

U.S. Rep. Kind: Statement on the passage of the Omnibus Appropriations Act

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La Crosse, WI - Today, **U.S. Rep. Ron Kind** voted against the fiscally irresponsible Omnibus Appropriations Act, a \$1.3 trillion government spending plan for the remainder of 2018. The text of the bill was released late Wednesday evening, and is 2,232 pages long.

Rep. Ron Kind's statement is below:

"Today's budget deal is yet another example of the unwillingness of Republican and Democratic leadership to make tough decisions surrounding our excessive spending and national debt. This budget, combined with the recent \$2 trillion tax bill, will blow through our budget caps and jeopardize the future of Social Security and Medicare, rather than prepare for the 70 million Baby Boomers who are beginning their retirement."

The \$1.3 trillion Omnibus Appropriations Act, combined with the recent \$1.5 trillion tax bill, *and* the over half-trillion dollars in increased interest payments due to this reckless behavior will leave a legacy of debt that will reach far beyond our children and grandchildren.