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**Trump’s Policy Proposals**

In the second year of his term, the president Donald Trump has three main plans for infra-structure, healthcare, and border security policies for the country. At the same time, the president plans to increase the spending on these policies in the fiscal 2019 budget (Mulero, 2019). However, the decisions will be made in Congress. The legislative house will thoroughly analyze the bills and their costs. Upon the collective decision, it will decide on enacting the proposal.

In the start of 2019, the president Trump made it clear that infrastructure projects will be the top priority for the current year. The infra-structure plan was proposed in February 2018 for next 10 years, but it was abandoned for a while (Mulero, 2019). However, in the current year the plan is going to be passed after the decision of the legislative branch. There are bigger projects under the plan and it would be benefitting roads and bridges, and also focusing the businesses running throughout the country (Mulero, 2019).

Moreover, the second plan for the second year of his regime is health-care focus. In the latest proposal for the health-care, the president Trump wants to replace the Obamacare plan. The main focus of the plan is the health care costs. Trump has recently announced that its administration has better healthcare policy than Obamacare (Ollstein and Everett, 2019). Under the same plan, it will lower the drug costs for the common citizens.

Likewise, the third proposal that currently represented by the president is related to the immigration. It is an approach to address the immigration issues in the United States. Under the plan, president wants to increase the border security to avoid the illegal immigrations to the United States. This policy is also related to the initiatives of the country against illegal immigration, cartels, drug traders and human trafficking (von Spakovsky, 2019). The president has order for more number of troops at the border and also aims to involve the Mexican government in this initiative.

**Legislative Process of Budget**

Congress represent an annual budget in the form of appropriations process. The Appropriations bills define the amount of money each government agencies require. For that, Congress passes a legislation in order to get a legal authority to spend the money, such laws are known as authorization bills. However, authorization bills are not passed every year. Moreover, there are several steps of federal budget process in legislative.

1. Step one: A Budget request submitted to Congress by the President
2. Step Two: Each house of Congress authorize Budget Purposes
3. Step Three: The subcommittees in House and Senate “Markup” the bills
4. Step Four: Voting on Appropriations Bills and Resolve Modifications in each Houses
5. Step Five: The president signs the Bill and finally, Budget becomes Law

**Factors that Influence Legislature Deliberates**

Using the different models, researches have identified different factors that influence or shape the decision making of the legislature. Likewise, some of these factors are Fiscal Power, Belief, constituents, timing of the bill presented in the Legislature, member chairs, legislative head, information source, benefactor, regional loyalty, governor, stake holders, supplicants, bureaucrats, house members and the media. If a legislators’ behavior is influenced by these factors, then they conducted a decision based on those. At the same time, the political parties also influence their legislative members in order to support the party goals. The political parties can use several ways to influence the party members who are in legislature. In addition, the personal beliefs of person based on religious or community values can also influence his or her choice in the legislative process. Similarly, the stakeholders affect the process by supporting a specific cause or program. In this process, Lobbyists also play an effective role in influencing the legislation by directly speaking with the congress members.

**The role of the legislature after budget adoption**

The legislative House also plays its role even after the implementation of policies and adoption of budget. It oversights the activities, Services and operations of the different institutions in order to monitor the budget spending on the specified programs and projects. It further ensures that the executive branch is implementing the allocated amount effectively and resourcefully. Moreover, the consumption of the capital should be consistent with the resolutions set on by legislative. It also thoroughly analyses the fiscal needs of different departments of the government and ensure that it is balanced with the budget. At the same time, it also reviews the performance of different departments and institutions in terms of budget. Further, it reviews the reports and audits annually. On the basis of annual performance, it regulates the agencies. Moreover, it also conducts hearings in the form of joint committee with the different departments in order to assess the performance plans, agendas, and operations.

**Conclusion**

In conclusion, Trump’s policies need a monetary consideration. All the plans will be thoroughly reviewed by legislative house. At the same time, Congress will decide on the implication of proposals presented by the President by forecasting the cost-benefit analysis. This shows that a president cannot pass a bill without the other branches of the government. Therefore, a president needs to take each houses of Congress in confidence. Moreover, all the policies will be considered while passing a budget through the legislature.

Budget making is a time taking process and it is a complete cycle consisting of multiple stages. The legislative process of budget gets influenced by several factors. However, after the successful adoption of the budget legislative members have to play their role again.

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