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WASHINGTON – Congressman Charles F. Bass (NH-02) issued the following statement today after the House of Representatives passed a short-term Continuing Resolution that will fund the federal government for two weeks while making $4 billion in spending reductions. The current funding measure expires on Friday.

Bass said:

"Our top priority is to do everything possible to avoid a government shutdown. Today, the House passed – with bipartisan support – a reasonable short-term measure that will fund the federal government for two weeks while also upholding our commitment to reining in out-of-control federal spending.

"Last year, the Democratic-led House failed to pass a budget or any of the appropriations bills, instead choosing to punt the problem to this new Congress. Today's measure prevents a government shutdown while allowing Congress to continue working toward a solution to fund the government for the rest of this year."

The measure now awaits action in the Senate.

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