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Biennial Appropriations Act

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Economics and Public Finance

Introduced: Mar 20, 2013

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

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget. (Mar 20, 2013)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Enzi, Michael B. [R-WY]

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

Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Carper, Thomas R. [D-DE]	D · DE		Mar 20, 2013
Sen. Isakson, Johnny [R-GA]	R · GA		Mar 20, 2013
Sen. Shaheen, Jeanne [D-NH]	D · NH		Mar 20, 2013

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Budget Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 20, 2013

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Economics and Public Finance

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
113 HR 1869	Related bill	Dec 11, 2014: Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 492.
113 HR 3059	Related bill	Aug 2, 2013: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committees on Oversight and Government Reform, and Rules, 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.
113 HR 1762	Related bill	Apr 25, 2013: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committees on Rules, 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.
113 HR 1654	Related bill	Apr 18, 2013: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committees on Rules, Oversight and Government Reform, and Ways and Means, 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.
113 S 554	Related bill	Mar 13, 2013: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.
113 HR 879	Related bill	Feb 28, 2013: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committees on Rules, 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.

Summary (as of Mar 20, 2013)

Biennial Appropriations Act - Amends the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 to require biennial (instead of annual) appropriations Acts, with the exception of annual defense appropriation bills.

Defines the budget biennium as the two consecutive fiscal years beginning on October 1.

Requires the committees of the House and Senate with legislative jurisdiction over an agency, in each year that the agency's activities are not required to be funded, to hold a joint oversight hearing on the impact of biennial budgeting on the agency with the corresponding subcommittee of the respective Committee on Appropriations with jurisdiction over the agency.

Requires the Director of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to: (1) determine the impact and feasibility of changing the definition of a fiscal year and the budget process based on that definition to a two-year fiscal period with a biennial budget process based on such period, and (2) report the findings to the House and Senate Budget Committees.

Actions Timeline

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