BUDGET UPDATE

FY 2017 Consolidated Appropriations Act

May 3, 2017

On Monday May 1, 2017, the House Appropriations Committee released the fiscal year 2017 Omnibus Appropriations bill, which will provide discretionary funding for the federal government through September 2017.

The bill funds the Indian Health Service (IHS) at \$5 billion, an increase of \$232 million above the fiscal year 2016 enacted level. The Urban Indian Health Program (UIHP) is funded at \$47.7 million, which is the midpoint between the House mark of \$48.2 million and the Senate mark of \$45.7 million, and \$2.9 million over fiscal year 2016. Report language directs \$1.8 million of the UIHP increase for current services and \$1.1 million for a program increase.

Congress is expected to vote on the spending bill early this week. To learn more about IHS appropriations, read the explanatory statement of Division G of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2017 <u>here</u>.



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