

SUBJECT: Continuing Resolution

There are a number of news media articles regarding current activities related to averting a possible government shutdown later this week. The following summarizes the status of those activities and is followed by a link to the U.S. House of Representatives, Appropriations Committee, where more information is available.

Initial Government Shutdown Likely Averted.

Congress expects to approve a two-week funding extension that will temporarily delay a potential government shutdown. Early this week the House will consider the two-week extension and its ability to continue funding most programs at current levels. However, extending the continuing resolution will not be without its impacts. Approximately \$4 billion in discretionary spending will be cut from this year's funding if the extension is approved. Republicans initiated the short-term CR to prevent a government shutdown. Extending the CR for two weeks is not a permanent solution. Both Republicans and Democrats have varied approaches to solving this fiscal year's funding issues.

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