# Post-Election Analysis

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## New House and Senate Composition

### **U.S. House of Representatives**

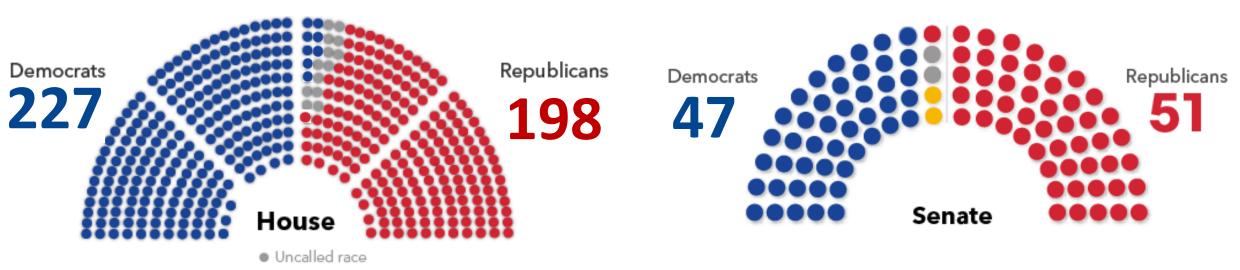
Democrats take the House

and will gain powerful

committee gavels

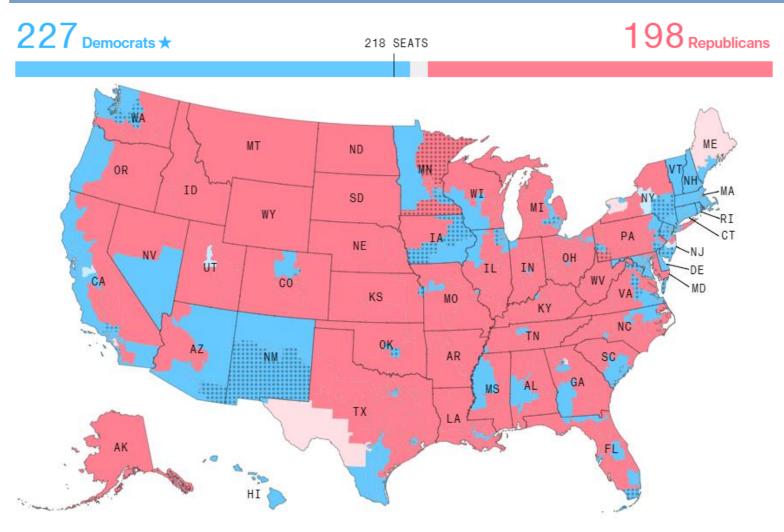
### **U.S. Senate**

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Arizona's open Senate seat went to the Democrats nearly a week after Election Day. Republicans lead in the final Senate races that have yet to be called, Florida and Mississippi

## New House of Representatives



New Members of the House: 83 Democrats: 53 Republicans: 30

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10 races uncalled

## House Race Results

#### > Arizona

- AZ-2 Ann Kirkpatrick (D) defeated Leah Marquez Petersen (R) 54- $46\% R \rightarrow D$ 

#### > California

- CA-10 Josh Harder (D) trails **Rep. Jeff Denham** (R) 51-49%, 100% > **Illinois** reporting, 3363 vote difference
- CA-25 Katie Hill (D) defeated Rep. Steve Knight (R) 52-48%  $R \rightarrow D$
- CA-39 Gil Cisneros (D) trails Young Kim (R) 51-49%, 100% reporting, 2423 vote difference
- CA-45 Katie Porter (D) trails **Rep. Mimi Walters** (R) 51-50%, 100% reporting, 2009 vote difference
- CA-48 Harley Rouda (D) defeated Rep. Dana Rohrabacher (R) 52-48% R → D
- CA-49 Mike Levin (D) defeated Diane Harkey (R) 55-45%  $R \rightarrow D$
- CA-50 Ammar Campa-Najjar (D) lost to **Rep. Duncan Hunter** (R) 53-47%
- > Colorado
  - CO-6 Jason Crow (D) defeated Rep. Mike Coffman (R) 54-43% R  $\rightarrow$  D

#### > Florida

- FL-26 **Debbie Mucarsel-Powell** (D) defeated Rep. Carlos Curbelo -(R) 51-49%  $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{D}$
- FL-27 **Donna Shalala** (D) defeated Maria Elvira Salazar (R) 52-46%  $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{D}$

#### > Georgia

- GA-6 Lucy McBath (D) defeated Rep. Karen Handel (R) 51-50%  $R \rightarrow D$ 

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- GA-7 Carolyn Bourdreau (D) trails **Rep. Rob Woodall** (R) 50-50%, 901 vote difference
- - IL-6 Sean Casten (D) defeated Rep. Peter Roskam (R) 53-47%  $R \rightarrow D$
  - IL-12 Brendan Kelly (D) lost to **Rep. Mike Bost** (R) 52-45%
  - IL-13 Betsy Dirksen Londrigan (D) lost to **Rep. Rodney Davis** (R) 51-50%
  - IL-14 Lauren Underwood (D) defeated Rep. Randy Hultgren (R) 52-48% R → D
- > Iowa
  - IA-1 Abby Finkenauer (D) defeated Rep. Rod Blum (R) 51-46%  $R \rightarrow D$
  - IA-3 Cindy Axne (D) defeated Rep. David Young (R) 49-48%  $R \rightarrow D$
- > Kansas
  - KS-2 Paul Davis (D) lost to Steve Watkins (R) 48-46%
  - KS-3 Sharice Davids (D) defeated Rep. Kevin Yoder (R) 53-44%  $R \rightarrow D$

#### > Kentucky

- KY-6 Amy McGrath (D) lost to **Rep. Andy Barr** (R) 51-48%

Winners in **BOLD Results from Bloomberg** 

## House Race Results (Cont.)

#### Maine

- ME-2 Jared Golden (D) trails **Rep. Bruce Poliquin** (R) 46-46%
  95% reporting, 1910 vote difference
- > Michigan
  - MI-8 Elissa Slotkin (D) defeated Rep. Mike Bishop (R) 51-47% R  $\rightarrow$  D
  - MI-11 Hailey Stevens (D) defeated Lena Epstein (R) 52-45%  $R \rightarrow D$

#### > Minnesota

- MN-1 Dan Feehan (D) lost to **Jim Hagedorn** (R) 50-50%  $D \rightarrow R$
- MN-2 Angie Craig (D) defeated Rep. Jason Lewis (R)
   53-47% R → D
- MN-3 Dean Phillips (D) defeated Rep. Erik Paulsen (R)
   56-44% R → D
- MN-8 Joe Radinovich (D) lost to **Pete Stauber** (R) 51-45%  $D \rightarrow R$

#### > Nebraska

NE-2 Kara Eastman (D) lost to **Rep. Don Bacon** (R) 52-48%

#### > Nevada

- NV-3 **Susie Lee** (D) defeated Danny Tarkanian (R) 52-43%
- NV-4 Steven Horsford (D) defeated Crescent Hardy (R) 52-44%

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#### New Jersey

- NJ-3 **Andy Kim** (D) leads Rep. Tom MacArthur (R) 50-49%, 100% reporting, 3424 vote difference
- NJ-7 Tom Malinowski (D) defeated Rep. Leonard Lance (R)
   52-47% R → D
- NJ-11 Mikie Sherrill (D) defeated Jay Webber (R) 56-43%  $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow D$
- > New Mexico
  - NM-2 Xochitl Torres Small (D) defeated Yvette Harrell (R) 51-49%  $R \rightarrow D$

- > New York
  - NY-1 Perry Gershon (D) lost to **Rep. Lee Zeldin** (R) 53-46%
  - NY-11 **Max Rose** (D) defeated Rep. Dan Donovan (R) 53-47%  $R \rightarrow D$
  - NY-19 Antonio Delgado (D) defeated Rep. John Faso (R) 50-47%  $R \rightarrow D$
  - NY-22 **Anthony Brindisi** (D) leads Rep. Claudia Tenney (R) 50-50%, 100% reporting, 1293 vote difference
  - NY-24 Dana Balter (D) lost to **Rep. John Katko** (R) 53-47%
  - NY-27 Nate McMurray (D) trails **Rep. Chris Collins** (R) 50-49%, 100% reporting, 2910 vote difference
- North Carolina
  - NC-2 Linda Coleman (D) lost to **Rep. George Holding** (R) 51-46%
  - NC-9 Dan McCready (D) lost to **Mark Harris** (R) 49-49%
  - NC-13 Kathy Manning (D) lost to **Rep. Ted Budd** (R) 52-46%

## House Race Results (Cont.)

#### 2018

#### > Ohio

- OH-1 Aftab Pureval (D) lost to **Rep. Steve Chabot** (R) 52-46%
- OH-12 Danny O'Connor (D) lost to **Rep. Troy Balderson** (R) 52-47%

#### > Pennsylvania

- PA-1 Scott Wallace (D) lost to **Rep. Brian Fitzpatrick** (R) 51-49%  $D \rightarrow R$
- PA-7 Susan Wild (D) defeated Marty Nothstein (R) 53-44% R  $\rightarrow$  D
- PA-8 **Rep. Matt Cartwright** (D) defeated John Chrin (R) 55-45%  $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow D$
- PA-10 George Scott (D) lost to **Rep. Scott Perry** (R) 51-49%
- PA-16 Ron DiNicola (D) lost to **Rep. Mike Kelly** (R) 52-47%
- PA-17 **Rep. Conor Lamb** (D) defeated Rep. Keith Rothfus (R) 56-44%  $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow D$

#### South Carolina

SC-1 **Joe Cunningham** (D) defeated Katie Arrington (R) 51-49%  $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow D$ 

#### > Texas

- TX-7 Lizzie Fletcher (D) defeated Rep. John Culberson (R)  $53-48\% \mathbb{R} \rightarrow D$
- TX-23 Gina Ortiz Jones (D) trails **Rep. Will Hurd** (R) 49-49%, 100% reporting, 1150 vote difference
- TX-32 Colin Allred (D) defeated Rep. Pete Sessions (R) 52-46%  $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow D$

#### > Utah

- UT-4 **Ben McAdams** (D) leads Rep. Mia Love (R) 51-49%, 79% reporting, 4914 vote difference

#### > Virginia

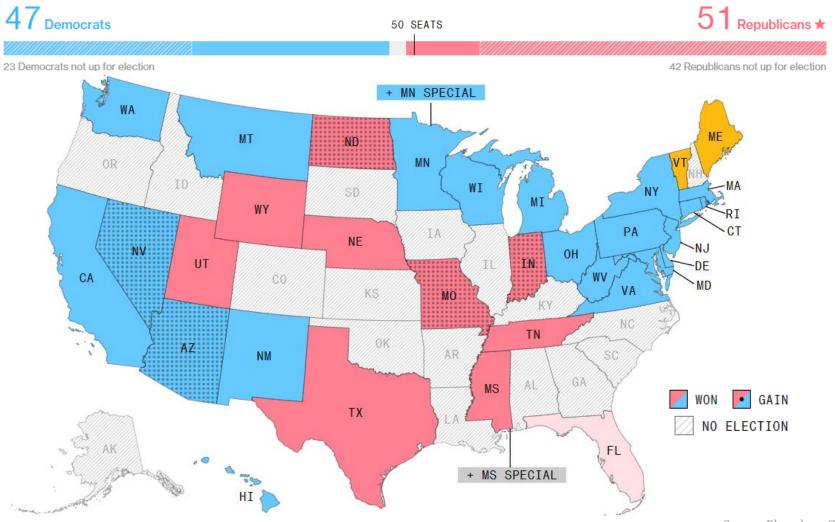
- VA-2 Elaine Luria (D) defeated Rep. Scott Taylor (R) 51-49%  $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{D}$
- VA-5 Leslie Cockburn (D) lost to **Denver Riggleman** (R) 53-47%
- VA-7 Abigail Spanberger (D) defeated Rep. Dave Brat (R)
   50-49% R → D
- VA-10 Jennifer Wexton (D) defeated Rep. Barbara Comstock (R) 56-44% R → D
- > Washington
  - WA-3 Carolyn Long (D) lost to **Rep. Jamie Herrera-Beutler** (R) 53-47%, 96% reporting
  - WA-5 Lisa Brown (D) lost to Rep. Cathy McMorris-Rodgers (R) 55-45%, 80% reporting
  - WA-8 Kim Schrier (D) defeated Dino Rossi (R) 53-47%  $R \rightarrow D$
- > West Virginia
  - WV-3 Richard Ojeda (D) lost to Carol Miller (R) 56-44%
- > Wisconsin
  - WI-1 Randy Bryce (D) lost to **Bryan Steil** (R) 55-42%

## Key Senate Races

- ➢ Arizona Rep. Kyrsten Sinema (D) defeated Rep. Martha McSally (R) 50-48% R → D
- Florida Sen. Bill Nelson (D) vs. Governor Rick Scott (R) Recount
  - With 100% of precincts reporting, Nelson is trailing Scott by 12,536 votes out of a total 8.2 million ballots cast, a less than ½ percentage point difference. Florida state law requires a recount when candidates are within one half point.
- ▶ Indiana Sen. Joe Donnelly (D) lost to Mike Braun (R) 51-45%  $D \rightarrow R$
- > Missouri Sen. Claire McCaskill (D) lost to Josh Hawley (R) 52-46%  $D \rightarrow R$
- Montana Sen. John Tester (D) defeated Matt Rosendale (R) 50-47%
- > Nevada **Rep. Jacky Rosen** (D) defeated Sen. Dean Heller (R) 50-45%  $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow D$
- ➢ North Dakota Sen. Heidi Heitkamp (D) lost to Rep. Kevin Cramer (R) 55-45% D → R
- Ohio Sen. Sherrod Brown (D) defeated Rep. Jim Renacci (R) 53-47%
- Pennsylvania Sen. Bob Casey (D) defeated Rep. Lou Barletta (R) 56-43%
- > Tennessee Gov. Phil Bredesen (D) lost to **Rep. Marsha Blackburn** (R) 55-44%
- Texas Sen. Ted Cruz (R) defeated Rep. Beto O'Rourke (D) 51-48%
- West Virginia Sen. Joe Manchin (D) defeated Attorney General Patrick Morrisey (R) 50-46%
- Wisconsin Sen. Tammy Baldwin (D) defeated State Sen. Leah Vukmir (R) 56-45%

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## New U.S. Senate



New Senators: 7 Republicans: 5 Democrats: 2

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Florida will recount Mississippi headed to runoff

## Potential Areas of Oversight for the 116<sup>th</sup> Congress

#### > Oversight into the Administration:

- House Oversight and Government Reform Committee
  - Oversight Democrats have submitted more than 50 subpoena requests, on topics including:
    - The DOJ's refusal to defend Obamacare in court
    - The administration's use of private flights
    - Trump's travel ban
    - The Census's citizenship question
    - Jared Kushner's security clearance
    - The use of private emails in the White House
  - Ranking Member Elijah Cummings (D-MD) has called for oversight into Justice Brett Kavanaugh.
- House Financial Services Committee
  - Ranking Member Maxine Waters (D-CA) has called for the use of oversight power over Trump's tax returns, Treasury Secretary Steve Mnuchin, and HUD Secretary Ben Carson.
- House Natural Resources Committee
  - Ranking Member Raúl Grijalva (D-AZ) has called for oversight into Interior Secretary Ryan Zinke.
- House Homeland Security Committee
  - Ranking Member Bennie Thompson (D-MS) has called for oversight into election security, the administration's response to Hurricane Maria, and TSA screening methods.

- House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee
  - Ranking Member Peter DeFazio (D-OR) has called for oversight into The Trump Organization's lease with the GSA for its D.C. hotel.

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- House Energy and Commerce Committee
  - Democrats plan to save or expand protections under the Affordable Care Act, including stabilizing health insurance markets and insuring chronically ill people.
  - There is potential for bipartisanship if Democrats try to strike deals with the administration to reduce prescription drug prices.
  - Ranking Member Frank Pallone (D-NJ) announced his bid for the committee on Wednesday by calling for the preservation of net neutrality while also promising vigorous oversight of the Trump administration.

#### > Oversight into Industry:

- In lieu of the ability to pass legislation, Democrats will likely use oversight to investigate industries, including big banks, tech giants, and drug manufacturers.
- When Congress conducts oversight, it does not recognize attorney-client privilege, work product protections, implications on trade secrets, or privacy rights a threat to industry.

## The Lame Duck Session

#### ➤Unfinished Business

- Appropriations

#### Passed into law:

- Energy & Water
- Legislative Branch
- Military Construction-VA
- Labor-HHS-Education
- Defense

#### Awaiting completion under Continuing

<u>Resolution (Expires Dec. 7)</u>:

- Commerce, Justice, Science
- Homeland Security
- State-Foreign Operations
- Interior-Environment
- Financial Services
- Agriculture-FDA
- Transportation-HUD
- Farm Bill expired September 30, 2018
- National Flood Insurance Program expires November 30, 2018
- Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA)/Immigration
- Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) expires December 7
- Border Wall Funding
- 154 agency appointments and judicial nominees awaiting Senate confirmation
- Extenders/tax bill technical corrections

#### > Important Dates

- Nov 13: House and Senate return

- Nov 19-26: Thanksgiving
- **Dec. 7**: Current continuing resolution expires
- **December 13**: Target adjournment for the House
- **December 14**: Target adjournment for the Senate

## 2019 Legislative Priorities & Important Dates

#### > Priorities

- Potential Infrastructure Package
- Immigration Reform
- Data Privacy
- USMCA new NAFTA
- Ethics Reform
- Gun Control
- ACA Protections

#### > Important Dates

- **Jan. 2019:** 116<sup>th</sup> Congress convenes calendars expected to be released around Thanksgiving
- March 1, 2019: Debt limit Suspension Ends
- **April 15, 2019**: Congress is supposed to adopt a budget resolution by April 15 that presents a unified view of priorities for both the House and the Senate; there's no punishment for missing the deadline, which is often unmet
- **Sept. 30, 2019:** Last day of the fiscal year; all 12 appropriations bills for FY2020 are supposed to be signed by then

## Key Gubernatorial Race Results

#### 25 Republicans **Governor Race Results** 7 Republicans not up for election

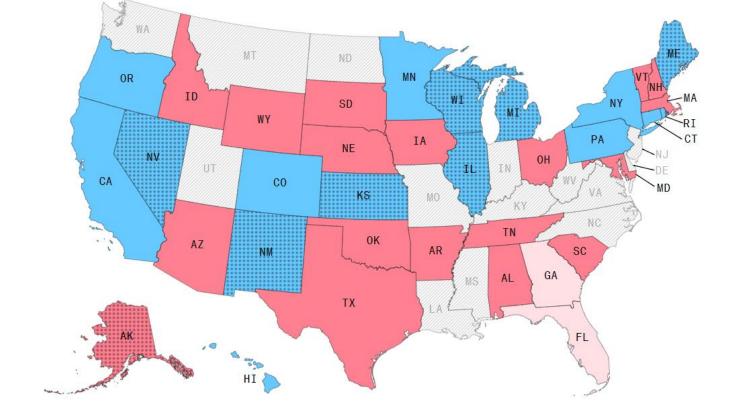
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Arizona: Gov. Doug Ducey (R) defeated Gary Garcia (D) 57-41%

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- Florida: Rep. Ron DeSantis (R) leads Tallahassee ٠ Mayor Andrew Gillum (D) 50-49%
  - Race was called on Election Day but has now gone to recount after Gillum withdrew his concession. With 100% of precincts reporting, DeSantis leads by just 33,684 votes
- Georgia: Stacey Abrams (D) trails **Brian Kemp** ٠
  - Race remains uncalled. With 100% of precincts reporting, Kemp leads Abrams 50-49%, a vote difference of 58.875
- Nevada: Steve Sisolak (D) defeated Adam Laxalt (R) 49-45% R → D
- Ohio: Atty. Gen. Mike DeWine (R) defeated Richard Cordray (D) 51-46%
- Wisconsin: Tony Evers (D) defeated Gov. Scott Walker (R) 50-48%  $R \rightarrow D$ 12





23 Democrats



## State Legislatures



#### Shifts in State Legislatures

- In New Hampshire, both the House and Senate flipped from Republican to Democratic control, ending the Republican state government trifecta.
- In New York, the Senate flipped from Republican to Democratic control, giving Democrats a state government trifecta.
- In Colorado, Democrats took control of the Senate, shifting the state from divided power to a Democratic trifecta.
- > In **Connecticut**, Democrats won the majority in the Senate, which had previously been evenly split.
- > In **Maine**, Democrats took the Senate, assuming trifecta control.
- > Republicans took control of the **Alaska** House, assuming trifecta control.
- In Minnesota, Democrats took control of the House, but the Senate remained in Republican control, leaving the state government divided.

# Transportation & Infrastructure

## **Transportation & Infrastructure**

Germane Committees New Leadership

#### US Senate

- Commerce, Science and Transportation Committee Chairman Roger Wicker and Ranking Member Bill Nelson, if he is not re-elected, Maria Cantwell (if she leaves Senate Energy and Natural Resources) or Amy Klobuchar
- Environment and Public Works Chairman John Barrasso and Ranking Member Tom Carper
- Banking Committee Chairman Mike Crapo and Ranking Member Sherrod Brown
- Appropriations THUD Chairman Susan Collins and Ranking Member Jack Reed
- Finance Chairman Charles Grassley (new) and Ranking Member Ron Wyden

#### **US House of Representatives**

- Transportation and Infrastructure Committee Chairman Peter DeFazio and Ranking Member Sam Graves or Jeff Denham
- Appropriations THUD Chairman David Price and Ranking Member Mario Diaz Balart (possibly)
- House Ways and Means Chairman Richard Neal and Ranking Member Kevin Brady



## Transportation & Infrastructure

#### **<u>116<sup>th</sup> Congress Priority Policy Issues</u>**

- Amtrak
- Safety Oversight
- Surface Transportation Reauthorization
- Highway Trust Fund
- Infrastructure Package
- Roads
- Highways
- Bridges
- Railroads
- Airports
- Broadband

- Energy
- Water
- Regional Funding Equity
- Air Traffic Control Operations
- Maritime Issues
- Autonomous Vehicle Legislation
- Positive Train Control
- Nominations
- Drone regulation
- TSA Oversight
- Buy America



# Healthcare & Pharmaceuticals

## Healthcare & Pharmaceuticals

#### **Election Impact on Health Policy/Issues to Watch:**

- Big committee changes regardless of election outcome due to retirements and committee members running for other political office
- Affordable Care Act (ACA) reform (continued issuance of regulations)
- "Medicare for All"
- Continued flexibility granted to states to reform Medicaid
- Continued focus on drug pricing
- Increased oversight, e.g., tax-exempt hospitals
- Attempts to advance another opioid package
- Spending reform with possible cuts to Medicare
- Programs that expire in 2019, e.g., DSH (serving as legislative vehicles)



## Healthcare & Pharmaceuticals

#### **Election Impact—Pharmaceuticals/Biotech**

- Key Committee Leadership/Membership Changes in Congress
- Drug Pricing Issues a Priority
  - Medicare Part D and Part B proposals
  - Price transparency
  - "Price Gouging" agency
  - Promoting Value-Based reimbursement
  - Supporting generic drugs
- Expect HHS Proposals on Key Issues (IPI, AKS, etc.)
- FDA
  - Cosmetics Legislation
  - Lab-developed tests
  - Medical devices
- Cannabis



# Energy & Environment

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#### **Key Players:**

- New Democratic House Chairs Likely Rep. Pallone (D-NJ) on Energy and Commerce; Rep. Neal (D-MA) on Ways and Means; Rep. Grijalva (D-NM) on Natural Resources; Rep. Johnson (D-TX) on Science and Technology
- Senate Finance Chairman Hatch retiring; Does Grassley ascend?
- Administration Will Secretary Zinke step down? Will Acting Administrator Wheeler be nominated and confirmed?



## Energy & Environment

#### **Priority Issues:**

- New House Democratic Majority
  - Increased oversight
  - Playing it safe on climate?
  - Possible bipartisan cooperation? Energy Bill? Reform of Renewable Fuel Standard? Energy component of larger tax bill and/or infrastructure bill?
- Administration Focus
  - Finalizing new rules as quickly as possible including CAFE, WOTUS, ACE Rule
  - Continue themes of deregulation and energy dominance



## Trade & Tariffs

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#### **Key Issues:**

- NAFTA 2.0 (aka, "USMCA")
- Section 232 Steel and Aluminum
- Section 301 China IP Issues and Beyond
- Potential Auto-tariffs



## Thank You

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