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APPROPRIATIONS UPDATE

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Reconciliation Byrd Bath Approaching

The Senate Finance Committee's portion of the reconciliation bill is expected to be released later today. The Finance text was originally slated to be released on Friday, but was punted to this week due to tax and Medicaid provisions being ironed out, making placeholder language or blank portions likely. Specifically, there's disagreement over the State and Local Tax (SALT) deduction amount and vocal holdouts with concerns about changing Medicaid. The Finance text is the final remaining piece to initiate the Senate Parliamentarian's review of the text to ensure that all provisions relate to budget and revenue matters – also known as the Byrd Bath.

Senate Oversight Resumes as House Markups Pause for Brief Recess

While the House is out for a brief recess this week, the Senate Appropriations Committee will review FY26 budgets for the Department of Energy, military construction, the Army, and the intelligence community (a closed hearing). House markups will resume on the evening of June 23rd with the Interior-Environment bill, which covers the EPA, the Forest Service, and the National Park Service.

House Earmarks Emerging

Earmark tables for the <u>Agriculture-Rural Development</u>, <u>Homeland Security</u>, and <u>Military Construction-VA</u> accounts have been posted on the House Appropriations Committee's website. Interior-Environment earmarks will be posted next week following the subcommittee markup.

