

## H.R. 2250, Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2016

### FLOOR SITUATION

On Friday, December 11, 2015, the House will consider the Senate amendments to [H.R. 2250](#), *the Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2016*, under a [rule](#). The Senate amendments to H.R. 2250 replace the text of the House-passed version of H.R. 2250, *the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2016*, with language that is identical to H.J. Res. 75, *a joint resolution making further continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2016*, which was introduced on December 9, 2015 by Appropriations Committee Chairman Hal Rogers.

### SUMMARY

The Senate amendments to H.R. 2250 provide a five-day Continuing Resolution that extends appropriations for government operations at existing funding levels until midnight on December 16, 2015.

### BACKGROUND

On September 30, 2015, the House approved H.R. 719, *the Continuing Appropriations Act, 2016*, by a vote of [277 to 151](#). The bill, among other provisions, provided appropriations for government operations through December 11, 2015. Click [here](#) for the previous Legislative Digest on H.R. 719 and [here](#) for a Congressional Research Service report on the bill. The Senate amendments to H.R. 2250 extend without change the authority to provide such funding through December 16, 2015.

According to Chairman Rogers, “While progress is being made on negotiations for a full-year Omnibus appropriations bill, it is clear that more time is needed to complete the package. This short-term funding resolution will keep the lights on in government and maintain current operations for a few days so Congress can complete and pass an agreement. It is my hope and expectation that a final, year-long bill will be enacted before this new deadline.”<sup>1</sup>

### COST

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<sup>1</sup> See Press Release—“[Short-Term Government Funding Bill Introduced](#),” December 9, 2015.

A Congressional Budget Office (CBO) cost estimate is currently unavailable.

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