

Congressman Lloyd Smucker

16 Congressional District

Friday January 26, 2018

KEY POINTS

- This report covers the period from 13 January through 26 January.
- Smucker voted for the Continuing Resolution ([H R 195](#)) despite his criticisms of governing by way of CR. *“When it comes to keeping the federal government open through regular order, there should be no debate. We cannot allow American taxpayers and federal employees to be held hostage by Congress’ inability to pass a budget resolution and appropriations bills.”* Smucker, May 2017 <http://thehill.com/blogs/congress-blog/economy-budget/331935-congress-must-end-governing-by-crisis>
- Despite being a member of the Problem Solvers Caucus (something he celebrates regularly because it checks the box for working across the aisle), a member of the budget committee, a signatory on the civility pledge (again, something he likes to celebrate) and a member of the party in power, he spent the duration of the government shut down pointing fingers at the Democrats for shutting the government down.
- The House passed the **Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act** [H R 4712](#). The Congressman took the day to participate in the March for Life as DC was on the precipice of a shutdown.
- The Congressman released statements on the President’s \$hithole comments and the his colleague, Pat Meehan’s scandal. Both statements are weak and can be seen in the links below.
- Cook Political Report still has the 16th as a Likely Republican, it’s more secure position. But the 7th has moved to a toss up while the 6th is still a less secure Leaning Republican.
- In a rare move, Smucker criticized the President for the implementation of tariffs on solar panels and washing machines calling the move “misguided.” The 30% tariff could potentially help the struggling solar panel manufacturing companies but is considered a blow to renewable energy in the US increasing the overall cost of solar panels for consumers.
- The PA Supreme Court found that the District lines were unconstitutional and have charged Governor Wolf with have plans for redistricting by Feb 15. “Yesterday’s misguided decision by the Pennsylvania State Supreme Court is an unfortunate example of the judicial branch inserting itself into the core functions of the legislative branch,” the statement, which was also signed by Meehan and Smucker, read. “Today’s congressional maps were drafted and approved by both Republicans and Democrats. It also comes on the eve of a midterm election. An orderly electoral process is an essential function of our democracy.” The Republican party has submitted an appeal.
- Congressman Smucker does not have any bills (sponsored or co-sponsored) scheduled for votes this week.

WHAT HE SAID:

On the floor:

Nothing

Press Releases:

SMUCKER STATEMENT ON REAUTHORIZATION OF FISA SECTION 702

[HTTPS://SMUCKER.HOUSE.GOV/MEDIA/PRESS-RELEASES/SMUCKER-STATEMENT-REAUTHORIZATION-FISA-SECTION-702](https://smucker.house.gov/media/press-releases/smucker-statement-reauthorization-fisa-section-702)

Smucker Discusses DACA, CHIP, and Infrastructure on Fox Business

<https://smucker.house.gov/media/press-releases/smucker-discusses-daca-chip-and-infrastructure-fox-business>

Smucker Statement in Response to President Trump's Reported Comments on Immigration
<https://smucker.house.gov/media/press-releases/smucker-statement-response-president-trumps-reported-comments-immigration>

SMUCKER LEADS BIPARTISAN EFFORT TO COMBAT THREAT TO LOCAL ECONOMY, FOOD SUPPLY CHAIN
[HTTPS://SMUCKER.HOUSE.GOV/MEDIA/PRESS-RELEASES/SMUCKER-LEADS-BIPARTISAN-EFFORT-COMBAT-THREAT-LOCAL-ECONOMY-FOOD-SUPPLY-CHAIN](https://smucker.house.gov/media/press-releases/smucker-leads-bipartisan-effort-combat-threat-local-economy-food-supply-chain)

SMUCKER STATEMENT ON KEEPING THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OPEN
[HTTPS://SMUCKER.HOUSE.GOV/MEDIA/PRESS-RELEASES/SMUCKER-STATEMENT-KEEPING-FEDERAL-GOVERNMENT-OPEN](https://smucker.house.gov/media/press-releases/smucker-statement-keeping-federal-government-open)

SMUCKER URGES RELEASE OF CLASSIFIED DOCUMENT TO THE PUBLIC
[HTTPS://SMUCKER.HOUSE.GOV/MEDIA/PRESS-RELEASES/SMUCKER-URGES-RELEASE-CLASSIFIED-DOCUMENT-PUBLIC](https://smucker.house.gov/media/press-releases/smucker-urges-release-classified-document-public)

ICYMI: LANCASTER SUPERINTENDENT AND SCHOOL BOARD PRESIDENT CALL ON CONGRESS TO SUPPORT SIX-YEAR EXTENSION OF CHIP
[HTTPS://SMUCKER.HOUSE.GOV/MEDIA/PRESS-RELEASES/ICYMI-LANCASTER-SUPERINTENDENT-AND-SCHOOL-BOARD-PRESIDENT-CALL-CONGRESS-SUPPORT](https://smucker.house.gov/media/press-releases/icymi-lancaster-superintendent-and-school-board-president-call-congress-support)

SMUCKER STATEMENT FOLLOWING PASSAGE OF GOVERNMENT FUNDING BILL
[HTTPS://SMUCKER.HOUSE.GOV/MEDIA/PRESS-RELEASES/SMUCKER-STATEMENT-FOLLOWING-PASSAGE-GOVERNMENT-FUNDING-BILL](https://smucker.house.gov/media/press-releases/smucker-statement-following-passage-government-funding-bill)

SMUCKER STATEMENT ON TRUMP ADMINISTRATION'S SOLAR TARIFF DECISION
[HTTPS://SMUCKER.HOUSE.GOV/MEDIA/PRESS-RELEASES/SMUCKER-STATEMENT-TRUMP-ADMINISTRATION-S-SOLAR-TARIFF-DECISION](https://smucker.house.gov/media/press-releases/smucker-statement-trump-administration-s-solar-tariff-decision)

SMUCKER STATEMENT ON CONGRESSMAN MEEHAN
[HTTPS://SMUCKER.HOUSE.GOV/MEDIA/PRESS-RELEASES/SMUCKER-STATEMENT-CONGRESSMAN-MEEHAN](https://smucker.house.gov/media/press-releases/smucker-statement-congressman-meehan)

In Print

Nothing

Television

FOX43 Capitol Beat – Congressman Lloyd Smucker

<http://fox43.com/2018/01/25/fox43-capitol-beat-congressman-lloyd-smucker/>

YouTube

Smucker Floor Speech on Pro-Life Movement

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ar90ueY8DFc>

The American People Deserve Better than the #SchumerShutdown

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xrTb3kpt4Q8>

My Message After the Shutdown

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1SPrWRZa3Q0>

Email

Nothing

WHAT HE DID:

General Floor Votes

Smucker's votes against party score (per propublica) = 4.6% (party average 6.4%)

Five Thirty-Eight's Trump Score for Smucker as of 01.26.18 = 98.4%

Trump score	Trump margin	Predicted score	Trump plus-minus
How often Smucker votes in line with Trump's position	Trump's share of the vote in the 2016 election in Pennsylvania's 16th District minus Clinton's	How often Smucker is expected to support Trump based on Trump's 2016 margin	Difference between Smucker's actual and predicted Trump-support scores
98.4%	+6.8	79.3%	+19.1

See additional report for this week's votes.

Legislation expected to be voted on the week Jan 29:

MONDAY, JANUARY 29, 2018

On Monday, the House will meet at 12:00 p.m. for Morning Hour debate and 2:00 p.m. for legislative business, with votes postponed until 6:30 p.m.

Suspensions (7 bills)

1. [H.R. 3942](#) – Housing for Survivors of Sex Trafficking Act (Rep. Hartzler – Judiciary)
2. [S. 534](#) – Protecting Young Victims from Sexual Abuse and Safe Sport Authorization Act of 2017, as amended (Sen. Feinstein – Judiciary)
3. [H.R. 1457](#) – To establish requirements for use of a driver's license or personal identification card by certain financial institutions for opening an account or obtaining a financial product or service, and for other purposes, as amended (Rep. Tipton – Financial Services)
4. [H.R. 1426](#) – Federal Savings Association Charter Flexibility Act of 2017 (Rep. Rothfus – Financial Services)
5. [H.R. 2255](#) – To clarify that nonprofit organizations may accept donated mortgage appraisals, and for other purposes, as amended (Rep. Trott – Financial Services)
6. [H.R. 4292](#) – Financial Institution Living Will Improvement Act of 2017 (Rep. Zeldin – Financial Services)
7. [H.R. 4792](#) – Small Business Access to Capital After a Natural Disaster (Rep. Velazquez – Financial Services)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 30, 2018 AND THE BALANCE OF THE WEEK

On Tuesday, the House will meet at 10:00 a.m. for Morning Hour debate and 12:00 p.m. for legislative business. At approximately 5:00 p.m., the House will recess to allow for a security sweep of the House Chamber prior to the President's State of the Union address. The House will meet again at approximately 8:35 p.m. in a joint session with the Senate for the purposes of receiving an address from the President of the United States. Members are requested to be on the Floor and seated no later than 8:20 p.m. On Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, the House will not be in session.

House Amendment to Senate Amendments to [H.R. 695](#) – Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2018 (Rep. Granger – Appropriations) (Subject to a Rule)

COMMITTEE WORK

Budget Committee

Nothing

UPCOMING

January 30, 2018

CBO OVERSIGHT: ORGANIZATIONAL AND OPERATIONAL STRUCTURE

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8Jo2HSdryv0>

Transportation and Infrastructure Committee

Nothing

UPCOMING

Nothing

Education and Workforce Committee

Nothing

UPCOMING

January 30, 2018 @ 10am

Protecting Privacy, Promoting Policy: Evidence-Based Policymaking and the Future of Education

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XQ6nzz013OQ>

WHAT PEOPLE ARE SAYING

In print:

Rep. Smucker seeks more federal aid to try to stop spotted lanternfly invader

http://lancasteronline.com/news/local/rep-smucker-seeks-more-federal-aid-to-try-to-stop/article_3eb9a57e-f703-11e7-bdd2-776efd5f42dd.html

Reading vigil calls for action on immigration

<http://www.readingeagle.com/news/article/reading-vigil-calls-for-action-on-immigration>

Reading vigil calls for action on immigration

<http://www.readingeagle.com/news/article/reading-vigil-calls-for-action-on-immigration&template=ourcityart>

Rep. Smucker: Spotted lanternfly pest could 'devastate' Pennsylvania economy

http://lancasteronline.com/news/local/rep-smucker-spotted-lanternfly-pest-could-devastate-pennsylvania-economy/article_19326b88-fc85-11e7-83e5-eb0deab4988.html

US MARSHAL MURDERED, 2 POLICE OFFICERS WOUNDED IN PENNSYLVANIA SHOOTING

<HTTP://WWW.OXYGEN.COM/CRIME-TIME/US-MARSHAL-MURDERED-POLICE-OFFICERS-WOUNDED-PENNSYLVANIA-SHOOTING>

Smucker wants FISA memo to be made public

<http://www.readingeagle.com/news/article/smucker-wants-fisa-memo-to-be-made-public&template=mobileart>

PA Supreme Court throws out Congressional district maps

<http://www.unionvilletimes.com/?p=38154>

Today in D.C.: Shutdown hits Day 3

<http://www.mcall.com/news/nationworld/pennsylvania/capitol-ideas/mc-nws-today-in-dc-shutdown-20180122-story.html>

Congress can easily avoid shutdowns. Here's why it doesn't.

https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/morning-mix/wp/2018/01/22/congress-can-easily-avoid-shutdowns-heres-why-they-dont/?utm_term=.c8eb982d87b5

Berks representatives, senators react to budget vote

<http://www.readingeagle.com/news/article/berks-representatives-senators-react-to-budget-vote>

In a bid to save manufacturing jobs, Trump signs tariffs on washing machines, solar cells.

<https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/politics/2018/01/23/bid-save-manufacturing-jobs-trump-signs-tariffs-washing-machines-solar-cells/1058293001/>

Candidates Who Signed Up to Battle Donald Trump Must Get Past the Democratic Party First

<https://theintercept.com/2018/01/23/dccc-democratic-primaries-congress-progressives/>

Arctic air won't kill lanternfly eggs

<http://www.readingeagle.com/news/article/arctic-air-wont-kill-lanternfly-eggs&template=mobileart>

Anti-gerrymandering advocate: Chesco could benefit from redistricting decision

<http://www.dailylocal.com/general-news/20180123/anti-gerrymandering-advocate-chesco-could-benefit-from-redistricting-decision>

How will the Lancaster-based 16th district lines, candidates be affected when congressional district map is thrown out, redrawn?

http://www.citizentribune.com/how-will-the-lancaster-based-th-district-lines-candidates-be/article_957f2d7c-09be-5815-8441-781c0aa488b2.html

Sorting Out Pennsylvania's 7th Congressional District Primary Race

<http://philadelphia.cbslocal.com/2018/01/25/sorting-out-pennsylvanias-7th-congressional-district-primary-race/>

LTE's:

Where is the GOP's backbone?

http://lancasteronline.com/opinion/letters_to_editor/where-is-the-gop-s-backbone/article_00227812-fa1a-11e7-9c3b-af13167f411d.html

Smucker's listening to his constituents

http://lancasteronline.com/opinion/letters_to_editor/smucker-s-listening-to-his-constituents/article_27e713fa-fa18-11e7-b614-47398567283a.html

Smucker not being honest about tax plan

http://lancasteronline.com/opinion/letters_to_editor/smucker-not-being-honest-about-tax-plan/article_2103b37c-fa22-11e7-b88d-ff074d0dceb1.html

Still waiting for in-person town hall

http://lancasteronline.com/opinion/letters_to_editor/still-waiting-for-in-person-town-hall/article_229ceeb2-fd45-11e7-92cf-737b13118138.html

Supports Jess King for Congress

http://lancasteronline.com/opinion/letters_to_editor/supports-jess-king-for-congress/article_d8e973b6-fc69-11e7-8cb5-b3c7bad10a22.html

Stop delaying on DACA bill

http://lancasteronline.com/opinion/letters_to_editor/stop-delaying-on-daca-bill/article_0e0a0b3a-011c-11e8-a5a7-b78cb428aee8.html

How Big a Deal Is a New Congressional Map for Pennsylvania?

<https://www.nytimes.com/2018/01/22/upshot/pennsylvania-congressional-map-ruling.html>

SMUCKER GENERAL INFO

COMMITTEES:

- o EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE
Subcommittee on Higher Education and Workforce Development
Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions
- o BUDGET
- o TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE
Subcommittee on Highways and Transit (Vice Chair)
Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials
Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management

Website: <https://smucker.house.gov/>

Offices:

- o *Washington DC* 516 Cannon House Office Building Washington, DC 20515 Phone: 202-225-2411 Fax: 202-225-2013
- o *Lancaster:* 51 South Duke St, Suite 201, Lancaster, PA 17602 Phone: (717) 393-0667 Toll-free: 1-888-217-023

Staff

Bill Jaffee, Communications Director bill.jaffee@mail.house.gov (202)226.8308
Kelsey Kelleher Scheduler kelsey.kelleher@mail.house.gov
Corey Ensslin corey.ensslin@mail.house.gov
Eric Reath eric.reath@mail.house.gov
Noelle Healthcare staffer

