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This week began with a chance for the House to take charge of our southern border crisis. A vote was scheduled to impeach DHS Secretary Mayorkas for his dereliction of duty and blatant disregard for our immigration laws, all of which has created a disaster at our borders – and I would argue intentionally so. Rather than voting on the impeachment resolution, a majority of the House voted to refer this impeachment resolution to the Homeland Security Committee for further investigation. I strongly believe now is the time to remove Mayorkas from office and voted against sending it to Committee.

With that being said, I am extremely pleased with the work that Homeland Security Chairman Mark Green is doing to investigate Mayorkas for [dereliction of duty](#), [open border policies](#), the [humanitarian crisis he has created](#), and the [financial cost of the border crisis](#) he has created. I trust the facts will bring to light what the American public already knows, because so long as Mayorkas is in this position, our nation is not safe.

Continue reading for more updates from this week in Congress!

The Status for Funding the Federal Government

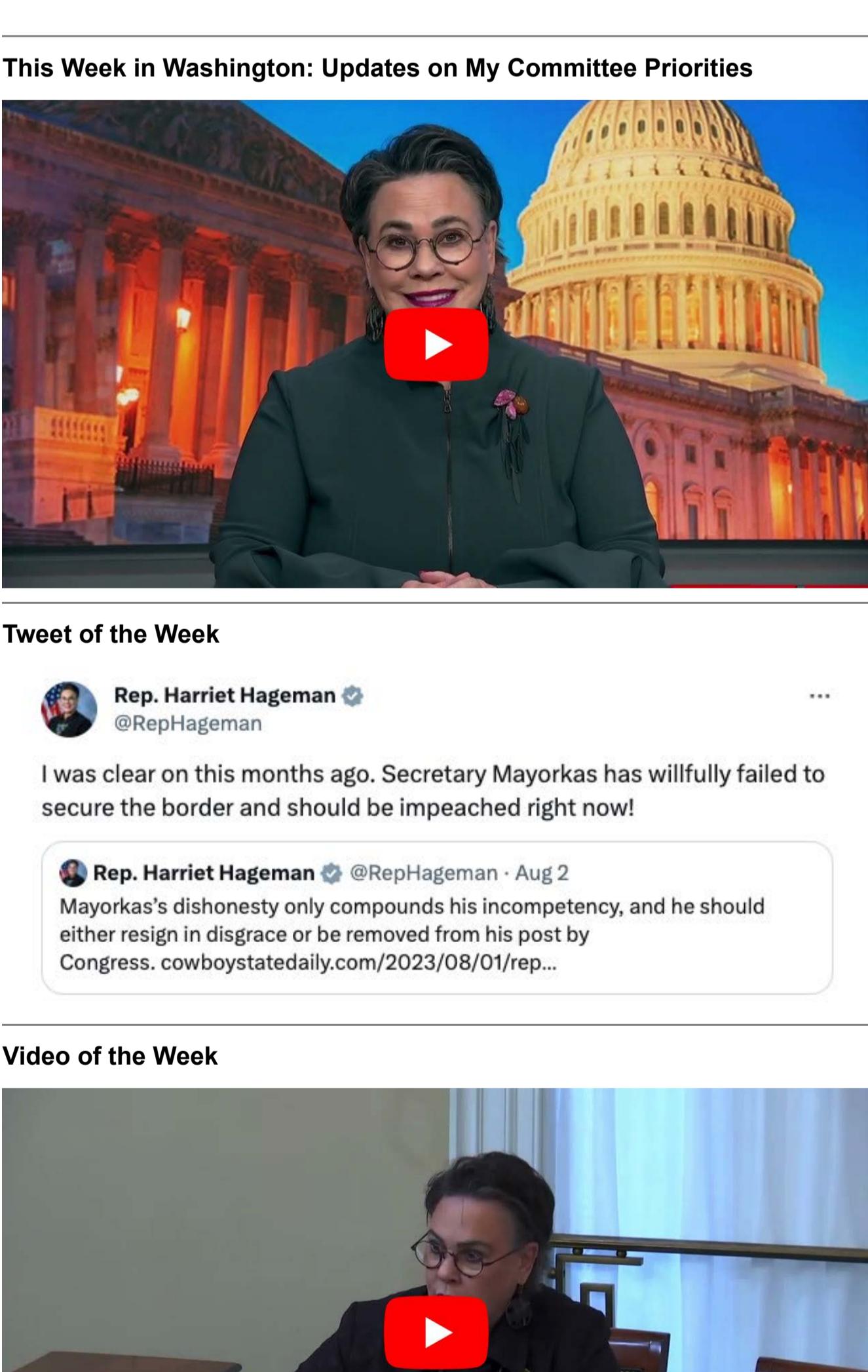
Despite Speaker Johnson's best efforts in his first three weeks as leader of the House of Representatives, Congress has not yet passed all 12 appropriations bills needed to fund the government. Valuable time was lost as a result of Speaker McCarthy's removal from his position, well-founded funding disagreements are still being resolved among my colleagues, and the Democrat-controlled Senate has simply failed to act in any meaningful way. Whereas the House has passed 7 appropriations bills since July 20 which would fund 75% of all government obligations – and continues to make progress on the 5 that remain – the Senate has only passed 3, with no plans to consider any additional bills. The Senate obviously believes that regular order is "out of order," and intends to create a budget crisis as we near the end of the year.

We now have yet another short-term continuing resolution to prolong the Democrats' exorbitant COVID-19 spending levels. Speaker Johnson inherited this situation, but we cannot continue with business as usual in Washington, DC. Our debt continues to rise, and the border is still not secure. I cannot support any short-term spending measure that doesn't enact border security reforms, address the overbearing regulatory state, end wokehess in our federal government, or make meaningful reforms to our nation's wasteful spending.

Although though the Senate continues to dally, I am pushing forward to make these reforms through my dozens of amendments to the FY24 appropriations bills. Below are amendments I submitted that were incorporated into the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education appropriations bill:

- [Amendment 105](#) requires the Department of Labor to end their absurd "climate adaptation plan" that has nothing to do with their congressionally assigned duties, wastes taxpayer dollars, and actually causes harm to the American workers they are supposed to support.
- [Amendment 106](#) blocks the use of federal funds for the Department of Labor's "environmental justice" grants – yet another undefined and corrupt Biden Administration program that has no ties to the department's actual purpose and simply increases our national debt, while waging war on those industries that actually produce energy and make our lives better.
- [Amendment 107](#) ends the Department of Education's attempt to institute new race-based discrimination guidance for university admissions, in defiance of the Supreme Court's recent ruling in *Fair Admissions v. Harvard*.
- [Amendment 108](#) prohibits the use of American taxpayer dollars to further the Department of Education's revisionist history programs that undermine hope in America and try to paint our nation as one of deep-rooted hatred and oppression, not a land of opportunity and hope.

Ensuring Public Safety on Tribal Lands in Wyoming and the Nation



This week I chaired a hearing of my Indian and Insular Affairs subcommittee to investigate the struggles our Indian tribes face in ensuring public safety for their communities. Despite the best efforts of Tribal leadership, these communities face unique challenges that hinder their ability to recruit and retain law enforcement officers. This, coupled with jurisdictional issues and the effects of illegal drugs, created a complex web of issues that have all too often hindered tribal governments from being able to ensure peace and prosperity for their members. I'm thankful for the unique perspectives and recommendations shared by our panel of tribal leaders as we work to assist Indian country in their efforts to keep their citizens safe.

One of these witnesses was Arapaho Business Council Chairman Lloyd Goggles of Ethete, WY. I was able to visit with Mr. Goggles before and after our hearing to discuss the specific challenges faced by Wyoming's tribes. It was a joy to talk with him and hear his passion for Wyoming, the Northern Arapaho Tribe and the Wind River Reservation!

For more information on the proceedings in the Natural Resources and Judiciary committees this week, check out my latest edition of This Week in Washington below!

Traveling Abroad? Make Sure Your Passport is Valid!

If you're planning on traveling out of the country for the holiday season, don't let an expired passport cancel your plans! The State Department has just issued updated processing times for standard and expedited passport applications. Remember that it may also take up to 2 weeks each way for passports to arrive via mail!

If you need additional assistance to receive a new or renewed passport, or have an urgent or emergency travel need, contact my office! Under certain circumstances we may be able to help you get a passport even faster! For additional information on how to receive a passport, [visit the State Department's website here](#).

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Celebrating America's (and Wyoming's) Favorite Mammal

While National Bison Day was earlier this month, this past Wednesday I had the chance to speak at Congress' Bison Day Reception. It was a wonderful event filled with bison-themed food and stories celebrating the recovery of this wonderful species. It was a joy to tell fellow representatives and staff present about how much this majestic animal means to our state and to publicly thank the Intertribal Buffalo Council – who sponsored this event – for supporting my efforts to block USDA's dangerous EID eartag mandate.

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Mayorkas's dishonesty only compounds his incompetency, and he should either resign in disgrace or be removed from his post by Congress. cowboystatedaily.com/2023/08/01/rep...

Video of the Week

The Biden Administration is prioritizing "environmental justice" over affordable energy production.

In the News

HAGEMAN VOTES AGAINST SHORT TERM SPENDING BILL TO AVOID SHUTDOWN

We cannot continue the same old song and dance that leaves our government funded at exorbitant levels. We need a fiscally responsible budget that reduces our debt, not another stopgap.

D.C. Delegation: U.S. border and Rock Springs BLM management

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