THE APPROPRIATIONS PROCESS

Visualize the appropriations process and learn how savvy PROs are using the new Pro Appropriations Tracker to secure necessary funding and further their organization's agenda.

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SUBCOMMITTEE PREPARES BILLS
The House and Senate Appropriations Committees divide budget resolution allocations across 12 subcommittees in each chamber. Each subcommittee holds public hearings, prepares appropriations bills, and sets discretionary spending limits. Each subcommittee then votes on its respective appropriations bill.

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COMMITTEE VOTES ON BILLS
The Appropriations Committee in the House and Senate votes on all 12 subcommittee bills.

PRO TIP: Use the Appropriations Tracker to read the full House and Senate reports for each subcommittee bill.

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INITIAL PASSAGE
The full House and Senate vote on all 12 appropriations bills.

PRO TIP: The Appropriations Tracker links to in-depth analyses of each spending bill from Pro reporters, detailed vote counts by party and member, and relevant Pro articles.

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CONGRESS SUBMITS CONFERENCE REPORT
The House and Senate prepare a conference report (a final version of the bill) for each of the 12 bills that they negotiate via conference committee and submit to each chamber for final approval.

PRO TIP: Use the Appropriations Tracker to access the full bill text.

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PRESIDENT REVIEWS BILLS
The President signs or vetoes each bill. If the bills fail to pass or get vetoes, the President must sign a continuing resolution to avoid a shutdown.

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