

Workforce Development Programs

Support Funding in the FY2019 Appropriations Process

ACTION NEEDED: Urge your members of Congress, especially those serving on the House and Senate Appropriations Committees, to fund the Department of Labor's workforce training programs at FY2018 levels as part of a final fiscal year (FY) 2019 Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education Appropriations measure.

BACKGROUND: On July 22, 2014, President Obama signed the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) of 2014 (H.R. 803 as amended) into law, which reauthorizes the U.S. Department of Labor's (DOL) Workforce Investment Act (WIA) programs through 2020. The bill marks the first major overhaul of the federal workforce system since 1998 and was approved by Congress after a ten-year reauthorization process.

Overall, WIOA focuses on streamlining programs, reporting, and administration. The bill eliminates 15 existing federal training programs including WIA incentive grants, WIA Pilots and Demonstration Projects, and the Workforce Innovation Fund (WIF). The legislation creates common measures across core workforce programs for both adults and youth and mandates a single state unified plan for all core programs.

LATEST ACTION: On June, the House Appropriations subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education approved FY2019 funding for Department of Labor programs. The Senate has yet to act on similar spending legislation. Funding will need to be approved before the start of the fiscal year on Oct. 1.

On March 23, the president signed a \$1.2 trillion omnibus spending bill for FY2018 which funds federal operations through September 30, 2018. Before the bill's approval, the federal government had been operating under a series of continuing resolutions since the beginning of the current fiscal year.

On February 12, the Trump administration released its fiscal year (FY) 2019 budget proposal, "Efficient, Effective, Accountable: An American Budget." The budget requests \$465 billion for non-defense discretionary spending and \$627 for defense discretionary spending. The proposal includes \$9.4 billion for DOL.

The following table details final funding from FY2017 and FY2018, president's FY2019 budget request, and FY2019 House and Senate committee-approved figures:

Budget figures are in millions	FY2017	FY2018	FY2019	FY2019	FY2019
	Final	Final	Request	House	Senate
Adult Employment and Training	\$816	\$846	\$490	\$846	\$846
Youth Employment and Training	\$873	\$903	\$524	\$903	\$903
Apprenticeship Grants	\$95	\$145	\$200	\$150	\$160
Dislocated Worker Employment and Training	\$1,242	\$1,262	\$615	\$1,041	\$1,262
Community Service Employment for Older	\$400	\$400	-	\$400	\$400
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Job Corps	\$1,704	\$1,719	\$1,297	\$1,719	\$1,719

For a list of members of the Senate and House Appropriations Committees for the 115th Congress, see below.

U.S. Senate Appropriations Committee

Majority:

Richard Shelby (R-AL)*, Chairman

Mitch McConnell (R-KY) Richard Shelby (R-AL)* Lamar Alexander (R-TN)* Susan Collins (R-ME) Lisa Murkowski (R-AK) Lindsey Graham (R-SC)* Roy Blunt (R-MO) + Jerry Moran (R-KS)* John Hoeven (R-ND)

John Boozman (R-AR) Shelley Moore Capito (R-WV)*

James Lankford (R-OK)* Steve Daines (R-MT) John Kennedy (R-LA)* Marco Rubio (R-FL)*

Minority:

Patrick Leahy (D-VT), Ranking Member

Patty Murray (D-WA) # Dianne Feinstein (D-CA) Richard Durbin (D-IL)* Jack Reed (D-RI)* Jon Tester (D-MT) Tom Udall (D-NM) Jeanne Shaheen (D-NH)*

Jeff Merkley (D-OR)*

Chris Coons (D-DE)

Brian Schatz (D-HI)*

Tammy Baldwin (D-WI)*

Chris Murphy (D-CT)*

Joe Manchin (D-WV)*

Chris Van Hollen (D-MD)

- + Indicates Chair of the U.S. Senate Energy and Water Appropriations Subcommittee
- # Indicates Ranking Member of the U.S. Senate Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies Subcommittee
- * Indicates Senator serves on the U.S. Senate Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies Subcommittee

U.S. House Appropriations Committee

Maiority:

Rodney P. Frelinghuysen (R-NJ), Chair Nita M. Lowey (D-NY), Ranking Member Harold Rogers (R-KY)

Robert B. Aderholt (R-AL) Kay Granger (R-TX)

Michael K. Simpson (R-ID)* John Abney Culberson (R-TX) John R. Carter (R-TX)

Ken Calvert (R-CA) Tom Cole (R-OK) +

Mario Diaz-Balart (R-FL) Charles W. Dent (R-PA)

Tom Graves (R-GA) Kevin Yoder (R-KS) Steve Womack (R-AR)*

Jeff Fortenberry (R-NE) Tom Rooney (R-FL)

Chuck Fleischmann (R-TN)* Jaime Herrera Beutler (R-WA)*

David Joyce (R-OH) David Valadao (R-CA) Andy Harris (R-MD)* Martha Roby (R-AL)*

Mark Amodei (R-NV) Chris Stewart (R-UT)

David Young (R-IA)

Evan Jenkins (R-WV) Steven Palazzo (R-MS)

Dan Newhouse (R-WA)

John Moolenaar (R-MI)*

Scott Taylor (R-VA)

Minority:

Marcy Kaptur (D-OH) Peter J. Visclosky (D-IN) José E. Serrano (D-NY) Rosa L. DeLauro (D-CT) # David E. Price (D-NC) Lucille Roybal-Allard (D-CA)* Sanford D. Bishop Jr. (D-GA)

Barbara Lee (D-CA)* Betty McCollum (D-MN) Tim Rvan (D-OH)

C.A. Dutch Ruppersberger (D-MD) Debbie Wasserman Schultz (D-FL)

Henry Cuellar (D-TX) Chellie Pingree (D-ME) Mike Quigley (D-IL) Derek Kilmer (D-WA) Matt Cartwright (D-PA) Grace Meng (D-NY) Mark Pocan (D-WI)* Katherine Clark (D-MA)* Pete Aguilar (D-CA)

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