

Operating with Integrity

**CULTURE OF
EXCELLENCE**

UPDATES FROM DC

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45 YEARS

INTRODUCTION

My background

Roots in the Bristol Bay region

White House work

- **Alaska trip**
- **Generation Indigenous**
- **Arctic and Energy**
- **International Affairs**

WHO'S WHO

Executive Branch: The White House and the Agencies

- Running programs that have been authorized and appropriated by Congress
- Budget Request to Congress (must be enacted by Congress)
- Foreign Policy
- Permitting, environmental assessments
- Regional engagement
- Drafting regulations and regulatory changes

Congress: Senate and House

- Authorization
- Appropriation
- Holding the Executive Branch accountable



WHY SHOULD WE CARE?

- Federal contracting opportunities
- Impact on issues of import to BBNC – Pebble Mine, Tax Issues, Healthcare reform, oil and gas, etc
- Shareholder Interests within the Bristol Bay region



LEGISLATIVE TRENDS & WHITE HOUSE TRENDS

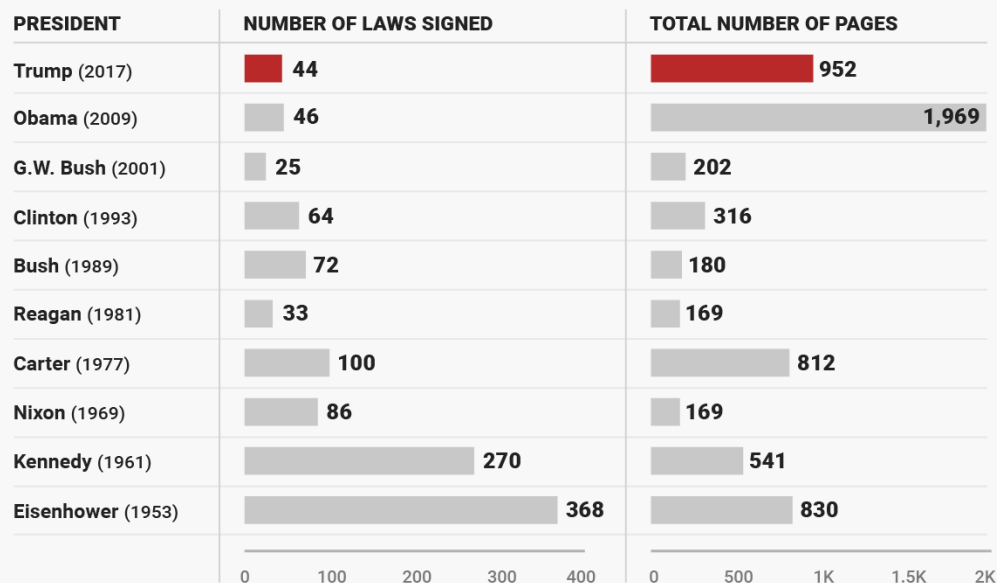
Legislative:

- 53 bills signed into law since the beginning of the Administration/Congress

White House Trends:

- Tumult
- E.O. Repeals
- ACA
- White House Council on Native American Affairs

LAWS TRUMP HAS SIGNED AFTER 200 DAYS IN OFFICE



SOURCE: GovTrack; Congress

NOTE: Law are between Jan. 20–August 7 for each corresponding year.

BUSINESS INSIDER

TRUMP ADMINISTRATION PERSONNEL

White House

- Liaisons – Billy Kirkland and Ben Keel

BIA

- AS/IA – Tara Sweeney

Minerals Management Service

- A/S – Joe Balash

Regionalized push and reassignment of long-time civil servants



RECENT BBNC & STATE OF ALASKA DC ENGAGEMENT

BBNC

- Lobbying visits
- 2017 Alaska Wild Salmon Day
- Testimony
- National Wild Salmon Month Resolution
- Pebble

State of Alaska

- Governor Walker Meeting with Trump
- Congressional Delegation Engagement
 - ANWR before ENR
- Governor Walker Chinese Trade Mission
 - LNG



WHAT CAN WE EXPECT?

- Tax Reform
- Healthcare reform
- Infrastructure
- Oil and Gas
- Federal Contracting



House Ways and Means Committee Chairman Kevin Brady gives his opening statement during the first day of a tax reform markup session in the Longworth building on Monday. | John Shinkle/POLITICO

THE BUDGET

In the President's Budget Request

- \$54 billion in cuts
- Elimination of 60+ small agencies and programs
 - MBDA
 - MMC
 - CPB
- The administration touted the document as “A New Foundation for American Greatness.”
- i.e. Trump's budget would have cut FEMA's funding by \$876 million. Proposed State department cut of 30%

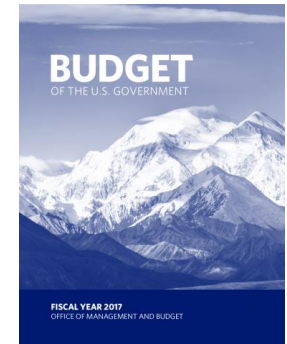
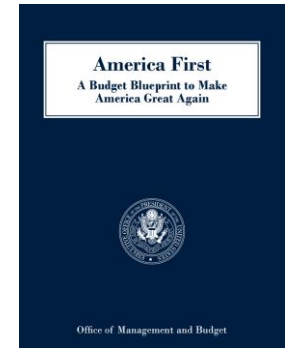
Republicans will likely use the spending bills to overhaul the tax-code and long-term cuts to entitlement programs such as food stamps and Medicaid. The GOP-controlled House and Senate would be able to pass both proposals with no Democratic votes.

House

- Released their budget bill in late summer
- \$5 billion in reductions (less in cuts to small programs, Agency budgets)
- \$72 billion increase in defense spending, above Trump's request
- Opening ANWR for drilling

Senate

- Budget blueprint with \$1.5 trillion in tax cuts, including for corporations and high-earning individuals
- Unknown offsetting tax cuts



INTERIOR

- Personnel include former Bush-era appointees
- New A/S for Indian Affairs
- Elimination of Climate Change-related programming
- Land into Trust
- Downsizing or elimination of wildlife refuges
- White House Tribal Nations Conference
- Regional focus



SBA



- MBDA
- Trump has engaged directly with the agency, but funding was also eliminated in the budget
- SBA Administrator McMahon visited Alaska
- In May, SBA announced that for the fourth year in a row, the federal government has exceeded its small business and small disadvantaged business contracting goal,” Administrator Linda McMahon said. “It is a win-win for federal agencies to get small business contracts into the hands of the innovative small business owners that create jobs in their communities and help to fuel the nation’s economy.”

EPA

- 404(c) and reconsideration of Pebble
- Massive cuts in the Trump budget
- Second appointee in place
- Repeal of Clean Power Plan



HOW TO STAY UP TO DATE

- [Congress.gov](https://www.congress.gov)
- [Govtrack.gov](https://www.govtrack.gov)
- [FederalRegister.gov](https://www.federalregister.gov) (Daily journal of the U.S. government. Features notices of public meetings, hearings, rule changes, investigations and funding)
- [Politico.com](https://www.politico.com)
- [TheHill.com](https://www.thehill.com)
- [WhiteHouse.gov](https://www.whitehouse.gov)
- Agency email lists



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