

As we engage this final legislative week before the holidays, there are several areas of legislation on which Heritage Action will focus.

- With the seven remaining funding bills yet to be finalized, it's important that **Border Security and Wall** funding be included to reinforce the rule of law along our southern border. [Recent polling](#) shows that voters agree with President Trump's views on securing the border, and the final funding bill should [fund the President's request for the border wall](#). There are several proposals that would increase border security including Leader McCarthy's [Build the Wall, Enforce the Law Act](#), the House Freedom Caucus' [amendments](#), and Senator Inhofe's [WALL Act](#). **Republicans should ensure funding for the seven remaining bills moves together as one package.**
- **Criminal Justice Reform** would make our communities safer by allowing eligible prisoners to participate in rehabilitation programs. Evidence [shows](#) that many offenders who use these programs are able to reenter society and become productive, law-abiding citizens. [The First Step Act](#) is not a ["get out of jail free card"](#) - it only allows low-risk inmates to participate in the programs. **The First Step Act should be passed.**
- **TANF reauthorization** should encourage recipients to engage in work. Heritage Action [supports](#) Sen. Steve Daines' legislation to **reauthorize TANF funding** and enact reforms to help people get back to work. The reforms would help low-income Americans find jobs by requiring states to develop personalized plans for employment and by making sure that federal and state funds are only spent on employment-related reasons.
- **The recent court ruling on Obamacare** [gives Congress](#) another chance to get health care right. The [Health Care Choices Proposal](#), offered by a broad coalition of free market leaders, would give states flexibility to begin to heal their broken private markets, lower health care costs, and improve coverage choices for all Americans. Congress should put people in charge of their own health care and empower states to ensure all Americans, especially those with pre-existing conditions, have access to affordable healthcare.

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