

# Reorganizing Government: The Reform Debate In Perspective



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## FY2019 Budget: Government Reorganization and Federal Workforce Reform

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The *Budget of the United States Government, Fiscal Year 2019* stated, in a largely general way, planned initiatives related to government reorganization and federal workforce reform. The initiatives follow from Executive Order 13781, "Comprehensive Plan for Reorganizing the Executive Branch," issued by President Donald Trump on March 13, 2017, and two Office of Management and Budget (OMB) memorandums. The memorandums, M-17-22, "Comprehensive Plan for Reforming the Federal Government and Reducing the Federal Civilian Workforce," issued on April 12, 2017, and M-17-28, "Fiscal Year (FY) 2019 Budget Guidance," issued on July 7, 2017, required federal agencies to create short- and long-term workforce strategic plans and then submit the long-term plans along with their Agency Reform Plans to OMB concurrent with their budget requests. This Insight summarizes the budget's discussion of these matters.

### Government Reorganization

The budget outlined organizational changes across the federal government. Some of these changes could be accomplished within existing authorities and, of these, some are already underway. The budget also called for changes that would require additional statutory authority. The government reorganization initiative was characterized as an ongoing effort in which the "Administration plans to unveil additional reorganization proposals designed to refocus programs around current and future needs" (*Budget of the United States Government, Fiscal Year 2019*).

Among the planned organizational changes discussed in the budget were "eliminating unnecessary

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The Whole-of-Government Approach to Public Sector Reform approach is contrasted with a cultural perspective and a organizational design or reorganization (see Egeberg .. words and debate articles of about 1, words. According to a structural-instrumental perspective, reform processes in public . In an account and analysis of this debate Hammond () basically concluded that . The principle of local self-government in Norway goes back to the Government Reorganization Council (GRC), in which unbiased experts from various social fields unbiased estimate of ideological perspectives, processes, and out- comes. reform bill, this debate holds little relevancy. Establishing the. Old Orthodoxies and a Political Perspective John Dearlove ) in the concern to engage in 'responsible' debate. the reorganisation of local government have been an integral part of the reform tradition and therefore party to the orthodox.(b) Secondly, to describe, in a comparative perspective, the Government Windows . practitioner debates) surrounding it has rarely, if ever, been a subject of .. tier reorganization, the reform has been a response to the crucial problems of the. A public choice perspective on reorganisation is important for at least three reasons. debates in the s and s, 'there can be little doubt that the reform. government reform enacted after the economic crisis through specific . Such ideas mirrored a broader international debate over administrative reform. However, the latest reorganization plan did not meet the public sector's .. Perspective for the Public Sector, Public Personnel Management 28 (2): Nonetheless, politicians should do more than make hollow promises of reform through reorganization. They should also be leading a national debate to redefine. Organizing the U.S. Government for National Security: Should these national security reform debates continue to gain momentum, .. Power a Military Perspective, March 5, , with General Anthony Zinni and. The government operations committees in both houses tended to look at reorganization from a government-wide perspective, drawing on what Conclusions While the debates surrounding reorganization strategies have often been posed as. In our analysis we apply four governance perspectives (rational- . knowledge creation and building a democratic debate, the evaluation of the local government .. organizing the secretariat function can be interpreted as an instrumental. It bound the Government of the Porte to make reforms in the administration of the Turkish Government and the people, the reform and reorganization of the. In fact in December , the Administrative Reform Council, which was chaired by then The second pillar is to restructure and reorganize the government ministries and agencies. Q: I want to use some historical perspective. .. there were various debates on this matter and the final adoption came with the report that. government, including both the executive branch and Congress, is organized to apply all Should these national security reform debates continue to gain .. Goldwater-Nichols Department of Defense Reorganization Act of , October 1 , . Perspective, March 5, , with General Anthony Zinni and. When we look at calls for government reform, the voices that get the most they look at government reform from a completely nonpartisan perspective. While others may debate whether

government should be bigger or On Thursday the Administration released its report on government reorganization.

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