

# Legislative Update

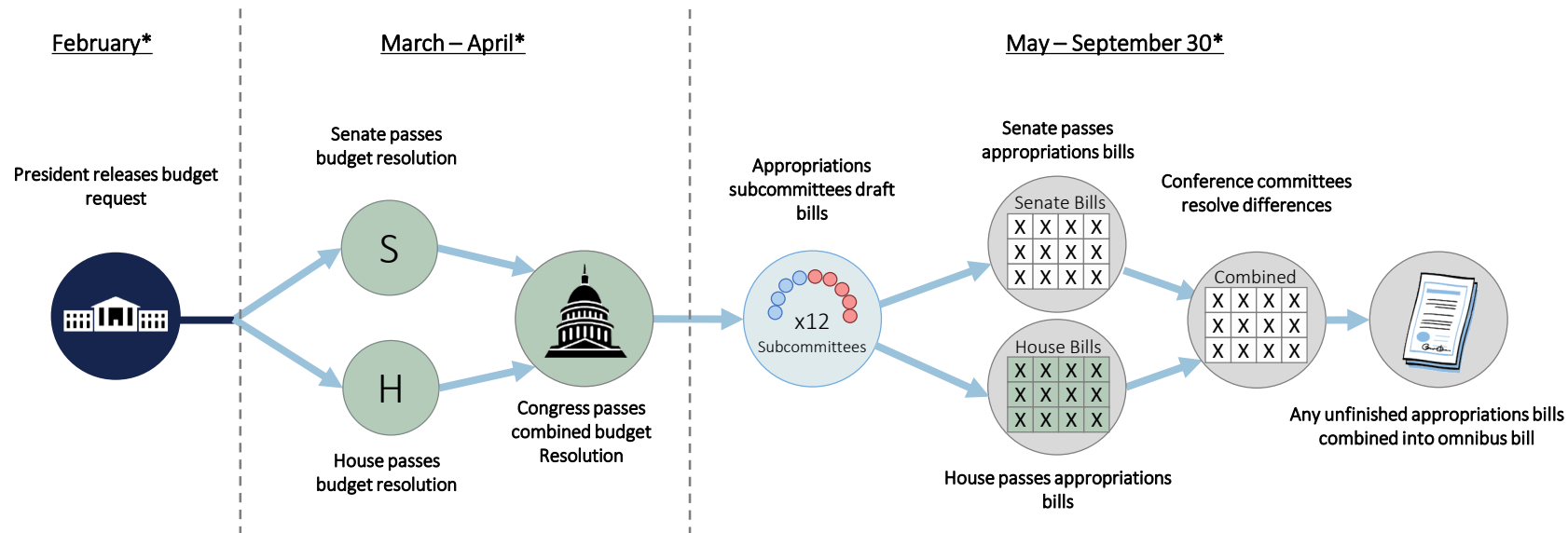
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# Congressional budget process flowchart



\*Denotes the pace of the process under "regular order"

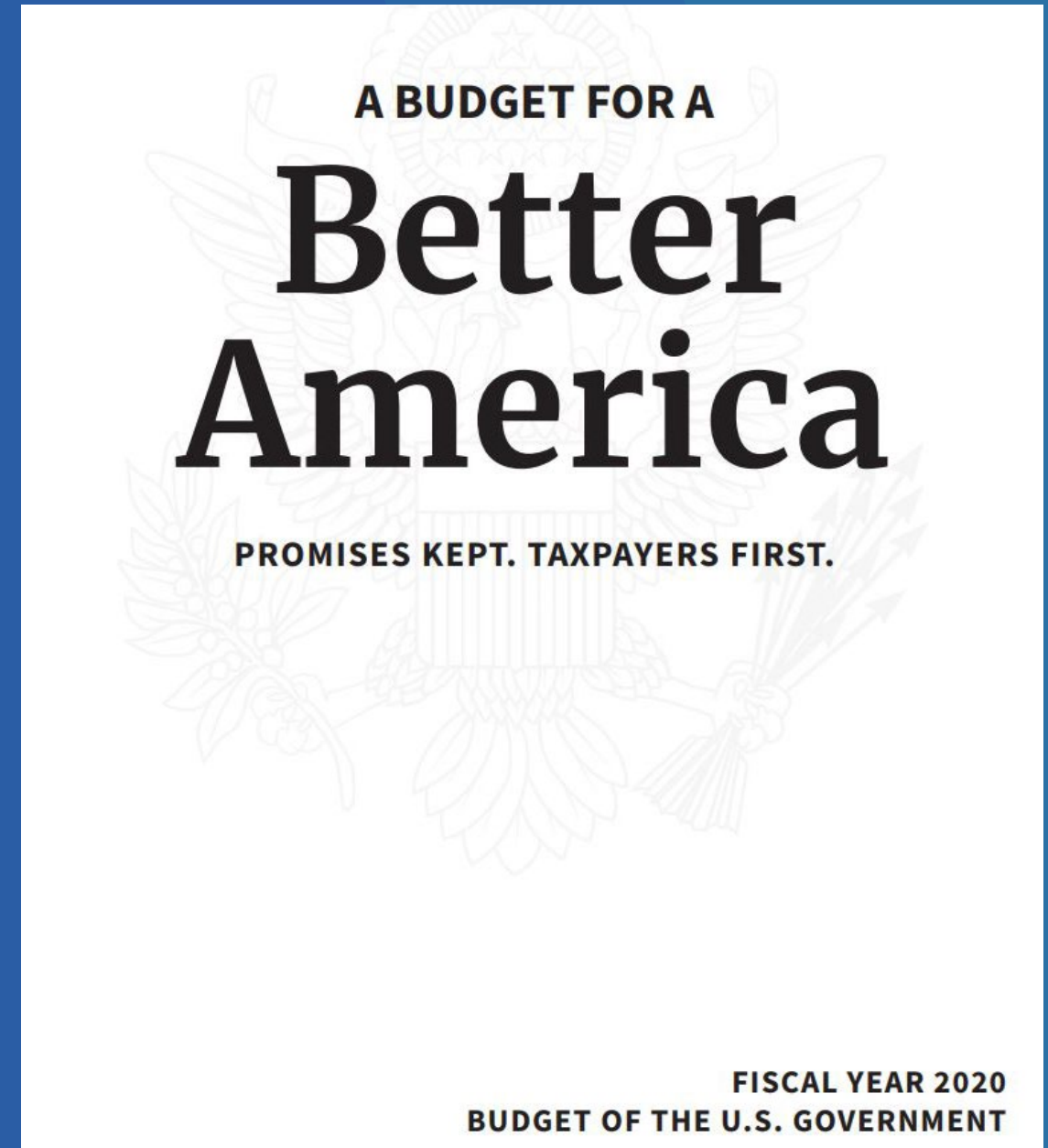
Sources: Congress.gov

January 30, 2018 | Justin C. Brown and Daniel Stublen

**March 11, 2019**

## **FY20 President's Budget Request**

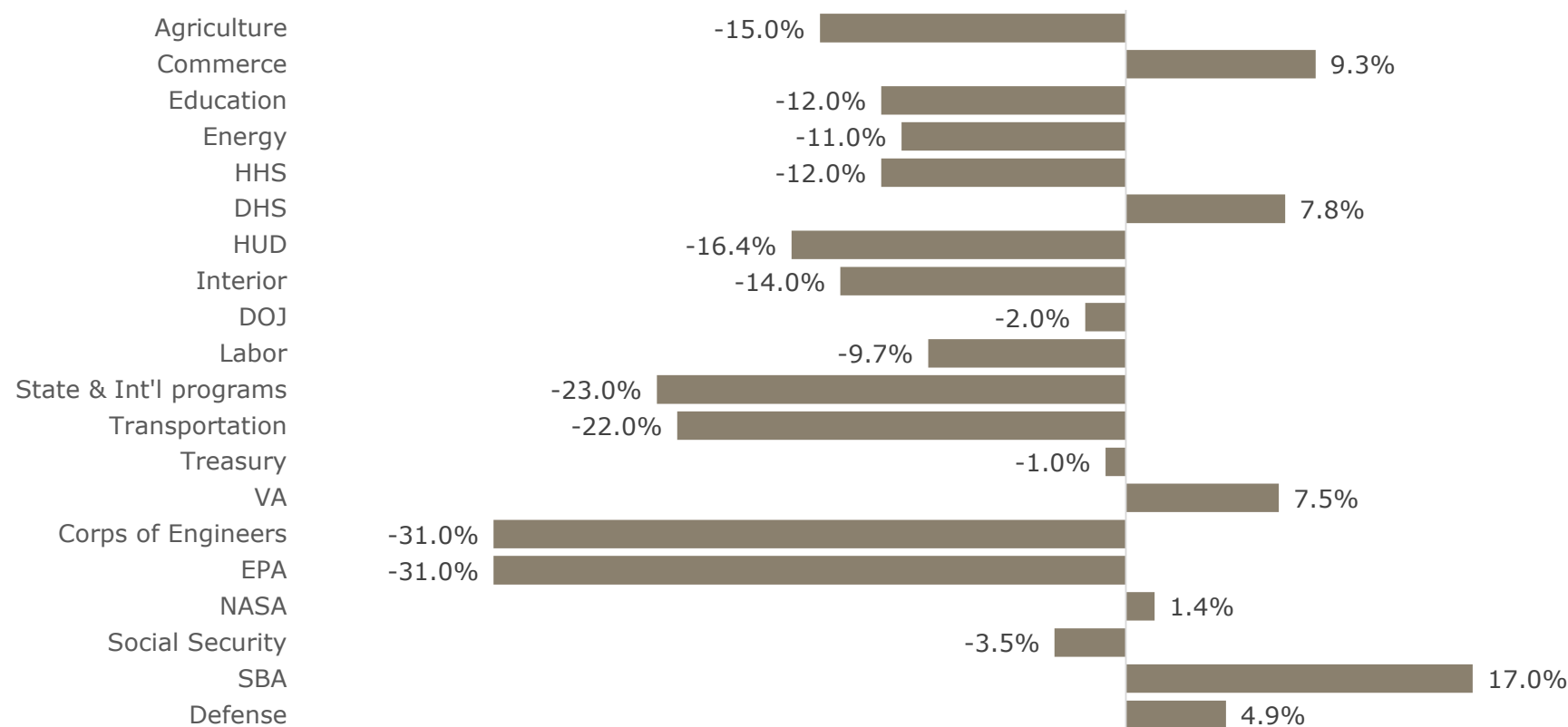
- -12% for NIH
- -14.6% for NCI
- +\$50M Childhood Cancer Data Initiative



# President Trump has called for cuts to every agency except Commerce, Homeland Security, the VA, SBA & Defense

## Overview of the FY20 budget request

PERCENT CHANGE FROM FY19 ESTIMATED OR ENACTED FUNDING

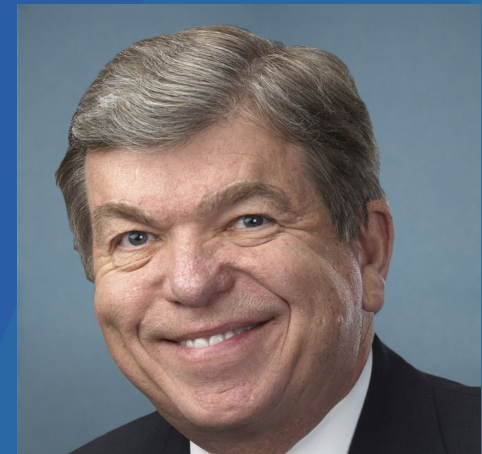
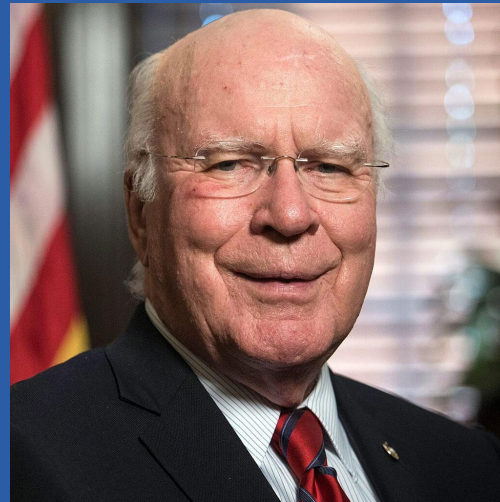


Sources: "A Budget for a Better America," White House, 2019.

Slide last updated on: April 1, 2019

*No money shall be drawn from the Treasury, but in  
consequence of Appropriations made by law.*

– ART. 1, SEC. 9 OF THE U.S. CONSTITUTION





# FY2020 House L-HHS Appropriations Hearing – April 2, 2019



# FY2020 Senate L-HHS Appropriations Hearing – April 11, 2019



# FY 2020 NIH and NCI Appropriations

- The House introduced its Labor-HHS spending bill on May 15, 2019. The bill included a \$310M increase for NCI as compared to the FY 2019 enacted base budget. Included in this increase is \$50M for the Pediatric Cancer Data Initiative.
- The Senate HHS spending bill is expected later this month.

	President's Budget	House L-HHS Appropriations Bill	Senate L-HHS Appropriations Bill
NIH Funding Level	\$34.4 billion	\$41.1 billion	<i>Not yet released</i>
NCI Funding Level	\$5.2 billion	\$6.44 billion	<i>Not yet released</i>



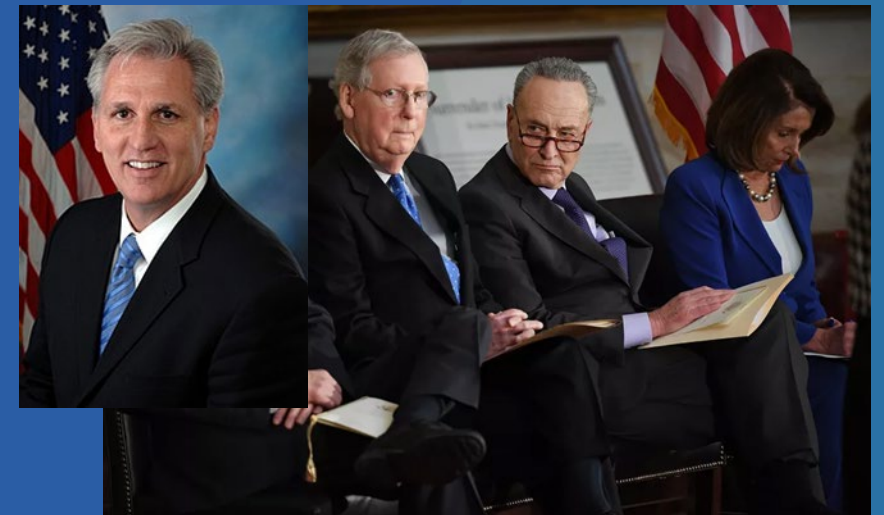
**WANTED**

*ANOTHER*

*BUDGET DEAL*

*...ASAP*

Without congressional action to raise discretionary spending caps, sequestration would cut over \$50 billion from non-defense discretionary spending in FY2020



## *Congress Strikes a Budget Deal With President*



Speaker John A. Boehner after a news conference last Wednesday. Mr. Boehner announced his resignation last month and is expected to hand over to Representative Paul D. Ryan of Wisconsin later this week. Doug Mills/The New York Times

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## What's next?

- Continued negotiation on budget caps
- Introduction of Senate L-HHS appropriations bill
- Reconciliation of House and Senate appropriations bills
- Omnibus? Minibus?
- Last day of FY2019: September 30<sup>th</sup>

# University of Kansas Visit – May 17, 2019



*Dr. Lowy with Sen. Jerry Moran (R-KS)*



# Legislative Implementation



- **Childhood Cancer STAR (Survivorship, Treatment, Access, Research) Act**

- Passed in both the Senate and House with strong bipartisan support, and signed into law in June 2018
- Research provisions directed toward NIH/NCI focus on childhood, adolescent, and young adult cancer survivorship research, as well as biospecimen collection and biobanking resources

- **Improving Outcomes for Pediatric, Adolescent and Young Adult Cancer Survivors:** NCI released a new RFA in January 2019 which aligns directly with the STAR Act. The first round of applications are in and under review.

- **Enhancing Biobanking for Childhood Cancers:** NCI convened a meeting last month with representatives from across the childhood cancer research and advocacy communities, focused on challenges and opportunities in this field. A meeting summary is in development and NCI looks forward to identifying additional efforts to enhance biospecimen collection and biobanking across its childhood cancer research programs.

# Childhood Cancer Staffer Visit, May 29, 2019





# Upcoming Congressional Briefings and Events

- **June 11:** Champions of Small Business Technology Commercialization Award to NCI SBIR/STTR
  - Presented by the Small Business Technology Council, the award will recognize the NCI SBIR/STTR Program's Economic Impact Study; Michael Weingarten and Dr. Kory Hallett will represent NCI
- **June 12:** Briefing on E-Cigarettes, featuring NCI, FDA, CDC, and extramural colleagues
  - Hosted by AACR; Dr. Rachel Grana Mayne will represent NCI
- **June 27:** Briefing on HPV-Related Cancers, featuring NCI, CDC, and extramural colleagues
  - Collaborative effort of nine organizations, including AACR, AACI, ACS-CAN, ASCO, Moffitt and St. Jude; Dr. John Schiller will represent NCI





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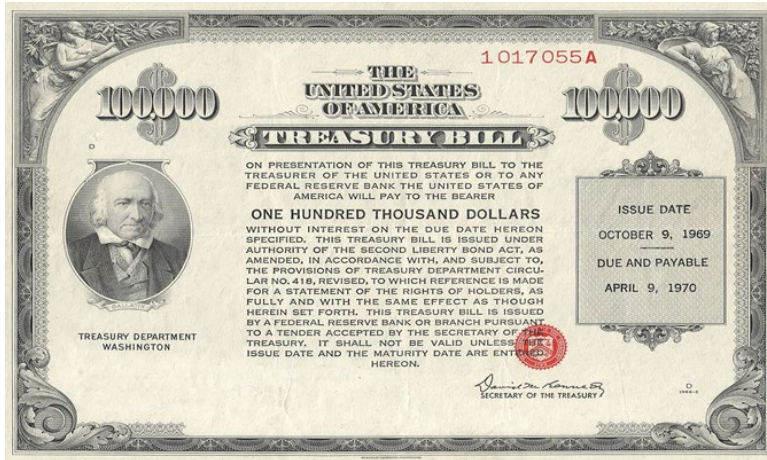
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- Congress has revised the BCA to raise budget caps several times since passage in 2011, most recently in 2018 with a budget deal for FY2018 and FY2019
- Sequestration - if appropriations bills exceed the spending levels, automatic across the board cuts would be imposed
- Tradition of Parity for Defense and Non-Defense Budgets – Dem majority in House, demands for significant non-defense increases are likely

### **Debt Limit suspension** expired March 2019

- Debt limit votes have often been a major flash point in budget negotiations (2011, 2013, 2015, 2018)



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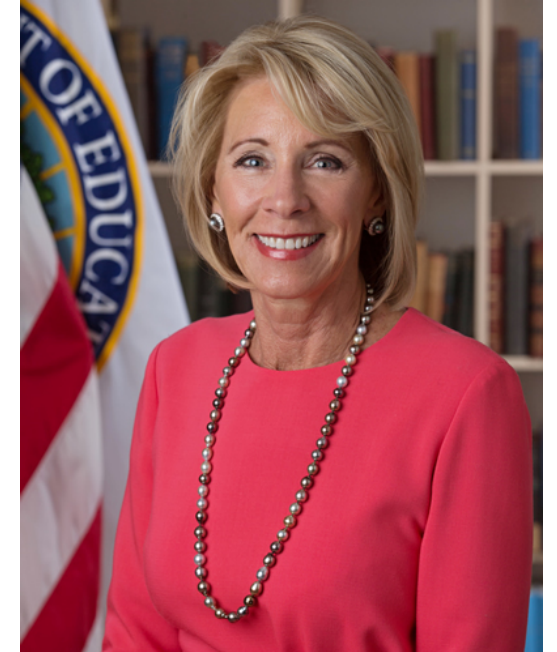
# How Congress has done this in the past

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Congress has enacted 97 separate debt limit modifications between the end of World War II and the present to accommodate the changes in federal debt levels....16 separate changes to the debt limit since 2001.

- Congressional Research Service,  
2019

# LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS BILL



U.S. Department of Health & Human Services



**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**



U.S. Department of Education