

Nev. benefits from last-minute congressional action

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By the skin of their teeth, congressional lawmakers passed a \$1 trillion budget through next summer, OK'd all military spending and approved a series of tax breaks.

Amid sometimes high-stakes drama, Congress got it all done in a flurry of last-minute legislating and back-room deals during the lame-duck session.

It was also Sen. Harry Reid's final few weeks as Senate majority leader. The Nevada Democrat will hand over power to Republicans when the new Congress takes over in January.

But Reid and the rest of the Nevada delegation made sure that plenty affecting Nevada made it into the final pieces of legislation of the 113th Congress – with at least one major caveat.

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