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The Week in Washington D.C. – February 4, 2013

Below you will find a listing of federal legislative activities that, in addition to federal budget discussions, the County and our federal advocates are monitoring during the week of February 4, 2013.

House Floor Action

Monday, February 4, 2013

Legislative items to be considered under suspension of the rules:

HR 235 - *The Veteran Emergency Medical Technician Support Act*. This bill would provide demonstration grants to states with a shortage of emergency medical technicians (EMTs) to streamline state-licensing requirements for military veteran EMTs to prevent unnecessary duplication in training.

HR 297 – *Children's Hospital GME Support Reauthorization Act*. The bill reauthorizes the Children's Hospital Graduate Medical Education Program through FY 2017. The program's authorization would continue at the current level of \$330 million per year. The Children's Hospital Graduate Medical Education Payment Program provides financial support to hospitals that have graduate level residency programs. The program is meant to help defray the costs of resident stipends and salaries, salaries for faculty, overhead and other training-related costs.

Tuesday and Wednesday, February 5th and 6th

On Tuesday, the House will meet at 10 AM for morning hour and 12 PM for legislative business. On Wednesday, the House will meet at 9 AM for legislative business. Last votes expected no later than 12 AM.

HR 444 - *Require a PLAN Act*. The measure requires the president, if his proposed budget for FY 2014 fails to eliminate the government's budget deficit for any year in the plan's budget "window," to submit by April 1 a supplemental budget that shows when and how a balanced budget would eventually be reached. House Republicans this year plan to adopt a budget resolution that would balance the budget in 10 years, and they have criticized the president and Democrats for failing to propose plans for reducing budget deficits and eventually balancing the budget in order to stem the nation's growing debt. The Rules Committee is expected to recommend a rule which makes in order specified amendments.

House Hearings

Tuesday, February 5, 2013

Challenges and Opportunities Facing America's Schools and Workplaces – House Education and Workforce Committee| 10 AM EST. View the live webcast [here](#).

The mission of the government of the County of San Bernardino is to satisfy its customers by providing service that promotes the health, safety, well being, and quality of life of its residents according to the County Charter, general laws, and the will of the people it serves.