

Federal Discussion – Arapahoe County

Monday, June 9, 2025

- Funding Legislation
- FY 2026 Spending Appropriations Projects
- Transportation Grant
- Congressional Schedule

- Budget Reconciliation: Passed House and now in Senate
 - President Trump wants on his desk by July 4
 - Committee meetings started in Senate
 - Senate Finance committee with jurisdiction over Medicaid and taxes will be last
 - Debt limit is in legislation and mid July is when limit predicted to be reached
 - Last week: President Trump said to take out debt limit provision
 - First buddy Elon Musk calls legislation an “abomination”
- Last Week: Recission Package sent from President Trump to Congress
 - Process allows the president to discontinue spending money on discretionary programs appropriated by Congress
 - Targets: \$9.4 billion for NPR/PBS and foreign aid
 - This Week: House may vote on package – and – only 51 votes needed in Senate
 - More recission packages expected
- FY 2026 Spending Appropriations
 - President’s budget outline unveiled in May with some agencies sharing more detail
 - Significant cuts to many programs
 - Appropriations committees not happy with Administration’s lack of detail and plan to draft their own spending proposals
 - FY 2025 ends September 30, 2025
 - 60 votes needed in Senate for approval

Key Components of Reconciliation Bill

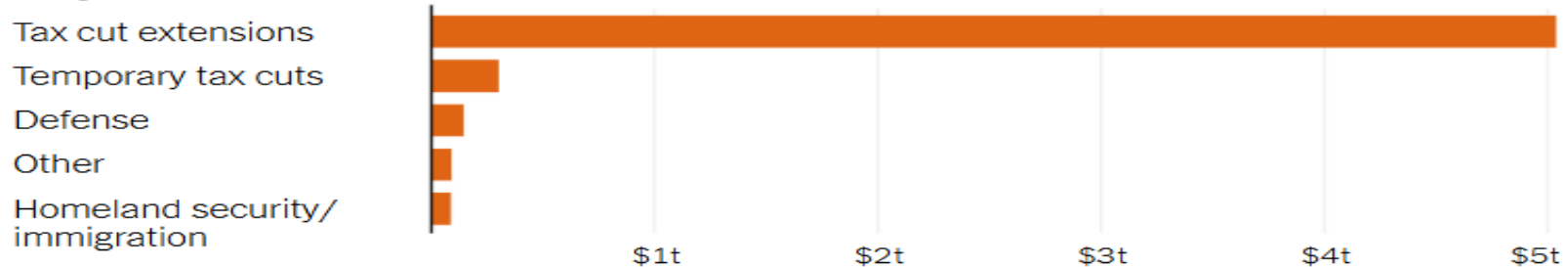
- Tax Cuts: Expiring Trump's 2017 tax cuts extended permanently with nearly everyone's taxes cut to some degree, but about half is for people who make \$400,000 or more a year
 - Expansion of child tax credit and temporary tax breaks on tips and overtime pay
- Medicaid: Poor, childless adults must work at least 80 hours every month to qualify and requires beneficiaries to pay more fees and complete more paperwork to prove eligibility
 - Changes would leave almost 11 million uninsured
- SNAP Food Assistance: States pay more which could force them to cut benefits for poor
- Clean Energy: Tax breaks for electric vehicles and other clean energy initiatives phased out
- "MAGA" Savings Accounts For Newborns: Starting them out with \$1,000 and letting parents contribute \$5,000 per year tax-free until a child turns 31

Senate Byrd Rule Creates Problems for Reconciliation

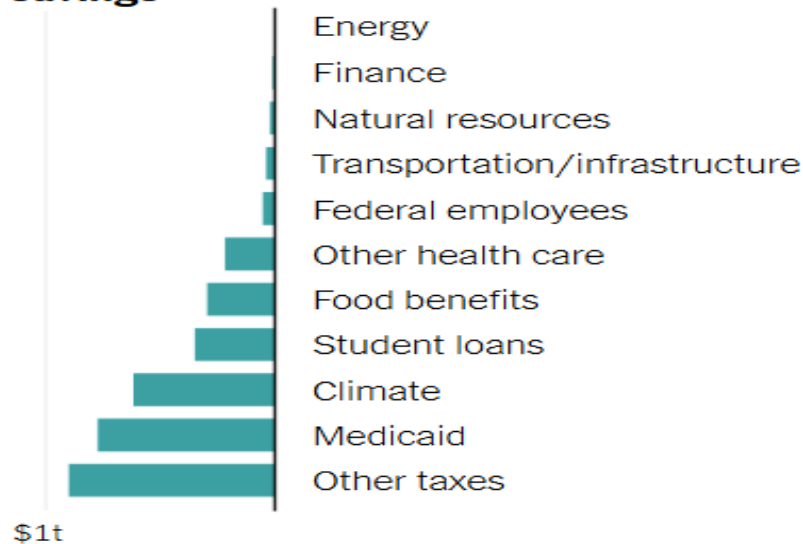
- Byrd Rule: “Extraneous” measures having only negligible impact on the federal budget, or none at all, have to be removed from legislation
 - Tax-cut accounting - tactic to zero out the cost of extending Trump’s 2017 tax cuts
 - Artificial Intelligence (AI) regulations - 10-year ban on states enforcing regulations on artificial intelligence
 - Judicial powers - limits on the federal courts’ ability to enforce contempt citations
 - Gun regulations - ending \$200 tax on gun silencers and removing them from regulatory purview of National Firearms Act, which involves mandatory registration
 - Farm bill provisions - \$60 billion in programs
 - Planned Parenthood - barring Planned Parenthood from receiving federal funding
 - Energy permitting - streamline permitting for fossil fuel projects

Over \$2.4 Trillion in New Debt Reconciliation Spending & Reduction Overview

10-year costs



10-year savings



Source: New York Times analysis of Congressional Budget Office data - Note: Amounts are net totals by category and do not include all effects of interactions between provisions. - The New York Times

Impacts: FY 2026 Trump Spending Appropriations Proposal

- Defense spending now more than \$1 trillion (+13%), with non-defense spending cut to \$557 billion
- Eliminates:
 - \$26 billion for housing programs benefitting the elderly and disabled
 - Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program
 - LIHEAP, CSBG and SAMHSA
 - Job Corps
 - Institute of Museum and Library Services
 - Slashes State Revolving Funds for Water & Wastewater 89% to \$305 million

FY 2026 Appropriations – Congressionally Directed Spending & Community Project Funding

- CDS projects submitted to Colorado's U.S. Senators
 - **FORWARDED TO APPROPRIATIONS BY SENATOR BENNET:**
 - \$580,000 - Public Health Infrastructure Upgrades (Ag)
 - \$2,501,640 - Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office Radio Replacement (CJS)
 - Other Projects Submitted
 - \$2,000,000 - Additional Courtroom at Arapahoe County Justice Center (Account: CJS)
 - \$2,250,000 - I-70/Airpark Interchange Final Design (THUD)
 - \$2,500,000 - High Line Canal Enhanced Trail Project (THUD)
 - \$1,000,000 - Arapahoe County Supportive Housing Project (THUD)
- House members CPF projects
 - Congresswoman Lauren Boebert (CD-4)
 - **FORWARDED TO APPROPRIATIONS: \$2,250,000 - I-70/Airpark Interchange Final Design (THUD)**
 - Congressman Jason Crow (CD-6)

- U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) announced on June 2
 - \$4.9 billion in available funding for major bridge projects through the Bridge Investment Program
 - \$500 million for repairing or replacing bridges in rural areas through the Competitive Highway Bridge Program
 - Funding opportunity removes Biden-era requirements that tied critical infrastructure funding to:
 - Climate Change
 - Environmental Justice Requirements
 - DEI
 - Workforce Development Requirements
- Safe Streets and Roads for All program (SS4A)
 - March notice added language for FY 2023 awards that says recipients will cooperate with and not impede ICE
 - \$4 million through the program to boost road safety for bicyclists
 - Lawsuit filed to disallow this criteria

Congressional Calendar

 Both chambers are in session	 Senate only is in session	 House only is in session	 Holiday
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Questions & Discussion