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House and Senate Spending Bills – Appropriations & Continuing Resolutions

Eagle Forum is pleased with many of the conservative policies that have been passed through the House Appropriations Committee. The Senate's accomplishment of passing all twelve bills out of committee is commendable as well, but still falls short of the changes needed to undo years of unnecessary spending. We encourage Senators to offer conservative amendments on the floor to reconcile the shortcomings and reduce spending.

While we understand that gaining the amount of votes to pass each bill out of the House is complicated, we support the House Freedom Caucus's effort to prevent Congress from reverting "to its old playbook of using a series of short-term funding extensions designed to push Congress up against a December deadline to force the passage of yet another monstrous, budget busting, pork filled, lobbyist handout omnibus spending bill at year's end."

The following language contained in the House Appropriations bills must be retained in the final version sent to President Biden's desk:

Life

- End mail-in order chemical abortion drugs (Ag).
- Prohibit the implementation of the Biden administration rule allowing abortions in veterans hospitals (MilConVA).
- Prohibit funding for abortion travel (DOD).
- Ensure federal funding does not promote overseas abortions (SFOPS).
- Prevent implementation of D.C.'s Reproductive Health Non-Discrimination Act that forces organizations to participate in abortions (SFOPS).

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) and Critical Race Theory (CRT)

- Prevent funding the implementation of Biden's Executive Order 13985 that mandates all agencies eliminate policies that have a "disparate impact" on employees based on their race on gender (all departments).
- Prohibit funding of the promotion of CRT activities (all departments).

Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity

- Prohibit funding gender transition procedures (CJS, DOD, LHHS, DHS, and MilConVA).
- Defund all drag shows (DOD and SFOPS).
- Prohibit the flyin of flags from federal buildings other than American, state, and military flags (Ag, DOD, DOI, MilConVA, SFOPS, and THUD).
- Defund the Gender Equity and Equality Action fund and prohibit government agencies from promoting or performing gender transition procedures on minors (SFOPS).
- Protect individuals and organizations who believe marriage is between one man and one woman (all departments).

Immigration

- Provide funding for border wall and enforcement via Border Patrol Agents (DHS).
- Eliminate catch-and-release by prohibiting release of illegal aliens into the United States (DHS).
- Prohibit funds for abortions or gender reassignment procedures (DHS).

*Although the House appropriations bills have some conservative immigration priorities, we encourage lawmakers to include all policies in H.R. 2, the *Secure the Border Act* such as ending the catch-and-release program, tightening asylum loopholes, prosecuting visa overstays, requiring E-Verify for new hires, and more.

Environmental, Social, and Governance Investments (ESG)

- Prohibiti funding the Department of Labor's rule allowing fund managers to only invest their clients' money into companies that adopt "woke" policies (LHHS and CJS).

The following types of amendments should be **opposed**:

- Declassification of marijuana on a federal level or allowance of cannabis banking.
- Elimination of pro-life protections that prohibit federal funding or forced participation in abortions.
- Promotion of chemical abortion drugs through telehealth and mail.
- Adoption of mask or vaccine mandates.