

The PerryScope (week ending 1/13/19)

Welcome back to the weekly PerryScope! The format of our newsletter has changed slightly for 2019. We welcome your feedback!

HOW PERRY VOTED in the HOUSE THIS WEEK

Link to Bill Details	Explainer	Topic	Perry Vote	Date	Vote Count	Result
Speaker	House members chose who would be the speaker of the House. Perry was the only of the nine House Members we track to vote for Freedom Caucus crony Jim Jordan Perry, who reportedly has hopes of leading the Freedom Caucus, chose his fellow caucus member Rep. Jim Jordan (despite the abuse scandal that has followed Jordan for the past year); all eight others voted for Kevin McCarthy.	Administrative	JJ	01-03-19	Pelosi: 220 McCarthy: 192	N/A
Rules	This is a vote on Title I of the Rules package that will outline procedures on debate and consideration of bills in the House; see here for a detailed description of this significant package, which addresses anti-corruption and transparency, as well as controversial “pay-as-you-go” (PAYGO) provisions	Administrative	No	01-03-19	234-197	PASS
H.J. Res. 1	This is part of the effort to end the shutdown, and would fund the Department of Homeland Security through 02/08/19, giving time for a longer-term deal to be negotiated	Budget	No	01-03-19	239-192	PASS
H.R. 21	This is the other part of the attempt to resolve the shutdown, funding other agencies through 09/30/19	Budget	No	01-03-19	241-190	PASS
H.R. 264	This is part of the effort to end the shutdown, funding the Treasury and IRS	Budget	No	01-09-19	240-188	PASS
Title III of H. Res. 6	Allowing the House to defend the Affordable Care Act in court	Administrative	No	01-09-19	235-191	PASS
H.R. 265	This is part of the effort to end the shutdown, funding food stamps, WIC, and the Department of Agriculture	Budget	No	01-10-19	243-183	PASS
H.R. 267	This is part of the effort to end the shutdown, funding Transportation and Housing and Urban Development	Budget	No	01-10-19	244-180	PASS
H.R. 266	This is part of the effort to end the shutdown, funding the EPA and Interior Department	Budget	No	01-11-19	240-179	PASS
S. 24	Compensates federal employees for lost wages from the shutdown as soon as the shutdown is over	Budget	Yes	01-11-19	411-17	PASS

SENATE & HOUSE VOTES of INTEREST

1. The House voted on a cluster of [bills to fund various departments](#) that have been closed by the shutdown.
2. The House Democrats were joined by a few GOP members in passing a resolution that enables them to [defend the Affordable Care Act in its legal challenges](#) (since Trump’s Justice Department isn’t doing so).
3. Both the House and the Senate passed a [bill to pay the furloughed workers](#) as well as those working without pay all the back pay they are owed as soon as the government re-opens.

4. A group of 43 Senate Democrats and Independents have been enacting a strategy called [“withholding consent”](#) to try and force Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell to bring the bills to end the shutdown up for a vote.

PA-10 TWEETS and MEDIA COVERAGE

Perry’s “Support” of Furloughed Federal Workers

To reprise CRI’s Monday Call to Action: Several local media outlets ([PennLive](#), [YDR](#)) have reported about Perry’s response to their inquiries about collecting congressional pay during the shutdown. Perry has yet to release an official statement or clarify the contradictory information his offices have provided. Jay Ostrich, Perry’s Deputy Chief of Staff, stated: Perry “stands by” his response to PennLive and dismissed a follow-up question as to whether or not Perry will keep the retroactive pay. Perry refuses to publicly confirm if he will receive his pay retroactively or will forgo it all together and how he will return the funds to the U.S. government after the Trump shutdown ends.

Since the start of the 116th Congress on January 3, 2019, Scott Perry has voted [at least FIVE \(5\) times AGAINST funding the government and ending the Trump shutdown](#). Perry’s latest action follows earlier comments, indicating that [he does not think people live paycheck to paycheck](#).

Perry Pushes Wall

Responding to a Jan. 10 FoxNews interview, Perry thanked former Border Patrol Chief Mark Morgan for supporting the case for a wall, hashtagging [his post](#) #WallsWork. Perry further took the opportunity to Tweet [a 2015 YouTube clip](#) from America Rising PAC implying that Hillary Clinton supported a wall before she ran for president in 2016. Nonpartisan fact-checker PunditFact takes issue with this estimation, [calling it a half-truth](#).

Perry’s Updated Office Information

After a delay caused in part by redistricting, [Rep. Perry has announced](#) the opening of his Cumberland/Dauphin Counties District Office at 730 North Front Street, Wormleysburg, tel: 717-635-9504. His DC address remains: 1207 Longworth House Office Building, Washington, DC 20515, tel: 202-225-5836.

TOOMEY & CASEY Updates

We start out our traditional media coverage with a look at the [two statements issued by our senators](#) in response to President Trump’s prime time address about border security and the “crisis” at the southern border. We have the best [Tweets of the week](#) from our Senators, as well as a selection of offerings from lawmakers, media and our constituent response of the week. Most of the newspaper media coverage of each of our Senators focused on shutdown talk, but [Senator Casey](#) also had feedback on Elizabeth Warren’s presidential announcement, and [Senator Toomey](#) made a statement about Earned Income Tax Credits.

OTHER SECTIONS

In [Learning about Legislation](#) this week we take a look at where our senators landed in terms of committee assignments. For our [Legislation of Interest](#) section, we look at more of the *day one* legislative priorities of our PA MoCs in the House (some hadn’t gotten their bills in last week). And for our [Call to Action](#) segment, we look at what a bipartisan group of younger, tech-savvy MoCs have in mind to help modernize our IT infrastructure and improve our cybersecurity on the federal level.



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