

THE BG TOP 3

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#1 THE GOVERNMENT REOPENS

After a short partial shutdown, the House of Representatives passed the funding package that stopped the government shutdown and included an extension of current funding for the Department of Homeland Security. House Republicans held a procedural rule vote open for an hour until they had enough votes to move towards final passage. The President signed the package into law.

“Funding the government is not an optional exercise. It’s the most basic duty we have in Congress.”

- Appropriations Chairman Cole (R-OK)

#2 EVERYONE TURNS TO DHS FUNDING

The funding package included a 10-day extension of DHS funding to allow for more time to negotiate an agreement on how to fund ICE and what reforms may be acceptable to both parties. It is unlikely that both parties will align before the current deadline, which means they need to agree on an extension, or funding for DHS will stop. Negotiations continue, but both sides are blaming each other for not negotiating in good faith.

“We hope that they will operate in good faith over the next 10 days, as we negotiate this.”

- Speaker Johnson (R-LA)

#3 PRESIDENT TRUMP AND PRESIDENT XI TALK TRADE

President Trump and Chinese President Xi Jinping held a call for more than an hour, which “resulted in a very positive conclusion for both countries. There should no longer be any questions respecting the complexity of Rare Earth products,” according to a social media post by the President. The trade relationship between the U.S. and China has been rocky at best, so increased communication around trade agreements will be welcome news to many industries that rely on imports from China.

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