Contentious Policy Riders in FY24 Appropriations Bills

_Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies_

- **Pride Flag Rider** would prohibit pride flags from being flown at covered facilities.*
- **Mifepristone Rider** would reverse the FDA decision to lift the in-person dispensing requirement and allow mifepristone to be dispensed in certified pharmacies, instead of only by prescribers in hospitals, clinics, and medical offices.
- **CRT Rider** would prohibit funding for critical race theory or any concepts associated with it.*
- **Same-Sex Marriage Rider** would prohibit denial of funds to anyone with a religious belief or moral conviction that marriage should be a union of one man and one woman.*
- **Racial Equity Rider** would prohibit funding for implementing racial equity and support for underserved communities in executive orders and agency plans.*
- **Menthol and Flavored Cigars Rider** would block the FDA from finalizing rules to end the sale of menthol cigarettes and flavored cigars.
- **Nicotine Rider** would stop the FDA from proposing a rule to reduce nicotine levels in cigarettes to make them less addictive.
- **Health Research Rider** would prohibit funding for the Wuhan Institute of Virology and any lab controlled by China, Russia, Cuba, Iran, North Korea, Russia, and Venezuela.*
- **Packers and Stockyards Act Report Rider** would claim that the act requires farmers to meet the burden of proving that harms they experienced from meatpackers or poultry companies also harmed competition in the industry.
- **School Low-Fat Milk Rider** would require low-fat flavored milk to be allowed in School Lunch and Breakfast Programs, even though the USDA already permits them.
- **WIC Healthy Food Benefit Rider** would undermine USDA revisions to the healthy food benefit and adds an industry carveout for dairy.
- **Packers and Stockyards Act Rider** would prevent the USDA from issuing rules to protect farmers and ranchers from meatpackers’ anti-competitive abuses.
- **“Healthy” Food Labeling Rider** would prevent liability for manufacturers that mislabel foods as “healthy” until compliance date goes into effect.
- **Sodium Reduction Rider** would block the FDA from working with industry on voluntary sodium reduction efforts.
- **USDA D.C. Hiring Rider** would prevent the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) from effectively serving farmers, ranchers, and other stakeholders by needlessly limiting

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the department’s hiring of staff in the National Capital Region. It would only allow D.C.-based staff only as specified by the appropriations bill.

**Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies**

- **Reproductive Rights Task Force Rider** would block funding for the DOJ’s Reproductive Rights Task Force.
- **Abortion Lawsuits Rider** would block funding for suing a state or local government over abortion laws.
- **CRT Rider** would prohibit funds for diversity, equity, inclusion, critical race theory, implicit bias, unconscious bias, or culturally relevant teachings for federal employees, including outside organizations that train federal employees.*
- **Sex Discrimination Rider** would prohibit denial of funding to individuals who define sex to mean biological sex, as determined by the type of gamete an individual produces.
- **Affirmative Action Hiring Rider** would prohibit funds to hire a person based on their race, national origin, sex, or religion.
- **Gender Affirming Care Rider** would prohibit funding for sex-altering surgeries.*
- **Same-Sex Marriage Rider** would prohibit denial of funds to anyone with a religious belief or moral conviction that marriage should be a union of one man and one woman.*
- **DEI Rider** would block funds for various offices, programs and training related to diversity, equity, and inclusion.
- **Transgender Lawsuits Rider** would block funding for suing a state or local government over transgender laws.
- **Environmental Justice Rider** would block funding for a proposed Office of Environmental Justice.
- **Student Religious Beliefs Rider** would block funding to discriminate against or denigrate the religious or moral beliefs of students who participate in programs for which financial assistance is provided, or the parents or legal guardians of such students.
- **School Threats Rider** would prohibit funds for the U.S. Attorney General’s school boards memo, blocking the DOJ’s efforts to address the rise in violent threats against school administrators, school board members, teachers, and staff.
- **Firearms Registry Rider** would block funding for a federal firearms registry.
- **COVID Vaccine Rider** would block funding to enforce any COVID-19 vaccine mandates or passports.*
- **Gun Buyback Rider** would block funds for gun buyback and relinquishment programs.
- **Gun Violence EO Rider** would block administration and enforcement of President Biden’s Executive Order 14092 on reducing gun violence.
- **Misinformation Rider** would bar funds from being used to classify or facilitate classification of any communications by a U.S. person as misinformation, disinformation,

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or malinformation, or to partner with any entity to censor lawful and constitutionally protected speech.*

- **Multiple Firearms Reporting Rider** would eliminate requirements for licensed firearm dealers to report to the DOJ on the sale of multiple rifles or shotguns to the same individual.

- **Ghost Guns Rider** would forbid implementation, enforcement, and legal defense of a rule to regulate ghost guns.

- **Stabilizing Brace Definition Rider** would forbid implementation, enforcement, and legal defense of a rule that clarifies which factors are considered by the ATF when evaluating firearms equipped with a purported stabilizing brace or other rearward attachment.

- **Recent Gun Rules Rider** would block implementation of any measure, regulation, or guidance issued or finalized by the ATF after January 21, 2021.

- **Red Flag Rider** would block implementation of red flag laws or extreme risk protection orders that keep guns out of the hands of those prone to violence.

- **Demand 2 Rider** would block the Demand 2 program unless reporting thresholds are modified. This program is designed to increase oversight of federal firearm licensees with a high number of sales of guns used in crimes within three years of their purchase.

- **Gun Confiscation Rider** would require notification and hearing opportunities for gun owners prior to the confiscation of a firearm.

- **New Gun Rules Rider** would prohibit the study of, preparation for, or proposal of any future administrative or executive actions that would be interpreted as a restriction on the production, purchase, sale, or transfer of any firearm unless expressly authorized by Congress.

- **ATF Civil Actions Rider** would eliminate funds to advise, promote, or support any civil actions, to which the ATF is not a named party, against any person purported to be subject to the regulation and oversight of the agency.

- **Stabilizing Brace Tracking Rider** would block the ATF’s ability to classify, tax, or register any firearm with an attached stabilizing brace, like the one used in the mass shooting at Christian Covenant School in Nashville, Tennessee in March 2023.

- **“Politically Sensitive Investigations” Rider** would block funding for any politically sensitive investigation until the DOJ establishes a policy requiring non-partisan career staff to oversee such investigations. The potential targets of such investigations would include elected officials or their family members, political candidates or their family members, political organizations, religious organizations, and members of the media.

- **Merger Guidelines Rider** would block funding for revising the Merger Guidelines issued by the FTC and DOJ. The previous guidelines allowed unprecedented monopolization, creating massive corporations at the expense of small businesses, startups, and consumers.

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- **EU Digital Markets Rider** would block funding for any action that supports the EU’s Digital Markets Act, which aims to ensure a higher degree of competition in European digital markets by preventing large companies from abusing their market power and allowing new players to enter the market.

- **Antitrust Employees Rider** would block the DOJ from using any funds to add new employees to its Antitrust Division. This rider would ensure that the department is even more outmatched by enormous corporations.

- **China Coordination Rider** would block the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, the Office of Science and Technology Policy, and the National Space Council from coordinating in any way with China or any Chinese-owned company without explicit authorization by law or by the FBI.

- **Guantanamo Bay Rider** would block the transfer/release of any prisoner held at Guantanamo Bay since June 2009 or the formation of alternative detention facilities.*

- **Red Snapper Rider** would delay fisheries management measures in the South Atlantic. This would impact South Atlantic red snapper, which are overfished and need new management measures to rebuild fish stocks.

- **Health Research Rider** would prohibit funding for the Wuhan Institute of Virology and any lab controlled by China, Russia, Cuba, Iran, North Korea, Russia, and Venezuela.*

- **Solar Imports Rider** would block funding to implement a two-year delay on imposing anti-dumping and other countervailing duties on solar panels imported from Cambodia, Malaysia, Thailand, and Vietnam.

- **Iran Rider** would ban funding for any formal or informal negotiations with the government or representatives of Iran.

- **Climate Fisheries Rider** would block funds for climate change fisheries research.

- **Vessel Strike Reduction Rule Rider** would prevent NOAA from finalizing its proposed North Atlantic right whale vessel strike reduction rule until a “near real-time monitoring and mitigation program” to track threatened or endangered whales has been deployed.

- **Forest Protection Rider** would block funds for the implementation of Executive Order 14072, which protects forests in federal regulatory decision making.

- **Asylum Adjudication Rider** would prohibit funding for the rule that allows asylum officers to adjudicate asylum claims for individuals subject to expedited removal.

- **Asylum Rules Rider** would block funding for any new rules related to asylum law and process or the administrative closure of cases in immigration court.

- **Immigration Case Dismissal Rider** would prohibit using funds to close or dismiss immigration cases without adjudicating the merits of the case.

- **Immigration Case Metrics Rider** would require the Executive Office for Immigration Review to implement case performance metrics linked to the performance review for immigration judges.

- **Census Rider** would prohibit the use of funds to include undocumented immigrants in the Decennial Census apportionment determinations.

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- **Gerrymandering Lawsuits Rider** would prohibit funding to sue a state or local government over its redistricting plans.
- **Private Detention Facilities Rider** would prohibit funding to enforce Executive Order 14006, which bars the use of private detention facilities.
- **Policing Rider** would prohibit funding to implement section 19 and section 20 of Executive Order 14074 to improve policing.
- **Restitution Rider** would prohibit funds for legal settlements that require the defendants to donate or contribute funds to an organization or individual.
- **NIST Center Climate Rider** would block funds for the NIST Center of Excellence in Climate Change, which researches climate and energy efficiency.
- **Climate Science Rider** would block funds at the National Science Foundation for both the U.S. Global Change Research Program and the Clean Energy Technology Program.
- **Climate Crisis Rider** would block funds to enforce Executive Order 14008, which puts the climate crisis at the center of U.S. foreign policy and national security strategy and calls for a whole-of-government response.
- **ESG Rider** would prohibit funding for the promotion of and any contributions to Environmental, Social, Governance (ESG) investments.
- **Free Federal Research Rider** would block funding to implement or enforce the U.S. Office of Science and Technology Policy’s memo on ensuring free, immediate, and equitable access to federally funded research.
- **Federal Employee Union Rider** would prohibit funds from being used for federal employee union activities.
- **Lechter Prison NEPA Exemption Rider** would force the U.S. Bureau of Prisons to reissue a final environmental impact statement from 2017 and the record of decision from 2018 – abruptly ending the National Environmental Policy Act process. The provision also would bar all agency actions in building the prison from being subject to judicial review.

**Defense**

- **Women’s Health Travel Rider** would ban funding for travel expenses for reproductive healthcare needs for service members and their families.
- **Drag Queen Rider** would ban funding that promotes, hosts, facilitates, or supports events on U.S. military installations or as part of military recruiting programs that violate the U.S. Department of Defense Joint Ethics Regulation or bring discredit upon the military, such as drag queen story hour for children or the use of drag queens as military recruiters.*
- **Same-Sex Marriage Rider** would ban retribution against any individual with a sincerely held religious belief or moral conviction that marriage is or should be recognized as a union of one man and one woman. The language in this rider would require the government to continue to fund contractors, nonprofits, and other organizations that

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discriminate against LGBTQI+ people if they claim the reason for their discrimination is because of their belief that marriage is between a man and a woman.*

- **Pride Flag Rider** would restrict which flags can be flown over federal facilities – and notably excludes pride flags.*
- **Gender Affirming Care Rider** would ban funding for surgical procedures or hormone therapies for gender affirming care.*
- **CRT Rider** would ban funding for any activity that promotes or advances Critical Race Theory.*
- **Hunter Biden Rider** would ban security clearances for any signatory to the “Public Statement on the Hunter Biden Emails” dated October 19, 2020.
- **DEIA Rider** would block funding for the Deputy Inspector General for Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Accessibility and any funds used to implement, administer, apply, enforce, or carry out executive orders on diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility.*
- **Disinformation Rider** would ban funding that may be used to classify or facilitate classification of any communications by a U.S. person as “mis, dis, or mal-information” – permitting the spread of falsehoods without the ability to present the facts.*
- **Armed Forces Anti-Extremism Rider** would block funding for the appointment of a deputy inspector general in the DOD whose job is to prevent and respond to supremacist, extremist, and criminal gang activities by members of the Armed Forces.
- **Defense Contractor Climate Emissions Rider** would block funding for a rule to require federal defense contractors to both disclose their greenhouse gas emissions and climate-related financial risks and set science-based targets to reduce their emissions.
- **Guantanamo Bay Rider** would block the transfer/release of any prisoner held at Guantanamo Bay since June 2009 or the formation of alternative detention facilities.*
- **Guantanamo Bay Closure Rider** would block the closure or realignment of Guantanamo Bay.
- **Health Research Rider** would prohibit funding for the Wuhan Institute of Virology and any lab controlled by China, Russia, Cuba, Iran, North Korea, Russia, and Venezuela.*

**Energy and Water Development**

- **Same-Sex Marriage Rider** would allow discrimination based on same-sex marriage.*
- **Racial Equity Rider** would prohibit funding related to racial equity and support for underserved communities.*
- **CRT Rider** would prohibit funding related to critical race theory.*
- **DEIA Rider** would block funding related to diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility.*
- **Justice40 Rider** would prohibit funding related to the DOE’s Justice40 initiative, which directs 40% of the overall benefits of certain federal investments to flow to disadvantaged communities. These investments include clean energy, energy efficiency, clean transit,

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affordable and sustainable housing, training and workforce development, remediation and reduction of legacy pollution, and clean water infrastructure development.*

- **Firearms on Public Lands Rider** would allow firearms on public lands managed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.
- **Strategic Petroleum Reserve Rider** would require the U.S. Energy Secretary to sell both one million barrels of refined petroleum from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve and permanently close the Northeast Gasoline Supply Reserve.
- **Energy Loan Guarantee Rider** would shut down the DOE’s Title 17 Clean Energy Financing Program, which accelerates deployment of clean energy and decarbonization technologies.
- **Waters of the U.S. Rider** would block the January 2023 revised definition of “Waters of the United States.”*
- **Grid Transformers Rider** would prohibit funding to stop the energy efficiency standard for electric grid distribution transformers.*
- **California Water Management Rider** would mandate the use of environmentally harmful water management plans and advance controversial California dam proposals.

### Financial Services and General Government

- **Contraception Refusal Rider** would require health insurance plans to include a provision allowing providers to refuse to offer or cover contraception based on their religious or moral beliefs.
- **D.C. Maternity Care Report Rider** would require the District to submit a report to Congress on maternity care access.
- **D.C. Anti-Choice Protester Rider** would allow District agencies and charter schools to be sued under the city’s anti-SLAAP law, allowing anti-abortion protesters to disrupt parents, children, and staff if their protests take place near schools.
- **D.C. Anti-Abortion Rider** would prohibit the use of local and federal funds for abortion services.
- **D.C. Contraception Religious Exemption Rider** would require the District to allow health insurance companies to refuse to offer contraception based on religious or moral objections.
- **Congressional Control Rider** would prohibit the District from spending its own local funds without approval from Congress.
- **D.C. Reproductive Discrimination Rider** would prohibit funds from being used to carry out the Reproductive Health Non-Discrimination Amendment Act of 2014 or to implement any rule related to it. That law protects individuals from discrimination by an employer, employment agency, or labor organization based on their reproductive health decisions or those of a dependent.

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• **D.C. Abortion Report Rider** would require the District to submit a report to Congress on how it has complied with various abortion bans, including disclosure of any violations of the law that have taken place.

• **Federal Employee Health Benefits Rider** would bar the Federal Employees Health Benefits Program from covering abortion services.

• **Same-Sex Marriage Rider** would prohibit retribution against any individual with a sincerely held religious belief or moral conviction that marriage is or should be recognized as a union of one man and one woman – language that fuels discrimination. The language in this rider would require the government to continue to fund contractors, nonprofits, and other organizations that discriminate against LGBTQI+ people if they claim the reason for their discrimination is because of their belief that marriage is between a man and a woman.*

• **Gender Affirming Care Rider** would prohibit funds for insurance plans in the Federal Employees Health Benefits program to cover the cost of surgical procedures, puberty blockers, or hormone therapy for the purpose of gender-affirming care.*

• **Gas Stoves Rider** would prohibit the CPSC from using funds to stop the use or sale of gas-powered stoves, cooktops, ranges, or ovens in the U.S., even if the product is proven to cause harm.*

• **CRT Rider** would prohibit the promotion or advancement of Critical Race Theory.*

• **Diversity Executive Orders Rider** would block implementation of all executive orders related to diversity, equity, and inclusion.

• **D.C. Marijuana Rider** would prohibit the use of local funds to legalize marijuana.

• **D.C. Needle Exchange Rider** would prohibit the use of funds for needle exchange programs.

• **Out-of-State Gun Permits Rider** would allow an individual with a valid weapons carry permit from any state or territory to possess and carry a concealed handgun in areas governed by the District of Columbia and the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority.

• **Cocaine Discovery Rider** would require the White House to submit a report on the investigative materials associated with the cocaine discovery on July 2, 2023.

• **D.C. Policing Rider** would prohibit the District of Columbia from implementing its policing bill, the Comprehensive Policing and Justice Reform Amendment Act of 2022.

• **Anti-Voting Rider** would block implementation of the Executive Order on Promoting Access to Voting with certain exceptions.

• **IRS Guns Rider** would prevent the IRS from purchasing firearms or ammunition above the levels in the agency’s possession as of July 13, 2023.

• **Food Marketed to Children Rider** would introduce obstacles to the completion of an interagency report on how food is marketed to children. The report is aimed at developing a range of voluntary, self-regulatory principles that the industry can embrace to improve children’s health and nutrition.

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• **Standalone Authority Rider** would prevent the FTC from abandoning its guidance on “standalone” Section 5 authority.

• **Prior Approval Rider** would prohibit funds to implement, administer, or enforce the FTC’s “Use of Prior Approval Provisions in Merge Orders,” which would negatively impact the mergers process.

• **Retail Investor Information Rider** would prohibit funds for the SEC to collect retail investor personal information. This rider would also require that an analysis of privacy concerns be submitted to Congress.

• **Small Business Rules Rider** would direct the SBA to issue an economic impact report on small business concerns stemming from rules issued by the agency during the last two fiscal years.

• **Misinformation Rider** would restrict funds for labeling information as misinformation or working with companies to label misinformation.*

• **Climate Disclosure Rider** would prohibit the use of funds to finalize or enforce its proposed Climate Disclosure rule. That rule would require climate-related disclosures in corporate registration statements, periodic reports, and audited financial statements—including information about climate-related risks that are likely to have a material impact on their business, results of operations, or financial condition. This also would include disclosure of greenhouse gas emissions.*

• **IRS Free Filing Prohibition Rider** would prohibit the IRS from developing free tax filing software without prior approval from key financial committees in both chambers of Congress that would allow any taxpayer to file their taxes for free.

• **Dollar Bill Rider** would block the Treasury Department and the U.S. Bureau of Engraving and Printing from redesigning the $1 bill.

• **U.S. Mint Museum Rider** would bar the U.S. Mint from constructing or operating any museum without approval from key financial committees in both chambers of Congress.

• **Anti-Consolidation Rider** would block consolidation of any or all functions of the U.S. Bureau of Engraving and Printing and the U.S. Mint without approval from key financial committees in both chambers of Congress.

• **COVID Report Rider** would block all bonuses, raises, or promotions to employees of the Treasury Department until the secretary produces a COVID-19 National Emergency expenditure report.

• **Cuba Travel Rider** would prohibit the use of funds for non-education travel exchanges with Cuba.

• **Cuba Travel Report Rider** would require the U.S. Department of Homeland Security and the Treasury Department to submit a report to Congress on Cuba travel.

• **Crypto Rider** would block the Treasury Department from issuing its own digital currency that might compete with privately issued cryptocurrencies. It also would block any hypothetical attempt to end the use of paper currency as legal tender.

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• **Shell Companies Rider** would block the Financial Crimes Enforcement Network from issuing or implementing beneficial ownership reporting rules that would allow law enforcement to scrutinize shell companies that might be implicated in financial crimes and threats to national security.

• **Mortgage Pricing Rider** would block implementation of the single-family mortgage credit fee pricing framework used by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac. The updated framework is intended to maintain support for single-family purchase borrowers limited by wealth or income, while ensuring a level playing field for large and small sellers, fostering capital accumulation, and achieving commercially viable returns.

• **Executive Order Cost-Benefit Analysis Rider** would require any executive order to include a written statement with a cost-benefit analysis of its budgetary impacts, if the order is expected to have a cost over $100 million.

• **President’s Budget Request Rider** would cut funding for the Office of the President by $52 million if the president is late in submitting the annual budget request.

• **Administrative PAYGO Rider** would block OMB from using funds to waive administrative pay-as-you-go rules for individual regulations.

• **CFPB Restructuring Rider** would divest authority at the agency from its director and vest it in a five-member commission, two of whom must have private sector experience in the provision of consumer financial products and services.

• **Small Business Lending Rider** would prohibit the CFPB from using funds to implement Section 1071 of the Dodd-Frank Act, which requires the collection of data on lending to women and minority-owned businesses to ensure fair lending practices.

• **Sleazy Car Dealers Rider** would block the FTC’s Motor Vehicle Dealers Trade Regulation Rule, which prohibits car and truck dealers from making certain misrepresentations while selling, leasing, or arranging financing for motor vehicles. The rule would require accurate pricing disclosures in dealers’ ads and sales discussions, require them to obtain consumers’ express and informed consent for charges, prohibit the sale of any add-on product or service that confers no benefit to the consumer, and require dealers to keep records of ads and customer transactions.

• **Defrauded Consumers Rider** would add additional obstacles to an FTC rule that challenges bogus money-making claims used to lure consumers, workers, and prospective entrepreneurs into risky business ventures that often turn into dead-end debt traps. The rule allows the agency to recover redress for defrauded consumers and seek steep penalties against the multilevel marketers, for-profit colleges, gig economy platforms, and other bad actors who prey on people’s hopes for economic advancement.

• **“Business Opportunity” Rider** would add additional obstacles to an FTC rule that requires business opportunity sellers to give prospective buyers specific information to help them evaluate a business opportunity, ensuring that the prospective purchasers have the information they need to assess the risks of a work-at-home program or any other business opportunity.

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● **Liquidity Risk Rider** would block an SEC rule designed to improve liquidity risk management programs to better prepare funds for stressed conditions and improve transparency in liquidity classifications.

● **Best Execution Rider** would block an SEC rule aimed at establishing a best execution regulatory framework for brokers, dealers, government securities brokers, government securities dealers, and municipal securities dealers. Equities often trade on off-exchange dark venues that have different business models and are less transparent than the familiar lit exchanges. The rule would lead to better execution for retail and institutional investors.

● **Order Competition Rider** would block an SEC rule requiring certain orders of individual investors to be exposed to competition in fair and open auctions before such orders could be executed internally by any trading center that restricts order-by-order competition.

● **Regulation NMS Rider** would block an SEC rule that adopts variable minimum pricing increments for the quoting and trading of NMS stocks, reduces access fee caps, and enhances the transparency of better priced orders.

● **Public Offering Rider** would stop the SEC from compelling a private company to make a public offering.

● **Client Assets Rider** would block an SEC rule to strengthen safeguards for client assets over which an adviser has custody.

● **Community Navigators Rider** would prohibit the SBA from further funding or transferring funds to the COVID–19 Community Navigators program, which helps ensure that small businesses in underserved and disadvantaged communities have access to federal relief programs.

● **SBA Climate Rider** would prohibit the SBA from funding climate change initiatives from its Salaries and Expenses account.*

● **Trade Associations Rider** would repeal the FEC’s prior approval requirement for corporate trade associations to set up political action committees, weakening political fundraising requirements.

● **Electric Vehicles Rider** would block procurement of electric vehicles, electric vehicle batteries, electric vehicle charging stations, or related infrastructure.*

● **Anti-Greening Rider** would stop implementation of Section 205 of Executive Order 14008, which calls for federal agencies to achieve net-zero emissions across their portfolio of buildings, campuses, and installations by 2045 and reduce greenhouse gas emissions 50% by 2032 by prioritizing improvement of energy efficiency and eliminating onsite fossil fuel use.*

● **Federal Telework Rider** would prohibit funding for federal agencies until they return to specified telework policies, practices, and levels.*

● **ESG Retirement Investing Rider** would block the Thrift Savings Plan – a retirement savings and investment plan for federal employees and uniformed service members

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similar to a 401(k) in the private sector – from investing in mutual funds that consider environmental, social, and governance (ESG) criteria.*

- **D.C. Stoplight Rider** would prohibit funds from being used to enact or carry out any law that prohibits motorists from making right turns on red.
- **D.C. Automated Traffic Enforcement Rider** would prohibit funds used by the District to implement automated traffic enforcement.
- **D.C. Death with Dignity Rider** would repeal the Death with Dignity Act, which allows terminally ill adults seeking to voluntarily end their life to request lethal doses of medication from licensed physicians in the District. It also would prohibit the District from passing similar legislation in the future.

**Homeland Security**

- **ICE Abortion Rider** would expand the scope of an existing abortion coverage ban to people detained by ICE.
- **ICE Abortion Refusals of Care Rider** would provide for harmful refusals of care that stigmatize abortion and harm those detained under ICE custody who need care.
- **ICE Gender Affirming Care Rider** would prohibit the use of funds to administer hormone therapy medication or perform or facilitate any surgery for any person in custody of ICE for the purpose of gender-affirming care.*
- **Same-Sex Marriage Rider** would prohibit denial of funds to anyone with a religious belief or moral conviction that marriage should be a union of one man and one woman.*
- **DHS Diversity Rider** would prohibit the use of funds for executive orders related to advancing diversity, equity, and inclusion.
- **DHS Disinformation Rider** would limit DHS’s ability to counter disinformation campaigns, including from foreign adversaries who seek to undermine our democratic elections.*
- **CISA Disinformation Rider** would limit the U.S. Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency’s ability to counter disinformation efforts by domestic extremists and other adversaries who seek to harm critical infrastructure and our communities.*
- **Sponsor Deportation Rider** would eliminate a provision that protects potential sponsors of unaccompanied children from being deported.
- **ICE Prosecutorial Discretion Rider** would block funds for implementing the Biden administration’s “Guidelines for the Enforcement of Civil Immigration Law” that the U.S. Supreme Court approved as lawful on June 23, 2023.
- **Border Wall Rider** would prohibit any funding from being used or transferred to any other federal agency, board, or commission to dismantle existing parts of the current border wall.
- **CBP One Application Rider** would block funds being used for the CBP One Application or any successor application to parole immigrants into the U.S.

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ICE Detention Rider would direct DHS to prioritize detention of immigrants and ensure that the average daily population of detainees is maintained at full capacity throughout the year. It also specifies that immigrants in the Alternative to Detention program have mandatory ankle monitoring throughout the duration of all immigration proceedings.

COVID Vaccine Rider would block funding for any requirement that employees of DHS receive COVID-19 vaccines.*

COVID Travel Rider would block funding for any rules current or future that advance safer travel to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

Guantanamo Bay Rider would block the transfer/release of any prisoner held at Guantanamo Bay since June 2009 or the formation of alternative detention facilities.*

Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies

Same-Sex Marriage Rider would prohibit denial of funds to anyone with a religious belief or moral conviction that marriage should be a union of one man and one woman.*

Pride Flag Rider would restrict which flags can be flown over federal facilities – and notably excludes pride flags.*

Gas Stoves Rider would prohibit the CPSC from using funds to stop the use or sale of gas-powered stoves, cooktops, ranges, or ovens in the U.S., even if the product is proven to cause harm.*

CRT Rider would prohibit funds for Critical Race Theory.*


Employee Counseling Rider would prohibit the Department of the Interior from providing counseling sessions for employees on certain topics.

DEIA Rider would block funds for advancing diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility.*

Justice40 Rider would prohibit funding related to the DOE’s Justice40 initiative, which directs 40% of the overall benefits of certain federal investments to flow to disadvantaged communities. These investments include clean energy, energy efficiency, clean transit, affordable and sustainable housing, training and workforce development, remediation and reduction of legacy pollution, and clean water infrastructure development.*

Waters of the U.S. Rider would prevent the Waters of the United States rule from taking effect.*

Glacier National Park Reservation Rider would prohibit the park from implementing a reservation system to address overcrowding.

Lead Ammunition and Tackle Rider would prevent agencies charged with wildlife protection from banning toxic lead in ammunition and fishing tackle on federal lands unless an impossible set of criteria are met.

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• Mercury and Air Toxics (MATS) Rule Rider would block the EPA from finalizing and implementing its new rule to reduce mercury and other toxic air pollution, including lead, chromium, arsenic, and soot from coal- and oil-fired power plants.

• Carbon Pollution Rule Rider would block the EPA from finalizing and implementing new carbon pollution limits for coal- and gas-fired power plants.

• Smithsonian Rider would prevent the museum from partnering with the Hong Kong Economic and Trade Offices

• Dunes Sagebrush Lizard Rider would prohibit listing the animal under the Endangered Species Act.

• Ethylene Oxide Emissions Rider would block the EPA from enforcing its proposed rule to limit the hazardous air pollutant.

• Rat Poison Rider would block the EPA from restricting rodenticides that pose health risks to humans and other mammals and birds.

• Tailpipe Emissions Rider would block the EPA from implementing its proposed rules to reduce harmful air pollutants from light, medium, and heavy-duty vehicles.

• Conservation Land Use Rider would prohibit the U.S. Bureau of Land Management from implementing the Conservation and Landscape Health rule, which allows the agency to better prioritize conservation of public lands.

• Health Research Rider would prohibit funding for the Wuhan Institute of Virology and any lab controlled by China, Russia, Cuba, Iran, North Korea, Russia, and Venezuela.*

• Social Cost of Carbon Rider would prohibit use of the social cost of carbon in any agency action.

• California Waiver Rider would stop the EPA from approving waivers of the Clean Air Act for California.

• Good Neighbor Rule Rider would block the EPA’s Good Neighbor Plan for the 2015 Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards, which requires emissions reduction technologies to cut cross-state smog pollution from power plants and other industrial sources.

• Power Plant Wastewater Rule Rider would stop the EPA from finalizing a proposed rule to reduce wastewater pollution from steam electric power plants, particularly coal-fired power plants.

• Pesticide Labeling Rider would block the EPA from taking action on certain pesticide labeling.

• Idaho Wind Rider would prohibit pre-leasing, leasing, or the conveyance of leases for wind energy activity in Idaho until a study is completed on potential adverse impacts.

• Florida Offshore Wind Rider would prohibit pre-leasing, leasing, or the conveyance of leases for offshore wind energy in Florida until a study is completed on potential adverse impacts.

• Regional Lease Sales Rider would create a new requirement that at least two lease sales in the Gulf of Mexico and two lease sales in Alaska are held every year to ensure that

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offshore oil and gas leasing occurs yearly, regardless of the status of the five-year program.

- **Quarterly Lease Sales Rider** would direct the Secretary of the Interior to resume quarterly onshore oil and gas leasing sales and specifies the numbers of sales in listed states.
- **Boundary Waters Mining Rider** would overturn the Biden administration’s recently finalized withdrawal of around 225,000 acres of National Forest System lands in northeastern Minnesota, opening the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness to toxic mine pollution.
- **Boundary Waters Hardrock Lease Rider** would require the Secretary of the Interior to reinstate two canceled hardrock mineral leases in the headwaters of the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness.
- **Ancillary Use Mining Rider** would give mining claimants the right to permanently occupy federal public lands, construct massive toxic waste dumps, and build roads and pipelines across those lands.
- **Caldwell Canyon Mining Rider** would require the Secretary of the Interior to issue a new Record of Decision for Caldwell Canyon Mine project.
- **Expanded Sage Grouse Rider** would expand the ban on protecting the sage grouse under the Endangered Species Act – a legacy rider – to include the separate population of bi-state sage grouse.
- **Bison Rider** would prohibit funds to allow the introduction of bison into the Charles M. Russell National Wildlife Refuge in Montana.
- **Endangered Species Consultation Rider** would exempt the U.S. Forest Service and U.S. Bureau of Land Management from updating their land management plans when new information – often new knowledge about the increasingly severe impacts of climate change – shows that endangered species are being harmed or killed on public lands.
- **Lesser Prairie Chicken Rider** would prohibit the Department of the Interior from implementing or enforcing a rule that protects the Lesser Prairie Chicken under the Endangered Species Act.
- **Grizzly Bear Habitat Rider** would block funds for the North Cascades Grizzly Bear Ecosystem Restoration Plan.
- **Northern Long-Eared Bats Rider** would prohibit the Interior Department from implementing or enforcing a final rule that protects the northern long-eared bat under the Endangered Species Act.
- **Gray Wolf Rider** would direct the Secretary of the Interior to reissue a rule prematurely removing endangered species protections for the Gray Wolf.
- **Water Rights Rider** would prohibit funds to require transfer or relinquishment of water rights as a permitting condition.
- **Special Recreation Permits Rider** would exempt special recreation permits from certain cost recovery fees.

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• **Coastal Barriers Rider** would amend the Coastal Barriers Resources Act.
• **Consent Decrees Rider** would force the Secretary of the Interior to reissue Order No. 3368, which imposed burdensome and redundant reporting requirements on the department’s consent decrees and settlement agreements.
• **Electric Vehicles Rider** would block the procurement of electric vehicles, electric vehicle batteries, electric vehicle charging stations, or related infrastructure.*
• **Anti-Greening Rider** would stop the implementation of Section 205 of Executive Order 14008, which calls for federal agencies to achieve net-zero emissions across their portfolio of buildings, campuses, and installations by 2045 and reduce greenhouse gas emissions 50% by 2032 by prioritizing improvement of energy efficiency and eliminating onsite fossil fuel use.*
• **Green Climate Rider** would block all funding for the Green Climate Fund, which helps developing countries achieve their emissions and climate-resilience goals under the Paris Agreement.*
• **Climate Damage Rider** would prohibit funding and international disaster relief for any loss or damage attributed to climate change.*
• **Clean Technology Rider** would block all funding for the Clean Technology Fund. It provides resources to scale up low-carbon technologies including renewable energy, energy efficiency (of buildings, agriculture, and industry), and clean transport.*
• **SBA Climate Rider** would prohibit the SBA from funding climate change initiatives from its Salaries and Expenses account.*
• **Climate Disclosure Rider** would prohibit the use of funds to finalize or enforce the SEC’s proposed climate disclosure rule or any similar rule. That rule would require climate-related disclosures in corporate registration statements, periodic reports, and audited financial statements. This also would include disclosure of greenhouse gas emissions.*
• **ESG Retirement Investing Rider** would block the Thrift Savings Plan – a retirement savings and investment plan for federal employees and uniformed service members similar to a 401(k) in the private sector – from investing in mutual funds that consider environmental, social, and governance (ESG) criteria.*
• **Climate Attribution Rider** would prevent democracy, security, gender, agriculture, water, sanitation, and hygiene programs from being linked or attributed to climate goals.*
• **Multilateral Development Banks Anti-Greening Rider** would block implementation of Executive Order 14008 on tackling the climate crisis at home and abroad and U.S. Treasury Department guidance on fossil fuel energy at multilateral development banks.*
• **Power Africa Rider** would prohibit funding under the Power Africa program from being used for renewable energy unless matched by other sources of energy.*

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• **Enbridge Pipeline Rider** would overturn a federal court ruling that shut down a segment of the Canadian Enbridge Line 5 pipeline that crosses tribal land in Wisconsin.*
• **Grid Transformers Rider** would prohibit funding to stop the energy efficiency standard for electric grid distribution transformers.*

**Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies**

• **Student Sex Discrimination Rider** would block the U.S. Department of Education from issuing a final rule to prevent sex discrimination and sex-based harassment at schools and a final rule to clarify how all students can participate in athletics.
• **Religious Student Groups Rider** would deny funding to public colleges and universities that have taken action against religious student groups that discriminate or engage in other unlawful conduct based on their religious beliefs.
• **Gun Control Rider** would block any funding for the advocacy or promotion of gun control.
• **Student Debt Cancellation Rider** would prohibit any broad-based student debt cancellation.
• **School Prayer Rider** would block funding to prevent the implementation of voluntary prayer and meditation programs in public schools.
• **ACA Discrimination Rider** would block funding for a rule that bans discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability in certain health programs and activities under the Affordable Care Act (ACA).
• **Embryo Research Rider** would ban research on human embryos.
• **Marriage Equality Rider** would block funding to take action against a person who opposes marriage equality.
• **Pride Flag Rider** would restrict which flags can be flown over federal facilities – and notably excludes pride flags.*
• **Fetal Tissue Rider** would prohibit the NIH from using fetal tissue obtained from an elective abortion in medical research.
• **Planned Parenthood Rider** would prevent the health care provider from participating in health programs funded through the annual Labor-HHS bill.
• **Title X Rider** would eliminate funding for the Title X family planning program.
• **Teen Pregnancy Rider** would eliminate funding for the Teen Pregnancy Prevention Program and fund abstinence-only programs.
• **Weldon Expansion Rider** would prohibit Medicaid from covering abortion, expanding the Weldon Amendment.
• **Abortion Location Rider** would prohibit funding for any “abortion hotline” or website run by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) that provides information on where to obtain an abortion.

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• **Post-Dobbs Rider** would stop the implementation of various Biden administration executive orders intended to increase access to abortion care for people impacted by state bans in the aftermath of the Dobbs decision.

• **Abortion Referral Rider** would disallow HHS from requiring any grantee to refer for abortions or to act in contravention of any state law restricting referral for or performance of abortions.

• **LGBTQ Discrimination Rider** would prohibit implementation of the Biden administration’s executive order on gender identity and sexual orientation discrimination, which prevents and combats discrimination on the basis of gender identity or sexual orientation, and fully enforces Title VII and other laws that prohibit discrimination on the basis of gender identity or sexual orientation.

• **Gender Affirming Care Rider** would prohibit funds for surgical procedures or hormone therapies for the purposes of gender affirming care.*

• **Drug Legalization Rider** would ban funding to promote the legalization of any Schedule I controlled substance, including marijuana, except in cases when there is significant medical evidence of a therapeutic benefit or federally funded clinical trials are underway.

• **CRT Rider** would block funding related to Critical Race Theory.*

• **DEIA Rider** would block policies or programs intended to promote diversity, equity, or inclusion stemming from Executive Orders 13985, 14035, and 14091.*

• **H-2A Visas Rider** would block implementation of the U.S. Labor Department’s rule on H-2A visas to strengthen protections and wage calculations for temporary foreign workers.

• **Income-Driven Repayment Rider** would stop the Biden administration from moving forward with its income-driven repayment plan for student loans, known as the Saving on a Valuable Education (SAVE) plan.

• **Independent Contractor Rider** would require that no funds be used to block a Trump-era rule published in the final days of his administration that made it easier for employers to misclassify workers as independent contractors, removing them from minimum wage and other labor protections.

• **Federal Employee Benefits ESG Investing Rider** would block implementation of the U.S. Department of Labor’s ESG investing rule for the Employee Benefits Security Administration.

• **EcoHealth Rider** would block funding for the EcoHealth Alliance, which leads scientific research into the connections between human, animal, and environmental health and develops solutions to prevent pandemics and promote conservation.

• **Medicare and Medicaid Vaccines Rider** would block funding for a rule requiring Medicare and Medicaid providers to ensure COVID-19 vaccination of their staff and offer vaccines and educational information to patients, clients, residents, and staff.

• **Health Research Rider** would prohibit funding for the Wuhan Institute of Virology and any lab controlled by China, Russia, Cuba, Iran, North Korea, Russia, and Venezuela or

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any gain-of-function research involving a potential pandemic pathogen in these countries.*

- **Scam Colleges Rider** would stop any relief for student loan borrowers who were scammed by their colleges, under the borrower defense rule.
- **Joint Employer Rider** would prevent the National Labor Relations Board from implementing a rule on joint employer status.

**Legislative Branch**

- **Same-Sex Marriage Rider** would prohibit denial of funds to anyone with a religious belief or moral conviction that marriage should be a union of one man and one woman.*

**Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies**

- **Same-Sex Marriage Rider** would prohibit denial of funds to anyone with a religious belief or moral conviction that marriage should be a union of one man and one woman.*
- **Pride Flag Rider** would prohibit pride flags from being flown at covered facilities.*
- **Gender Affirming Care Rider** would prohibit funds for surgical procedures or hormone therapies for the purposes of gender affirming care.*
- **CRT Rider** would prohibit the use of funds to teach or promote Critical Race Theory.*
- **Diversity Rider** would prohibit the use of funds to implement executive orders related to diversity, equity, and inclusion.
- **Gitmo Rider** would prohibit the use of funds to carry out the closure or realignment of Naval Station Guantanamo Bay or to house detainees at Naval Station Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

**State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs**

- **Global Gag Rule Rider** would reinstate the global gag rule on nongovernmental organizations that receive U.S. assistance. This policy forces organizations to choose between receiving global health assistance and providing comprehensive sexual and reproductive health care.
- **Gender Equity Rider** would block funding for the Gender Equity and Equality Action Fund, which advances economic security for women and girls by increasing their access to resources, services, and leadership opportunities and by addressing the barriers to full participation in the economy. The fund invests in partners around the world, prioritizing programs that address the disproportionate impact of COVID-19, climate change, and armed conflict upon women and girls.
- **Drag Queen Rider** would prohibit funding from being used on “drag queen workshops, performances, or documentaries.”*

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WHO Rider would block all funding for the World Health Organization, harming global health.

Climate Damage Rider would prohibit funding and international disaster relief for any loss or damage attributed to climate change.*

Green Climate Rider would block all funding for the Green Climate Fund, which helps developing countries achieve their emissions and climate-resilience goals under the Paris Agreement.*

Gender Affirming Care Rider would ban funding for counseling, promotion, or carrying out of surgical procedures or hormone therapies for gender-affirming care.*

Pride Flag Rider would restrict which flags can be flown over federal facilities – and notably excludes pride flags.*

UNFPA Rider would block all funding for the United Nations Population Fund.

CRT Rider would ban funding for any activity that promotes Critical Race Theory.*

Diversity and Equity Rider would prohibit funding to implement various executive orders on diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility, harming progress in increasing diversity in the nation’s diplomatic and development workforce.

Misinformation Rider would ban funding to classify or facilitate classification of any communications by a U.S. person as misinformation, disinformation, or mal-information – allowing the spread of falsehoods without the ability to present the facts.*

China Lending Rider would both prohibit funding for the government of People’s Republic of China or the Chinese Communist Party, and prevent lending through the international financial institutions to the People’s Republic of China.

Multilateral Development Banks Anti-Greening Rider would block implementation of Executive Order 14008 on tackling the climate crisis at home and abroad. It would also block the U.S. Treasury Department’s guidance on fossil fuel energy at multilateral development banks.*

Iran Rider would block funding to implement or enforce an agreement with Iran relating to the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action and to revoke the designation of the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps as a foreign terrorist organization.

Power Africa Rider would prohibit funding under the Power Africa program from being used for renewable energy unless matched by other sources of energy.*

Health Research Rider would prohibit funding for the Wuhan Institute of Virology, the EcoHealth Alliance, gain of function research, and any lab controlled by China, Russia, Cuba, Iran, North Korea, Russia, and Venezuela.*

Arms Trade Rider would prohibit funding to implement the Arms Trade Treaty, an international treaty that regulates the international trade in conventional arms and seeks to prevent and eradicate illicit trade and diversion of conventional arms.

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• **Clean Technology Rider** would block all funding for the Clean Technology Fund. It provides resources to scale up low-carbon technologies including renewable energy, energy efficiency (of buildings, agriculture, and industry), and clean transport.*

• **Climate Attribution Rider** would prevent democracy, security, gender, agriculture, water, sanitation, and hygiene programs from being linked or attributed to climate goals.*

• **Enbridge Pipeline Rider** would overturn a federal court ruling that shut down a segment of the Canadian Enbridge Line 5 pipeline that crosses tribal land in Wisconsin.*

• **Special Advisors Rider** would prohibit funds from being used for envoys or special advisors unless they have been authorized by Congress or confirmed by the Senate.

**Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies**

• **Same-Sex Marriage Rider** would prohibit denial of funds to anyone with a religious belief or moral conviction that marriage should be a union of one man and one woman.*

• **Pride Flag Rider** would restrict which flags can be flown over federal facilities – and notably excludes pride flags.*

• **CRT Rider** would prohibit funding for education, training, or professional development that uses, promotes, or teaches Critical Race Theory.*

• **Equity Rider** would prohibit compliance with DOT’s equity action plan in any grant program as directed by Executive Order 13985.

• **Truck Speed Limit Rider** would prohibit funds from being used by the DOT for any rulemaking requiring eighteen-wheeler trucks used in interstate commerce to be equipped with speed limiting devices.

• **Inward Facing Cameras Rider** would prohibit funds from being used to require the use of inward facing cameras, a key safety measure, as a condition for the Safe Driver Apprenticeship Pilot Program, authorized by the bipartisan infrastructure bill. This program is intended to expand the pool of motor carrier drivers and operators by recruiting, training, and certifying drivers under age 21.

• **RAISE Rider** would cap funding at 5% for infrastructure investments targeted to historically disadvantaged communities and areas of persistent poverty.

• **Transportation Emissions Rider** would block implementation of the DOT’s proposed Greenhouse Gas Emissions Rule, which would require state DOTs and metropolitan planning organizations to establish carbon dioxide reduction targets and a method for measuring and reporting greenhouse gas emissions associated with transportation.

• **Housing Discrimination Rider** would bar the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) from using funds for the proposed Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing rule, published in January to fulfill the requirements of the Fair Housing Act. The rule requires HUD grantees to affirm that they will not discriminate against protected classes, including race, color, national origin, religion, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, familial status, and disability.

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• **2016 Flood Relief Rider** would block HUD from enforcing income thresholds for families impacted by and recovering from major flooding events that occurred in 2016, harming low-income families.

• **California High-Speed Rail Rider** would block funds from being used for a high-speed rail corridor development project in California. This project already has shovels in the ground and workers on site.

• **Cuban Air Travel Rider** would block funds for scheduled air transportation to, or passing through, property confiscated by the Cuban government, threatening to halt air travel for already scheduled, lawful flights.

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