

Legislative Update

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- Congressional Climate & Legislative Activity
- Infrastructure (“the BIF”)
- Reconciliation (“Build Back Better” AKA “the BBB”)
- FY2022 Budget & Appropriations



House sends infrastructure bill to Biden without budget vote

Democrats breathe sigh of relief after key part of Biden agenda is passed

By Jessica Wehrman, Lindsey McPherson, and Joseph Morton
Posted November 5, 2021 at 11:35pm



No More Lead Pipes



High-Speed Internet Access



Better Roads and Bridges



Investments in Public Transit



Upgrade Airports and Ports



Investment in Passenger Rail



Network of Electric Vehicle Chargers



Upgrade Power Infrastructure



Resilient Infrastructure



Investment in Environmental Remediation

Winners and losers from House Democrats' messy Friday fracas

Biden worked the phones. Moderates refused to cave. And Pelosi lived to fight another day.



By John T. Bennett
Posted November 8, 2021 at 5:47pm

House ships \$550B infrastructure legislation to Biden's desk after months of delay

Only 13 House Republicans voted for the bill, alongside all but 6 Democrats.

POLITICO By NICHOLAS WU
11/05/2021 11:30 PM EDT

Breakdown of Democrats' \$1.75 trillion budget resolution to the American Jobs Plan (1/2)

After several weeks of negotiations, President Biden revealed a minimized version of the budget resolution proposal for “human infrastructure” as a part of a “go-it-alone plan” separate from the \$1.2 trillion bill focusing on physical infrastructure



Overview of the budget resolution



Current arguments and forecast for the bills

OVERVIEW OF SENATE DEMOCRATS' RESOLUTION

On October 28, President Biden released a framework to Congress revealing large scale-backs from the initial \$3.5 trillion proposal. Here's what is included and excluded in the new \$1.75 trillion proposal:

Included

- Clean Energy Tax credits and climate funding: **\$555 billion**
- **1% tax** on corporate stock buybacks
- **15% minimum tax** on US companies with profits over **\$1 billion**
- Free preschool for children aged 3 to 4, funded for 6 years
- Extends expanded Affordable Care Act premium tax credits through 2025
- Caps childcare costs by no more than 7% of income for families earning up to 250% of the state median income
- **One-year** extension on the expanded child tax credit
- Expands home care for the elderly
- 4 weeks of federal paid parental, sick or caregiver leave.
- Raising State and Local Tax deduction limit from \$10,000 to \$80,000.
- A \$35 per-month limit on the cost of insulin under Medicare
- cap on out-of-pocket prescription drug costs at \$2.00 per year.

Not represented in the new framework

- A tax on billionaires
- Changes to the state and local tax deduction (SALT)
- The Clean Electricity Protection Program

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Breakdown of Democrats' \$1.75 trillion budget resolution to the American Jobs Plan (2/2)

Despite Democrats push for the social spending measure to be voted in tandem with the infrastructure bill, the infrastructure package was passed alone on November 5. A vote on the budget resolution is expected to occur in the coming weeks



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RECONCILIATION UPDATES

- Democrats' hopeful to pass the infrastructure and reconciliation bill in tandem, had to postpone a vote on the social spending bill as centrist Democrats demanded a non-partisan investigation into the cost of the bill by the Congressional Budget Office
- The \$1.75 trillion reconciliation bill underwent a procedural vote on November 6, and was cleared 221-213, making it more likely for the bill to pass once Democrats schedule a final vote
- Last week the nonpartisan U.S. Joint Committee on Taxation estimated \$1.48 trillion in tax revenue would go towards the budget resolution, slightly short of the total \$1.75 trillion cost

NEXT STEPS

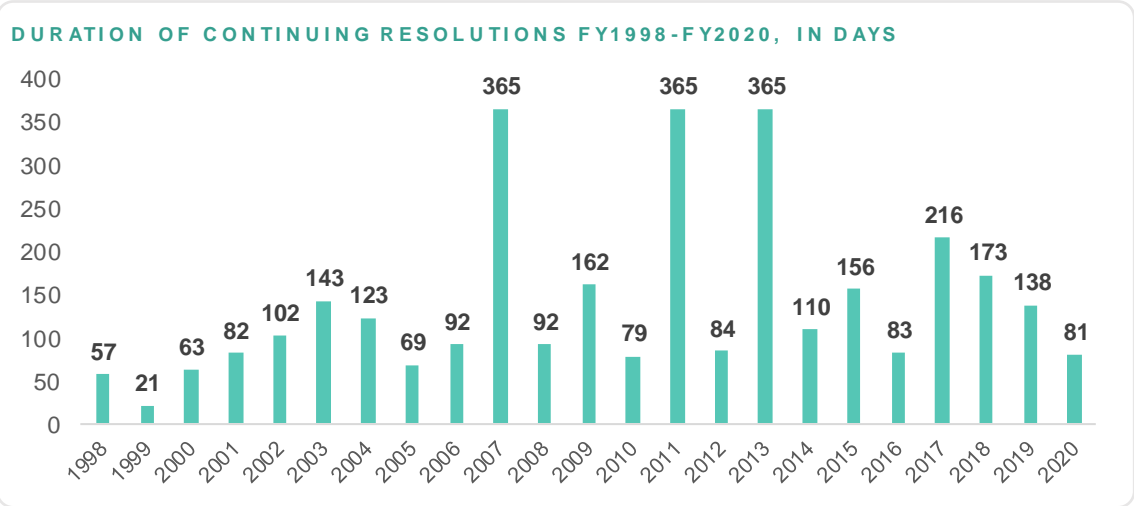
- After multiple meetings over the weekend, centrist Democrat's set a potential date for November 20th to vote on the reconciliation bill, but only after the Congressional Budget Office (CBO) determines the cost to align with current White House estimates
- The procedural vote on the Build Back Better Plan over the weekend acted as a partial victory for the White House, showing some unification within the Democratic Caucus as a final vote is anticipated once the CBO can show the package itself will not increase the budget deficit
- The House is on recess this week and is scheduled to return the week starting with November 13th. The CBO report may take several days, however if ready by the end of the recess, the bill can undergo a final vote as soon as the House comes into office, although unlikely.
- Once the House bill clears, it will head over to the Senate for revisions

FY22 Appropriations

	President's Budget Request	House passed 7/29/21 (219- 208)	Senate DRAFT released 10/18/21
NIH	\$52 B (+\$9 B)	\$49.4 B (+\$6.5 B)	\$47.9 B (+\$5 B)
ARPA-H <i>(authorization?)</i>	\$6.5 B	\$3.0 B	\$2.4 B
NCI	\$6.73 B (+\$174 M)	\$6.99 B (+\$434 M)	\$6.77B (+\$212 M)

Congress has enacted one or more CRs in all but three of the last 44 fiscal years

<p>5</p> <p>Average number of CRs enacted per year, FY1998-FY2020</p>	<p>39 days</p> <p>Average duration of each CR, FY1998-FY2020</p>	<p>5 months</p> <p>Average total duration of CR funding per year, FY1998-FY2020</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Number of full-year CRs enacted since FY1977</p>
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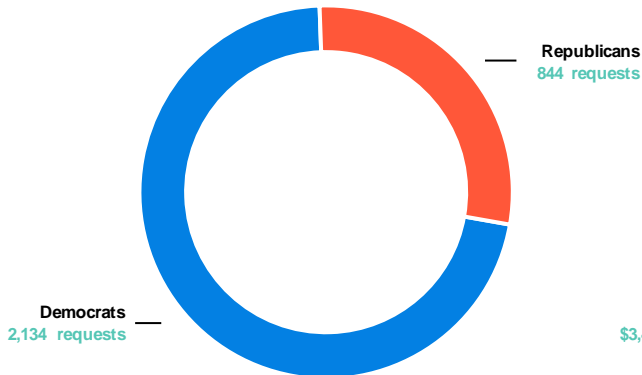


326 representatives submitted Community Project Funding requests for FY2022

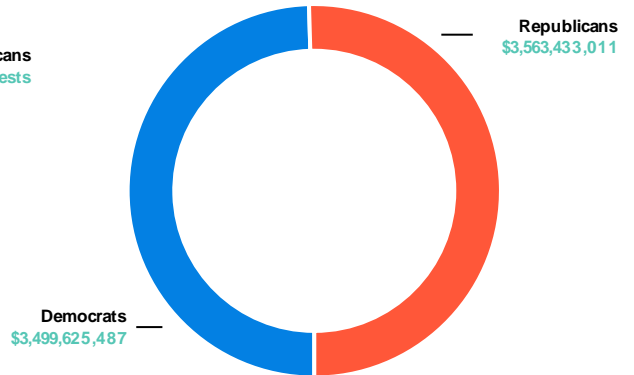


- Community Project Funding requests for FY2022 totaled **\$7,063,058,487**
 - 221 Democrats and 105 Republicans submitted 2,978 requests
- Twice as many Democrats submitted Community Project Funding requests compared to Republicans but requested on average **\$18,102,047.80** less than Republicans per representative

Number of requests



Requested funding amount



Excludes non-voting representatives. Graphs reflect the data submitted by offices into the database maintained by the Appropriations Committee, last accessed July 18, 2021

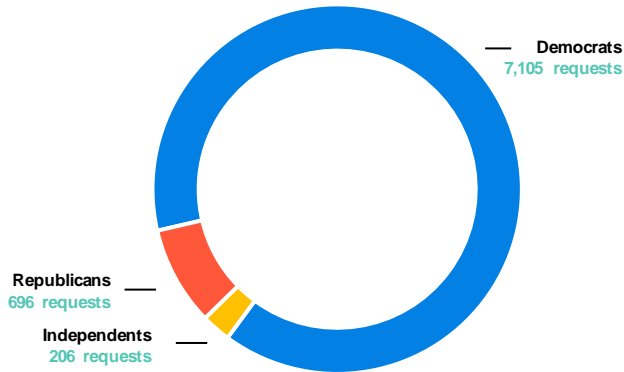
SOURCE: House Committee on Appropriations
PRESENTATION CENTER 5/11/21

64 senators submitted Congressionally Directed Spending requests for FY2022

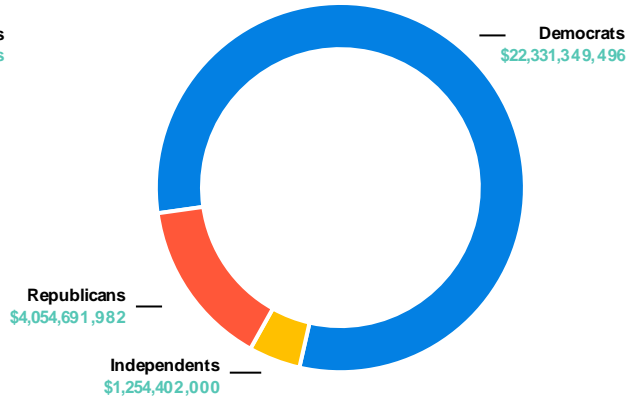


- Congressionally Direct Spending requests for FY2022 totaled \$27,640,443,478
- 45 Democrats, 2 Independents, and 17 Republicans submitted 8,007 requests
- While nearly **half** of Republican representatives submitted Community Project Funding requests, only **one-third** of Republican senators submitted Congressionally Directed Spending requests

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*Includes duplicate requests submitted by Senators from the same state

Questions?

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