



Another Obama Budget Bites The Dust

Obama's Own Party Abandons Him Again

Obama's FY2015 Budget Failed Nearly Unanimously In The House Of Representatives, Garnering Only Two Votes. "The House on Wednesday handily rejected a GOP budget alternative based on President Obama's 2015 spending blueprint. It was defeated 2-413, following a pattern seen in recent years in House votes to overwhelmingly reject Obama's budget proposals. Today's vote is just slightly better than the unanimous vote against Obama's budget in 2012." (Cristina Marcos, "House Kills Obama Budget 2-413," [The Hill](#), 4/9/14)

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One Of The Two People To Vote For Obama's Budget Is Retiring. "The two 'yes' votes came from Reps. Marcy Kaptur (D-Ohio) and Jim Moran (D-Va.), who is retiring." (Cristina Marcos, "House Kills Obama Budget 2-413," [The Hill](#), 4/9/14)

Predictions That Obama's Budget Wouldn't Be Seriously Considered Proved True

Politico, On Obama's Budget: "Very Little Of It Is Expected To Become Law — Or Even Be Seriously Considered Via Legislation On Capitol Hill..." "Although very little of it is expected to become law — or even be seriously considered via legislation on Capitol Hill — the president's budget still serves as a benchmark for congressional Democrats." (Reid J. Epstein, "Obama 2015 Budget: \$3.9 Trillion," [Politico](#), 3/4/14)

- **Obama Proposed A Budget "He Would Implement In The Ideal World," Not One That Would Receive Any Serious Consideration.** "Officials have said in recent days that Obama would present a budget he would implement in an ideal world, not one in which even the smallest initiatives devolve into partisan Capitol Hill food fights." (Reid J. Epstein, "Obama 2015 Budget: \$3.9 Trillion," [Politico](#), 3/4/14)

NPR Headline: "Obama Budget: A Blueprint With Little Chance Of Passage." (Tamara Keith, "Obama Budget, A Blueprint With Little Chance Of Passage," [NPR](#), 3/4/14)

The Washington Post's Dana Milbank: "By Universal Agreement, Obama's Budget Is Dead On Arrival On Capitol Hill – And The White House Wasn't Really Pretending Otherwise." (Dana Milbank, "A Budget Without A Vision," [The Washington Post](#), 3/5/14)

Obama's Budget "Stands Little Or No Chance Of Being Approved." "Even so, Obama's budget recommendation stands little or no chance of being approved as is by Congress, where Republicans, who

control the House of Representatives, disagree with the president's policy priorities, such as spending government money on job training." ("Obama 2015 Budget Seeks \$60 Billion Tax Credit Expansion: White House," [Reuters](#), 3/4/14)

Congress Approving Of Obama's Agenda Is An "Unlikely Prospect." "To achieve Obama's agenda, however, Congress would have to approve his ideas -- an unlikely prospect in an election year. While the budget opens the door to a few potential areas of bipartisan agreement -- including an overhaul of business taxes that would generate cash for infrastructure -- it retreats from other compromises." (Zachary Goldfarb, "Obama Budget Seeks New Spending, New Taxes To Boost Economy, Tame Debt," [The Washington Post](#), 3/4/14)

Obama's Budget Was Always Seen As A Campaign Document, Not A Real Budget

The Obama Administration Is Not "Even Pretending That This Year's Budget Is A Governing Document." "The White House isn't even pretending that this year's budget is a governing document." (Reid J. Epstein, "Obama 2015 Budget: \$3.9 Trillion," [Politico](#), 3/4/14)

The Wall Street Journal Editorial Board: The Best Way To Interpret Obama's Budget "Is As A Campaign-Strategy Memo To Return Nancy Pelosi As Speaker Of The House." "President Obama released his 2015 budget proposal on Tuesday, and the best way to understand it is as a campaign-strategy memo to return Nancy Pelosi as Speaker of the House. After the rude four-year interruption of a GOP House, Mr. Obama is revving up the tax and spend engines to turn out Democrats this fall and change the debate away from ObamaCare." (Editorial, "The Back To Pelosi Budget," [The Wall Street Journal](#), 3/4/14)

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New York Times Headline: "Obama's Budget Is A Populist Wish List And An Election Blueprint." (Jackie Calmes, "Obama's Budget Is A Populist Wish List And An Election Blueprint," [New York Times](#), 3/4/14)

The Blueprint Offers A "Smorgasbord Of Liberal Policy Ideas" As Obama Hopes To Rile Up His Base And Preserve His Party's "Imperiled" Senate Majority. "The request sent to Congress offers a smorgasbord of liberal policy ideas in a year when riling up the Democratic base and drawing a vivid contrast with Republicans are critical to Obama's hopes of preserving his party's imperiled majority in the Senate." (Zachary Goldfarb, "Obama Budget Seeks New Spending, New Taxes To Boost Economy, Tame Debt," [The Washington Post](#), 3/4/14)

- **Obama's New Budget Is "Akin To A Partisan Opus" Of A Political Document.** "If budgets are political documents, President Barack Obama's latest offering is something akin to a partisan opus." (Zeke Miller, "Obama's Budget Filled With Election Year Political Messages," [Time](#), 3/4/14)

OBAMA HAS A LONG HISTORY OF PRODUCING BUDGETS EVEN HIS OWN PARTY WON'T SUPPORT

"The President's Previous Budgets Have Fallen Flat In Congress. Given The Initial Reaction, This Version Is Likely To Suffer A Quick Death, As Well, If It Is Ever Brought To The Floor For A Vote." (John Parkinson, "Obama's Catch 22: Budget Blueprint Won't Please Many, If Any," [ABC News' The Note](#), 4/6/13)

The Democrat Senate Unanimously Rejected Obama's FY 2013 Budget. ([S. Con. Res. 41, Roll Call Vote #97](#): Rejected 0-99: R 0-46; D 0-51; I 0-2, 5/16/12)

- **The House Unanimously Rejected Obama's FY 2013 Budget.** ([H. Con. Res. 112, Roll Call Vote 143](#): Rejected 0-414: R 0-239; D 0-175, 3/28/12)

The Democrat Senate Unanimously Rejected Obama's FY 2012 Budget. ([S. Con. Res. 18, Vote #78](#): Rejected 0-97: R 0-45; D 0-50; I 0-2, 5/25/11)