



The Daily Dish

# Policy Analysis, Congress-style

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(Full disclosure: I am writing this simply to silence the raging voices in my head.) Campaign season 2022 has barely commenced and I have already heard waaaaaay too many ads and speeches praising and condemning candidates, officeholders, and parties on their handling of the economy. You know the drill. “Most jobs created in the first year in office.” “Worst inflation in four decades.” And on, and on, and on.

You might be thinking: “That’s exactly the same as yesterday’s Eakinomics. He is soooo lazy that he’s just repeating it.” Wrong! I’m simply emulating the example set by our Congress and putting Eakinomics on a “continuing resolution,” where one simply keeps funding the *status quo*. Even though formulating a budget was supposed to happen prior to the start of the fiscal year on October 1, 2021, Congress has not passed the appropriation bills that match current priorities. The country is just on autopilot.

That’s brilliant. I also don’t see any reason why each Eakinomics should comment on current, relevant policy issues. It is just so hard thinking of original material, formulating complete sentences, and figuring out all those weird punctuation rules. Yesterday’s Eakinomics was great; let’s just do it again!

But wait! It gets even better (at least for me). Now Congress is [threatening to fail](#) to even stay on autopilot. It’s almost as if they were doing the easiest thing and then