
Option: To prioritize agency budgets for the upcoming year
3. What aspect of the bill is facing opposition in the Senate?
Option: Funding allocation
Option: Immigration provision requiring proof of citizenship for voter registration
Option: Disaster relief funding
Option: Agency budget priorities
4. Why is a stopgap measure deemed crucial for legislators?
Option: To increase funding for agencies
Option: To prioritize election security



Option: To avoid a government shutdown on October 1st

Option: To launch new agency programs

5. Who emphasized the importance of federal funding and election security?

Option: Speaker Mike Johnson

Option: Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer

Option: Appropriations Chair Patty Murray

Option: President of the United States

6. What additional resources does the bill allocate apart from funding agencies until March 28th?

Option: Funding for new federal agencies

Option: Inauguration Day security and disaster relief funds

Option: Increased salaries for legislators

Option: Infrastructure development funds

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. To maintain current funding levels for federal agencies until March 28th 2. To avert a potential government shutdown 3. Immigration provision requiring proof of citizenship for voter registration 4. To avoid a government shutdown on October 1st 5. Speaker Mike Johnson 6. Inauguration Day security and \$10 billion for disaster relief

Vocabulary quizzes

Multiple Choice (Select the Correct answer for each question.)

1. Which word means bringing about a significant change or improvement?

Option: Revolutionizing

Option: Deficiencies

Option: Therapies

Option: Provision

2. What term describes a deeply engaging or absorbing experience?

Option: Exceeding

Option: Oasis

Option: Misinformation

Option: Immersion

3. Which word refers to the action of setting aside money for a specific purpose?



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- Option: Expansion
Option: Appropriations
Option: Avert
Option: Endorsements
4. What term describes an approach that considers the whole system not just its parts?
Option: Tranquility
Option: Engage
Option: Holistic
Option: Contention
5. Which word means to prevent or avoid something undesirable?
Option: Provision
Option: Avert
Option: Disenfranchisement
Option: Tantalizing
6. Which term refers to false or inaccurate information?
Option: Backlog
Option: Unprecedented
Option: Misinformation
Option: Exceptional
7. What word describes essential parts or components of a whole?
Option: Legislation
Option: Provision
Option: Constituents
Option: Innovative
8. Which term means public approval or support?
Option: Expansion
Option: Legislation
Option: Engage
Option: Endorsements
9. What word describes a state of calm or peacefulness?
Option: Therapies
Option: Deficiencies
Option: Tranquility
Option: Oasis
10. Which word means to make use of something for a purpose?
Option: Innovative
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- Option: Utilize
Option: Administration
Option: Significant

Gap-Fill (Fill in the blanks with the correct word from the vocabulary list.)

11. After a long journey through the desert the travelers were relieved to find an _____
of water and palm trees.
12. The company announced plans for global _____ in the coming year.
13. The new _____ aims to improve consumer protection in the financial sector.
14. The contract includes a _____ for additional training sessions if needed.
15. To address the patient's health issues effectively the doctor recommended a _____
approach.
16. The museum aims to _____ visitors by offering interactive exhibits.
17. The scale of the natural disaster caused damage of an _____ magnitude.
18. The restaurant served a _____ array of desserts that tempted diners to try them all.
19. Efficient _____ of resources is crucial for the success of any project.
20. The art gallery featured an _____ collection of contemporary sculptures.

Matching Sentences (Match each definition to the correct word from the vocabulary list.)

21. The artist worked on every detail of the masterpiece to ensure its perfection.
22. The new technology is the way we communicate and share information.
23. The startup company introduced an solution to the common problem.
24. The nutritionist identified the dietary in the patient's eating habits.



25. The research findings revealed a increase in student performance after implementing the new teaching method.
26. The smooth of the event required careful planning and coordination.
27. The virtual reality game offers an experience that transports players to another world.
28. The debate over the new policy led to heated among the committee members.
29. The timely intervention helped to a potential crisis in the community.
30. The sudden increase in orders created a of work for the production team.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. Revolutionizing 2. Immersion 3. Appropriations 4. Holistic 5. Avert 6. Misinformation 7. Constituents 8. Endorsements 9. Tranquility 10. Utilize

Gap-Fill: 11. Oasis 12. Expansion 13. Legislation 14. Provision 15. Holistic 16. Engage 17. Unprecedented 18. Tantalizing 19. Administration 20. Exceptional

Matching sentence: 1. Meticulously 2. Revolutionizing 3. Innovative 4. Deficiencies 5. Significant 6. Administration 7. Immersive 8. Contention 9. Avert 10. Backlog

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