

# POLICY BRIEF ON REP. MICK MULVANEY

## Nominee for Office of Management and Budget

December 21, 2016

Rep. Mick Mulvaney has been picked as President-elect Donald Trump's director of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). This briefing provides an overview of his professional expertise, political record, and potential actions he may take on key issues if confirmed by the Senate.

Mulvaney has been a U.S. Representative for South Carolina's 5th congressional district since 2011. He was elected to the South Carolina House in 2006, and has a background in law and small business ownership.

Mulvaney is a founding member of the House Freedom Caucus, the outspoken group of fiscal conservatives that opposed any GOP leaders that accommodated President Obama. In addition to promoting slashing funding for domestic programs, Mulvaney also promotes cuts to defense programs. The latter approach is where he departs from Trump's views. Mulvaney has even allied himself with Democrats at times to try to force defense spending cuts.

The congressman is an advocate of privatizing certain federal government functions and shrinking the federal workforce. During his tenure, Mulvaney supported shutting down the government rather than approving more spending. He serves on the House Financial Services Committee and the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee.

As OMB director, Mulvaney would play a key role in complex major health care and tax changes, as Republicans in Congress plan the reconciliation process to avoid procedural hurdles.

### Public Health

The congressman supports House Speaker Paul Ryan's plan to repeal and replace the Affordable Care Act (ACA). In 2013, Mulvaney helped lead an effort to defund or delay Obamacare that resulted in a 16-day government shutdown in 2013. Mulvaney is a member of the Pro-Life Caucus. During the fight in the House for defunding Planned Parenthood, he called for moving the funding to federal health centers.

- Voted Yea - HR 2577 - Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2017 (also appropriated funds for Zika response)
- Voted Yea - HR 3762 - Restoring Americans' Healthcare Freedom Reconciliation Act of 2015
- Cosponsored - HR 2019 - Kids First Research Act of 2013
- Voted Yea - H Amdt 450 - Requires Congressional Approval for Any Rules Under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act
- Voted Yea - HR 2667 - Authority for Mandate Delay Act
- Voted Yea - H Con Res 25 - Establishing the Budget for the United States Government for Fiscal Year 2014 and Setting Forth Appropriate Budgetary Levels for Fiscal Years 2015 through 2023
- Cosponsored - HR 3134 - Defund Planned Parenthood Act of 2015



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## Tribal Health

- Voted No - S 47 - Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2013
- Voted Yea - HR 4970 - Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2012
- Voted Yea - HR 511 - Tribal Labor Sovereignty Act of 2015
- Voted Yea - HR 538 - Native American Energy Act
- Voted Nay - HR 1904 - Southeast Arizona Land Exchange and Conservation Act of 2011 (authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture to exchange the “Oak Flat Withdrawal Area” in Arizona with non-federal land from Resolution Copper Mining, LLC.)

