



NCI Legislative Update

Clinical Trials and Translational Research Advisory Committee

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Discussion Topics

Lame Duck Session

- Appropriations
- Key Issues

The New (114th) Congress

- Major Changes in Membership
- Major Differences in Committees
- New Priorities



Lame Duck Session

- **Appropriations**
- **Key Issues**

Appropriations Status – FY 2015

CR in effect until Dec. 11

Previous House Action

- Labor–H Subcommittee did not release a bill or report
- Minority released their own proposal Sept. 15
- Other 11 bills were passed by Sub. and full Committee
- 7 bills passed by full House

Previous Senate Action

- Labor–H Subcommittee voted on bill and report June 10
- 1 of 10 bills passed by Subcommittee
- 8 bills passed by full Committee (Labor-H was not one)

\$1.1 B. Difference for L-H (House vs. Senate)



Good Intentions - Sept. 17

“This is merely a temporary, Band-Aid funding measure, and it does not make the necessary, line-by-line budget decisions that occur in full-year, regular Appropriations bills. But at this point, it is our best, most clear path forward – **allowing time to draft bicameral pieces of legislation that reflect our real and urgent budgetary requirements** and utilize our nation’s taxpayer dollars in the most responsible way.”

Rep. Hal Rogers (R-KY), Chair House Appropriations

More Good Intentions - Sept. 18

“Our goal for this continuing funding resolution is to lay the groundwork for an omnibus funding bill in December that will include all 12 appropriations bills.”

“I see this CR as a bridge to an omnibus. It sets the stage for Congress to come together after the election to do an omnibus funding bill for fiscal year 2015.”

Sen Barbara Mikulski (D-MD), Chair Senate Approps

The Reality – November 12

- Currently operating under a Continuing Resolution funded at FY 2014 levels through December 11
 - FY 14 Appropriation: NIH=\$29.9 B; NCI=\$4.92 B
- 1 week post election - Congress returns today
- Appropriators will need to act on FY 15 funding prior to Dec. 11 – what are their options?
 - The intended Omnibus bill
 - Extend CR for the full year
 - A combination, “CRomnibus”



Lame Duck – Key Issues

- Pass FY 2015 Appropriations Bill(s)
- Consider Emergency Appropriations
 - Ebola Outbreak
 - New Military Operations
- Settle Differences on Defense Authorization



The New (114th) Congress

- **Membership**
- **Major Differences in Committees**
- **Priorities**



New Congress – Key Facts

- 6 Races undecided as of Monday
- Runoff for Louisiana Senate Dec. 6

If projections hold:

Senate R–54; D–46 (2 Independent)

– 21 Women – 6 Minority

House R-247; D-188

- 88 Women - 86 Minority

- No changes expected in party leadership



New Congress - Committees

Senate

- All Committees have new (R) Chairs
- Ratios may not change – but will flip

House

- Some Committees will have new Chair or Ranking member due to departures and term limits
- Ratios will change - increasing Rs

The 114th Congress

Senate Appropriations Committee



Sen. Barbara Mikulski (D-MD) ? Sen. Richard Shelby (R-AL) ? ? Sen. Thad Cochran (R-MS) ?

L-HHS Subcommittee



Sen. Jerry Moran (R-KS) Replacement for retiring Sen. Tom Harkin (D-IA) TBD

The 114th Congress

Senate HELP Committee



Sen. Lamar Alexander (TN)



Sen. Mike Enzi (WY)



Sen. Patty Murray (WA)

National Cancer Institute



The 114th Congress

House Appropriations Committee



Chairman Hal Rogers (R-KY)



Ranking Member Nita Lowey (D-NY)

L-HHS Subcommittee

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Chair TBD



Ranking Member Rosa DeLauro (D-CT)

The 114th Congress

House Energy and Commerce Committee



Chair Fred Upton (MI)



Pallone (NJ) – Ranking – Eshoo (CA)



Health Subcommittee



Chair Joe Pitts (PA)

Ranking Member



New Congress: Priorities

21st Century Cures Initiative (cont)

“We have heard from patients, researchers, care givers, and innovators for the past several months about the tremendous opportunities ...to find treatments for the thousands of diseases without them and close the gap between the science of cures and how we regulate them. **In the coming weeks, we will continue to advance this initiative ...to deliver hope to patients and loved ones”**

Nov. 5, 2014 – Upton Statement on Priorities



QUESTIONS?



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