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New Podcast Episode: Beyond the Headline Numbers

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AAF products mentioned in today’s episode:

- In “The Real Inflation Problem,” Holtz-Eakin notes the lack of focus on shelter in discussions on inflation and its importance.
- In “The Fed Speaks,” Holtz-Eakin discusses the problems with the Federal Reserve’s announced plan to fight inflation.
- In “What’s a “CR”?” Director of Fiscal Policy Gordon Gray reviews what a CR is and notes Congress’ increasing reliance on the stopgap measure in past decades.
- In “The (Evident) Demise of the BBBA,” Holtz-Eakin discusses the potential for some of the BBBA’s provisions to be brought back to legislative life in other forms.
- In “Industrial Policy: America COMPETES Act and USICA,” Data and Policy Analyst Tom Lee reviews the key provisions of the House-introduced America COMPETES Act and the Senate-passed USICA—and highlights the inefficient federal interventions they share.

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