

117TH CONGRESS  
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# H. R. 9032

To amend the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 to extend the discretionary spending limits through fiscal year 2032, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 29, 2022

Mr. ARRINGTON (for himself, Mr. MANN, and Mr. WEBER of Texas) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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## A BILL

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1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3       **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “Controlling America’s  
5       Perilous Spending Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. EXTENSION OF DISCRETIONARY SPENDING LIMITS.**

2 (a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-  
3 gress that—

4 (1) the current fiscal trajectory is  
5 unsustainable, with the Federal debt now exceeding  
6 \$30 trillion;

7 (2) the Congressional Budget Office projects  
8 that spending, as a share of Gross Domestic Prod-  
9 uct, will rise from 19.6 percent in fiscal year 2022,  
10 to 24.3 percent by the end of the decade, and the  
11 Federal debt is projected to increase by approxi-  
12 mately \$16 trillion over the next 10 years;

13 (3) the absence of fiscal guardrails, such as  
14 statutory discretionary spending caps, means that  
15 there is no meaningful restraint on Congress' ability  
16 to appropriate excessive spending;

17 (4) spending caps are a necessary tool to help  
18 bring spending under control and were in place from  
19 1991 through 2002 and again from 2012 through  
20 2021;

21 (5) this legislation is a framework, based on  
22 May 2022 Congressional Budget Office projections,  
23 that would help rein in discretionary spending; and

24 (6) the discretionary caps set forth below are  
25 designed to slow discretionary spending growth rates

1 and may need to be amended to incorporate subse-  
2 quent baseline changes prior to becoming law.

3 (b) EXTENSION.—Section 251(c) of the Balanced  
4 Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 (2  
5 U.S.C. 901(c)) is amended—

6 (1) in paragraph (7)(B), by striking “and” at  
7 the end; and

8 (2) by inserting after paragraph (8) the fol-  
9 lowing:

10 “(9) for fiscal year 2023, \$1,587,164,000,000  
11 in new budget authority;

12 “(10) for fiscal year 2024, \$1,618,907,280,000  
13 in new budget authority;

14 “(11) for fiscal year 2025, \$1,651,285,425,600  
15 in new budget authority;

16 “(12) for fiscal year 2026, \$1,684,311,134,112  
17 in new budget authority;

18 “(13) for fiscal year 2027, \$1,717,997,356,794  
19 in new budget authority;

20 “(14) for fiscal year 2028, \$1,752,357,303,930  
21 in new budget authority;

22 “(15) for fiscal year 2029, \$1,787,404,450,009  
23 in new budget authority;

24 “(16) for fiscal year 2030, \$1,823,152,539,009  
25 in new budget authority;

1           “(17) for fiscal year 2031, \$1,859,615,589,789  
2           in new budget authority; and

3           “(18) for fiscal year 2032, \$1,896,807,901,585  
4           in new budget authority;”.

5           (c) POINT OF ORDER.—Section 254 of the Balanced  
6 Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 (2  
7 U.S.C. 904) is amended by adding at the end the fol-  
8 lowing:

9           “(k) POINT OF ORDER.—

10           “(1) IN GENERAL.—It shall not be in order in  
11           the House of Representatives or the Senate to con-  
12           sider any bill or joint resolution, or amendment  
13           thereto or conference report thereon, that suspends,  
14           waives, or otherwise prevents a sequestration order  
15           from taking effect under this section.

16           “(2) WAIVER.—Paragraph (1) may be waived  
17           or suspended in the Senate only by an affirmative  
18           vote of three-fifths of the Members, duly chosen and  
19           sworn.”.

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