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Orphan Earmarks Act

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Economics and Public Finance

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Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Appropriations. (May 21, 2014)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Coburn, Tom [R-OK]

Party: Republican • **State:** OK • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. McCaskill, Claire [D-MO]	D · MO		May 21, 2014
Sen. Udall, Mark [D-CO]	D · CO		Jun 4, 2014
Sen. Flake, Jeff [R-AZ]	R · AZ		Jun 5, 2014

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Appropriations Committee	Senate	Referred To	May 21, 2014

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Economics and Public Finance

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
113 HR 4715	Identical bill	May 22, 2014: Referred to the Committee on Appropriations, and in addition to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure, and Oversight and Government Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

Orphan Earmarks Act - Rescinds all unobligated amounts of funds earmarked for the Department of Transportation (DOT) if more than 90% of the dollar amount of that earmark remains available for obligation at the end of the 9th fiscal year after it was first made available. Authorizes the Secretary of Transportation (DOT) to delay any such rescission for one year if an additional obligation of the earmark is likely to occur during the 10th fiscal year after it was first made available.

Requires each agency head to identify and report every project that is an earmark with an unobligated balance at the end of a fiscal year to the Director of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), who shall report a listing and accounting for such earmarks to Congress and to the public via the OMB website.

Actions Timeline

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