Why who holds the majority in Congress makes a difference for working people U.S. Senate Democrats now have a majority and choose committee chairs

U.S. Senate Committee	Current Democratic Chair	Probable Chair if Republicans Gain Control	
Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry	Debbie Stabenow, MI AFL-CIO Voting Record: 97%	Thad Cochran, MS AFL-CIO Voting Record: 15%	
Appropriations	Barbara Mikulski, MD AFL-CIO Voting Record: 95%	Richard Shelby, AL AFL-CIO Voting Record: 31%	
Budget	Patty Murray, WA AFL-CIO Voting Record: 92%	Jeff Sessions, AL AFL-CIO Voting Record: 12%	
Environmental and Public Works	Barbara Boxer, CA AFL-CIO Voting Record: 97%	David Vitter, LA AFL-CIO Voting Record: 18%	
Finance	Ron Wyden, OR AFL-CIO Voting Record: 90%	Orin Hatch, UT AFL-CIO Voting Record: 13%	
Judiciary	Patrick Leahy, VT AFL-CIO Voting Record: 89%	Chuck Grassley, IA AFL-CIO Voting Record: 15%	

U.S. House of Representatives Republicans now have a majority and choose committee chairs

U.S. House Committee	Current Republican Chair Probable Chair if Democra		
Appropriations	Harold Rogers, KY-5 AFL-CIO Voting Record: 20%	Nita Lawery, NY-17 AFL-CIO Voting Record: 95%	
Budget	Paul Ryan, WI-1 AFL-CIO Voting Record: 17%	Chris Van Hollen, MD-8 AFL-CIO Voting Record: 95%	
Science, Space and Technology	Lamar Smith, TX-21 AFL-CIO Voting Record: 10%	Eddie Bernice Johnson, TX-30 AFL-CIO Voting Record: 95%	
Financial Services	Jeb Hensarling, TX-5 AFL-CIO Voting Record: 5%	Maxine Waters, CA-43 AFL-CIO Voting Record: 98%	
Judiciary	Bob Goodlatte, VA-6 AFL-CIO Voting Record: 10%	John Conyers, MI-13 AFL-CIO Voting Record: 95%	
Ways and Means	Dave Camp, MI-4 AFL-CIO Voting Record: 12%	Sander Levin, MI-9 AFL-CIO Voting Record: 95%	