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The President’s Budget Submission

Generally submitted in early February, this is the President’s opportunity to lay out their proposed spending plan for the next year.

Congressional Hearings

Congressional Committees hold hearings where agency leaders promote and defend the President’s proposed funding for their agencies.

Passage of Appropriations Bills

Appropriations Committees consider and pass appropriations bills, which are then voted on by the full chambers. Any differences between proposals are resolved in conference committee.

Budget Resolution

The House and Senate may pass their outline of a budget proposal, known as a budget resolution.

President Signs and Passes Appropriation Bills Into Law

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