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News From the Hill: July 17, 2018

The House Appropriations Committee returned to business following the July 4th recess and set to work holding a markup of its Fiscal Year (FY) 2019 Labor-Health and Human Services-Education (L-HHS) Appropriations Bill. While the bill was ultimately reported out of committee, the markup was a protracted and highly partisan process. The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) has some jurisdiction over migrant/immigration issues and much of the debate centered on policies and provisions related to family separations and refugee resettlement.

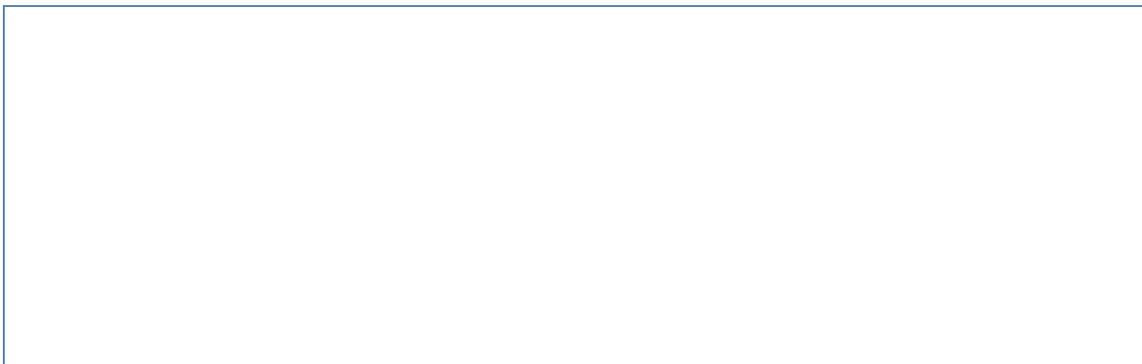


During the markup the committee adopted eighteen amendments to the bill and its corresponding committee report, including a large *manger's package*. However, most of the modifications are, "technical and non-controversial changes to the bill and report". Some committee recommendations and policy riders were added, but nothing included impacts medical research programs. Moreover, the bill maintains the \$38.3 billion funding level for the National Institutes of Health (a \$1.25 million increase over FY 2018).

The Senate Appropriations Committee marked up its FY 2019 L-HHS Appropriations Bill just ahead of the July 4th recess and approved the measure with little drama or fanfare. The Senate's proposal is more generous than the House's in many key areas, particularly a \$2 billion funding increase for NIH. It is unlikely that Congress will take further action on appropriations until after the November elections with the exception of advancing short-term Continuing Resolutions to keep the government operating after the October 1st start of the new fiscal year.

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