

Legislative Update

National Cancer Advisory Board

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- **New Administration**
- **117th Congress**
- **COVID Funding**
- **FY 2022 Appropriations**

Secretary of Health and Human Services Nominee

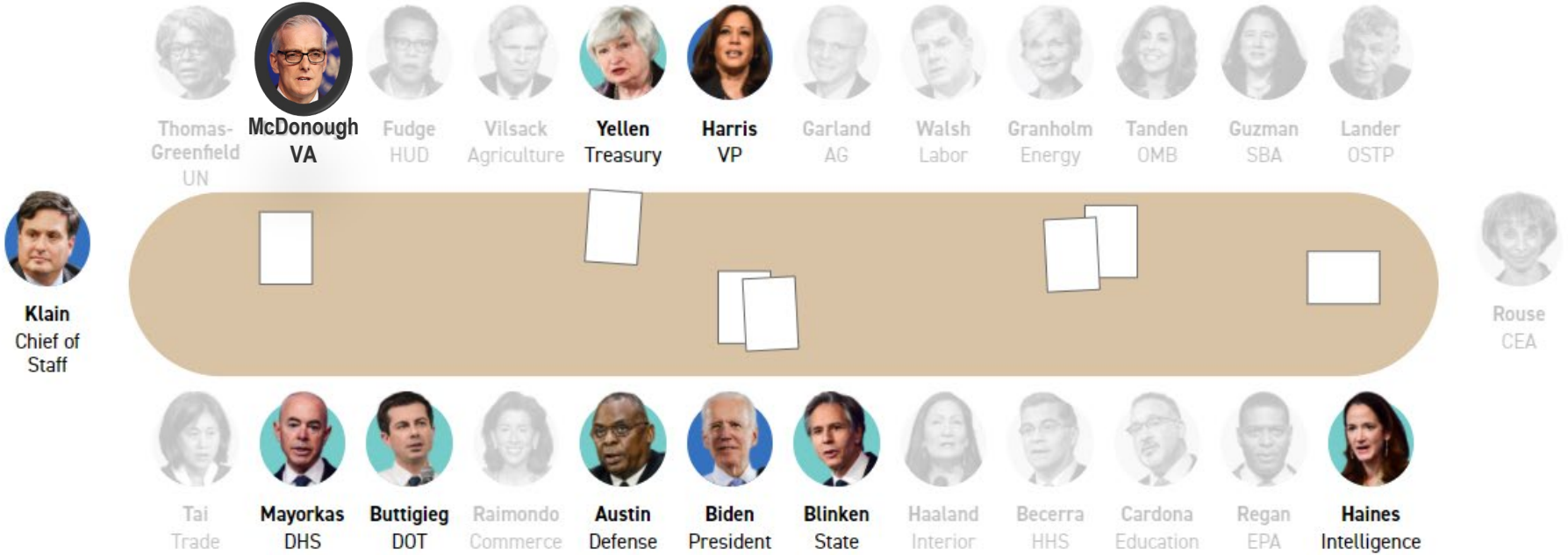
Xavier Becerra – nominated Dec. 7



- **Former member of the House (12 terms, 1993-2017) Ways & Means**
- **Chaired both the House Democratic Caucus and the Hispanic Caucus**
- **Became California's Attorney General in 2017**
 - Joined consortium of AGs who expressed concerns over contact tracing apps on Google and Apple's platforms
 - "Do no harm" – opposed federal preemption of state privacy laws re: data
 - Active on youth tobacco control issues – lawsuit against JUUL

Referred to Senate Finance Committee - No hearing date yet

The Senate has confirmed **7 out of 23** of President Joe Biden's Cabinet members so far.

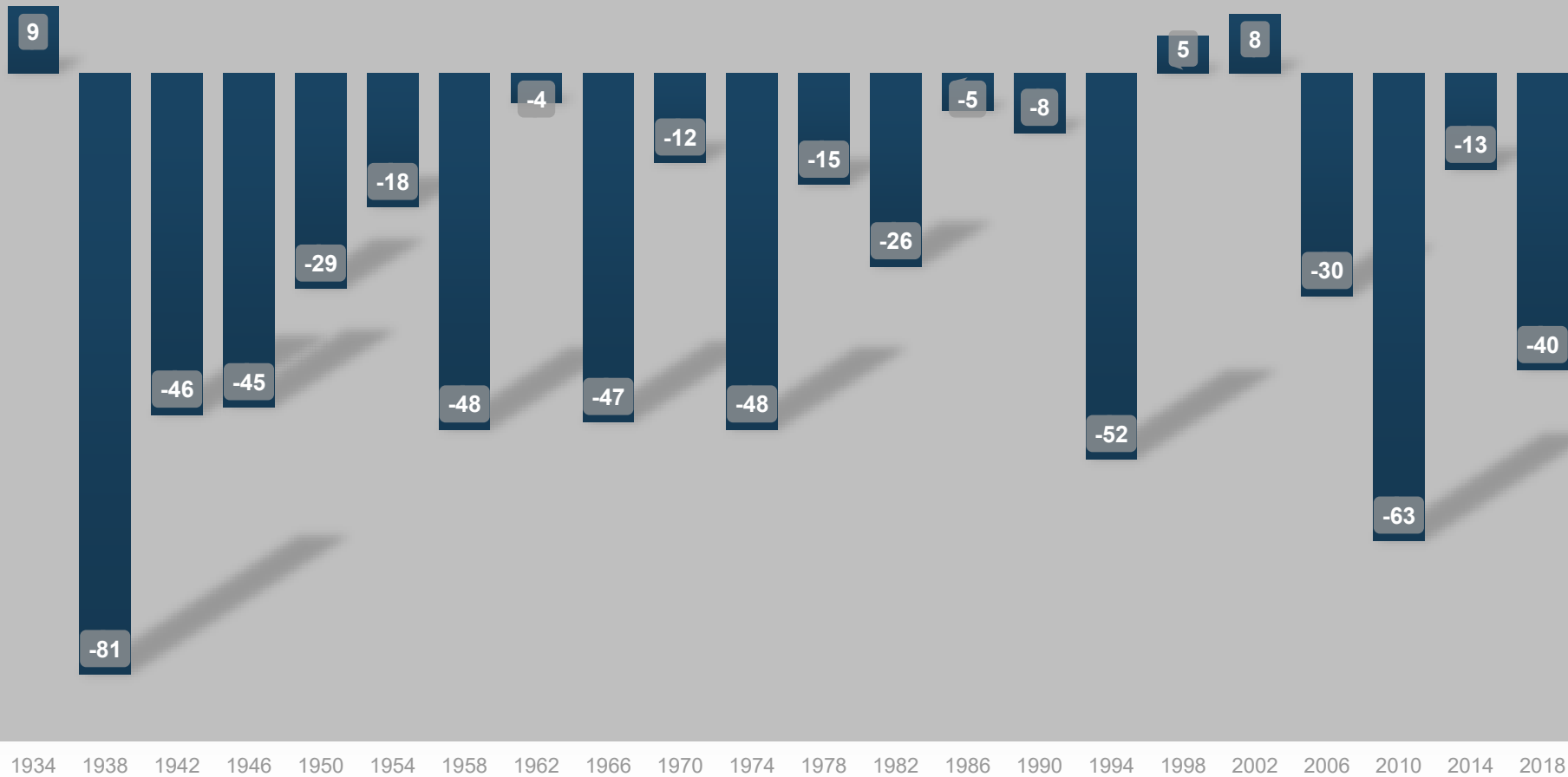


2020 Election Results: Topline

Chamber/Office	Control before election	Control in 2021
House of Representatives	Democrats	Democrats (221-211, 3 vacant)
Senate	Republicans	Democrats (50-50)
President	Republicans (Trump)	Democrats (Biden)

SOURCE: Associated Press
AP DATA AS OF 1/20/2021 9:00 AM

House Seats - President's Party in Midterm Elections



117 Congress Breaks Records

Most racially and ethnically diverse Congress in history – close to a quarter of voting members (23%) are racial/ethnic minorities

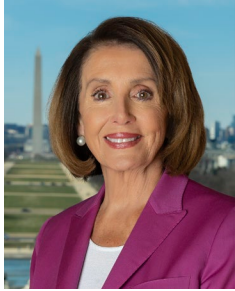
- 6th Congress in a row to break record set by the one prior

Record Number of Women in Congress

- 144 of 539 seats – or 27% – are held by women (50% increase in 10 years)



House Leadership



Speaker of the House:
Nancy Pelosi
(D-CA)



Majority Leader:
Steny Hoyer
(D-MD)



Majority Whip:
Jim Clyburn
(D-SC)



Minority Leader:
Kevin McCarthy
(R-CA)



Minority Whip:
Steve Scalise
(R-LA)

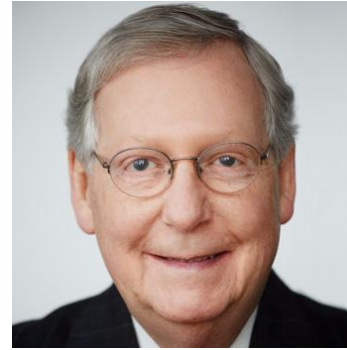


Conference Chair:
Liz Cheney
(R-WY)

Senate Leadership



Majority
Leader:
Chuck Schumer
(D-NY)



Minority
Leader:
Mitch
McConnell
(R-KY)



Majority
Whip:
Dick Durbin
(D-IL)



Minority
Whip:
John Thune
(R-DS)

House Energy and Commerce Committee

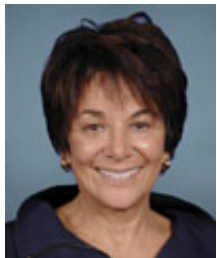


Full Committee
Chair:
Frank Pallone (D-NJ)



Full Committee Ranking
Member:
Cathy McMorris Rodgers
(R-WA)

~~Retired: Rep. Greg
Walden (R-OR)~~



Health Subcommittee
Chair:
Anna Eshoo (D-CA)



Health Subcommittee
Ranking Member:
Brett Guthrie (R-KY)

~~Michael Burgess (R-TX)~~

Senate Health, Education, Labor & Pensions (HELP) Committee



Chair
Patty Murray
(D-WA)



Ranking Member
Richard Burr (R-NC)
~~Retired: Lamar Alexander~~
~~(R-TN)~~

Appropriations Committees

House



Full Committee Chair &
Labor-HHS SC Chair
Rosa DeLauro (D-CT)

~~Retired: Nita Lowey (D-NY)~~



Full Committee Ranking
Member:
Kay Granger (R-TX)

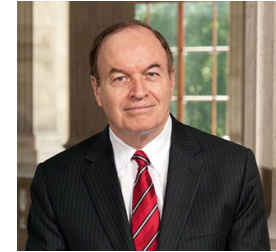


L-HHS Subcommittee
Ranking Member:
Tom Cole (R-OK)

Senate



Full Committee Chairman
Patrick Leahy (D-VT)



Full Committee Ranking Member:
Richard Shelby (R-AL)



L-HHS Subcommittee Chair:
TBD



L-HHS Subcommittee Ranking
Member:
Roy Blunt (R-MO)

President Biden Announces American Rescue Plan

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- \$1.9 Trillion package, including extending unemployment benefits, housing and food assistance programs, and individual stimulus checks
- Dems using Reconciliation Process, Budget Resolutions passed last week
- Legislation being drafted in 12 **authorizing** subcommittees, markups this week
- Goal is to get to President's desk before March 14



15-hour 'vote-a-rama'

5:30 AM on February 5th

Vice President Kamala Harris casts two tie-breaking votes to advance the budget resolution

“On this vote, the yeas are 50, the nays are 50,” she said. “The Senate being equally divided, the vice president votes in the affirmative and the concurrent resolution as amended is adopted.”

House clears way for massive coronavirus stimulus plan



With the resolution's adoption, congressional Democrats have now cleared the last hurdle to unlocking the budget maneuver known as reconciliation, which will allow the party to muscle through a sprawling relief bill without relying on GOP votes.

By SARAH FERRIS and HEATHER CAYGLE

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Lost Productivity/Restart Costs

Research Investment to Spark the Economy (RISE) Act - authorizes nearly \$25 billion in support to U.S. researchers who have been impacted by the pandemic; \$10B authorization for NIH

- Sens. Edward Markey (D-MA), Tom Tillis (R-NC), Gary Peters (D-MI), Susan Collins (R-ME)
- Reps. Diane DeGette (D-CO), Fred Upton (R-MI), Eddie Bernice Johnson (D-TX), Anna Eshoo (D-CA), and Anthony Gonzales (R-OH), 77 co-sponsors
- **Efforts in the 116th Congress**
 - **HEROES Act (\$3B for NIH)** – *did not become law*
 - **FY21 House Appropriations bill - \$5B for NIH** “for offsetting the costs related to reductions in lab productivity resulting from the coronavirus pandemic or public health measures related to the coronavirus pandemic” – *not in final appropriation*

FY 2022 Appropriations

Complications for Appropriations Process

- TBD timing for FY22 President's Budget Request
- Ongoing focus on \$1.9 trillion COVID package
- Expiration of debt limit suspension on July 31

Election Years & Timing to Completion of NIH Appropriations

- FY2017 appropriations completed on May 5, 2017 (Q3)
- FY2013 appropriations (full year CR) completed on March 26, 2013 (late Q2)

Questions?

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