

Legislative Update

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Legislative Update

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- Recent Briefings and Meetings
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This week in Congress

Monday morning headlines, 9/27/21



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At 5:30 p.m today, Congress will kick off an extraordinary week with only one thing certain -- no one knows what's going to happen.



POLITICS

Congress Faces A Week of Critical Deadlines

September 27, 2021 - 5:00 AM ET



POLITICO Playbook: 'Everything is hanging by a thread'

By RACHAEL BADE, RYAN LIZZA, EUGENE DANIELS and TARA PALMERI | 09/27/2021 06:10 AM EDT

CQ Budget
Sep. 27, 2021

Monday, Sept. 27, 2021



POLITICS

Congress Heads Into Tumultuous Week Pressured by Converging Deadlines

Government shutdown, debt ceiling loom as Democratic leaders plan votes on multitrillion-dollar spending ambitions

TOPLINES

1. **On the brink:** House Democrats plan to take up two bills on the president's economic agenda that are both on shaky ground.



As Biden's Agenda Faces Make-or-Break Week, Democrats Race to Avert Shutdown



Economic Policy

Senate Republicans prepare to block measure to fund government, stave off U.S. default

The expected vote Monday sets up a last-minute scramble ahead of two critical fiscal deadlines

This week in Congress

- **FY22 Appropriations** – FY21 comes to a close tomorrow at midnight
- **Debt-Limit** – expected to reach it in mid-October
- **\$1.2T Bipartisan Infrastructure Framework** – includes reauthorization of transportation provisions that are also set to expire tomorrow
- **Budget Reconciliation Package**
 - Procedure that allows legislation to move forward with a simple majority vote in the Senate
 - Includes the Administration's human infrastructure priorities – universal Pre-K, 2yrs community college, potential expansion of Medicare and Medicaid, family leave (among many other provisions)
 - Includes provisions to establish ARPA-H, proposes \$3B in funding

Last week, Democrats' goal: Two tracks

(CR/Debt-Limit, and Infrastructure/Reconciliation)



This week's outlook: More tracks . . .

(CR; Infrastructure; Reconciliation; Debt-Limit)



Tuesday's headlines:



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Reconciliation is officially on the table for raising the debt limit, but it's also not a great option and also a non-starter and also maybe not on the table.

The latest via [@heatherscope](#) and [@burgessev](#):



'Non-starter': Dems tangle over how to raise the debt ceiling
Democrats are searching for a way around entrenched GOP opposition.
[politico.com](#)

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Today:

POLITICO

Both chambers make speedy moves to avert shutdown

By KATHERINE TULLY-MCMANUS | 09/29/2021 07:33 AM EDT

CQ NEWS - CQ MORNING BRIEFING
Sep. 29, 2021

Today: Senate moves toward stripped-down stopgap bill



Democrats search for sweet spot below \$3.5 trillion price tag

BY JORDAIN CARNEY - 09/29/21 06:00 AM EDT

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Good Wednesday morning. We're one day away from a possible government shutdown and 19 days from a debt default.

The New York Times

Republicans at Odds Over Infrastructure Bill as Vote Approaches

With a bipartisan infrastructure bill set for a Thursday vote in the House, a campaign to secure G.O.P. support may be the measure's last hope.

MarketWatch

Senate Democrats tee up bill that would just prevent government shutdown

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FY22 Appropriations – CR timeline

- **September 21:** Initial CR passed by the House
 - Fund the federal government at FY21 levels through December 3rd
 - Raise the Debt-Limit through December 16, 2022 (post-midterm elections)
 - Provide ~\$3B in aid to disaster victims and relocation assistance for Afghan refugees
- **September 22:** Senate Appropriations Committee Ranking Member Richard Shelby and Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell introduced a clean CR
- **September 27:** As expected, the House CR failed a procedural vote in the Senate
 - Senate Republicans are opposed to including a Debt-Limit increase with the CR
- **September 29:** House and Senate working toward a clean CR
 - Votes anticipated as soon as today, clean CR is widely expected to pass in both chambers

FY22 Appropriations

Proposed funding levels for NIH, ARPA-H, and NCI

	FY22 PB	House	Senate
NIH	\$52 B (+\$9 B)	\$49 B (+\$6.5 B)	TBD
ARPA-H	\$6.5 B	\$3 B	TBD
NCI	\$6.73 B (+\$174 M)	\$6.99 B (+\$434 M)	TBD

Additional Legislation to Watch

- S.1260 - U.S. Innovation and Competition Act (***passed Senate***)
- S.1512/H.R. 2903 - CONNECT (Creating Opportunities Now for Necessary and Effective Care Technologies for Health) Act
- H.R. XX - Cures 2.0 (*draft released June 2021*)

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Recent Congressional Events

- Maryland Congressional Staff Visit to Ft. Detrick (Led by U.S. Army; NIAID, NCI, CDC, and other federal partners participated) – Dr. Kristin Komschlies, August 19th
- Sen. Van Hollen Visit to FNL – Dr. Sharpless, September 9th



Ned Sharpless, MD
@NCIDirector



Happy to welcome Senator [@chrisvanhollen](#) to [@FredNatLab](#). Great to show him the exciting [@theNCI](#)-directed [#Biomedical](#) research done there on behalf of American [#PublicHealth](#).

frederick.cancer.gov



Recent and Upcoming Congressional Events

- Rep. Jennifer Wexton Childhood Cancer Research Briefing – Dr. Brigitte Widemann, Chief, CCR Pediatric Oncology Branch, September 24th
- Men's Health Network/Prostate Health Education Network Briefing – Dr. Bill Dahut, Clinical Director, NCI CCR, September 30th

CONGRESSWOMAN
JENNIFER WEXTON
PROUDLY REPRESENTING VIRGINIA'S 10TH DISTRICT

You're invited:

**VIRTUAL BRIEFING ON
CHILDHOOD CANCER
RESEARCH**

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24TH
3:30 PM ET



Wexton Staff (Amelia)

Dr. Brigitte Widemann (Nation...

Dr. Adam Resnick (Children...

Ellyn Miller (Smashing Wal...

2021 CONGRESSIONAL CALENDAR

■ Both chambers are in session
 ■ Senate only is in session
 ■ House only is in session
 ■ House committee work only
 ■ House committee work only / Senate in session

September

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
			1	2	3	4
5	6 Labor Day/ Rosh Hashana (begins)	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15 Yom Kippur (begins)	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30 		

October

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11 Columbus Day	12	13	14	15	16
17	18 	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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 Tomorrow, September 30th – End of FY 2021

 October 18th – Treasury Secretary’s estimate for reaching the Debt-Limit

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November

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
	1	2	3	4 <small>Diwali</small>	5	6
7	8	9	10	11 <small>Veterans Day</small>	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25 <small>Thanksgiving Day</small>	26	27
28 <small>Hanukkah (begins)</small>	29	30				

December

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
			1	2	3 	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24 <small>Christmas Day (observed)</small>	25 <small>Christmas Day</small>
26 <small>Kwanzaa</small>	27	28	29	30	31	

 **December 3rd – likely expiration for CR**

Questions?

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