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A bill to require agencies submit zero-based budgets.

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Economics and Public Finance

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Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. (Feb 1, 2023)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Risch, James E. [R-ID]

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

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Feb 1, 2023

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Economics and Public Finance

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Feb 1, 2023)

This bill requires federal agencies to submit zero-based budgets to the Office of Management and Budget and the congressional budget committees. A *zero-based budget* is a systematic budget analysis in which managers (1) examine current objectives, operations, and costs; (2) consider alternative ways of carrying out programs or activities; and (3) rank different programs or activities by order of importance.

The bill also requires federal agencies to submit recommendations to reduce spending by at least 2% from the previous year's levels. The Department of Defense and the National Nuclear Security Administration are exempt from this requirement.

Actions Timeline

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