

H.R. 6363, Continuing Resolution ("Further Continuing Appropriations and Other Extensions Act, 2024") Bill Summary – Updated Nov. 16, 2023

This is the second continuing resolution passed by Congress in late 2023 to avoid a government shutdown. This legislation was passed by the House on Nov. 14, 2023, and the Senate on Nov. 15, 2023. It is expected to be signed into law by the President.

This bill funds some government agencies through Jan. 19, the remainder through Feb. 2, and maintains fiscal year 2023 (FY23) funding levels until Jan. 19, 2024, for key nutrition programs. This bill is consistent with what was negotiated between the administration and Congress in the Fiscal Responsibility Act of 2023, also known as the debt limit deal. This bill also extends the 2018 Farm Bill until Sept. 30, 2024.

Absent additional congressional action on FY24 appropriations or an additional continuing resolution, the government will experience a partial shutdown on Jan. 20 and a complete shutdown on Feb. 3.

Funding Extensions

- The bill provides "laddered" funding extensions for federal agencies at FY23 levels through either Jan. 19, 2024, or Feb. 2, 2024.
 - Agencies funded through Jan. 19, 2024:
 - Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration*
 - Military Construction, Veterans Affairs
 - Energy and Water Development
 - Transportation, Housing and Urban Development
 - Agencies funded through Feb. 2, 2024:
 - Commerce, Justice, Science
 - Defense
 - Financial Services and General Government
 - Homeland Security
 - Interior and Environment
 - Legislative Branch
 - Labor Health and Human Services, and Education
 - State and Foreign Operation

Farm Bill Extension

- The bill extends the Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018 (commonly known as the 2018 Farm Bill) through Sept. 30, 2024, retroactive to the beginning of this fiscal year on Oct. 1.
- While this extension authorizes all existing farm bill programs (including TEFAP, CSFP, SNAP, and FDPIR) through the end of the federal fiscal year, funding for these programs is dependent upon the appropriations process. Thus, a partial government shutdown on January 20 would directly impact the nutrition programs of the farm bill.

Nutrition Funding Provisions

The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP)

- The bill funds TEFAP entitlement funding at the mandatory FY23 level of \$445.5 million annually through Jan. 19, 2024.
- The bill funds TEFAP storage and distribution funding at the discretionary FY23 level of \$92 million annually through Jan. 19, 2024.

Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP)

• The bill funds CSFP at the discretionary FY23 level through Jan. 19, 2024.

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)

• The bill funds SNAP at the mandatory FY23 level through Jan. 19, 2024.

The Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC)

- The bill funds the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) at the discretionary FY23 level through Jan. 19, 2024.
- This does not include supplemental funding needed to ensure sufficient resources for the remainder of FY24 to maintain growing WIC caseloads.