Congress passes short-term continuing resolution for FY 2017

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On April 28, Congress passed a short-term measure to fund the government through May 5, 2017, narrowly avoiding a government shutdown. An earlier continuing resolution, passed on December 9, 2016, was due to expire at midnight on April 28. Representative Pete Sessions (R-TX-32), Chairman of the House Committee on Rules, released a statement following passage of the joint resolution (H.J.Res.99). The continuing resolution provided appropriations to keep the government open for an extra week in fiscal year (FY) 2017. The short-term continuing resolution was designed to give members of Congress extra time to negotiate a full package of appropriations bills for FY 2017, which runs through September 30, 2017.

Sources: U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Rules, Library of Congress