

## TERMS TO KNOW:

**President's Budget Request:** The President's budget request (PBR) serves as a statement of Administration policy priorities as well as a detailed plan for the allocation of budgetary resources and execution of government activities.

**Programmatic Request:** Programmatic requests seek to express general support for funding a program or to request a specific amount of funding for a specific program.

**Language-based Request:** Language-based requests seek to add some type of language to either the appropriations bill or the appropriations bill's accompanying committee report.

**Congressionally Directed Spending Request:** Congressionally Directed Spending (CDS or 'earmark') requests seek to direct funding within a specific program or account to a specified state, local government, or nonprofit recipient and are subject to House and Senate earmark disclosure rules.

**Committee reports:** Committee reports (or other explanatory text) accompany appropriations bills and affects how federal agencies interpret and obligate the funds provided in those bills.

**Continuing Resolutions:** A continuing resolution (CR) provides appropriations based on the previous fiscal year and typically not accompanied by report language.

**Government shutdown:** When a lapse in funding occurs, federal agencies are required to commence a shutdown of affected projects and activities. Current law generally prohibits the obligation of funds in the absence of appropriations.

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