

THE BG TOP 3

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#1 DHS SPENDING BILL FAILS...AGAIN

The bill that passed the Senate this morning to fund all of DHS, except Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), was rejected in the House. House Republicans have offered a two-week continuing resolution for DHS. The President indicated he has a plan to fund the TSA through reconciliation funding.

“It is unconscionable to me that the Democrats would force some sort of negotiation at three o'clock in the morning.”

- Speaker Johnson (R-LA)

#2 MARKWAYNE MULLIN BECOMES DHS SECRETARY

Oklahoma Senator Markwayne Mullin was confirmed by the Senate to be the Secretary of Homeland Security with two Democratic votes (Sen. Heinrich and Sen. Fetterman). He assumes his new role amid a DHS funding battle and continued calls for reform of ICE. The Governor of Oklahoma appointed Alan Armstrong to temporarily serve in former Sen. Mullin's Senate seat.

“I don't care if you're red or you're blue. At the end of the day, my job is to Secretary of Homeland and to protect everybody the same.”

- DHS Secretary Mullin

#3 REP. SAM GRAVES ANNOUNCES RETIREMENT

House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure Chairman Sam Graves (R-MO) announced he will retire at the end of 2026, stating, “I think it is time for me to step down.” Chairman Graves will lose his gavel at the end of this Congress due to term limits. Two other Republican candidates are currently in the primary.

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