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New Podcast Episode: The Debt Limit and the IRA's Medicare Part D Problem

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AAF products mentioned in today's episode:

- In "Congress on Drugs, Again," Holtz-Eakin examines the potential harms from proposed legislation to regulate pharmacy benefit managers.
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- In "Weekly Economic Tracker," Holtz-Eakin breaks down this week's economic news.
- In "The Fed Continues To Raise," Holtz-Eakin reviews the Federal Reserve's decision to continue raising interest rates to fight inflation.
- In "Climate Rule Spring Keeps Chugging Along," Director of Regulatory Policy Dan Goldbeck walks through this week's changes to the regulatory burden.
- In "The Inflation Reduction Act and Prescription Drug Plans: Incentives and Potential Responses," Holtz-Eakin walks through the IRA's key changes to Medicare Part D drug benefits and considers what plans may do in response.
- In "The IRA and Prescription Drug Plans," Holtz-Eakin walks through the IRA's changes to Medicare Part D.
- In "Drugs and the IRA Perverse Outcomes Update," Holtz-Eakin explores the problems with IRA drug negotiation provisions.

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