



HOUSE BUDGET COMMITTEE
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Biden’s Department of Labor *Ignores* Request for Improved Oversight of Costly Pandemic–Era Unemployment Insurance

WASHINGTON, D.C. – On February 5, 2024, the House Budget Committee Oversight Task Force (OTF) sent a [letter](#) to the Department of Labor (DOL) seeking clarification on how the agency **plans to address the mismanagement of pandemic Unemployment Insurance (UI) funds** no later than today, *March 18, 2024*.

DOL’s missed deadline comes a *week* after receiving the President’s Fiscal Year 2025 proposed budget, the Administration are requesting **\$313 million** in additional funding to UI to “modernize, protect, and strengthen” the program.

While promising to have DOL acknowledge the need to put an end to the practice of wasting taxpayer dollars on costly improper payments and to better protect Americans from becoming victims of fraud, **the Biden administration must execute these much-needed reforms in tandem with Congress—rather than doing so unilaterally.**

In the absence of providing the statutorily required transparency, House Budget OTF members will continue their commitment to unearthing the answers that American taxpayers, those responsible for any funding provided to this broken program, that they deserve.

The House Budget Committee intends to employ further necessary steps to ensure the executive branch is holding up its end of the bargain.

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