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| **U.S. House of Representatives May Consider Continuing Resolution Next Week**  The U.S. House of Representatives is expected to consider legislation next week that would continue funding federal agencies and programs for another six months. The legislation is necessary because Congress has not moved to independently adopt spending measures required to fund federal agencies and programs for Federal Fiscal Year 2013, which begins on October 1, 2012. U.S. Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid (D-NV) and House Speaker John Boehner (R-OH) agreed last month to a six month continuing resolution that funds the federal government at levels consistent with the debt limit agreed upon by Congress in 2011. The agreement to consider a continuing resolution is largely seen as a bi-partisan pact to avoid a government shutdown prior to the November election. Our agency will be closely tracking the legislation as it moves, as expected, through the legislative process in the U.S. Congress next week. |
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