

THE BG TOP 3

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#1 RECONCILIATION MOVING

The Senate Republicans have begun the process of advancing a second reconciliation package focused largely on funding Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and the Border Patrol. The Department of Homeland Security has been without congressional funding for almost 70 days. The Judiciary Committee and Homeland Security and Government Affairs Committee will develop legislation to provide the agencies with \$70 billion - enough funding for more than three years.

“ We have a multistep process ahead of us, but at the end, Republicans will have helped ensure that America’s borders are secure and prevented Democrats from defunding these important agencies. ”

Senate Majority Leader Thune
(R-SD)

#2 IEEPA REFUND PROCESS LAUNCHES

Importers will soon be issued refunds for the tariffs they paid under the authority of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (IEEPA). This comes after the Supreme Court ruled that the President did not have the authority to issue tariffs under the IEEPA. Signups for refunds have begun, and the actual refunds are expected to begin soon as well.

“ If they don’t do that, I’ll remember them. ”

- President Trump (on companies that do not seek refunds)

#3 DAVID SCOTT HAS DIED

Rep. Davis Scott died this week having served 12 terms in office representing his Georgia congressional district. Rep. Scott was the first black chairman of the House Committee on Agriculture. He is the fifth Member of Congress to die in office during the 129th Congress.

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