

House Democrats Continue to Work For The People

HOUSE-PASSED LEGISLATION CONTINUES TO STALL IN THE SENATE

House Democrats have been hard at work since day one of the Majority, delivering on our For the People agenda. We've passed legislation to lower health care and prescription drug costs, raise wages, expand opportunity, tackle corruption in Washington, and protect Americans. Yet, this legislation to address the priorities of the American people continues to stall in the Senate due to GOP obstruction.

- Ten Bills to Protect and Expand Access to Affordable Health Care and Lower Prescription Drug Costs
 - Protecting Americans with Preexisting Conditions Act
 - Strengthening Health Care and Lowering Prescription Drug Costs Act (A Package of 7 Bills)
 - The Purple Book Continuity Act and the Orange Book Transparency Act
- For the People Act
- Equality Act
- American Dream and Promise Act
- Paycheck Fairness Act
- Bipartisan Background Checks Act
- Enhanced Background Checks Act
- Climate Action Now Act
- Raise the Wage Act
- Bipartisan Budget Act
- Appropriations Bills That Cover 96% of Government
- Legislation to Secure Our Elections
 - Securing America's Federal Elections Act
 - SHIELD Act
- Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act
- Butch Lewis Act
- SECURE Act
- Consumers First Act
- FAIR Act
- Save the Internet Act
- Veterans' Access to Child Care Act
- Legislation to Block Oil and Gas Drilling in Coastal Communities and Vulnerable Ecosystems
 - Protecting and Securing Florida's Coastline Act
 - Coastal and Marine Economies Protection Act
 - Arctic Cultural and Coastal Plain Protection Act
- Legislation to Respond to the Humanitarian Situation at the Border
 - Humanitarian Standards for Individuals in Customs and Border Protection Custody Act
 - Homeland Security Improvement Act
 - U.S. Border Patrol Medical Screening Standards Act
- Legislation to Protect Our Public Lands
 - Grand Canyon Centennial Protection Act
 - Chaco Cultural Heritage Area Protection Act
 - Colorado Outdoor Recreation and Economy Act
- Protect Against Conflict by Turkey Act
- Damon Paul Nelson and Matthew Young Pollard Intelligence Authorization Act
- NATO Support Act

- Venezuela TPS Act
- Federal Civilian Workforce Pay Raise Fairness Act
- Caesar Syria Civilian Protection Act
- SAFE Banking Act
- Middle Class Health Benefits Tax Repeal Act

HOUSE DEMOCRATS CONTINUE TO MAKE PROGRESS ON LEGISLATION IN COMMITTEES

In addition to bills passed on the House Floor, House Democrats are advancing additional legislation in Committees. For example:

- Lowering Prescription Drug Costs
 - After holding numerous hearings on the skyrocketing cost of prescription drugs, House Democrats introduced H.R. 3, the Lower Drug Costs Now Act, in September. The Energy and Commerce, Ways and Means, and Education and Labor Committees have passed the legislation out of committee. It will come to the Floor soon.
- Voting Rights Advancement Act
 - The House introduced the Voting Rights Advancement Act in February to restore the protections of the Voting Rights Act of 1965. Both the Judiciary Committee and Committee on House Administration are holding hearings on voting rights in America. The Judiciary Committee has passed the bill out of committee. It will come to the Floor soon.
- Infrastructure
 - Multiple committees have held hearings on infrastructure, including the Transportation and Infrastructure, Ways and Means, Small Business, Budget, and Energy and Commerce Committees. While the President refuses to lead on our nation's infrastructure challenges, House Democrats are ready to work in good faith on a bipartisan infrastructure package.
- Climate Change
 - The House has held over 80 hearings on the climate crisis, examining how to combat climate change, build a more resilient infrastructure, and boost the clean energy sector and creation of jobs. Democrats are continuing to advance legislation to effectively address the climate crisis.

OTHER IMPORTANT VOTES TAKEN BY HOUSE DEMOCRATS

The House has considered additional major pieces of legislation:

- Legislation to reopen government in January and to prevent another shutdown on September 30.
- The Bipartisan Budget Agreement to ensure we pay our nation's bills and help prevent another harmful shutdown.
- A resolution directing the removal of United States Armed Forces from hostilities in Yemen.
- Three votes disapproving the national emergency declared by the President.
- The National Resources Management Act, a conservation and public lands package that includes permanent reauthorization of the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF).
- The Disaster Relief Act, which provided additional funding to help Americans recovering from natural disasters.
- The Never Forgot the Heroes: James Zadroga, Ray Pfeifer, and Luis Alvarez Permanent Authorization of the September 11th Victim Compensation Fund Act.
- The National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020.
- Three resolutions disapproving of arms sales to Saudi Arabia.
- Legislation to provide funding for humanitarian assistance at the Southern Border.

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