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House Sends \$150 Billion Military Megabill to Trump's Desk

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The U.S. House of Representatives has passed one of the most ambitious legislative packages of President Donald Trump's administration, sending a massive spending bill to his desk that will reshape military funding and immigration enforcement for years to come.

After months of negotiations and political battles, the measure passed by a razor-thin margin of 218–214 on Thursday afternoon. The bill allocates \$150 billion in new spending for the Department of Defense, funding priorities like shipbuilding programs, missile defense systems known as the “Golden Dome,” and restocking precision-guided munitions.

Combined with the Pentagon's existing \$848 billion budget request, military spending is now set to approach \$1 trillion, a level not seen in recent history.

The legislation does not stop at defense. Another \$150 billion will go toward building a border wall, ramping up immigration enforcement, and funding deportations, a major pillar of President Trump's domestic agenda. The bill also includes sweeping tax cuts, incentives for fossil fuel production, and deep reductions to Medicaid spending.

This milestone caps more than a year of planning by Republican lawmakers who struggled to unite the different factions within their party. In the final days, intense lobbying efforts targeted holdouts in both the House and Senate, seeking to deliver a signature win for the White House.

The vote itself was marked by high drama. House Minority Leader Hakeem Jeffries, a Democrat from New York, held the floor for 8 hours and 44 minutes to stall the bill. His speech broke the record for the longest continuous House floor remarks, previously held by then-Minority Leader Kevin McCarthy, who spoke for over 8 hours in 2021. Jeffries criticized the bill's deep cuts to social programs and its heavy emphasis on military and immigration spending.

Despite unified Democratic opposition and dissent from two Republican Representatives, Thomas Massie of Kentucky and Brian Fitzpatrick of Pennsylvania, the bill secured just enough votes to pass. The Senate had approved the measure two days earlier, clearing the way for it to reach President Trump, who is expected to sign it into law quickly.

Supporters of the legislation praised it as a decisive step to strengthen national defense and secure the U.S. border, while critics warned it would widen inequality and drain resources from healthcare and other critical needs. As the bill becomes law, its impact will be felt across the military, border communities, and federal agencies tasked with implementing its sweeping provisions.

With this mega bill, the Trump administration moves closer to fulfilling key promises of the president's second-term agenda, setting the stage for heated debates over national priorities in the years ahead.