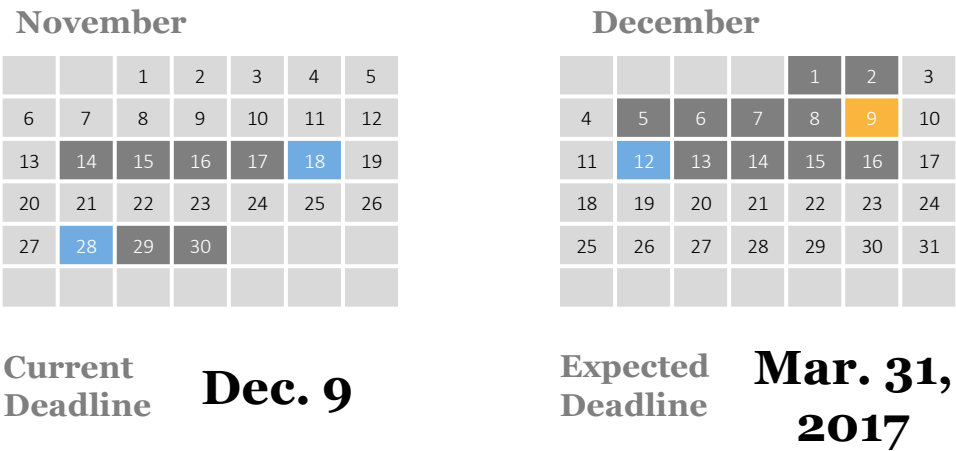


Congress likely to pass second continuing resolution, extending the budget deadline into Trump administration

Details of current budget negotiations

■ Senate in session ■ Both chambers in session ■ Budget deadline



Analysis

- President-elect Donald Trump has expressed his desire to have a say in the budgeting process, therefore House Republicans have agreed to craft a stopgap spending bill that would keep the government open through March 31, 2017
- Several GOP senators including Sen. Lamar Alexander (R-TN) and Sen. John McCain (R-AZ) have strongly disagreed with the decision, calling another continuing resolution (CR) a “lazy way” to fund the government that ignores the American people’s desire for change in Congressional productivity
- The CR would likely push debate on contentious funding issues to 2017; however, emergency funding for Flint, MI may be included in the stopgap funding measure if it is not included in the Senate’s version of the Water Resources Development Act

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