BGR REVIEW

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MIDTERM UPDATE

With 11 days until Election Day, BGR's latest State of Play shows a challenging environment for Republicans. President Trump's approval sits at 38.3%, and Democrats lead the generic ballot by 8.3 points, mirroring 2018. More than 12.6 million early votes have been cast. Democrats are favored in 214 House seats, with 21 toss-ups, while the Senate is split 47–46 with seven competitive races. Republicans hold the fundraising edge, and the President is campaigning across seven states this week.

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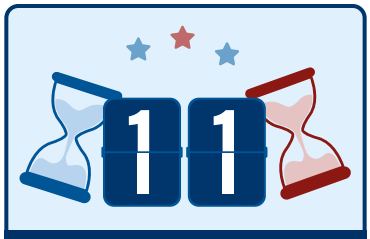

DAYS UNTIL NOV. 3

HOUSE AND SENATE COMMITTEES LOOKAHEAD

BGR's House and Senate Committee Lookaheads preview potential leaders, party ratios, and expected vacancies heading into the 120th Congress. Both chambers face a crowded agenda, including the Farm Bill, the NDAA, surface transportation reauthorization, AI policy, FDA user fees, and expanded oversight of the administration.

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Aide to Gov. Barbour, *Founding Partner*
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