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Congress Approves Continuing Resolution

Yesterday, the House and Senate approved a continuing resolution (CR) that will fund federal agencies and programs at their FY 2002 levels through October 4.

The FY 2002 fiscal year ends on September 30, but none of the 13 appropriations bill for FY 2003 have been sent to the President for signature into law. The status of all 13 appropriations bills is available at <http://thomas.loc.gov/home/approp/app03.html>. The Interior Appropriations bill, which has passed the House, has been on the Senate floor since September 4 and is deadlocked over wildfire provisions.

Congress is expected to approve a second CR to extend funding until October 11 or 18, the targeted adjournment date. It then will have to determine whether to pass a long-term CR to extend funding until January or a shorter-term CR, which would necessitate a return to Washington after the November elections.

The text of the CR is available at <http://thomas.loc.gov/cgi-bin/query/z?c107:HJRes111:>.

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